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A New Acquisition.

MRS. SHELBAMER LONGLEY AND THE LIGHT OF TRUTH. It is with no ordinary sense of gratification that we announce to our readers the services of Mrs. Shelbamer Longley in the Spirit Message Department of *Light of Truth*. Mrs. Longley's career as the medium of the *Banner of Light* Free Circle, covering a period of fourteen years, brought her and her wise guides into prominence second to none in the long line of honorable and trustworthy mediums of America and Europe.

The calm and able manner in which spirit Pierpont and his coadjutors handled the many and varied questions sent to our Eastern contemporary was a source of delight to its readers, and no gauge can be placed upon the volume of human betterment accruing from the work. Mrs. Longley will assume her position in next issue. Now let all who can in our ranks come forward and add their names to our list of subscribers to the end that the number to enjoy this feast may be largely increased.

A VOICE FROM THE EAST.

The *Banner of Light*, in its issue of the 2d inst., squares itself on the subject of organization in an editorial leader a column and a half in length. Our esteemed contemporary says it is for "organization" if the spirit world desires it, is ready for it, and directs it; if not—not!

It is to be regretted that our esteemed contemporary does not divulge the secret of the formula by which it assumes to ascertain the consensus of opinion in the spirit world in re organization. Of course the *Banner of Light* can not, without doing violence to its position, take sides on this matter until the small end of the celestial funnel is poked into the editorial sanctum, and the elixir of the whole mighty thought, project, and expediency of the past ages pressed through it into the editorial ear. When this becomes accomplished, and no fellow can say when that will be, we can tell where our e. c. stands on organization.

The Inter-State Commerce Law and Increased Legislation.

Although the Inter-State Commerce Law is a crude and bungling affair, and has received some pretty hard blows upon the question of its constitutionality, there can be no doubt about the wisdom of a more careful and complete revision of the law. It is not in the matter of rates, and the state of the railroad from the shoulders of the people who have to pay the bills. The Inter-State Commerce Commission has performed its duties wisely thus far, and probably has done all it could under the present provisions of the law. In its annual report the claim is set forth that while all suggestions have not been realized, the operation of the act has well nigh revolutionized the traffic management of the country, and has corrected evils which amount to commercial emancipation.

WILL PARENTS EVER PROTEST?

"You must vaccinate, or you can't attend the public schools," is the heading given to the following item in one of the leading daily papers of this city: Superintendent Morgan has issued an order to the Principals of the various schools that all pupils who are not already vaccinated must come within the law at once and submit to the scraping, or leave the schools. A certificate must accompany the pupil from the parents or physician.

A Misappropriation of School-Funds for Sectarian Purposes.

A misappropriation of school funds for sectarian or religious purposes is something new to be brought to the light. But from reports in our dailies it appears to have been the case in Mercer County, of this State. The State Commissioner's report says: Having been appointed to investigate a complaint made and verified by affidavit, in compliance with the requirements of Section 364 of the Revised Statutes of Ohio, alleging the misapplication of school funds belonging to sub District No. 1, Marion Township, Mercer County, Ohio, I respectfully submit the following report:

It is alleged in the affidavit that "the public funds are being misapplied and appropriated to teach the Roman Catholic religion; that the Roman Catholic catechism is taught, contrary to law, in sub District No. 1, Marion Township, Mercer County, O." The rest of the report gives the substance of his investigation, which shows that a priest was employed as teacher, and that a great deal of time was devoted to teaching German in the form of sacred and Church history and the catechism. Furthermore, that the school was dismissed on all holidays of the Roman Church. In closing his report the State Commissioner says: It appears also from the testimony that the existence of the foregoing facts has induced parents living in said district to send their children to the district schools of the adjoining county.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

The President's message is a perfunctory paper dealing in high-sounding platitudes, and remarkable only in the fact that its author has failed to coin a new political aphorism. The burning problems of poverty and suffering consequent upon the uncertainty of labor to procure its just and settled place in our industrial affairs, are conspicuous in their absence. The President takes the grounds outlined in his retraction policy regarding Hawaiian affairs, and prides himself on the back track taken by his administration in the matter of Hawaiian annexation. The tariff is the supreme topic, and receives the attention which the country should naturally expect from a man of President Cleveland's known views regarding tariff reform. Legislation will determine how far the Wilson bill, which echoes the President's views shall succeed. In the meantime the condition of the great mass struggling in an unequal fight for existence will continue to improve in no appreciable manner. Landlords will continue to grow rich off the earnings of unrequited toil. The price of coal will not depreciate so but what the mine owners and railroads will get a living at least, and the butchers will charge non-experts twenty cents a pound for steak behind the horns. A few thousand may starve during the coming winter, but there will be no account of the failure of a pawn-broker. Millionaires with fat pocket-books and empty heads will continue to prostrate fools and then as revenge on nature send them to college to be educated. A few additions to the poor-houses of the country will have to be made probably, but all these matters are foreign to the jaunty policy of the chief executive of the nation, who tells us he has an intense feeling of responsibility which impels him to "invoke for the manifold interests of a generous and confiding people the most scrupulous care."

Woman's Suffrage in Colorado.

The State Canvassing Board of Colorado in its report shows that woman's suffrage was carried in that State at the recent election by 6,347 majority. Governor Waite, in accordance therewith has issued a proclamation giving women the right to vote at all elections in the State. This is a great victory for the cause of women's emancipation, and the electors of Colorado are to be congratulated. They have honored themselves more than they have honored the women. They have taken the initiative in a movement that it would be well for older States to follow, because it is only a question of time when all the States will be compelled to grant to the woman the inalienable right of suffrage. The only suspicion to be cast upon their cause, and this goes far to account for the opposition manifested toward them, is the orthodox faction which is howling for God in the Constitution.

It is well known that these women, if allowed to vote, will exercise their franchise in perpetuating their peculiar notions regarding the God question. However, this fear can have little influence in retarding the march of this great reform, and should not be discussed at any length regarding it. Put a pin in Colorado. ARROGANCE, superstition, bigotry are the terms applied to a religious denomination which claims to be the only one entitled to authority in spiritual matters. May not the same be applied to a political party which claims to be solely entitled to authority in governmental matters? A political Luther is needed just now. Read "The Other World and This." See ad page 6.

On to Washington!

Not in warlike measure, but as a messenger of peace, let the quarters here to aid the organization that is now being established there. To-morrow, the 17th, is Jubilee Day, and should be remembered as an event in connection with the organization and for the benefit of the same. It is not in a spirit of dictation that we urge this. Nor have we any grudge to gratify in urging it. It is simply an impulse, inspired by the accomplishment of the September convention, to hold together and support the little wonder untroubled at that time. We have it still—a full fledged spiritualistic organization, with all the necessary qualifications to grow and become a power. And we should hold it fast, not let it elude our grasp or die for want of support—a little milk of human kindness—human generosity or liberality. Now is the time to open your hearts and pocketbooks. It needs but a little from each to make organization a success. It can be done, and the first signs of life going out from Washington will double its support at once by the flocking in of sturdy ones, doubting ones, and perhaps, as yet, opposing ones. Give it life now. The first will receive the first blessings going out from it as a spiritual centre.

Xmas Presents.

There is no better physician than kind thoughts. You pay a medical attendant two dollars for a visit. Often two or three visits are required to obtain desired results, and after all it is the sympathy or kind thoughts received through this attendance that cures. Why not save money and solicit the kind thoughts of a friend by sending him or her one of the following books? While reading them you will have their good wishes, and perhaps as long as they own the book "The Other World and This," \$1.50; "From Soul to Soul," \$1.25; "The Gates Between," \$1.25; "The Gates Ajar," \$1.50; "Beyond the Gates," \$1.25; "As It Is to Be," \$1.50; "The Missing Link," \$1.50. Adding 10 cents for postage in each case. For sale at this office.

The *New York World* publishes an article under the heading of "The A. P. A. at Work," and mentions among the leaders in New York City Bishop Potter, Bishop Doane, Rev. Dr. Gotthel, John Jay, Morris K. Jesup, Pierpont Morgan, Cornelius N. Bliss, John Claflin, Austin Corbin, Chas. F. Daly, Fred. D. Grant, Russell Sage, Cornelius Vanderbilt, Geo. W. Vanderbilt, Henry Villard, George Bliss, and a number of other prominent millionaires, preachers, and business men. It says further, that the league of which the above are the representatives, will issue a manifesto "aiming at what the officers of the league say is a concerted movement of the Catholic Church for a share of the public school funds." Furthermore, that this New York branch is in "favor of taxation of Church property." At the close it adds the following names as members gathered since the first report was written: John D. Rockefeller, William Rockefeller, Martin Brimmer, and the late George William Curtis.

Massachusetts State Organization.

A call has been made through the *LIGHT OF TRUTH*, the *Banner of Light*, and through a circular letter sent to the societies and individuals as widely as the knowledge of names and addresses was obtainable by those acting on the committee to attend a convention of Spiritualists to be held at the First Spiritual Temple of Boston, corner of Newbury and Exeter streets, Monday, Dec. 18th, beginning at 11 a. m., holding through the day and evening. A very interesting gathering is anticipated, which will be a fitting continuation of the Jubilee Day declared by the National Association for Sunday, the 17th inst. First in order will be the business for which the convention is called, that of organizing a State association. Any spare time will be occupied in short addresses, music, and literary exercises by workers who will be present on that occasion. If any societies or individuals, who should have been notified, have been overlooked, it was not intentional on the part of the committee, and it is hoped that all having the interest of the cause of Spiritualism at heart will manifest it by making a sacrifice of business on that day, and come to the convention. It is expected that an organization will be effected on that day, if only a few are there, and the work for which they meet will likely be carried forward. Afterward will not be a good time to say who should have been chosen as officers, or by what rules and regulations we should be governed. Therefore, let all interested come and help in trying to perfect plans by which work can be better carried on for the good of all, and the advancement of the cause we hold so dear. This will be the last call for societies to select their delegates, which should be for chartered societies, according to the best judgment of the officers, and according to their numbers in membership. Societies and meetings not chartered should be represented by the chairman and one or two others he may choose, while any prominent Spiritualists living where there are no societies will be welcomed. Let all provide themselves with the proper credential from their society, officers, or some prominent Spiritualist, as this will expedite the work of the day.

THE AMERICAN INDIANS used money tokens made of coal, bone, shell, mica, gold, copper, lead, and iron. How much better supplied is the American civilization, who loads up with cart-wheels made of chunks of silver that jingle in his pockets like the brass bracelets on the arm of a Bedouin Arab? It is simply a reduction of a former plurality. It is analogous to mythology and theology. The former had gods for everything. The latter by a *reductio ad absurdum* cut off the plurality, and had one god for nothing. In like manner the ancient savage had numerous metals for money, and the modern barbarian has one or two metals for the same thing.

MRS. MARY E. BUNDY announces editorially that her connection with the *Religio Philosophical Journal* ceases with the issue at hand, and that Mr. F. Underwood will assume the entire care of the *Journal*, and conduct it in union with his abilities as a journalist, which, as it is well known, are of no small calibre. We congratulate the readers of the *Journal* on so able an accession to the editorial head of their paper, and feel that no better choice could have been made, even though made by the spirit world itself—if this is not already the case. Either way, however, we wish the new combination success.

St. Paul, Minn.

The long expected has happened and the Northwestern and North Star Spiritualist Associations have united under the name of the Northwestern, the old parent society. We shall have but one camp and that the grandest that has ever been held in the Northwest if the spirit manifested in the meeting of November 30th is any criterion of the desire of the members of the Northwestern. The following officers were elected by unanimous vote to fill the vacancies that have occurred through resignations: Dr. Wheelock, of Minneapolis, President; E. S. McKee, of Minneapolis, First Vice President; F. E. Irvine, of St. Paul, Minn., Third Vice President; Mrs. E. C. Haskins, of Minneapolis, Minn., Fourth Vice President; M. T. C. Flower, of St. Paul, Minn., Treasurer; R. U. D. Evans, of St. Paul, Minn., Secretary. Now, brother Spiritualists, you have no cause to hang back. There is but one society in the Northwest, and we want you all to join us. It costs but one dollar, and would hardly be felt by any one but would be of great assistance to help us in getting ready for the next camp-meeting. Those in arrears, jump on the head-wagon and keep up with the procession. You can not afford to let your light shine under a bushel any longer. Be men and women and stand up in the front row. My permanent address will be found at the foot of this article where subscriptions for membership may be sent or any information concerning the Northwestern obtained. R. U. D. EVANS, 214 Edmund street, St. Paul, Minn. Read "Missing Link," \$1.50, postage 10c.

Jubilee Poem.

Poem to be recited by the youngest member of each society on the day of the National Jubilee, December 17, 1893.
The day of Jubilee is here,
We sing our song of praise and love
We celebrate life's perfect year,
Until with the realm above.
We know there is no death today,
We see the leaves and blossoms fall
The hidden germs cannot decay,
They wake to the spring's sunny day.
We know our light will fade from sight,
As shadows fade before the sun,
To be revealed in golden light,
In the fair kingdoms they have won.
We cannot see the atmosphere
That is our breath of life below,
No, viewing these heavenly spheres afar,
Lighting our pathway as we go.
Yet manifest sometimes to sense,
More frequently to soul they come,
The sparkling earth-born shadows cast
With glory of the heavenly home.
Taught by these great ones from above
That every deed and word of ours,
If prompted by goodness and love
Will blossom into heavenly flowers.
That if we nurture hate and scorn
And seek revenge while in this state,
Each thought becomes inside of ours
To pierce our lives with our own hate,
That if we injure others here,
Or take the life we cannot give,
Our shadows clothe us in that sphere
And make our realm till we forgive.
That the fair islands of the blest,
The gardens of our paradise
Are fashioned when we do the best,
Having but truth before our eyes
Our mansions are not made with hands,
Our treasures are not gold and gems,
But fashioned of love's high commands
Of thoughts wrought into diadems.
They teach us that no soul is "lost,"
No one can enjoy heaven alone;
But if one heart by woe is tossed,
We feel that sorrow, every one.
No flowers blossom all alone,
No star shines but its sister star
Pierces the depths of its azure throne
To greet its sister as it glows.
Each atom helps to form the whole
Of this grand universe of ours,
So every thought from every soul
Complete the Truth's resplendent powers.
Immortal songs are in the air,
The anthems of praise by spirit's sung
The soul repeats the theme most rare,
The earth with garlands is o'erhung.
Let joy-bells ring in every heart,
Our watchword truth and unity,
Let sorrow from each life depart,
This is the Day of Jubilee.

COMMITTEE OF CALL.

Wm. H. Banks, president; Frank E. Woodbury, sec'y; R. S. Liddle, speaker, representing the Boston Spiritual Temple Society; Mrs. M. E. Barnes, president of the First Spiritual Leagues Aid Society of Boston; Dr. George A. Fuller, president, Mrs. J. Davenport, secretary of the Spiritualists Society of Worcester; Mr. T. H. B. James, president of the Cadet Hall Meeting, Lynn; Mr. H. D. Smith, Mrs. Juliette Vew of the Free Religious Church, Greenwich.

The speaker made the opening address by reading that inspiring poem, "Now is the Time," and having concluded Professor Barrett gave way to the pent up flood tide of his innermost feelings, and with graphic and soul-thrilling words he gave us the history of the National Spiritual Association up to date. Our brother said that history, in all instances, points to the fact that all religious movements found their support and final success in organization. It was by no means the intention to organize Spiritualism, but to organize Spiritualists as a cooperative, protective association, claiming their rights as free-born citizens of the United States alike with all other religious bodies.

He said the time had arrived to establish a system out of the chaotic conditions of Spiritualists, who had struggled for forty-five years with hard labor for the free exercise of their accepted faith. It was our duty as Spiritualists to select the wheat from the chaff, and protect all true mediums in the exercise of their spiritual gifts.

The incorporation of the National Spiritual Association as a religious body, under the laws of the Federal Government, is now an established fact, and may all societies from Maine to California unite in one great harmonious whole, and so gain a mighty power with the assistance of our angel friends to enlighten our less fortunate brothers and sisters. "United we stand and divided we fall. Now is the time, the time is now." HENRY SCHAFERETTER.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Package your soul of the progress of Coast. Here in the city, labor, joy, flourish in a trial the money market, cease of paying experience, as with others, I conclude many opportunities toward though they are the purse, yet the penning of it and without prudence with compromise the good. As for me, what I wish my exact will of my paid for the Now and sitting or quietly they have worthy of ingly. I admit, question of point—lums, and papers. But to her of a medium and give Sunday's Many. The whom 17c. I will most its no credit. An issue of ituals last clearing Pe coast to al doc priv ma a ske din suld gen rec ity em me me me ve le — 2 — 3 — 4 — 5 — 6 — 7 — 8 — 9 — 10 — 11 — 12 — 13 — 14 — 15 — 16 — 17 — 18 — 19 — 20 — 21 — 22 — 23 — 24 — 25 — 26 — 27 — 28 — 29 — 30 — 31 — 32 — 33 — 34 — 35 — 36 — 37 — 38 — 39 — 40 — 41 — 42 — 43 — 44 — 45 — 46 — 47 — 48 — 49 — 50 — 51 — 52 — 53 — 54 — 55 — 56 — 57 — 58 — 59 — 60 — 61 — 62 — 63 — 64 — 65 — 66 — 67 — 68 — 69 — 70 — 71 — 72 — 73 — 74 — 75 — 76 — 77 — 78 — 79 — 80 — 81 — 82 — 83 — 84 — 85 — 86 — 87 — 88 — 89 — 90 — 91 — 92 — 93 — 94 — 95 — 96 — 97 — 98 — 99 — 100

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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

What is morality? Some people have some queer notions on what is moral, and my views on the subject may be very strange to others. I do not think we can have any moral standard in things because there is such a variety of opinions on this subject. My view or idea is this: Whatever a person does that will injure him physically is to me very immoral. Whatever we do that will benefit us physically is very moral. And just the same mentally or spiritually. If a person does what he thinks is right although it is in reality very wrong, is acting from his moral standard, but he will find later on that he, through his ignorance, made a great mistake and will have to suffer the consequence of wrong doing. A person may commit a murder and think the circumstances made it justifiable. But the State does not think so, and acting under the old Mosaic law considers it justifiable to murder him by law.

Now I claim it is the rank ignorance in both cases that a double murder is committed. Yet the person that committed the murder thought it was moral to do so, and the State thought it was moral to murder him and most people say "Amen." I think to take the life of a human being under any circumstance is wrong. But I do not know of any other way to do but to act up to our highest ideal of what is right or wrong, and it will depend on how much knowledge we have upon all subjects of how high our ideal may be. Now the Christian may think it is wrong to work on Sunday, while others do not. And I would say to both sides, Live up to what you think is right. Yet the Christian would like to enforce the strongest Sunday laws to make every one do what he thinks is right in this matter of keeping Sunday. They want to force people by law to be moral according to their ideals of morality. To my mind you can not legislate morality into the people any more than you can intellectually. The Prohibitionist may say it is very immoral to use liquor as a beverage, while thousands of very good people think it does not injure them, therefore it would be moral for them to use it. Yet the Prohibitionists want to legislate so the people will have to do just what they think is right. What looks so very inconsistent to me is the claim "The Prohibs" made that it is wrong to drink liquor as a beverage and good for the human system as a medicine. It makes me think of the story told of a man who went out hunting deer. He saw what he supposed was a deer or a calf, he could not tell which, but he concluded he would shoot at it, and hold his gun so that if it was a deer he would hit it, and if a calf he would miss it. The "Prohibs" would have the person who took liquor as a beverage injure them but if they were sick cure them. There is about as much sense in one case as the other. To my mind all stimulants are a greater or less injury to any one who uses them—whether taken as a beverage or a medicine. So we might go on in various ways to illustrate the point I wish to make which is this, all must be their own judge of what is right for them to do as long as they do not interfere with any other person's liberty. But it is a duty they owe to themselves to be posted in all that pertains to practical life so they will not make mistakes through ignorance so that they will not have to suffer for it. I believe in giving all freedom to do as they please, but if they please to wrong any one else then they should be properly restrained. Therefore, I say to do right is moral and to do wrong is immoral whether you injure others or yourself.

To use tobacco injures yourself and very often injures others, yet the one who uses it may not think so. I have often wondered if the coming man will use tobacco or liquor, I think not, but he may be a long time coming.

The Need of Organization.

On this important question of organization I should like to say a few words. For twenty five years that I have taken an interest in Spiritualism, in England, Canada, and the United States I find that in this lack of organization, through want of systematic management, we, as Spiritualists have not made the progress we ought to have made. Under the name of mediums and Spiritualists, and for the sake of the almighty dollar the country has been over-run with frauds who have seriously injured our cause in the estimation of enquirers and investigators. It is to be hoped that this National Organization will endeavor to form societies in all cities and towns where no such society exists. They will, no doubt, require missionaries to travel and urge unity of action. The best speakers and most reliable physical mediums will be required, having a certificate of qualification. This I believe would put a stop to the numerous frauds and partially developed mediums who are humbugging the cause, and bringing disgrace and contempt upon it. Now, a word or two in regard to Spiritualism in Salt Lake City—the land of saints and sinners. We have no organization here. Although they were Spiritualists who first seceded from the Mormon Church twenty five years ago. Through want of a National Organization and good speakers the movement fell through, as all attempts at organization since then have done. I believe if we had good speakers and genuine, reliable mediums free from the business and fortune-telling piety, we might be successful in the way of organizing, and help materially the cause of truth. I believe it to be a mistaken conception with some that organization will ultimately result in a kind of affiliation or a spiritual hierarchy. We need organization to protect our interests and we that we are not trampled under the feet of other religious hierarchies. Nothing every known to this new movement, I remain,

JOHN STURMS

PLEASING COMMENT.

For many weeks I have enjoyed the perusal of Abby A. Judson's letter to the public through your columns. Two of the principal reasons for my interest in them being: firstly, because they always contain "common sense" ideas; because they let alone the visionary, speculative, and imaginary realm so many aspire to, and meet the necessities of the world, unlettered multitudes. Secondly, because, like her father, mine was an earnest minister to the people, who then knew nothing beyond orthodox creeds, and like her respected father, was unweaving and unsparring in his art for the welfare and happiness of his human brotherhood, and I, like only her, inherited that same zeal—that same love for my fellow-men—that same desire to continue on a broader, higher plane the work he laid by on earth, that far reduced my labors to mere dribbles from my pen. E. W. Gould's reference to her opinions meets mine exactly. Also his reference to H. S. Lake's ideas of the "New Army," etc. Let us cease to thrive, but let them cultivate higher and still higher spiritual unfoldment. The world needs spiritual missionaries who will meet hearts as well as minds. Who seek to do good as well as to gain shekels. Who get the necessities of their flock—who love them and as nearly as possible get into their aura and lift them up higher. Oh, give us more unselfish love—more spiritual energy, more religion, if so you please to term it. More enthusiasm in the living of our divine precepts. What are earthly emoluments compared to the "having done what we could" as we pass through our earthly career? I have never met Miss Judson. I may never meet her while in the body, but I love her as I love all earnest, sincere advocates of truth. I would that enough of peace and plenty might accompany her during the remnant of her earth life to prove her rich blessing to tolling mortals, and to crown her entrance into that higher life. This is the destiny of a diligent, unselfish spirit.

Let us "cultivate true charity, true humility, and true love that will bind us all closer in those immortal bands that in the eternal years will prove an ever-conscious joy!" ELLA LUCY MERRIAM.

The National Jubilee.

I see by your valuable paper that the Spiritualists have decided on December 17th as a National Jubilee. I think this both timely and appropriate. This will take the place of our old Christmas, as the initiated know very well where that originated, and we Spiritualists, as a progressive body, are continually outgrowing mythology. Give us something more in accordance with our advancement. It is time we were outgrowing our awfully old clothes and putting on the garments more fitting our growth and development. I, for one, say, hurray for our jubilee, let us individually and collectively make this our jubilee a rousing success, let each one of us who can muster our dear Stars and Stripes, ring our colors to the breeze, let us give expression to our patriotism on any and all occasions and especially on this, our own holiday. I trust we will all adopt this as a permanent thing, and that it may be an established fact in all time to come.

Dear brothers and sisters, let us do all in our power to make this our annual day of demonstration. "United we stand, divided we fall," let us stand a solid body for this our "National Jubilee," then shall our cause blossom like the rose, and peace and good will be extended to all alike. MRS A. L. MORRIS.

Reply to "Chit Chat."

I must ask your indulgence to thank Carrie M. Smith for her kindly sayings of my work in your paper of November 18. Had she said Mrs. Colby Luther is too radical, (though what she says is true) but she always hurts some one who is sensitive in religion and politics, which is not in keeping with the spiritual harmony of Spiritualism, it would not have attracted my attention. But, when I read her letter headed "Chit Chat" and saw she dare write for the thousands to read, not only respectful but in praise of my work it seemed a dream. While many thousands, among which are our best intellects, have thanked me for the truth so defiantly given in defence of liberty, by a spirit power, which has not made winged spirit harmonies a study, yet seldom has an expression like this been given through a spiritual paper. Again I thank Carrie M. Smith for her bearing. MRS COLBY LUTHER.

A Genuine Roman Catholic Miracle.

By request we reprint the following evidence of Rome's power in working miracles. In a certain church in Ireland a young priest took for his text, "The Feeding of the Multitude." But he said, "And they fed ten people with ten thousand loaves of bread and ten thousand fishes." Thereat an old Irishman said, "That's no miracle; be gorry, I could do that myself," which the priest overheard. The next Sunday, the priest announced the same text, but he had it right this time—"And they fed ten thousand people on ten loaves of bread and ten fishes." He waited a second, and then leaned over the pulpit and said, "And could you do that, Mr. Murphy?" Murphy replied, "Sure, your reverence, I could." "And how could you do it?" said the priest. "Sure, your reverence, I could do it with what was left over from last Sunday."

All evil or selfish doings are self-punishable.

It requires no averring god or recording angel to keep account. Nature attends to this in detail. Every selfish act or unloving thought darkens the aura around the brain to the extent of the act or thought. This mental darkness leads to dangers or to the possibility of being imposed upon by other sharps in ratio to the selfishly committed, or, theologically expressed, to the punishment needed or deserved. Political parties with a mission are born, and seldom die out until its generation has passed away.

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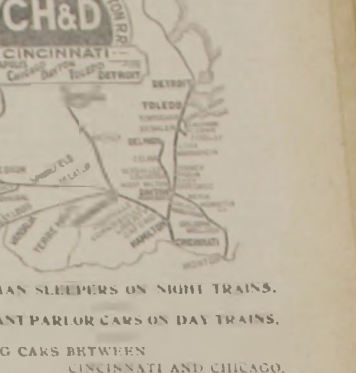
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LOCALS AND PERSONALS.

Mrs. Ada Faye will be addressed at 41 Main Street, Waterville, N. Y.

See reply from Fred A. E. Terry, of Tullahoma, Tenn., to Mrs. Ada Faye, second page of this issue.

Mrs. A. E. Kibbe, stage speaker and platform test medium, is open to engagements. Address: 120 West Street, New York, N. Y.

The New Orleans Spiritualists give prominence to the fact that a Spiritualist Research Society has been organized in the Crescent City.

In the reading of Mr. Samuel H. Terry's last article the compiler made a mistake in the independent conflict, which it should have been "The Impending Conflict," thus preserving the paper for future use will please correct this in justice to the writer.

Any Spiritualist family in the city who is in need of a good housekeeper, or who can enable one to obtain a situation in a family where the will be permitted to attend Spiritualist services, will confer a favor and do a missionary deed by addressing Mrs. E. A. Higgins, Deut. 1141.

Mrs. J. C. Moore, of the Sixty First Street, Egg Harbor, N. J., would like to know the address of Abraham Lincoln mediums.

Some interesting lectures to read. See particularly those to know of these lectures have ever been put into book form. Who can send her the names of these?

We had a number of other good articles favoring the celebration of the 7th by Spiritualists, but for want of space could not publish them all, though giving the preference to the one that comes a matter of justice rather than choice. The friends must therefore excuse us if we did not do all we would like to do.

Concerning "Physical Proof of Another Life," by General Lippitt, of Washington, D. C., we should gladly help to introduce in this country. Yes, it should be introduced in every country where people are searching for indubitable proofs of spirit return and immortality. Price only twenty cents. For sale here.

Mr. A. Willis has returned to the city, highly pleased with his New Orleans trip, and full of kind feelings towards the friends in the Crescent City. He thinks he has been royally treated. He will be pleased to see his friends at his home concerning future work, which hereafter will be by prior engagements only. He has concluded that private circles are more conducive to good results, both for his own health and the satisfaction of sitters.

Another fortune teller has come to grief. This time it was "Prof." Will Kennedy of Evansville, Ind., who was invited to leave town by the police for unsavory dealings. One by one the leaves drop, and by and by the public will learn that the only legions of Spiritualists are the occult, is to become a Spiritualist, openly and avowed, and not seek after the truth in a Nicodemus-like style, or through the false prophets that exist on the outside of Spiritualism.

Dr. A. W. S. Roethermel has been lecturing and holding seances in Rochester, Ind., for some time past, and will be at Battle Creek, Mich., in a few days, from whence he goes to Milwaukee, where he is booked for the 20th inst. Letters, however, may be addressed to him in care of General Delivery, Chicago, Ill. Dr. Roethermel is a good physical medium, as we had means of testing during his stay in Cincinnati, and we recommend him to the Spiritualists everywhere. He is also a psychometrist for locating minerals and water, and can serve in that capacity as well as in others.

Many large establishments have the faculty of placing windows a lot of inferior samples in their show windows, a few very good ones, offering them at a low price. This is especially a trick of clothing stores. People, believing this to be a temporary bargain, are unconsciously invited in to have their measure taken for a suit. When asking for the pattern in the window, they are politely told that the great demand for that one has exhausted it, but they have one nearly like it, and the customer is psychologically induced to take it, and is cheated in the quality of the goods. The aim is to get you into the store. Hypnotism does the rest.

The Arena for December is an exceptionally brilliant number. It is also an extra large edition. Its table of contents are: "The Ascent of Life," by Stanton Jarvis; "Aims and Methods of the Higher Criticism," by Prof. Sanday; "The Bank of Venice," "The Wonders of Hindoo Magic," "Can the United States restore the Bi-metallic Standard of Money?" "The Application of Hypnotism in Medicine," "Rent," "Realism in Literature and Art," "A Southern View of the Financial Situation," and some fine editorial comment and reviews by Dr. Flower. Single numbers, fifty cents. Monthly, per annum \$5.00. Address Arena Publishing Co., Boston, Mass.

The Hon. Stephen M. White, senator in Congress from California, responding to a toast at a World's Fair banquet, made use of these words: "One of the most notable features evolved by our great international exposition has been the religious congress, at which all who desired were permitted freely to explain their theological views. How impossible would such a gathering have been but a few years ago. And how strongly does it foreshadow that peace and good will among men, which we all claim to be desirous of maintaining." Such a record in handsome and convenient form, properly illustrated with portraits of the principal delegates, our readers may easily obtain from this office.

When a medium goes astray narrow-minded Christians put Spiritualism on trial forthwith. When a Christian minister goes astray he is considered as being outside the pale of Christianity—i. e., not practicing the teachings of the Nazarene. May we be allowed to claim that Spiritualism as a religious or moral philosophy teaches among its other precepts all that is spiritual in the Bible, and that a medium who commits fraud is not a Spiritualist? If Spiritualists were disposed to be narrow-minded they might now put Christianity on trial, considering the fraudulent acts of the Rev. G. F. B. Howard, who has been charged with all manner of fraud by the U. S. District Court at Jackson, Tenn.

The B. of A., of this city, has issued the following order: "No Child shall be permitted to attend any public, private or parochial school without presenting satisfactory evidence of having been successfully vaccinated." The paper that reports this, adds: "Those who fail to comply with the rule must leave the school."—Now, behind all this is a law which punishes parents who take the latter course. It is a wonder that there is discontent in the air when such blind, inconsistent and arbitrary law making is indulged in? Parents, who have children of the school age are in a dilemma. They must either submit to have their offspring legally poisoned or be fined as criminals. Which will they choose?

The Ladies' Aid met at Mrs. McCracken's (633 Freeman Avenue) on Wednesday afternoon, December 6th. There were quite a number of ladies present, and it was resolved to continue on in the good cause of Spiritualism, but to suspend the regular meetings until after the holidays. The supper given by the ladies of the society was a success, and all enjoyed it. Since October 1st the Ladies' Aid has turned into the treasury of the Union Society. Cash twenty-nine dollars and thirty-nine cents; donations for supper, two dollars and ten cents; proceeds from tickets sold (by members of the aid) twenty-three dollars and

seventy-five cents. Total, fifty-one dollars and twenty-four cents. The next meeting will be held at Mrs. McCracken's on Wednesday, January 11th. It is hoped that the commencement of the New Year there will be an increased attendance. The ladies cordially invite all who wish to investigate the truth of Spiritualism to join them.

According to an answer in to day's question department there will be no outbreak of the better times and we must assert their independence of party lines. That means to rise above party, and whether Republican or Democrat, see that honor and men are put into office—men (irrespective of what their former political position was) who can be well elected. If the primary move towards its nomination could be made by a few influential business men, it will be begun in local elections. It will be to the interest of small real estate owners and business men to move in this matter. If not they may lose all they possess, if the signs of the times do not hold the cause upon us. When hunger drives men to rob, women and children on the street, the daylight is not only of violence, but of crime. It is time to prepare for something worse than hard times. And it is all for in political advancement of the people. The break in the partisan feeling of the masses, as the spirits say in their reply on third page.

New Orleans, La. Mr. A. Willis, the well-known materializing medium, of Cincinnati, left here December 1st for his home. He has done a wonderful lot of good here for the advancement of Spiritualism. He demonstrated to the people of this city his wonderful gift, and strengthened their faith in Spiritualism. Mr. John Morris, his control, saw the truth of spirit return, and invited all honest seekers of the truth to investigate. Those who attended Mr. Willis' seances were well satisfied. As for me it was perfectly marvelous. I never witnessed any materializations before, although I have read considerable of the philosophy. Mr. Willis will be long remembered by the people of this city. He carries with him the kindest wishes and best thoughts of one people. Under the influence of John Morris, his control, there are many undergoing development.

There is a movement among the people of this city, of whom there are a great many, that never belonged to a spiritual society before, to form a psychic research society. They are not ashamed of the name of Spiritualist by any means. The name was suggested and accepted in a city with a population of 30,000. We have but one society, so you can see that the movement is in order.

I am very much pleased with your paper, and when I can get you a subscriber you may rest assured I will do so, for I enlist myself in the cause of the LIGHT OF TRUTH, and my enlistment is to stay.

M. J. LARKIN.

Prof. Silas W. Edmunds, of Cleveland, is the speaker for this month for the Association of Spiritualists. Owing to the unfavorable weather Sunday, December 3rd, the attendance was not as large as usual. The gentleman is a pleasing speaker, logical, and forcible in argument, selecting for his subject "Ancient and Modern Spiritualism."

Brother Willis has departed hence, taking with him the best wishes of many who have been led to the light by the convincing phenomena witnessed at his seances. Just one instance: A gentleman from Lake Charles, La., recognized and spoke with his brother who was shot during the war. His grave was in a trench, and just as his body had been buried in a trench with many others. Before leaving Brother Willis was presented with a plain gold medal for his watch chain, with the following inscription on one side: "To Aaron S. Willis, from friends, New Orleans, November, 1893," and on the other "Mistral," a dove with an olive branch, "There is no death." Capt. Jack Abbott, Treasurer of the association, made the presentation speech in his usual happy strain. It is hoped he will come again, and stay longer next time.

A Psychical Research Society has been formed here, meetings being held in the upper room of Old Fellows' Hall on Sunday nights.

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I began my work here in this beautiful city by the lake the first Sunday in December, and was greeted with good audiences in spite of the severe storm, both morning and evening, and much interest seemed manifest.

Tuesday of the same week the friends met in goodly numbers and perfected an organization, and doing so in the most perfect harmony. Mr. M. A. Root was chosen president; Mrs. H. Howey, vice president; Mr. Howey, secretary; Mr. John Broughton, treasurer; Mr. L. Sovereign, Mr. Roosman, and Mr. Ferris, trustees.

The society starts out well officered, and I fully believe will do an excellent work. It has one of the best constitutions extant.

Spiritualism in this city has not publicly done much for a good many years, but notwithstanding all it has grown and refreshing is a large element here interested in the work. It is the desire of the society that all of the scattered forces be gathered and cemented together by a closer union than ever, and the social, moral, intellectual, and spiritual nature of each shall be cultivated.

Thursday afternoon at the residence of Mr. Root, the ladies met and formed an aid society, to be known as the "Spiritualist Willing Workers." Mrs. Augusta Ferry was chosen president; Mrs. De Reamer, vice president; Mrs. Anna Broughton, secretary, and Mrs. Gould treasurer. The ladies are determined to do what they can in any line of work that may be presented, either in assisting the society or in aiding those who need assistance.

Next Sunday I shall try and start a lyceum, but whether it will be a success remains to be seen, but I trust one may be established, as the lyceum can do a wonderful amount of good.

Bay City Spiritualists have fully made up their minds to do their part in the great work of reform, and I know they will succeed.

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Brooklyn, N. Y. A very enjoyable entertainment was given by the Women's Progressive Union, for the benefit of the Young Men's Association and in place of the regular Saturday conference. It consisted of songs, recitations, and musical selections, presented in a manner creditable to those who volunteered their services while the decorations and general details of the whole were an added evidence of the good work already done by the ladies in helping the cause here.

William M. Donald, the originator of the Memorial Association, was prevailed upon to sing, and though he complained that it was so many years since he had used his voice in that way, that the "wingless Samaritan" did him a wrong in asking him, yet he sang the "Low Back Car," and the "Widow's Mite" to oblige them. I don't know that he will thank me for saying so, but in his looks and manner upon the platform, especially in the former, he gave me the impression that he prescribes to all people here more than any one else. I mean T. De Witt Talmage.

Special mention should be made of the recitation of Mrs. Ada Woodruff and Miss Estelle Mack, and of the beautiful song "L'Ardoir" by Miss Alice Merrill. The proceeds go to finance the remains of the good work already done. A table abiding place shall be provided for all that remains of the earthly tabernacle of two of the many mediums of Modern Spiritualism.

W. J. C.

On Sunday evening last memorial services were held at the residence of Mrs. Dr. J. Cole Blake, No. 124 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. Blake's elegant and spacious parlors were tastefully decorated with beautiful flowers and ferns which were pleasing to the eye and to the other senses of the vast audience present, which the event brought forth.

Many prominent Spiritualists from New York, New Jersey, and elsewhere were present. Mrs. Dr. Blake was as usual bright and pleasing, and gave those who graced the occasion with their presence some very good and convincing tests which were acknowledged by skeptics as well as believers.

Mrs. Blake was followed by Mrs. Eggleston, who recited a very beautiful poem, which was well merited applause.

Mrs. Eggleston also made some happy remarks and paid a touching tribute to our dear departed ones. We were then entertained by some very fine vocal and instrumental music by some of the artists present. Mrs. Annie M. Jacques of Washington, D. C., sang on the platform, and test medium, held the audience entranced with her fine readings and many wonderful tests, which brought to a close a spiritual treat long to be remembered by those fortunately present. O.

Cleveland, O.

Mrs. H. S. Lake, pastor of the Cleveland Spiritual Alliance, resumed her ministrations at Army and Navy Hall, Sunday evening, December 3rd. The audience was high in comparison to the large one on the previous Sunday, called out by the celebrated phenomenal medium, Miss Maggie Gault, of Baltimore; but deep interest was manifested by all present in the powerful address of Mrs. Lake on a plain talk on "Moral Obligations." More pleasing it might have been, more truthful and forcible it could hardly be. The meeting was closed with four or five very successful psychometric readings by Mrs. Lake.

President Thomas A. Black gave notice that he would give a financial report of the Cleveland Spiritual Alliance next Sunday, and that steps would be taken to incorporate the society under the name of "The People's Church," so as to increase its membership and place it on a firmer financial basis.

The Progressive Thinkers' Society of the West Side has made extensive preparations to observe the "Naval Jubilee" to be held on the 17th of this month, and to that end have invited Mr. and Mrs. Tuttle, of Berlin Heights, to conduct the exercises—commencing on Friday, December 15th at Wieber's Hall, 483 Pearl street. The Progressive Thinkers' ladies will serve supper from 6 to 7:30 p. m., after which Mr. and Mrs. Tuttle will address the friends present, closing with a musical and social.

On Sunday, Jubilee Day, Mrs. Tuttle will give a children's talk to the lyceum at 2 p. m., and at 8 p. m. Hudson Tuttle will give a public address to which everyone is cordially invited.

The Good Samaritan Relief Society, auxiliary to the Cleveland Progressive Lyceum, already announced to meet at Mr. and Mrs. Russell's, 34 Styles street, next Friday, 13th. May possibly adjourn their meeting and accept the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Frink, to join in the West Side festivities.

Regular seances are held by the mediums—Mrs. Wm. A. Mansfield, Mr. and Mrs. Archer, and Mrs. Effie Moss.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilber, of Birmingham, Ala., recently spent several days in Cleveland, giving Miss Maggie Gault (then here) an all of the prominent local mediums. OCCASIONAL.

Chicago, Ill.

Last Sunday ushered in two new societies here. One at South Chicago was called together in the most possible way, but a very nice audience of seventy-eight greeted Dr. Carpenter, Mrs. Marion, Mr. Harry Dalton, all of Chicago, and Mrs. Celia Hughes, formerly of your city, now residing at Barnum's hotel, Thirty first street. Everybody was pleased, and Mr. Dalton and Mrs. Hughes will go out again next Sunday and minister to the hungry souls of that thriving little city.

The other was held in the city, corner of Thirty-first street, and Indiana avenue, in what is known as Lakeside Hall. The afternoon was taken for talking over organization, and was addressed by the guides of Mrs. Edith E. R. Nickless, and was noted for the quiet and effective harmony throughout. In the evening the guides took a subject from the audience, upon the best methods of obtaining success, and was ably treated. Mrs. Mariou, Mr. Dalton, and Mrs. Celia Hughes also spoke briefly upon the same subject. All the evidences go to show that the audience was in such perfect harmony as to insure success. C. E. T.

OBITUARY.

Passed on from her home near Channah, Franklin County, Ohio, December 4, 1899, Laura Patterson Moore, aged eighty-three years and ten months. Sister Moore was stricken with paralysis, and was freed from the body after a short illness. She, as well as her husband, whose widow she had been for forty years, were earnest and devoted Spiritualists. She was the mother of three children, and, in addition to this, cared for and assisted in the rearing of eight step children, and one foster child. By a life of sacrifice for others she prepared herself for a high station in the life beyond. All who knew her respected her for her devotion to the principles of the spiritual philosophy. Funeral services conducted by the writer at her home December 6th. W. R. C.

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Hamilton, Canada. In spite of the inclement weather and snow falling, a full audience was present at the spiritualist services Sunday, Mr. Walrod gave a strange discourse on the "Duality of mind, of an intuitive and objective." The guide claimed, as a matter of fact, that the subjective powers of the human mind were really equal to the powers of the objective spirit, but it required the almost complete annihilation of the physical powers to reach this extreme condition. Examples of the power of the human mind over matter were quite common among the Pandits and Yogis of Hindoostan, Tibet, etc. To assert as some modern scientists had done that spiritualistic phenomena were the product of the human ego was sheer nonsense. The powers of the human mind, subjective or objective, were limited to present knowledge, and could not deal, as the spirits could, with prophecies of the future. The evidence of spirit return had been brought home with absolute certainty to earth inhabitants in a thousand different ways, and the most elaborate "dual mind" theory ever concocted would not disturb the facts connected with spirit return. The guide also dealt with "clairvoyance" which was a spiritual gift, and not a retaining consciousness, which would exercise this gift as well as spirits when controlling mediums. COR.

Toledo Ohio Spiritualists.

The Progressive Thought Society of this city met last Sunday evening to hear an inspirational lecture by Mr. Condon Turnbull. The subject chosen was "From Monday to Monday." The audience, which was not large on account of the recent inclement weather, was well paid for their attendance, it being remarked that Mr. Turnbull was in his best on that evening. He showed the birth of planet, its different growth, the grand organic march from stardust to man. The lecture was deeply instructive and appreciated by all present.

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