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### "UNTIL THE DAYBREAK."

A human soul went forth into the night,  
Shutting behind it Death's mysterious door,  
And shaking off with strange resistless might  
The dust that once it wore.  
So swift its flight, so suddenly it sped—  
As when by skillful hands a bow is bent  
The arrow flies—those watching 'round the bed  
Marked not the way it went.

Heavy with grief, their aching, tear-dimmed eyes  
Saw but the shadow fall, and knew not when  
Or in what fair and unfamiliar guise  
It left the world of men.

It broke from sickness that with iron bands  
Had bound it fast for many a grievous day;  
And love itself, with its restraining hands,  
Might not its course delay.

Space could not hold it back with fettering bars  
Time lost its power, and ceased at last to be;  
It swept beyond the boundry of the stars,  
And touched eternity.

Out from the house of mourning faintly lit,  
It passed upon its journey all alone;  
So far that thought could scarcely follow it  
Into realms unknown.

Through the clear silence of the moonless dark,  
Leaving no footprints on the road it trod;  
Straight as an arrow cleaving to its mark,  
The soul went home to God.  
"Alas," they cried, "he never saw the morn,  
But fell asleep, outworned with the strife."  
Nay, rather, he arose and met the  
Everlasting life.

WESTMINSTER.

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Slander would starve and die if nobody took it in and gave it lodging. There are so many open mouths because there are so many open ears. If you listen to a slander you are equally guilty with the one who tells, and an old writer says they both ought to be hung—the one by the tongue, the other by the ear. He or she who tells you the faults of others will tell others your faults.

## "I AM."

(CONTINUED.)

**M**OSESES, in the later day, with his mind clouded by the reasoning of the human, and the weakness of the same, failed to perceive in all its fullness, the supporting power behind him. Still, he never forgot the wonderful demonstration of the awful words.

Remember I use the word "awful" not as something with terror in it, but with the awesomeness, the immensity of the potency that resides in those two words.

If the vibration of manifestation is strong enough, the vibration itself will convey a thousand-fold more than the thought force can. Even the words: "I AM" pronounced over and over again with due solemnity, will bring results you hardly dream of. Try it some time. Try it when you are in need of a friend as never needed before. When in need of potency as never before, repeat these two words slowly and emphatically: "I AM! I AM!" and try to think how much they mean. Within their vibration is held the potency of all existence. The slow, onward moving of the vibrations will conquer terrific opposition. The persistence in the holding power, when you feel the surging of the waves, the dashing of the storm, the flashing of the lightning and the roaring of the thunder, and all human things seem parting from under you, then let your thought go out, saying: "I am success, not only existence but success, and the thing most desired is granted me because, of right, it belongs to, and is me, because, if 'I am success,' and if 'I am,' in the first place, I hold within myself every other thing."

Suppose, going into a seed store I take up a handful of miscellaneous seeds. They have been mixed in the bins some way. Holding them in my hand, one of the seeds is large, another is very tiny, there are all the other sizes between. As I look at them, there are no signs of manifestation upon them, but I know that within every single seed there lies the germ of life. The germ unfolded in manifestation and the germ of life is precisely alike in every one of them because it is existence. It is the "I am" of manifestation. But I know still further, one of these seeds, if planted and properly cared for, produces, a modest violet, another a gaudy sunflower. The manifestation is entirely different. But the manifestation locked up within the seeds, though entirely different as all the balance of the earth can be, they were held at the first within the vibrating sound of the "I AM," the Ever-Existent. As within all manifestation hid this difference at the first, as is ever held within the "I am," so within ourselves, as the "I am" of ourselves, the result of our sending, of our being commissioned to do this, that, and the other. The very idea that the "I am hath sent" us, endows us with the power of the I am. Within lies the germ of all unfolding, manifestation, life, possibility, and probability. It depends upon us individually, to put our finger, so to speak, on the particular point we desire to develop, then there shall come to us, either the violet in all its beauty, the sunflower, or anything interme-

ciate. Whatever we dwell upon in the "I am" and with the "I am" feeling, will develop itself if we dwell upon it sufficiently long, and hence, that which has been developed by the pronunciation, the enunciation and the potency of the "I am," will move forward to accomplishment. I am-as certain of it as I am of talking to you to-night.

How shall I prove the truth of what I say? There is but one place I know. Our Most Ancient Elder Brother of Galilee told us to go into our closets and when we had shut the door, to "talk with the Father" and the Father would answer; the Father who is the Silence; the Father who is the I AM from everlasting to everlasting. How shall we come into this Silence? How shall we come to the place where there shall be absolute stillness? If we could build for ourselves a closet even in the physical plane it would be better for many of us.

It was but a little while ago I read a description, or heard a description, of a closet used by a man, who is considered an authority as a scientist. It is separated from the outer world by three galleries, a room within a room. This room within a gallery, and the gallery held and surrounded by another gallery, so that absolutely every outside sound is cut off--nothing from the outer visible can reach him. Here, shut off from all distracting sounds and vibrations, he has learned to come to the place, where the stillness of the small voice that tells of the Unseen, the unpronounceable, the infinite and the Eternal, the Omniscient, the Omnipotent and the Omnipresent, tells over, and over, and over the things wonderful to hear. Things wonderful to experience and receive.

Those who have the ability to translate into common language, all that is thus heard are taken up into the third heaven. Whether in the body or out of the body, makes no difference. Inspired by the "I am" the words and credentials, bear the truth in the words expressed.

The absolute silence is not always the absence of sound, but it is the absence of vibration. When we cease to vibrate we disappear from personal sense. If every atom of the body could be held motionless, without a single fraction of motion of any kind, it would disappear from view as absolutely as did our Most Ancient Elder Brother of Galilee, time and time again. The old stories and legends in books of the Wise Ones, of those having a cloak, when they put it on, covered them entirely from the view of their fellows, is no myth. It is no idle tale. This cloak is the cloak of absolute stillness. It is this Silence in which the "I AM" dwells. There is no opposition, no conflict, no crossing of the wires, so to speak, in this stillness, not even a reflection of that which might have been at the time or previously.

In closing, I want to say to you something enforcing the idea, of the phrase "I AM." We have said, and heard it said, thousands of times: "He who knows the Father, he who lives close to the Father, He who lives in God hath all power." He who lives in God is commissioned by the "I AM." It is only when he is baptized by the fullness of the conception, that "I AM" exists, and the existence holds within itself everything else, that man has come to the place, where he can fully manifest his own unfolding and the search is finished. we become that which the Everlasting and Existent designed us to be, gods in our own right.

AND I would have you, for a week at least, often during the day, hold in your minds the phrase: "I AM." My word for it, as it passes through your minds with a solemn tone of vibration, like the music of an organ in a great cathedral, your success will be assured. You will pass from the condition of timidity and fear, up, up into regions where you will grow sturdier and stronger; at the last to walk on thrones. Power lies beneath your feet. The declaration of power given into the hands of those who believe, will be verified in their own body, mentality and spirit. You will truly become "I AM," omnipotent for all purposes of accomplishment on the physical plain.

(ONE OF THE MAGI.)

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## FULL MOON MEETING FOR FEBRUARY.

Home Temple, 4006 Grand Boul'd, Chicago.  
FULL MOON MEETING, JAN. 29, 1899.

**W**E missed the familiar face and kindly greeting of the Elder Brother, but the ready presence of the Second Elder Brother helped to fill the gap.

The call to order by the Master of Ceremonies, was promptly responded to.

Having been notified that the San Francisco Knots would have a special session, and wishing to be en rapport with the Brotherhood, we sought to unite and strengthen the current by concentration on: "I am one with the Existent." This was followed by repetition of the mantram.

Brother Sawin made the address of the evening. His text: "Love is the Fulfilling of the Law," was presented in a practical and interesting manner.

The truth is, we find the Brotherhood is to be congratulated in having so much material to draw from in emergency.

Reading of the Scribe's report preceded the remarks of the members present. The experiences of the month had not been out of the ordinary for many; for others, it had been pressed full and running over.

Severity of the weather prevented the usual full attendance. But those who braved the cold felt fully repaid, not only in receiving, but also in the consciousness of added strength and harmony.

The first chapter of a book is often the hardest to read. Comparatively, there are few books where the centering of interest is immediate. But even the preface, the very beginning of the book of '99 has been filled with things of vital importance. As we approach the closing of the first chapter, the interest continues to in-

crease, and we are almost impatient to know the next step of unfolding.

The month began under the light of the Full Moon, its light also glorifies its speeding days. The smaller cycle ends as it began, in light. This is another illustration of how the lesser is contained within the greater.

The Moon is the reflected light of the Sun. So is man the image and reflection, the likeness of the ONE. The Moon, in its journey through the heavens does not reflect equally at all times, nor does man. But "The ONE reigns forever," even as the Sun, His symbol in manifestation, shines continuously.

So we seek at this point in these meetings, to so strengthen ourselves by the potency coming from the light, that we may not falter in the darkness following. In other words, we want to learn how to be self-filling reservoirs.

In the absence of the Elder Brother, the support of the members has been particularly gratifying. Neither have they been unrewarded for their faithfulness.

We, at the Home Temple, are particularly favored at this time in the strong and helpful presence of Mme de Bielski.

The work out of town is broadening and growing steadily.

New Year's greetings continue to be received from many different quarters. They hardly form a part of the report, and want of space will not permit of reproduction of individual letters, but they show an ever deepening interest, of the non-resident members, in the welfare and activities of the work at Headquarters. The current of loving thoughtfulness directed toward us, has been very helpful. Earnest thought expressed by others, is a step toward the attainment of success. The next is to recognize we are success. The statement "to recognize is to possess" seems simple, yet it in-

volve so much, that when we shall have reached its comprehension in a small degree, we may then have touched the key unlocking the door into Infinite realms.

The report from San Francisco Knots always brings fragrance of loving remembrance and the strengthening of earnest purpose.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1st, '99.

The first meeting of the year convened, with fair attendance. The session opened as usual with the Buddah chant, followed by reading from "The Perfect Way" by the Master of Ceremonies, succeeded by meditation.

The Invisible Section then gave many useful hints in regard to the work of the Knots.

Following of personality, was shown to be the root of delusion, in the conception of spiritual things. Also the reiteration of defamatory talk was considered a retarding force in development. Coming in harmonious touch with the Invisible, was thought to be a necessary condition for execution of the work of the Brotherhood. To unfold the inner nature was also the admonition.

Next in order was concentration on the Brotherhood mantram.

After the reading of the various reports and announcements, the meeting adjourned as usual.

O. GILBERT, Scribe.

The Leadville Knots report four applications for membership. Also the transfer of the name of Brother Reinholdt Rosendorf to the roll of Knot 10. The funeral service was conducted by the members of the Knot, the earnest simplicity adding much to its impressiveness. The last Full Moon Meeting was uplifting and instructive.

Brother Hennemann, of Pensacola, Fla., under date of January 3rd, takes occasion to report for two months, as follows:

DEAR BROTHERS AND COMRADES:

I sat in the Silence for Full Moon Meeting in December with much pleasure and enjoyment. Sunday night, January 1st, while I did not experience any visible signs, I felt uplifted in mind and spirit.

Unintentionally, some of the letters sent in for a previous report, were misplaced and consequently omitted from the monthly report. Do not let this interfere with your writing again. Remember it is largely upon the written word we depend for news of your well-being and continued interest. A cheerful note may be a sunbeam to help some one else over a dark place.

MARY E. APPELGATH, Scribe.

## WISDOM.

It matters not what others tell,  
God gives to all for common Good,  
Each draws his own from Love's deep well,  
And soul and body find its food,  
There is no time for sighs and tears,  
No time for folly, or for fears.  
Your duty, child, lies by the way,  
Just live it out from day to day.

To slights or scorn give no reply,  
Just pass such troubled shadows by  
With sunny heart and merry voice  
Bid friend and foe alike rejoice.  
And as you sow the seeds of Good  
Again you'll reap for life and food,  
And prove the lesson each must learn,  
The tide that's out will sure return.

ANNA W. GOULD.

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## LIGHT ON THE SCIENCE OF ASTROLOGY.

(CONTINUED.)

WITHIN our Circle of Twelve we build our Pyramid, symbol of the Universe; Fire, the Eternal Light and Almighty God; our Square, symbol of the Spirit of Love becoming manifest through the Soul; our Cross, symbol of the natural man, reaching out for experience; our five pointed star symbol of the intellectual man, reaching out for knowledge; and the six pointed star, symbol of the regenerate man Jesus; while the twelve pointed star signifies the Christ.

We may then demonstrate within the circle the fundamentals of geometry, mathematics and number—for every known cube, every known angle; every known principle is therein contained.

Every circle, be it that which limits our comprehension of the Universe, or that which describes the atom in circumference is composed of 360°—the points 360°, 90°, 180° and 270°, let us form our square—then from the same angles let us make our Cross—this gives us our four prime angles for measurement of time and space; our points of compass—South, East, West, and North; our mid-Heaven, Ascendant, Descendant and Nadir of our Horoscope; the four corners of the earth; the four seasons, and esoterically the four cherubims, the four seraphims; the four mighty elders; the four rivers that flowed from the garden of Eden, which may be found in the center of our square; the four great Kings, the four prophets of the Old Testament; the four gates of the city of New Jeru-





## THOUGHTS FOR THE NEW YEAR.

In comradeship of soul, of purpose, and love, we face, as one, the season known among men as the New Year, tenderly, prayerfully, eagerly watching the unfoldment of the Lotus bud within the ego; the enlargement of that exquisite consciousness which at times unfolds us within the mystery of its rare delight, sweeping the thrilling sense like the touch of an angel's wing. Blessed comradeship! how sweet, how united is that love which is born of the consonance of exalted thought.

"Soul of my soul" whispers the lover, yet closer than any bond of personal love or affinity, magnetic or even spiritual, must be the depth and sweetness of a common love, and a common search for the ineffable beauty of Truth, and the immortal truth of beauty. For, when the alluring vestments of material appearances and of physical sense have faded, there shall remain the thought eternal, the soul growth indestructable, the love spiritual, which are as the fragrance borne on the wings of the morning, more exquisite than the rose leaf cheek of the maiden, or the supple roundness of youth, the warmth of the noontide of the Silence of Truth, which is sweeter than the honey-comb of passion and the spice of kisses.

And lo! the eventide of human love, it is often chill, with no imperishable essence of Spirit to feed the dying flame, and the truth of Love; of the real soul-affinity, is indeed the dewy hush of Nature, wherein, as on the sacrificial altar, is laid the thrush's vesper song, the sunset's ruby flush, the incense-breath of flowers, ere gleams afar the message of the twilight star. These, the garnerings of the day, the achievement of the soul in the auric and etheric essences of the uncreated.

So may the day of Truth, the blessed reality of Beauty, the consecrated knowledge of the Love Divine, and a greater nearness to the ONE, stirring one by one the potent days of the New Year into which we have passed, upon its mystic rosary. The rosary that shall count out the old cycle, and usher in the new, while over all, and in all, and through all, dwells the Majesty Unmeasured—the sword of the law that is two-edged; for the truth and against error, yet full of tenderness and compassion unspeakable. And so may light, and truth, and love, be with us all. Amen.

E. H. HASTINGS.

## KEEP A-GOIN'!

If you strike a thorn or Rose,  
Keep a-goin'!  
If it hails or if it snows,  
Keep a-goin'!  
'Taint no use to sit and whine,  
When the flash ain't of your line;  
Bait your hook and keep on tryin'.  
Keep a-goin'!

When the weather kills your crop,  
Keep a-goin'!  
When you tumble from the top,  
Keep a-goin'!  
S'pose you're out of every dime,  
Gottin' broke ain't any crime;  
Toll the world you're feelin' primo!  
Keep a-goin'!

When it looks like all is up,  
Keep a-goin'!  
Drain the sweetness from the cup,  
Keep a-goin'!  
See the wild bird on the wing!  
Hear the bells that sweetly ring!  
When you fool like singin'—sing!  
Keep a-goin'!

F. S. CHANDLER.

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## LIFE GIVING.

The body depends for its vitality on the living currents of Universal Being. These living currents are the pure air we breathe, the vital essences of pure food, and the vitalizing currents of friendship, brotherly love, and the good that comes from all things well done. No one can have perfect control of his mind and body until he conforms to the harmonious laws that govern the assimilation of these vital currents by his being.

The Science of Life is to know how to breathe, eat, think, feel and act, in harmony with Divine Law. When this is done he cannot die, for there is a continual inflowing of vitalizing, life-giving essence.

The living currents are involved in every act and thought that conveys a consciousness of joy to your being. Let memory bring back and keep with you the thoughts of love, hope and trust that animated your being when life was young to you, and your body will renew its vigor, and all that you do will give satisfaction and life.

Thoughts of hatred and inharmony cause the vegetative currents—the dark elements of decay—to enter the being and generate disease, disasters and death. Thus we see that life and death may be in one's own keeping. I myself am the Lord of Life or the Devil of Death.

LUCY A. MALLORY.

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"Mysteries Unveiled," by W. A. Redding, bound in cloth \$1.00, paper, 50c. The author of this book says in a letter to the editor:

"You cannot understand this book until you first learn that we, Anglo-Saxons are the Lost Ten Tribes of Israel, while the Jews are Judah."—Jer. 30, 3.

Thus he gives the key to the whole book.

We quote as follows from the first chapter: "You must know that the redemption of mankind is to take place *here on earth*, and that it is already commenced with great force and velocity, while dead men are walking around arguing that the tariff, or free trade,

or paper money, or some other imaginary thing is washing our foundation from under us. They see not that it is the River of Life turned on, and that it is running through and around the Tree of Life, washing the rubbish away. The Tree of Life is mankind planted in the center of God with his powerful Spirit running through and around them; therefore, the trashy stuff now piled up around men and nations is being torn away by the irresistible River. Jesus was in the middle of the River, and this is why He said: 'The Father in Me, and I am in the Father.' All willing mankind, is (eventually) to come into the middle of this River, here on earth; and by producing facts, figures, dates and places, I hope to break your false ideas about wanting to be buried and go away to see God when God is here."

We are sure that this will speak more forcibly the idea the author wishes to give, than anything we are able to add. It is for sale by the author, W. A. Redding, Navarre, Kansas.

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"The Golden Age Cook Book," by Henrietta Latham Dwight, Price \$1.25. This book is beautifully gotten up in green and gold binding, heavy paper, and well printed in plain, large type. It contains many delicious recipes, some of which the editors of THE HERMETICIST have already tested, therefore can speak with knowledge of their toothsome quality.

In words of the author: "This little book is sent out into the world first, to aid those who having decided to adopt a bloodless diet, are still asking how they can be nourished without flesh. Second, in the hope of gaining something further to protect "the speechless ones" who, having come down through the centuries under the dominion of man, have in their eyes the mute, appealing look of the helpless and oppressed."

This book is the best we have seen on its special subject. Address Alliance Publishing Co., 19-21, W 31st St., New York.

"New Thought Essays," by Charles Brodie Patterson, price \$1.00. This book comes to us as one of the most beautiful of the season. It is bound in linen, burnt orange in color, with silver ornamentation.

The author pictures life as a journey, with many roads, all of which lead to one goal. He tries to show that man, if he would, might understand the laws of life aright, and through conforming and obedience attain to both health and happiness, in the immediate present.

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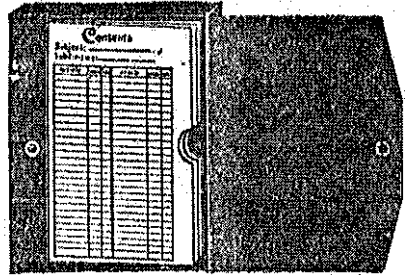
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