

OUR CONTRIBUTORS.

A CALIFORNIA MIRACLE OF HEALING.

The healing of the sick by the spirit power of both modern and ancient spirits has become familiar to all who are advanced in spiritual science...

The statements of the Times are entirely convincing and unimpeachable. I have examined the case and see no reason to entertain any doubt...

Mrs. Walton is a woman of vigorous and independent mind, and was not led into her views of healing by any influence of others...

Following is the article taken from the paper referred to: The Gospel Tabernacle, which meets in Temperance Temple Hall...

At 11 o'clock a woman, who has been a resident of Los Angeles for a number of years, and who is well known to many citizens...

To hear from her own lips Mrs. Walton's story of her cure, one would say that the age of miracles had not yet passed. Still, Mrs. Walton would say that there was no miracle...

Mrs. Walton is 30 years of age, of pleasing address, modest and thoroughly womanly in manner, with a good command of language...

Both from Mrs. Walton and from a host of reliable friends it is gleaned that for thirteen years she had been an invalid, and much of that time a cripple...

When thirteen years of age Mrs. Walton was baptized and became a member of the Episcopal Church. She was not, particularly devout...

For a long time previous to this physicians and surgeons had decreed that there was no help for her but in having her leg amputated...

As she became more and more impressed that the great change was near at hand, she discarded medicines, yet left them on the table directly by her pillow...

Many now visited Mrs. Walton almost daily, and were familiar with her physical condition. Her limb was colorless, cold, rigid, as nearly as possible resembling death...

papers were recently requested for her use of her neighbors. "Why will you not pray for Mrs. Walton's leg?"...

One week ago yesterday she was passing the day at her usual quiet home. The previous night had been one of extreme suffering...

What followed can hardly be described. The healed woman called, and husband, friend and attendant came hurrying in. She asked for her wrapper, and when they would have assisted her she motioned them back...

Rev. W. C. Stevens, pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle, has known Mrs. Walton for several months, has examined her foot when it was club-shaped from repeated crampings...

At the close of Mrs. Walton's experience and the pastor's words the following members of the large congregation, which filled the church, gave their testimony as having been personal witnesses to the changes which the past week had wrought in a physical way...

Mrs. Walton testified, with tears in his voice, to his wife's strange recovery. He had never seen such suffering in any person, and of late they had been much aggravated...

Later in the day, at the Walton cottage, on Casco Street, George Hart of No. 902 Buena Vista Street was met, and was very willing to give his testimony...

There seems to be no religious excitement connected with this restoration. Mrs. Walton says that she was never more calm. She feels that the peace that came to her at the instant she was wholly healed will abide with her...

In the California souvenir department at the Chicago Exposition is a unique flag, composed of silk and cancelled U. S. postage stamps, which was the work of Mrs. Walton while lying upon her bed...

[The old-fashioned opinions of the divinity of Jesus, held by most of those who belong to the churches, do not hinder his healing power, but facilitate its operation by the greater faith and devotion they produce...

Mrs. Isabella Bird Bishop, the well-known traveler and writer of books of travel, is the first woman to deliver an address before the British House of Commons...

SPIRITS RECOGNIZED.

A trip to Marcellus, Mich., and from there to the home of the renowned medium for materialization, James W. Riley. Our party consisted of four, three ladies and myself...

I would like to relate a little episode or circumstance which to me at least seemed to bring out the truth in reference to his make up better than anything. I saw while there, as Mr. Riley was sitting near his secretary, he drew from one of its compartments a package of letters from which he asserted one, and began to read in order to give us a little idea of the kind of communications which came to him on this side of life...

Soon after partaking of a good supper prepared by our kind hostess, we were ushered into the parlor and seated in semi-circular form fronting a door, which opened into a bedroom which is used as a cabinet by Mr. Riley. We were requested to examine the room to see that he had no accomplices or machinery secreted, which we did and soon after Mr. Riley took his seat just inside the door and drew a dark curtain in front of him, still keeping up the conversation with those outside until "like one going to sleep," he gradually ceased to converse "audibly," and soon became unconscious to all earthly surroundings...

THIRTY-TWO SPIRITS APPEAR.

I feel it my duty to say to the many readers of the LIGHT OF TRUTH what wonderful revelations have lately come to me at San Diego, Cal., through the mediumship of Mrs. Elsie Reynolds, who is so widely known and loved for her many virtues as a woman and the great work she is doing for the cause of Spiritualism...

The medium was then entranced and taken into the cabinet, when thirty-two forms appeared in quick succession, men, women, and children of all sizes. One woman came out in the room who was at least six feet tall. Two came out at a time, each speaking with friends. I held on to my "socks," but, friends, my old, trembling mother came out and called me by name...

The false relations existing between men and women have been caused by centuries of oppression on the part of man and by slavish submission on the part of woman; one demanding as a right what the other weakly submits to for support. These unjust relations leading to the degradation of woman, classing her as an inferior being whose duty it is to submit to be a mere panderer to men's lust, is enforced by scriptural injunctions, and still remains a blot on the statute books of centuries called civilized...

Having been regularly received into the Presbyterian Church, President Cleveland can no longer be looked upon as a mugwump in religion.

SLATE-WRITING AND TESTS.

Concerning a seance for the phenomena of Spiritualism, J. W. Cooper writes from St. Louis, Mo., that Jules Wallace, Louis Schloss, and Rev. Colby formed the combination that brought forth wonderful results—the former giving tests, the latter slate-writing.

The audience, numbering about three hundred, presented some forty slates for experimentation. These slates were piled in two stacks on a table facing the audience, and away from the mediums—both being under the glare of the electric light which illuminated the hall.

Then Mr. Wallace gave some of his matchless tests—being to a young man concerning his control, his affluence in life, and proved a marvelous delineation of clairvoyant insight and spirit description. The production of a photograph to the audience made the test absolute.

The writer also says that Harry Clifton is doing good work in his rooms and at Howard's Hall, and that Spiritualism is making great strides in this largest of Southern cities.

Something of Interest.

Will you allow me space in your paper for a brief report of an incident in spirit materialization which has come to my knowledge? Mrs. Mary J. Colburn, through whose mediumship were given the "Inspirational Teachings" that appear from time to time in your columns, still lives in the mortal, old, blind, and deaf, but a wonderful instrument in the hands of spirits who have been on the immortal side thousands of years...

The "Regular" Way.

We clip the following from the Healthy Home, a paper published in the interest of the "regulars," but its editors are broad-minded men who do not propose to spoil a story for relation's sake: "Albert D. Chandler fell from his wagon on the Charles River bridge, Boston, July 7th, injuring his brain and was picked up in this condition by a policeman who pronounced him drunk. Two reputable physicians agreed with this diagnosis and in court the next morning a third physician declared the man to be 'shamming'...

LITERARY REVIEW.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN—Was he a Christian? By John E. Remsburg. New York, Truth Seeker Co., 28 Lafayette Place. pp. 300. Price 50 cents.

This work gives testimony pro and con as to the lamented Lincoln's faith. Many eminent names appear in the array, and it is interesting to see how each argues toward the point of his own belief, or as he would like to have Lincoln stand before the tribunal of eternity.

An exchange says: "The Pope may love peace and tranquility, but it will be very difficult for him to make the people who know some of his methods believe that that is why he is issuing orders to the nations of Europe to disarm their soldiers. The Church is arming its dear children in this country and at the same time wants to disarm the soldiers that might come to our rescue."

Spirit Message Department

OUR FREE CIRCLE. Every Tuesday Afternoon.

At Douglas Hall, corner Walnut and Sixth Streets. Doors open at 8; seance begins at 9:30. No one admitted after services have begun.

REPORT OF SEANCE. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Ques.—[M. D.] Can we accept an avowed Catholic as one of our number in Spiritualism?

Ans.—Can we accept an avowed Protestant, an Infidel, or a Jew may be asked with the same propriety. Spiritualism does not accept or reject a man on what he avows, but simply presents to him an intelligent being what it has to offer as truth, whether he accepts or not.

Ques.—[J. W.] Will the lady I now intend to marry make me a suitable wife? Will we be happy together, or shall we remain single?

Ans.—This is a personal question, and one for a prophetess or psychometrist to answer. Those gifted with prophecy often intuitively divine or see clairvoyantly the effect of certain causes ahead, though few can delineate them accurately enough to be relied on.

Ques.—[Reader] Why are the most devoted Spiritualists the least prosperous in worldly affairs?

Ans.—Because they are the most sensitive and the most conscientious. Their sensitiveness makes them devoted to Spiritualism because it furnishes them with the magnetic stimulant that all sensitives need to brace them up against the rawness of material and unspiritual human influences that predominate in cities where a struggle for existing is the governing idea.

chained to one spot by material ties—a prisoner without hope often, because the opportunities that were are passed, and no new ones presenting themselves in the new sphere, narrowed down by your own life impetus.

Ques.—[E. L. A., Boston] Can you give the theory of the locating of water by the dowsing rod, so called, and why it works in some hands and not in others?

Ans.—The fact that it will only operate in some hands proves it to be a phase of mediumship, and places the "divining rod" per se in the category of superstitions. But many who are sensitive to locating water or metallic ore, are assisted by another medium in the form of a rod, shaped to suit their fancy, or made from a material that accords with their own physical nature—principally the state of their blood.

Ques.—[M. R., Decatur, Tex.] How can we get rid of evil controls—such as the untruthful or frivolous?

Ans.—It depends on the nature of the medium who has these controls or the circle that attracts them. If the control is untruthful there is deception somewhere around, whether in the house, the circle, or hidden within the recesses of the medium's soul.

SPIRIT MESSAGES.

Wm. Lawrence.

A spirit here who says: I am so happy to have an opportunity to come. I want to tell my wife and children that I can reach them through a long distance aprt. I want to say to them that I have met Joe Hooker and grasped his hand as I did when I was private secretary to him during the war.

Richie Holmes.

I want to send my love to my papa and mamma, and tell them my throat is not sore any more. I am their own little boy. To papa and mamma and sister Nelli Denver, Colo.

Clarence B. Waldo.

I am from Oswego, N. Y., and passed up in San Diego, Cal. Strange, indeed, is the influence which surrounds me at this time. New revelations come to me day by day. Can it be that man is immortal. Can it be that I shall live ever on and on to all eternity? These are questions which pursue me day by day.

Dr. Hayward.

I wish to say that I may here this afternoon with love and good will to all mankind. I can not lay the beauties of the spirit world. I have never found thing to compare with my home here. To me it was not th, but life, only stepping out of the body into life imma. From Boston, Mass.

Maria Fish.

The spirit of a lady comes and says: Oh, my God, how I suffered when in the body. But tell us, my dear husband, and my darling boy that I suffer more. Tell my dear Brother Isaac and Henry Phillips: I am with them to help them all that is in my power. Bless all. From Onset Bay, Mass.

Dellie Leonard.

Good afternoon, kind friends. I feel welcome, and I am also glad to have the opportunity to a communication to my loved ones and to my dear lboy. I want him to know that his mother is ever near. I wish also to thank Uncle David and Aunt Eliza for they have done for little Georgia. God bless dear mr. I belong to Quincy, Mass.

Immortality is a fact—not a mere poetic fancy, as I sometimes thought it might be when reflecting seriously over some of my writings. Poets are all secret, or, if applicable, I might say unconscious believers in a future life. That is, they would like to have it so. Their wish being father to the thought, they sing it to their muse, and revel in fanciful dreams that a higher life is in waiting, or that they can commune with the spiritual arisen ones of earth.

Charles Hildebreth.

I am from Gardner, Maine, and I hardly know how to get here; but I thought I would make an effort, finding everything so harmonious. I hope this will reach some one who knew me.

Harvey Brackett.

I am from China, Maine, and would like to send my love to old friends and neighbors that I knew when in earth life.

Edward Williams.

Of Denver, Colorado, says: "I wish to send my love to my wife, Addie, and my children, Mabel and Harry. All things are working out for the best."

Edward Williams.

Oh! how can I say all that I want to say. Oh! I don't want you to grieve so, although I was taken out of your life so suddenly, know that I am near you and that I am now content. Take good care of the children, and know that although I was not permitted to see our two children raised, yet I will guard and guide them from the spirit side of life.

Eliza Farnham.

Now there is a spirit that comes bringing a breath of life, and gives me the name of Eliza Farnham, of Bath, Me. She wishes to reach loved ones there, and she is with James, her husband.

Edward Mathews.

A spirit comes full of love and sympathy for all men. He wishes to say: "Although wrong was done to me, although my life was snatched out in one moment, being murdered, I had no hard feelings, nothing of the kind, for I have found in the beautiful spirit land that there is another life. I wish to send love and greetings and good cheer to those who knew me long years ago. Edward Mathews, Waterville, Me.

VERIFICATIONS.

[To the Editor of the LIGHT OF TRUTH]

In scanning your message department of the 5th inst. I became intensely interested as I noticed that of Dr. Snell "riding in an old-fashioned gig." My father was born in 1795, twelve miles above Augusta, and often spoke of Dr. S. as the family physician.

Inver Grove, Minn.

[To the Editor of the LIGHT OF TRUTH]

In the LIGHT OF TRUTH of July 15th is a message from Isaac Markley which seems to be directed to me, yet neither name is correct, and the place where the spirit passed out is not given. So I have nothing to guide me, but I hope he will come again and give the name and place of residence, or some sure landmark so I shall know it is for me.

[Follow your impressions or inclinations concerning the psychograph, though anything to concentrate your mind will answer.—ED]

Santa Barbara, Cal.

[To the Editor of the LIGHT OF TRUTH.]

C. A. L. writes: "The question 'What effect will a restriction in the cultivation of one's talents have on the soul in the future, and on the body in this life,' is very ably answered—touching as it does upon some conditions relative to my own experiences and more broadly summing up in a general way the causes and effects of certain conditions under which the human race struggled for the spiritual light."

[A number of other letters speak in the same manner concerning answers to their questions. It appears the medium partially psychometrizes the questioner while replying by spirit dictation.—ED.]

Two Pictures.

I sat in the gathering shadows And gazed to the west away, Where the hand of an unseen artist Was painting at close of day. A strange and wonderful picture That filled my soul with awe. And made me dream of the city No mortal ever saw.

Good Words from a Good Friend.

[To the Editor of the LIGHT OF TRUTH.]

It has been a long time since I have communicated to you—scarcely since you succeeded the Better Way, but it is not through indifference, I assure you. Every channel of enlightenment and love for my fellows is dear to me, and my languishing soul yearns to assist such workers.

I hope ere long to be numbered among them. But it is a comforting thought that even though hand and tongue must temporarily, yes, sometimes permanently, suspend needed and beloved operations, the 'soul goes marching on.' That such times of seeming trial and apparent inactivity are possibly the best and surest means of unfolding the virtues of the spirit that all the time we, the immortal part, are gaining unspeakable strength, wisdom, and loveliness.

THE HIGHER REALMS.

We are filled with wonder at the view of the material universe with its resplendent light, its array of land and river and sea; its sublime mountain heights from which a thousand valleys, forests, rivers, lakes, and cities burst upon the vision, and especially at its infinite expanse of worlds and starry systems which burn everlastingly upon the blue heavens.

Probably over half of the people of an average community could become able to see by means of the finer grades of light that reveals this grander interior universe, if they would perseveringly, and under proper helps, cultivate the faculty.

I am informed that there are spiritual realms near the earth which were constituted originally of the finer radiations of the earth itself, segregated by chemical affinity into more ethereal masses of matter in the shape of refined landscapes, and that these in their turn sent off still finer emanations, that from their lightness gravitated farther from the earth and formed still more beautiful realms—that there are gradations of spirit spheres suited to the ever-advancing character of spiritual and angelic life, some of which have their palaces and homes made of materials more exquisite than diamonds, while the beings resident there are described as being more radiant than the sun, and possessing a beauty, wisdom, and power beyond all mortal conception.

These celestial worlds, the homes of angelic and archangelic life, are so indescribably resplendent that the highest forms of what we usually call material worlds seem but the blackness of darkness in comparison. Their inhabitants were once dwellers on our own or some other planet. As it is the destiny of man to progress, through ever-advancing grades of spiritual life, passing to higher and still higher worlds, shall human or even angelic conception ever be able to grasp the wonders of those realms to which he must finally attain?

At Holyoke, Mass., a huge dog entered a Catholic Church and drank from the font the whole supply of holy-water. Worshippers following were amazed to find no consecrated water in the font. The Boston Investigator thinks the dog has become a "temple of the holy ghost."

THE WOMEN'S CLUB.

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A womanly life is not a life of selfishness...

Stand by the Guard.

Stand by the guard in the onset of freedom.
Press to the front in the perilous line.
Lift up the hands that hold the banner...

HEARTACHES IN HIGH PLACES.

We have all long admired the Princess of Wales for her individual nobleness of character, and patient endurance of ill for which she is not responsible.
She is universally respected in England and on the continent...

A Woman at the Bottom of it, of Course.

Uncle Sam had a big, a BIG birthday celebration in the Windy City's suburb of International fame.
There, in the face of the biggest contrasts of civilization...

MEDIUMS AND LECTURERS.

Prof. A. M. Willis may be addressed at Columbus, Ohio, on the 10th inst.
Mrs. A. L. Pennell, Business and Test Medium, 64 Carville Ave., Cincinnati.

A Horror Done by Drunken Soldiers.

I think drunkenness ought to be credited with all its dishonors and they are numerous.
I give you which occurred a few months ago and has lain away among my clippings...

WOMEN'S CLUB CORRESPONDENCE.

LETTER FROM AN ENGLISH SISTER.
Dear Madam—I was very much impressed with the thought of "She Who is to Come" from the LIGHT OF TRUTH Club, edited by yourself.

SCENE AT SUNRISE.

Blessed the March winds, blessed 2 p.m. shower:
A welcome I send to our sweet May flower!
The birds and the blossoms are dancing with glee...

Dear Mrs. Tuttle.

The suggestion for a Lyceum paper (weekly I hope) is a good one, and I for one am ready to do all I can to make it a success.
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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

A REMINISCENCE. I think it was in the Summer of 1879, when the teachers of Delaware and Morrow Counties, Ohio, held a union institute in Ashley, a village proverbial for its liberal and progressive views.

A MEDIUM?

act that there are many powers to develop. I have failed to do so. I have not understood the conditions of their lives and since that time I have been in the United States, and I have been offering to those who are suffering from the same ailment, to send you a copy of this book.

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ffer. Some horrid stories frightened me, But having grown more calm and mild, I think they have enlightened me.

Healer. While led by prelates when very young, Their doctrines all delighted me, But growing wiser all along, Their foolishness excited me.

RY. No gracious God directing me, And must to hell beyond the grave, For Satan is expecting me.

BY. The blood of God and fire of hell, Were doctrines for converting me, A lack of faith I've heard them tell, Is what is disconcerting me.

Y. A religion of clean clothes needs to be preached to the world as well as a religion of clean hearts.

DR. G. B. CRANE.

I read, as I always do, the communication of the venerable Dr. G. B. Crane, of St. Helena, Cal., in a late issue of THE LIGHT OF TRUTH, and I wish to say a word or two about him, for I have known him by correspondence for many years.

Spiritualists are made by experience, not by argument or testimony, but I always discriminate between his and ordinary testimony, and I want others too, who believe in perpetuity. Seeing, they say, and I believe, and I have always classed his testimony with occult demonstration, and as I am pretty well known among Spiritualists as a prolific writer, I want to endorse my venerable friend Crane.

The Pope on Labor. In a recent "Encyclical to all the rulers in Christendom" the Pope says in substance that democratic Socialism is a power which must be taken into account, and that, though man has a right to property and a right to work, strikes are justifiable only as a means of defense.

Legislation has not been just, for every person should have his legitimate part in the benefits of society. If the discontented operative is to be detached from anarchic Socialism his wants must be understood by his rulers, who must not leave to unscrupulous agitators the monopoly of social reform.

Concerning the same, the Commercial Gazette, of Cincinnati, editorially says: "If the Pope is, as a dispatch from Rome says, still polishing his encyclical on labor, strikes, etc., it may be possible he is not improving it. If there was fault to be found with it as it appeared in the World the other day, it has been polished too much. It happens sometimes that the strength of a document is not increased in proportion as it is made smooth."

Hypnotic Power in Animals. The power attributed to the snake and feline families of "charming" their victims seems to me past dispute. It is merely a sort of hypnotism. Livingstone tells us that when at one time seized by a tiger he felt neither terror nor pain, all his senses seemed to be benumbed.

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