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LIGHT OF AGES.

[ACROSTICAL.]

HELEN STUART RICHINGS.

Like to the sun, whose rays doth shine
Into the ways most dear,
Give forth thy beams, O Sun of Truth!
Hearts darkened, sad, to cheer;
That men may know and worship thee,
O Truth! without a fear.
From Lookout's lofty crown send forth
A ray of light divine;
Give courage to thy messengers,
Each life feed thou with thine;
So, Light of Ages, shine.

Believing, Prof. Swarts, that you are a sincere lover of Truth, an earnest worker in her interests, and a consistent upholder of her banner, I note with great pleasure your return to the field of spiritual literature. Those who are the embodiments of living Truth, are the warriors whose prowess is felt, and against whose armour all shafts fall harmless.

I know "Old Lookout" well, and think you have chosen one of the loveliest spots in Nature's wide domain for your Institute and

Sanitarium. There, in the sweet, pure pine-scented air, nature lays her hand in kindest touch upon the spirit of man, and, with the winsome voice of her leafy retreats, whispers the secret of Life to him.

May the LIGHT OF AGES, shining from the mountain top, prove a beacon to all in darkness; may it cheer and guide all seeking the haven of health, purity and peace.

Grand Rapids, Mich.

Written for Light of Ages.

DAWNING LIGHT.

PROF. JOSEPH RODES BUCHANAN, M. D.

No better title than the LIGHT OF AGES could be selected to express a publication that will represent that incoming light of the future, which is now shining faintly through the darkness of the past that still surrounds us, and will continue shining until it is all dispelled.

It is important to familiarize the public mind with the great fact that we are in a

changing, a dawning period; that we should look forward instead of backward; that in looking backward we hinder the progress of evolution, and that the farther back in time any doctrine, system or custom locates its origin, the more certainly is it involved in ignorance and error. In the past ages of the world's childhood, superstition and ignorance, fraud, force and ferocity have been dominant, and every attempt of the angel world to reach and elevate mortals has been fiercely repelled. The brutal murders of the Roman coliseum, and the written horrors of the witchcraft and heretical burnings, reaching almost within a century of our own time, make a picture from which the soul recoils in horror.

But the age of freedom has begun, therefore the age of heavenly love and peace is to follow. The old altars must disappear. We need not fear the iconoclast; we need not fear to demolish and bury the insignia and forms of the past, for we can rebuild upon the ruins more wisely than our ancient fathers did. The Liberty Bell must "ring out the old, ring in the new," and every honest, outspoken enthusiast adds to the moral power of progress and the beneficent changes.

Kansas City, Mo.

Written for *Light of Ages*.

LIGHT OF THE MOUNTAIN.

ELEANOR S. HAY.

MR. EDITOR: I am glad to know that you are still in the good work. I hope you may be greatly prospered in the work to which you are truly devoting your life and energies. I trust that your most sanguine expectations may be realized, and that your choice of Lookout Mountain may prove to be a divine call, a leading and a selection in wisdom.

I trust that as Moses on Sinai received "patterns," or plans for the multitudes below, so you may be led truly of God, and "that the mountains of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountain, and all nations shall flow unto it."

Surely the location that you have selected, indicates spiritual progression on your part, for mountain signifies the celestial principle

of the Lord; also the good of love and charity, and you have chosen a mountain for your enterprise and home.

We are also taught that the angels who constitute the heavenly hosts in the spiritual world, dwell, for the most part in elevated places, which appear from the ground as mountains. Let us hope that this natural elevation of your new home may typify or represent a spiritual elevation of mind, which will bring to you an increase of light and wisdom for the great work of healing, and of teaching the great Truth, to which you have consecrated your best days.

The name given to you for your new magazine is decidedly a good name. May it prove the true *Light of Ages* that is to come. It is right to attribute the giving of the name to God through His angels, for all power of thought, as well as all life and strength come from Him.

May the blessing of God and all good angels rest upon your work for the sick and needy.

Written for *Light of Ages*.

DIVINE, OR OMNI SCIENCE.

O. P. RICE, M. D., PH. D.

PROF. A. J. SWARTS: Before writing on my theme, let me say, The location for your Absent healing and Absent teaching Institute, is admirable, and is suggestive of that wonderful inspiration from God which enthused brave soldiers in the famous and world-renowned "Battle above the clouds" on Lookout Mountain.

Lookout Institute is to be led, by the inspiration of Science, to fight the battle above and over the clouds of darkness, ignorance, superstition, bigotry, sickness, sin and death; until its looking out over the earth, draws all men unto it. "If I be lifted up I will draw all men unto me." Your institution is lifted up materially and I feel confident it will be the means ordained of God for the uplifting of the Nations.

The name of your magazine is well chosen and significant. *LIGHT OF AGES*. There is a wonderful power in words. Solo

mon says, "There is life and death in the power of the tongue."

There is certainly life in these words. The Light of Ages is the Life of the world.

You must have been directed of God and the angels to select that title, for it gives you the greatest liberty to select Light from all ages and people, and to send its scintillations of Life over the world in waves of joy and health. May the All Good crown the efforts you are making for the race, and may you see the rich fruits you so much desire.

But to my subject: Science, that means Truth; a classified arrangement of demonstrated facts.

OMNI SCIENCE, All the truths culled from all ages and times by wise men and philosophers, and the essence of those truths arranged in a manner to be taught and easily comprehended by the minds of all. An understanding of Divine Truth; a knowledge of who and what you are; what God is, and your true relationship thereto. It embraces, at once, the profoundest philosophies, the purest ethics, the highest religious concept, and the surest system of cure ever presented to humanity. It is the science of Being, perception, and the understanding of the I AM in me. This is the true Science of Life. It is that for which philosophers have sought in vain.

Paul shouted: "Awake! thou that sleepest." Divine Science ought to be shouted from church and college, from hill-top and valley; in workshops, mills and stores; and in peals of thunder reverberated from mountain peak and crag, from plain and prairie, from ocean to ocean, until mankind awake from delusion, sin, sickness and death.

The ancient sacred books contain many prophecies, and among them is one that sometime a religion would be taught on the earth, imbuing its followers with miracle-working efficiency. This religion was taught by Jesus the Christ, and it had numerous followers who performed many marvelous works. But those followers did not comprehend nor did they teach his religion in a scientific manner. They did not fully understand nor teach the

doctrines as the Christ taught them. He proclaimed that evil and death were to be overcome. Had they done so, the poor apology for a religion which we have had for the past thousand years, would never have existed; but in its place there would have been the principles of the Scientific or Wisdom religion, with the world so far advanced in understanding, as not to require the inadequate religious teachings of today. It has remained to Divine Science to take up the principles of that prophetic religion, to formulate its principles and precepts upon a scientific basis, capable of being taught to simplest minds, so that very young persons can understand it, and perform marvelous cures.

Modern theologians have, in substance, taught that God created good and evil and that he is a conglomerate mixture of each, which is an impossibility, an unthinkable think. They delude their flocks into the belief that pain, sickness, sin and death are realities. That God puts all these afflictions on the human family.

What a doctrine! It is the greatest lie ever promulgated, as it contradicts, even impeaches, the character of the Supreme, omnific God, or Good. It seeks to turn a kind, good, loving, truthful Father into a monster! Never in the history of this planet, has all things taken on the thrilling, stirring, and changing conditions of active, glorious, vivifying Life, as at the present.

Common theology has made a covenant with death, for it teaches that we must die in order to find true happiness, or that ecstatic bliss held out by ancient seers. The ministry has forgotten to hold Truth up as God, and as that only which can save. While it is Truth that makes us free, it means that God makes us free from sin, disease or the delusion called death. Science, or the understanding of God, will state anew the great principles which the Christ taught for the salvation that equally includes the soul and body. Science is the interpreter. It is "Immanuel, God with us."

Kansas City, Mo.

Written for Light of Ages.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF HEALING.

ADDISON DARRE CRAWTREE, M. D.



THE Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He hath anointed me to preach good tidings to the needy; He hath sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recover sight to the blind, and those who are bruised. To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord."

Such were the significant words read by the Great Teacher of Nazareth, standing in the little synagogue of his town on that memorable Sabbath which marks the birthday of that obscure mountain village.

The education of this quiet student of Nature had been so gradual during the thirty years of his home-life among those ignorant, hence unappreciative people; and his dear life had been so quiet and unostentatious, that, on this sacred hour of his complete development and announcement, they were struck with amazement. "The graciousness of His word which proceeded out of His mouth," as he sat and discoursed before them, at first filled them with delight. "Why, this is one of us—the carpenter's son, and they all bear witness to his words of grace." But when he proceeded farther to claim that the words of the prophet, just quoted, related to himself, they began to question him and even grew angry at his pretentious claims. Then with that quiet, but scathing irony, which the Jews knew so well how to exhibit, and which the Master very many times seemed forced to use in retaliation; he turned upon them, comparing them to the slothful people of Elijah's and Elisha's time, and their neglect of proffered opportunity, which cut them to the quick.

What followed? Instead of waiting to see the glory of the Lord revealed in this young man, or examining into his merits as the long expected and much needed deliverer, they rose in a body, dragged him from the

church, and would have destroyed him in their bigoted zeal, had he not in the turmoil escaped out of their hands.

There is an auspicious moment in the life of every human being who has risen to eminence, when he seems to have stepped out of his former self into that higher plane to which he was ordained from the beginning of the world. At least it seems so planned. This was the auspicious moment in the life of Jesus, the acme of his great development.

And how did the people of his home receive him? They lost the grandest opportunity ever offered to an insignificant city to exalt itself to eternal fame and glory!

What Jesus afterward did in other cities, willing to receive him, is a matter of eternal record, but Nazareth had none of it. She went into everlasting disgrace! And what Jesus inaugurated in the way of instructing and healing the people, wherever he went—and such wonderful cures the world never before witnessed—he also instructed his disciples in performing. Yea, "Even greater things than these," he assured them they should do.

And in order to heal the sick, "cast out evil diseases"—and all disease is evil and not good—those disciples had to be instructed in the way to be developed, just as Jesus had been, till able to cope with the monster disease, and when they suddenly found themselves able to cast them out, they were more astonished at their own power than those whom they healed.

Neither did Jesus *create* this healing power; it was a force of Nature, which he revealed and developed. It is still in the world and may be used and developed to almost supernatural extent, and applied to the restoration of the sick everywhere. The one requisite to this Healing success, is evident. It was lost to the Nazareth people because that they had no *FAITH*, hence were unfaithful. Let the sick and suffering ponder these things, and seize upon them in faith, and they shall be healed of their most malignant diseases.

Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass.

Written for Light of Ages.

YOU ARE WELCOMED.

O LIGHT OF AGES, lambent flame!
Translucent splendor, and a name
For God's pure love, a beacon given,
A light divine, a lamp of heaven.

In the name of Truth we welcome to our midst the fearless editor who faces the wave of public prejudice, and establishes the new publication on our beautiful mountain.

Long years we have waited to enter the outlying fields of wisdom, which allure us with the persuasive voice of Infinite love. If we may not work as we would, we may at least welcome those who profess to be working for the true uplifting of the race. We will read you, LIGHT OF AGES, and then judge of your purpose in hand.

This modern Ararat shall rise above the waves of superstition, and here a fortification will rest, as, on the mount of old the ark of safety found its high repose above waters which threatened, but retired through Divine behest.

With one so well fitted to wield the pen and carry forward the work of humanity, there will yet from this mountain height shine forth the living light of Truth baptizing those in darkness and death. Words are inadequate to express our gratitude to one whose courage is such as inspired martyrs, for this young child's life, or opening work, will meet even here the fiercest opposition and strife.

May the good work be sustained, and may the hungry and afflicted find in the Lookout Institute and Sanitarium, that health and peace of soul which God will surely give to all who seek its shades, its quiet, and its high knowledge of healing and science. We also welcome all such, for here they will find health.

EDNA DEPUÉ.

Lookout Mountain, Tenn.

To Editor, Light of Ages.

SALUTATORY.

PROF. E. W. BALDWIN.

DEAR FRIEND SWARTS: I have just learned of your location on Lookout Mountain. May the gods be with you! You cer-

tainly are worthy a high place, and of as high help as possible. How well I remember when you established the *Mental Science Magazine* in Chicago, in 1884. What a vast amount of good it did; how much new light it brought to thousands of hungry souls, and sick bodies! Now, to see you following up the good work with increased facilities, a richer experience, and, in a location, this time, so attractive and salubrious, is a joy demanding shouts.

In an editorial chair you always were at home. I want your new magazine, and if you are half as interesting and progressive in rich thought as formerly, I shall be a thousand times paid.

You are well adapted to the vocation of Absent healing, also to the imparting of instructions absently, for your expressions being free from ambiguity, are concise; your sentences are clear, and easy of comprehension.

Thousands will hail your new magazine with delight. Allow me to congratulate you on the appropriate selection of its title. I am sure that by it, you mean a contrast of the present and near future, with the past.

We look back fifty years with wonder at the progress made in the appliances of life, in art and material science, in railroad, telegraphy, navigation, electric lights, sewing machines, architecture, vegetable foods, etc., and now shall the healing art stand still? It, too, is changing and improving. The homeopath of today will not tolerate the gross nostrums of the allopath, and, we are passing on to healing forces and powers higher and more powerful than the attenuations of Homeopathy. You are one of the human instruments used to advance these higher and grander forces, and may God speed you in the glorious labor.

Chicago, Ill.

To Editor Light of Ages.

FRATERNAL WORDS.

DR. CHARLES W. CLOSE, PH. D.

PROF. A. J. SWARTS: I am pleased to learn that you are again to occupy the editorial chair.

While the *Mental Science Magazine* was

under your editorial management it was without exception, the best magazine of its class in existence.

In bringing the same energy and broad-minded management to the editorial chair of the *LIGHT OF AGES*, you will undoubtedly keep it true to its name, and this new light in the firmament will reveal the grand truths of progressive science to multitudes of earnest seekers.

I am pleased to know that *LIGHT OF AGES* is to take liberal ground on all progressive subjects and systems, and especially so in handling the subject of *MIND-CURE*, and that it will not ignore scientific truth at the bidding of any narrow minded school or sect. *RATIONAL MIND-CURE* has a basis in true science, and when rightly understood does not conflict with other truths of science.

It will give me pleasure to contribute, from time to time, articles on the reasonable side of this great subject, in which I shall endeavor to show that instead of antagonizing reason, it is the most reasonable method of healing that has been discovered.

I think the name *LIGHT OF AGES* is well chosen. May it shed abroad the light of Truth to this and succeeding ages.

Bangor, Me.

Written for *Light of Ages*.

MAN'S ABSOLUTE POWER.

T. J. SPENCER, M.D.

We believe that all power is vested in man, and that man has a latent force of which he little dreams. The real man is Spirit, and in this we find the Absolute. The physical is not the real or the ego. There is one Spirit of which each of us is a part. We are to this one what the rays of light are to the sun. The ray is not the sun, still it is a part of it. We are portions of the Great Spirit, as the rivulet is part of the ocean. Then, being a part of the one Spirit, we have access to the entire, and draw from it as Source. "I am the vine, ye are the branches." The branch being a part of the vine, draws all needed supply from its source. Once in true understanding, man knows that he has this power within his real self.

If mankind knew these powers, then how soon might it be said of them, "Ye are Gods." As a race we are gradually unfolding; but, as yet, we are only in the vestibule of knowledge — we are going toward it. Our faces are toward wisdom, and every step we take is in that direction.

Mankind, like unripened fruit, is a reservoir of undeveloped good. We speak of persons growing old as soon as they are not quite as green as they were in their primary portion of life. They are not old, but only ripened into more of a man or a woman.

I am often asked the question: "Have all persons the same power?" They say, "If all are from one source their power must be the same." All spirit is the same, but all organisms through which the spirit operates are not the same, therefore all are not equal. Some have poetic gifts; some an organism through which a fine orator may be evolved. Another has symphonic vocal cords through which the sweetest music can vibrate. Some have organisms that could never send forth a note of harmony, but ever send out discordant tones. A good performer may accomplish the same with perfect instruments, but even he will fail on those untuned. So, while God is the great Performer, and our physical organisms are the instruments, gifts and results are not the same, because so differently tuned or constructed.

There are persons born with an organism that would be out of place in the mansion; nothing but a cottage would be in harmony with them. Their aspirations reach nothing higher. The more we unfold mentally the more numerous are our wants. The wild Indian has but few desires, still as soon as he becomes civilized his wants increase.

Our aspiration for something is in itself the mental power that forces the germ of desire to break the environment that surrounds it. Desire is growth in man. If we wish to grow we must awaken desire and hope, then aspiration will come in fullness. Desire is the incentive to aspiration; aspiration is growth. It is mind or spirit that accomplishes all desire, aspiration and growth.

Thousands of years ago Elisha prayed

and said: "Lord I pray thee open his eyes that he may see." Science is praying, "Open our eyes and clear our vision that we may see aright." May God, Intelligence, enlarge our understanding as teachers of this Divine science.

Today we are standing on heights never before known. The wheels of progress have been gradually turning, and with each revolution we mount heights more sublime than attained in the past. With the culmination of this grand science we shall reach heights where all things shall be put under us. Then you say: "Is there no end to progression?" We answer no; for we are one with the Infinite course which stretches onward forever. We now are able to operate successfully only the five senses. There are many who have captured the sixth sense, intuition, and a fair number the seventh, or inspiration. But the five senses are still dormant in man, yet in the course of time all will be awakened and brought forth. Man has just begun to find out his possibilities through the powers of the mental.

No doubt there is a condition at which many have arrived, where they have the power to draw from the one source all needed good such as money, lands, luxuries, health and happiness. Some do it by understanding the laws through which all these blessings are obtained.

Metaphysics teaches what these laws are, and how to use them for our own success. It is the same science taught by Jesus nearly two thousand years ago. The five loaves and two fishes could feed the thousands; water could be turned into wine, and the piece of gold could be taken from the fishes' mouth. But the same was taught long before the Christian era. Elisha understood the law when he made the iron ax swim. And it was the same law that magnified the widow's pot of oil until it filled all the vessels she could borrow. Elisha understood these laws, and he knew that through prayer and desire he could command the elements and make the rain to fall. The widow's handful of flour grew no less and the cruse of oil failed not. This same power is just as potent for man to-

day as it was then. We must learn the law. Many of us have progressed so far in it that we can largely control our surroundings. In the next issue of LIGHT OF AGES we will endeavor to give a clearer view of this occult power.

Cincinnati, Ohio.

EDITORIAL.

"WATCH MAN, WHAT OF THE NIGHT?"

Here amid the sublimity of Old Lookout; here where "the battle above the clouds" was fought; here where Joe Hooker and brave opposing Generals met in siege and deadly clash; here where our radius of vision sweeps villas, trees and glens in seven States; here where chivalrous vigilance watched the long nights as on Mount Seir; and here where thousands come yearly to the grandest health resort in the world, it is mine to tell you, reader, of some of the charming scenery; also to tell you why we are here.

Since parting with our magazine at Chicago, several years ago, the writer has had a dream of an ideal home; a resort, a rest, where the weary might come, and a location from which we might send out light. Truth, health and hope to multitudes famishing for bread and the waters of life.

Delighting in the imparting of knowledge by which souls are led to the new, it has been my happy lot to lecture and teach the Science of Life in many states. My joy has been full in seeing this science set hundreds of sick and sinful souls free from error and disease. So many kept writing me to interpret the Scriptures and to explain this and that from the standpoint of advancing thought, I decided upon a return to editorial work so that thousands might be reached instead of the comparative few.

When Jesus, the Christ, taught new doctrines, the innovations, the system that was to free from the worn-out ceremonies of the old, he nailed his claim to the highest throne by sealing them with cures far beyond the power of priest, or the physician. So today the cure of every manner of disease is the claim and

fact of the systems of healing that we intend to defend through these columns.

IN A NIGHT VISION

that will never be forgotten, this grand mountain was shown to me. This was last August. Some years ago the patterns, plans or methods, which we are now adopting were plainly revealed, and the Spirit showed a great work to be done. After struggles of soul and a yielding to the leadings of Nature, the mountain loomed up. A planting of "a handful of corn," or the efforts at first by a few; then an altar for Science; earnest helpers; the dissemination of Truth by modern methods; the healing of thousands Absently as shown in another column; the privilege of writing in quietude under the inspiration of scenery, God and angels; the doing of our part toward the bringing in of the millennium, the new kingdom, the home of the soul on earth, and the beattitudes soon to be established under the reign of Reason and love, all shone forth with refulgent light above the brightness of the sun.

Deciding at once to follow the light, to heed the voice of the silence, to live for Truth and work for humanity, I started alone for the mountain of my choice. I asked for the right helpers and something sent them; for a furnished home and it was easily found; for a name through which to talk, and quickly "LIGHT OF AGES" was spoken at the shrine of the esoteric, or inner soul. Bowing and confessing the Shekinah light, all was placed on the altar and work was begun in the name of

SCIENCE, LOGOS OR REASON.

Here then is the launching of our little barque, and its columns will defend the highest principles of reform. LIGHT OF AGES will not be narrow, but it will discuss the problems and errors of theology, and, in harmony with progressive thought, it will aid in the substitution of higher and better methods to displace errors so commonly taught as methods of a divine saving.

It will educate its readers in the therapeutics of science in general, therefore none need to look to it as the organ of any particular school of healing. It must be sufficiently

eclectic to advocate every method of healing outside of drugs, therefore the Mental method, the Magnetic, the Vitapathic, the Faith cure, the water cure, the grape cure, the sun bath, electricity, etc., may expect a friend in LIGHT OF AGES. This fact gives no one the privilege to say that it is a Metaphysical, a Faith, a Mental, a Spiritual, nor a Christian Science publication. It will have good to say of all of these. It will endorse the high interpretations of Theosophy, the wisdom religion, and all the occult sciences. It will defend the truths of the Secular Union, and of Spiritual philosophy; also the Christian Alliance, the labor reform, woman suffrage, temperance, etc., will find fraternal regard in its pages, but the poor and needy must be specially served.

All of these systems are, in the order of evolution, owned of God for the incoming of the new, or the Seventh civilization. In common with all of these systems, LIGHT OF AGES will cultivate a higher system of ethics than the claims defended by the theologian. It will endorse altruism, universal brotherhood, and the eternal fatherhood of God toward all the race.

THE BIBLE WILL BE

interpreted from the standpoint of Science and new thought, hence the higher claims of evolution will be maintained; the common interpretation of the fall will be ignored; Scientific claims for the coming, the appearing, will be given instead of those claims set forth by theology. Resurrection will not be treated as literal, yet it will be discussed in the highest light; immortality will be affirmed, and the claims for re-birth, or reincarnation will be argued.

We cannot agree to insert all the articles that may be sent, but we will be very apt to gain and give the highest thought on all of the issues and problems of life. We ask a candid hearing by all in search of more LIGHT.

LOOKOUT INSTITUTE is a building about sixty-five feet long by fifty wide. It has been used several seasons as a popular boarding house. We were favored, it seems, to get a home of such dimensions for invalids and summer resorters. Its owner selected a lovely

spot. Beautiful cascades from clear springs flow near it. From its upper story and observatory most enchanting views are seen at a distance of a hundred miles, with a glass.

So far as the roomers and boarders are concerned, it will pass still as a boarding house or quiet home. The idea of Institute, etc., comes into it because of our work in science, editing, etc. Still, this will not disturb any roomer, as the printing is done in Chattanooga. besides, it is probable that the writing offices will be in a cottage entirely separate.

Some fine ladies and gentlemen have rooms in the Home already, and it is expected that nearly all its rooms will be engaged by the first of May. If more come to us than we can lodge, we will escort them to the popular Natural Bridge Hotel near by. Its accommodations are good enough for a king. Read its card herein, for the Captain and his excellent family make all at home. The interested who write inquiring about the Mountain, boarding, accommodations, etc., will receive our full reply if they enclose four cents in stamps.

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If you would inquire more definitely, or desire more light about the treatments before remitting, we will send such to all who will enclose 4 cents in stamps. Time, clerk hire, postage, etc., cost money, so all who expect us

to reply to their letters, or to send them the particulars, will please remember the stamps, or we may be like the man whose sign read:

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OUR APRIL issue will give our general description of Lookout Mountain. It will be illustrated with photographic and real views on the mountain. In this way readers will see charming scenery, cascades, stupendous rocky heights, the lovely Lulu lake, etc., etc.

The summers here are so cool that warm bedding is enjoyed. The winters are warm, and the climate is delightful beyond description.

While I cite you, reader, to all that others say in their cards herein, I ask your attention to all that is said in Dr. Crabtree's card, for in this way you may decide for yourselves about his ability to instruct and cure you. In sending his article and card he asked me not to praise him, but he wrote the following and said I am at liberty to insert it if I choose:

"I have long known Prof. A. J. Swarts and his great usefulness to the invalid public. In all cases where the earnest ones have appreciated his efforts and power, the people have derived lasting benefits at his hand.

His Chicago magazine was the best under his guidance, of any of its character or class ever published in the United States."

While so able a physician as Dr. Crabtree voluntarily remarks as above, I think he should permit me to be as frank toward his successful work, still asking the afflicted to note what is said by the cured in his card, I must respect his wishes leaving it as between them.

The methods we employ for the cure of all diseases are in accord, and in fact are the very methods that he writes about in his contribution. It was then and is now God's only method of cure. As Evolution adapted it to the introduction of Christianity, so Evolution, or God, adapts the same methods to the introduction of Science, the Seventh.

THE EDITOR has visited the Georgia Mineral Springs, near here, and he pronounces them among Nature's wonders. Notice what is truthfully said in the card herein about them. We were so pleased with the prospects there, that we negotiated for a couple of lots; were provided with plats, and were authorized to quote easy terms to our friends for lots or blocks in the new site. All who wish me to send them prices, printed matter, etc., about the lots, may address me enclosing a stamp. An opportunity to secure a fine investment and a lovely home is offered to all.

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I take pleasure in calling attention to the able article herein by Dr. O. P. Rice. He expects soon to be associated with us in the Institute and Sanitarium. We are glad to have a physician and surgeon of his ability in with us, to give attention to local practice on the mountain, as well as to patients who come to our home for cure. Dr. Rice was a surgeon through the war, from Maine, and is a learned and successful physician. While he has diplomas from several medical colleges, he also has as a thorough mental practitioner in the science which we are in. He is an ordained speaker and lecturer in science, so several near towns as well as audiences on the mountain may hear him.

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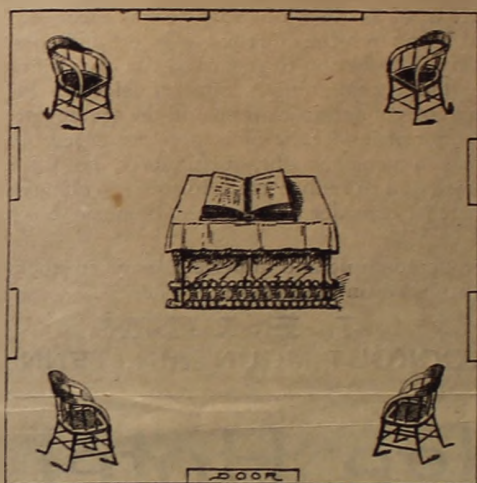
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