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ENFOLDMENT.

(By Jas. T. Morrison.)

We hold the tiny acorn in our hand,
And speculate upon the promise it en-
folds;
The germ so closely hidden will expand,
And in prophetic vision we behold
A tree—beneath whose branches numbers
rest,
And in its shadows weary souls are blest.

We take the helpless infant in our hands,
And ponder o'er the latent force within
That broadens as necessity demands,
And battles 'gainst the power of wrong
and sin;
Just as the acorn holds the coming tree,
The infant doth enfold Divinity.

IS THE CHURCH CHRISTIAN?

Does She Stand for the Things for
Which Jesus Stood and Teach the
Truths He Taught?

The National Christian Citizenship
league, of Chicago, has begun the pub-
lication of a symposium on the above
important question, the first install-
ment of which follows:

In answer to your question—Is the
Church Christian?—I can only at pres-
ent give a word. If by this is meant,
are there earnest Christian souls in
the church, and hosts of them, seek-
ing to follow the Master according to
their light, no one can fail to answer,
yes. If by the question, however, is
meant, Is the church as an organiza-
tion, Christly, possessed of the spirit
of Christ, and organized upon the
principles of Christ? then I am afraid
the answer must be, no. The teachers
of the church, for the most part, are
far from following the teachings of
Jesus. Nay, they are far from recog-
nizing what those teachings are. The
organization of the church is planned
and patterned upon a policy which is
the very antithesis of a true society
of Jesus. Commercialism dominates
the organization and conventionality
tyrannizes the pulpit. The law of the
market rather than the law of the
mount, is accepted by the church at
large. Our Protestant churches are
composed, for the most part, of a con-
stituency drawn from the well-to-do
classes, and they see nothing essen-
tially unsound or unethical in the eco-
nomic system of the day. The pulpit,
therefore, is rarely free to deliver its
soul, if it has one, upon the burning
questions of our generation. Blind
leaders of the blind, both seem hasten-
ing to fall into the ditch which lies
before our civilization! And yet, with-
in the Christian church is the very
ideal that the world hungers for, the
very law that it needs to apply to its
economic problems, the very power to
solve those problems. Infinitely pa-
thetic the situation! Yours sincerely,
R. HEBER NEWTON.

All-Souls' Rectory, New York.

PNEUMONIA CURE.

New England Physician Never Lost a
Patient When He Used It.

In view of the prevalence of pneu-
monia to such an alarming extent, and
the many deaths resulting therefrom,
I send you the following for publica-
tion:

Take six to ten onions, according to
size, and chop fine, put in a large
spider over a hot fire; then add about
the same quantity of rye meal, and
vinegar enough to make it a thick
paste.

In the meanwhile stir it thoroughly,
letting it simmer five or ten minutes.
Then put in a cotton bag large enough
to cover the lungs, and apply it to
the chest as hot as the patient can
bear. When it gets cool apply an-
other, and thus continue by reheating
the poultices. In a few hours the pa-
tient will be out of danger.

This simple remedy has never failed
in this too often fatal malady.

Usually three or four applications
will be sufficient, but continue always
until perspiration starts freely from
the chest.

This simple remedy was formulated
many years ago by one of the best
physicians New England has ever
known, who never lost a patient by
this disease, and won his renown by
saving patients by simple remedies af-
ter the best medical talent had pro-
nounced their case hopeless.

Personally we know of three per-
sons who were saved by the remedy
last winter in Boston, after their phys-
icians had given them up to die, and
if a record was made of all similar
cases during the last six years it would
fill a good-sized volume.

A LONG SLEEP.

Pauline Fitzgerald, of New Haven,
Conn., on March 15 awoke from a
trance of nearly seven weeks. "I have
had such a nice dream," she said. "I
thought I was waltzing for hours and
hours; I never seemed to tire. But
now that I awake, I feel tired and
hungry."

Dance music was recently tried with
partial success to awaken Miss Fitz-
gerald. The experiment was tried at
the suggestion of the Springside home,
whither the young woman was convey-
ed from the house of Mrs. Fred Grant.

To a correspondent she said: "I
can't realize that I have been asleep
over six weeks. It seems only like
a long night. I have no recollection
of my dreams except that I seemed to
be always whirling to the sound of
music."

"No man ever wetted clay and left
it, as if there would be bricks by
chance and fortune."—Plutarch.

HAS A GIFT OF HEALING.

Dr. Freedman, who has been per-
forming some wonderful cures at Con-
neaut, Erie, Jefferson and in this city,
is deserving of more attention than is
usually credited to transient doctors.
This gentleman has had patients that
were recognized as incurable in all the
above named places and the benefits
he has given those he treated are lit-
tle short of miraculous. The testi-
monials that appear in his advertise-
ment are from people well known by
Ashtabulians, and their cure is trace-
able only to the peculiar power Dr.
Freedman appears to possess.—Ashta-
bula Democratic Standard.

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.

The death penalty ought to be abol-
ished, if, as is claimed, its deterrent
quality is not greater than that of im-
prisonment. We believe the state has
no more moral right to kill a man
than the individual has. The defend-
ers of the death penalty are wont to
quote scripture in support of their po-
sition, but they overlook the fact that
the first murderer, who fell into the
hands of the wisest and justest of
judges, was not called upon to pay the
barbarous penalty.—The Binghamton
Leader.

SUCCESSFUL MINING PAYS.

Many people are prone to believe
mining an unprofitable industry. To
such we would call attention to the
following statement from the "Min-
eral Industry" for 1898. "Nineteen
mines in Montana and Idaho have paid
in dividends to their stockholders \$49,-
917,220.00, and seven mines in the
Lake Superior district the enormous
amount of \$88,052,500.00, a total of
\$137,969,720.00 from 26 mines." Suc-
cessful mining is the best business on
earth.

THE BOOK OF MOSES.

If this volume is now on the market
I trust the orders may come in rapidly,
and the work go out ditto. There is
but one Moses, and his name is Hull
and all who were born in Christendom
need the light which this vigilant, vig-
orous and diligent writer casts upon
that mysterious and marvelous book
of the ages called the Bible. We of the
earlier school of progressives are not
unmindful of the honor conferred upon
our cause by this careful interpreta-
tion of our able co-worker.

(Rev.) H. S. GENEVRA LAKE.

"Affirmation, repetition, contagion,
are the processes which produce im-
pressions."—Lebon.

A VOICE FROM BEYOND THE GRAVE.

By Myron W. Reed,

Written by the hand of Miss Weather-
head.

It is something to have lived. It is
a greater thing to have died. A man
is never such a king as when his frail
tenement has been laid out for its final
rest. Men pass in silent review before
him. Every man is his friend. All
enmity is forgotten.

After all, life is a school; and a man
has earned his promotion when the
Master says, "Pass up higher."

Death is a great leveler of accumu-
lated wealth and human pride.

There is a great deal in a word. I
dislike to hear "poor" used in connec-
tion with a departed friend.

The deeper the reflection on life and
its conditions, the stronger the com-
parison between God and man.

After the storm and turmoil of life,
it is pleasant to meet with old friends
and talk over old times.

I am glad that heaven was designed
by the same artist who painted the
flowers.

I like a man not so much for what
he does as for the way in which he
does it.

There are a few things I would like
to do. I would like to tear down the
bridge between capital and labor, those
estranged daughters of humanity.

There is plenty of good in the world,
but not enough love. Now, if I could
concentrate all of the good into the
one thing, love, I think I might have
enough to go around.

A man's works live after him. If he
has helped to make life brighter for
one soul, he needs no monument to re-
mind the world that he once lived.

Unless properly distributed, a man's
wealth is more trouble to him after
life than before.

Eternity is a long word. I expect to
spend it in the company of my friends.
—The Mecca.

Sister Jackson—" 'Stead ob 'sperin-
sin' religion so of'en, Mose, yo' mought
spend some ob yo' time gettin' odd
jobs ter help suppo't de family."

Mose—"What yo' 'spec', Tilda? We
all on us has different talents. Yo'
has yo's, and I has mine."—Puck.

The National Spiritual and Religious Association.

The purpose for which this corporation is formed is not for profit, but for intellectual, scientific, ethical, spiritual and religious or educational culture, with power to organize auxiliary or branch associations anywhere in the state of Ohio, and in other states under the laws thereof, making an institution of Spiritualism. (See copy of charter.)

The management of this association has always been bold to announce its convictions to the world. Profoundly impressed with the truths of modern Spiritualism, we believe some statement of principles seems desirable, not for the purpose of restraining the freedom of any individual opinion, or binding any individual conscience; but to give some definite purpose and strength to the organization as a fraternity.

1st.—We believe in the religion of Spiritualism, founded upon scientific facts, and positive demonstration by the return of disembodied spirits. A system that holds to the belief that the soul is distinct from the body in such a manner that death is the literal separation of one from the other, the physical man continuing to exist as mere inert matter, the other as an intelligent, individualized, conscious and personal spiritual being, called spirit, whose substance is intelligence, whose nature is to possess life and motion, as much so as it is the nature of other substances to possess inertia. How inspiring this definition!

2nd.—We believe that Spiritualism has but one opponent, viz: Materialism. The materialists make out the spirit to be no substance at all, but merely the result of organized matter. Of this faith was the celebrated Dr. Priestly; this position is adopted by the Atheists, who contend that spirit cannot exist independent of an organized brain; and as they reject the Christian hope of the resurrection, so they contend that mind is extinguished in the night of the grave, and sleeps in nonentity to wake no more. Deplorable—sad—grievous.

If mind, spirit or soul is merely the result of organism, and if it cannot exist independent of an organized brain, then who made the first brain? Did it not require an intelligent spirit to organize its several parts and adapt the eye to light, the ear to sound, and make these organs the inlets of sensation to the inhabitant in the brain? Surely the brain did not make itself, for this would be saying that the brain acted before it existed.

Ten years ago we wrote to about 50 Spiritual ministers requesting them to send us a concise definition of a Supreme Being. From among the many answers received we selected one of three that Lyman C. Howe sent, as being most perfect. This has withstood the severest criticisms from all classes of religious teachers, and as we are unable to find any better, we continue to hold to his definition—convinced that his glowing words will live long after his inspired lips have ceased to utter them.

3rd.—"The infinite mind is mapped upon nature's handiwork. Spiritualism penetrates the material mask and reads the lessons of divinity in the principles that shape all things to progressive uses. In the lessons of immortality revealed, are found the deepest and highest evidence of an all wise God. Spiritualism inspires an

ideal of God that reconciles reason and moral sense. It lifts the veil of materialism and reveals an infinitude of divine energy aglow with transcendent love, moulding countless forms of matter to His eternal will."—Rev. Lyman C. Howe.

4th.—We believe in the sovereignty of the moral law; and true Spiritualism is based on the highest principles of honor, truth and morality—for do we not in our belief stand as it were continually before the infinite and the angels with unclothed souls.

5th.—We believe all communications should be judged by the intelligence manifested; and this should be the basis of all tests.

6th.—Spiritual communications are not infallible, but partake of the im-



DR. D. M. KING

perfections of the channels through which they come, and are authoritative only where they express truth.

7th.—We believe that harmony is the law of the highest happiness, and that we should cease contending with other religious organizations, and concentrate our energies in studying the spirit world, its history, its laws, and its relation to our present mode of existence. By so doing we may attain to noble aspirations, higher and better lives, and by our efforts, prompted by pure motives, receive our reward for well doing.

In this, as in times past, every new truth that strikes deep into the vitals of error, creates its host of opponents; and yet notwithstanding the opposition to our cause, we are moving on with lightning rapidity. It is even now very hard to draw the lines of distinction, and to boldly say that there are differences of opinion worth contending for. True and pure Spiritualism has transfused itself into the different associations until we are almost submerged into a grand school, or brotherhood.

8th.—We heartily endorse the motto

"In essentials unity, in non-essentials liberty, in all things charity," while our motto still remains "Purity and Progress."

"God unveils the hidden world, soul, thy journey now pursue."

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant.—I Cor. 12:1.

"Millions of spiritual creatures walk the earth unseen, both when we wake and when we sleep."—Milton.

If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain. Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this: To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and keep himself unspotted before the world.—James, 1:26-27.

From the 1853, May number of the "Millennial Harbinger," published and edited by the profound theologian, Alexander Campbell, founder of the strong and popular sect known as "Disciples," we copy the following on the subject of spirit manifestations:

"Two important questions arise, in the investigation of the subject which

tain moral sentiments too lofty and sublime, corresponding to the pure teachings of Christ, and certain, if practiced to destroy His own kingdom. It is therefore, not at all likely that the Devil would war against himself. If, then, it be found that the manifestations are not produced by man, by God or the Devil, and for every effect there must be found an adequate cause, the conclusion is that they are due to an intelligent cause, and that intelligent cause is spirits; no other hypothesis will begin to account for them.

But it is objected to by some that these miracles and revelations will draw people away from the Bible; that they tend to heresy, to infidelity, irreligion and immorality; so said the Jews of Jesus, his miracles and revelations. He was charged with designing to destroy the law and the prophets, with being a Samaritan, and having a devil; with working miracles by the power of Beelzebub; with being afraid of publicans and sinners; a deceiver, a seditious, a Sabbath breaker and a blasphemer. What truth or justice was there in all these charges? None whatever.

Just so it is, and will prove to be in the present case. Whatever of divine and fundamental principles, absolute truth and essential righteousness there is in the Bible and in the teachings of the churches, will stand. It cannot be done away. On the contrary, it is, and will be corroborated and fulfilled by spirit manifestations. I have not yet heard of the first believer in spirit manifestations, whose faith has been diminished in what we call the supernatural in the Bible, or in its fundamental principles of truth and righteousness, as consisting in love to God and our fellow man.

But there are many who had no faith in the truths of the Bible, and very little in a future existence before witnessing the manifestations, who have thereby been brought to believe in the reality of both.

Think you that one who has seen doors open and shut, heavy substances moved about, and a human body upborne without mortal contrivance or effect, will believe less that Christ walked upon the water; that an angel rolled away a great stone from the sepulchre, or that Peter was released from prison by a spirit?"

The Rev. Daniel March, D. D., author of standard theological works, says in his "Night Scenes of the Bible": "There are more living persons in the crowd than any human observer can count. There are more listeners in the public assembly than can be seen by the speaker's eye. There is no solitude of earth where we do not have the unseen companionships of beings that think and feel, and work more mightily and constantly than ourselves. As these invisible, unembodied partners of our toil, and sharers of our spiritual life, have sometimes stepped from behind the curtain that hides the unseen world, to show us that we may have witnesses to our conduct, when we think ourselves most alone, we have only to turn to the sacred records to learn that these high and mighty ones, whose home is in some far distant world, have borne an active part both in the common and in the great events of this world which we call ours. They have taken the form of men, and shown themselves to human eyes and spoken aloud in the languages of the earth.

The Question is Strengthened by Modern Investigators.

To prove life beyond the grave, an edition of the New York Journal in June, 1899, says: "Not since the dawn of Christianity has the world been promised a revelation of such moment-

need to be settled; and the first is: Is it true that spirits of our departed friends do really communicate with us? Second: If it be established that they do communicate with us, are the communications that we receive true or false, of good or evil tendency?"

In answer to the first proposition, I will state that, after a thorough investigation into the subject, I am forced to acknowledge my belief that spirits do really communicate with us, for the reason that the manifestations, and the intelligence that cannot be separated from them, can be traced to no other source. They are not produced by the mediums or by any person present, as they themselves, together with the intelligence received, which usually is of a nature entirely foreign to their minds, abundantly testify. They are not from God, because the intelligence received is sometimes contradictory in its character; and besides, no one for a moment would suppose them to emanate from so high a source.

They are not from the Devil, as is contended for by some, because many of the communications received con-



PROFESSOR HYSLOP, OF COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, AT A SITTING WITH MRS. PIPER, THE MEDIUM.

ous interest as is now offered by Professor James H. Hyslop of Columbia university, and his colleagues of Harvard and other universities, who assert that they are about to prove scientifically the immortality of the soul. While it is difficult to conceive of a more welcome contribution from the end-of-the-century science than the successful demonstration of life beyond the grave, yet the Journal approaches this suggestion with the utmost caution. The names of the scientists and their official standing in the scientific world are presented, together with a verbatim transcript of the official records of their investigations.

Briefly stated, we are told that communication has been established with the spirit world; that messages from the dead have been repeatedly received; that life after death has been demonstrated. A woman, Mrs. Leonora A. Piper of Boston, is the medium through whom these communications have come. To guard against fraud, this woman has been taken into the custody of scientists, and watched day and night by the detectives of the Psychical Research society. The extraordinary phenomena with which the investigators have been confronted they are unable to explain, except upon the theory that they are supernatural—that through Mrs. Piper the living souls of those who have passed from this earth into eternity have returned and furnish convincing evidence of a future life.

College Professors of Princeton, Harvard and Cambridge, England, are convinced that they have communicated with spirits of men long since dead.

James H. Hyslop, professor of logic and mental sciences at Columbia university, says:

"In one year I hope to be able to demonstrate to the world, by incontrovertible proof, that there is another life beyond this. At present I must contend that there is not one iota of rational evidence of immortality outside of the sphere and method of psychical research. And when I speak of immortality I mean personal survival—that is, the continuance of conscious-

ness beyond the life of the body. I believe I am in possession of incontrovertible facts which demonstrate immortality.

"I have witnessed some genuine supernormal phenomena, not explainable by either fraud, illusion or suggestion, and whose significance will have to be reckoned with by all men of science. I am not now prepared to present my evidence, but within a year I hope to have completed my experiments and investigations, and to then be able to prove satisfactorily what has never been demonstrated—the immortality of the soul."

Richard Hodgson, professor of psychology at Cambridge university, England, says: "The world is on the eve of great developments. When Professor Hyslop declared that he had talked with the spirits of those long dead, he told a simple, bare-faced fact."

Charles Elliot Norton, professor of art and literature at Harvard: "I have known of the experiments in psychical research through Mrs. Piper for many years. I have twice been present at her sittings, both times at the request of Professor James of Harvard university. In fact I believe that most of the members of the faculty of Harvard have attended these sittings at one time or another."

William James, professor of psychology at Harvard, says: "We have repeatedly heard from Mrs. Piper in trance—things of which we were not at the moment aware. My wife and brother received from Mrs. Piper the announcement of my aunt's death in New York before we had received the telegram breaking the news to us."

Oliver Lodge, F. R. S., of Cambridge, England, relates some very interesting facts that show the individuality of returned spirits connected with these investigations. But space forbids farther details; however a notice of official verbatim results of nine seances will be in place here:

No. 1. The spirit of George Pellew explains future life.

No. 2. Private and intimately personal message from SpiritPellew.

No. 3. A spirit message reveals the secret of a tin box.

No. 4. Mr. Pellew's spirit insists that his message is not incorrect.

No. 5. The spirit message proved true.

No. 6. Further confirmation of the statements of the spirit of Mr. Pellew.

No. 7. A New York clergyman receives convincing evidence.

No. 8. Professor of History at Cambridge talks with his mother.

No. 9. Explanation of life in the spirit world.

THE INVESTIGATORS.

Professors Chas. Wm. Eliot, Wm. James, Herbert Nichols, Wm. R. Newbold, Oscar Browning, James H. Hyslop, Dr. S. Wier Mitchell, Chas. Eliot Norton, Nathaniel S. Shaler, John Trowbridge, Oliver Lodge, Richard Hodgson, William Dean Howells.

Still later. In the same issue of March 3, 1900, of the "Light of Truth," we find the following:

"Prof. James Hyslop says: 'I am absolutely certain that within a year I shall be able to lay before the world conclusive evidence of the immortality of the soul. In my 17 sittings with Mrs. Piper, not once has she told me facts connected with my own memory. Each time they have been common to myself and to persons long since dead. And this is also true of the great number of scientific men who have examined her. I have identified 25 names belonging to persons not necessarily my relatives or even acquaintances.'"

After fifty years of careful investigation of Modern Spiritualism, having witnessed nearly every phase, I believe that no event connected with the progress of the cause; one that will give more popularity and permanence or impress the masses more than the open statements of the Psychical Research society of which the foregoing is an abstract of their report as published in New York Journal. Therefore we, The National Spiritual and Religious Association of Ohio, do compliment, congratulate and extend to

them the right hand of fellowship. Also do commend their open announcement of their convictions to the world.

Onward! The dawn of a new era in spiritual development is glimmering on the horizon, through the gloaming of its morning we see promise of the coming splendor, of the full sunburst of a new day. And after this, the holy eventide, when we may again clasp hands with angels, through the rent veil which hangs between our own, and the world so long unknown.

The above statement of principles, supported by such an array of talent as the foregoing, is sufficient for a basis on which we may put forth our energies, at least for the present. Read carefully and ponder thoroughly before you commend or condemn.

Very truly,
DR. D. M. KING,

Pastor of the National Spiritual and Religious Association. Box 45, Mantua Station, Ohio.

MAN MAKES HIS BODY.

BY H. A. BUDINGTON.

This pamphlet aims to show how the different parts of the body are evolved from protoplasm.

Beginning with the spermatozoon and ovum, it describes the method by which the human body is builded.

The evolution of the five senses of sight, hearing, taste, smell and touch are treated.

Some of the limitations to his power for building his body, caused by heredity and environment, are noted.

The importance of right gestation and healthy inheritance are also emphasized. Among the topics treated are:

Brain Building; Atrophy of Organs; Abnormal Limitations Produced by Tobacco, Alcohol and Gluttony, Sex Excesses, etc.; the Tainted Monad Transmitted by the Debauched Father in Imregnation; Building of the Spirit Body Within the Physical Body; Withdrawal of the Spirit Body, Called Death; Defects in the Spirit Body—How to Overcome Transition; Origin of the Eco; Thinking in Heaven.

This book contains much to instruct the rational thinker, and to open the mind to the study of man on the lines of evolution which are accepted by the ablest scientists of this age. Price 10 cents; postage 1 cent.

A TALE OF A HALO—(Illustrated)—By Morgan E. Robertson. 50 cents.

TO INVEST MILLIONS.

A Powerful New Corporation With Gigantic Plans—On Lake Kootenay Claims Extend Over Two Miles Along the Water Front—Bought Town of Woodberry—Is to Start the Work Next Month.

Plans For a Big Power House, a Smelter and Chemical Works.

(From the Spokane, Wash., Daily Chronicle, April 12, 1900.)

Half a million dollars of eastern capital to be expended in one of the mining districts tributary to this city is but a small starter in carrying out the enormous project planned by the King Solomon's Mining company, which it is stated numbers among its stockholders several of the most prominent millionaire capitalists of the east.

Although the plans are perhaps of a more extensive character than anything of the kind that has yet been undertaken in the west, they are already so far perfected that the promoters assert it will be but a short time until one of the strongest mining companies in existence will be operating in the Ainsworth district, along the shores of Kootenay lake, where a large area of mineral land has already been secured.

Among the improvements to be made it is announced will be the establishment of a smelter, chemical works and a complete system of power drills, which will be used to open up the ground. A mammoth water power plant is also to be established at once, which will not only operate the machinery of the company, but will furnish the power for the entire district.

CONTROLS MILES OF LAKE FRONT.

Although the King Solomon is a

of the claims formerly owned and operated by the Canadian Pacific Mining & Milling company, which it has absorbed.

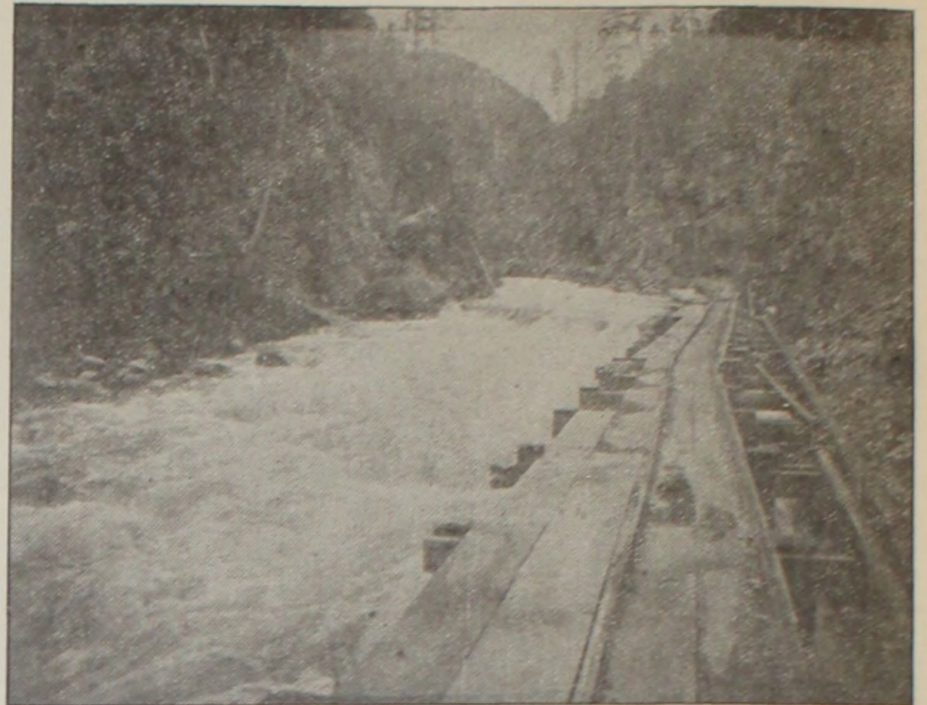
The Canadian Pacific company for some time past has been operating in this district and has spent over \$100,000 in development, having opened up several good claims, including the Wakefield, Amazon, Budweiser and Superior, all of which have produced good shipping ore. It also had at the town of Woodberry a large 100 ton concentrator, and a water power plant with nearly a mile of flumes, also a large hotel and a number of other buildings. It was recognized as one of the strongest companies operating in the west and was backed by a large amount of capital, but compared with the new company it was of small magnitude.

THIRTY MILLIONS CAPITAL.

The King Solomon company is capitalized at \$30,000,000, and stockholders expect it to be a dividend payer from the "start," it being estimated that the profits from the water power alone will reach \$1,800,000 per annum, to say nothing of the other sources of revenue.

At the head of the company is James B. Townsend, of Lima, Ohio, receiver of the Detroit & Lima Northern railroad. Mr. Townsend has been for several years past perfecting plans for the organization of a mammoth mining company, and has interested with him a number of prominent eastern capitalists.

After securing options on a large number of other claims in the Ainsworth district he, in July last, negotiated a lease for 16 years of the properties of the Canadian Pacific company, when he was ready to bring the project to a head. The new company was organized and by an arrangement by which the stockholders in the old company were to be given in exchange



WOODBERRY CREEK—FLUME AND TRAMWAY.

front, and takes in several hundred mining claims, many of which have been more or less developed. The entire country running down to the lake shore is heavily mineralized and has every indication of being one of the richest mining districts in the west. It is easy of access to transportation facilities, being on the line of the boats that ply on the lake.

Readers of The Light of Truth who are already investors in this big enterprise, also all prospective investors, will be interested in the above, taken from the "ground floor," as it were, because the people of Spokane know the territory King Solomon's Mining company is operating.

As further evidence of the fact of

future is based upon the rich promises of the many partly developed mines, which as yet predominate; promises that to a large extent are guaranteed by the results now being obtained from the comparatively few mines which have as yet been sufficiently developed to become producers. * * * Attention is directed to the comparatively recent growth of lode mining, and to the greatly increased production of recent years, such production being now eight or nine times what it was in 1894, or over 20 times as great as in 1893.

"From these figures it will be seen how young our lode mining industry is, and how rapidly it has increased, and it will then be understood that,

A BUSY FACTORY.

Never Closes Its Doors, Day or Night

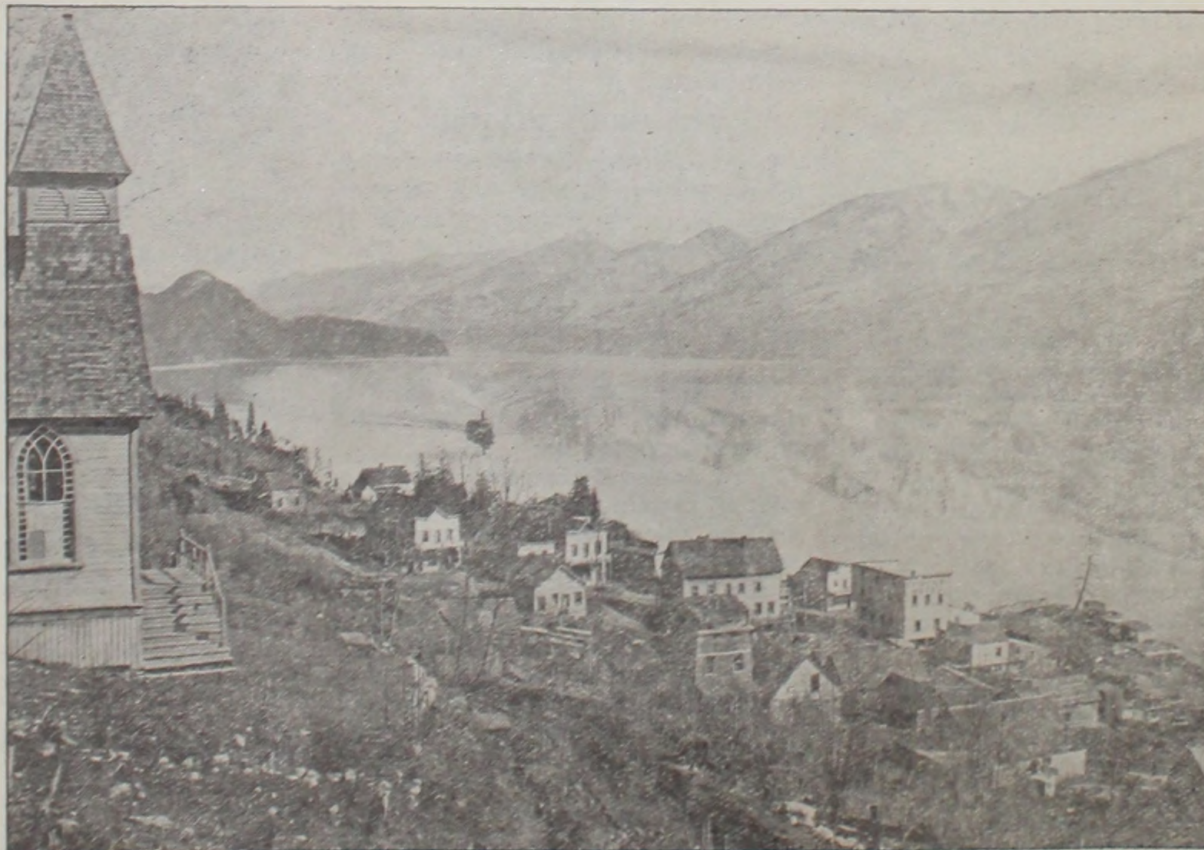
The famous "white city," as the pure food factories of the Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., of Battle Creek, Mich., are called never shuts down day or night. The great ovens once heated up are kept going, as are the grinding mills, blending machines, mixing machines, and the entire plant, the day laborers, men and women, are replaced at six o'clock in the evening by a night force.

The name "white city" was given by the citizens to the location owing to the color of the numerous factory buildings, which are painted pure white with very dark bronze trimmings.

The utmost cleanliness is observed throughout, and the appetizing odors from the foods in preparation, permeate the air in all directions.

Their products, Grape-Nuts breakfast food and Postum Cereal Food Coffee, go all over the world to the breakfast tables of the well-to-do Japanese and Chinese, and to the high caste Brahmins of India, to the Emperor of Germany, to Royalty in Italy, to Great Britain, South America, and they are found in practically all of the best homes in America.

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VIEW OF AINSWORTH, LAKE KOOTENAY, B. C.—WOODBERRY IN DISTANCE.

comparatively new corporation, its projectors have been at work for several years past looking to the formation of such a company, and have quietly secured control of the various claims in the district covered, until it now announces that it has secured possession of two and a half miles of the shore line of Lake Kootenay, and running back from half a mile to a mile and a half. This territory includes the town of Woodberry and all

the stock of the new company, the Canadian Pacific company is to be entirely absorbed and its property will pass into the permanent possession of the King Solomon company.

THE FIELD OF OPERATIONS.

The district which is to be opened up by the new company lies just above Ainsworth, beginning at about two miles above the town. It extends for two and a half miles along the water

the natural mineral resources the company is to exploit, the following extract from the report of the minister of mines of British Columbia for the year ending 31st December, 1898, is to the point:

"The province of British Columbia, although as yet only in its early stages of mineral development, has entered into the company of the great mineral producing countries of the world, with no uncertain step. Confidence in her

almost of necessity, but a small proportion of our known mines have had time to enter the lists as producers.

"The very greatly increased tonnage of the year from the lode mines is to be noted, and coming as it does from mines of low grade, means that a considerable amount of attention is being attracted to the low grade propositions which until recently have been untouched.

"Silver—Lead. Here these two metals go together, their source being chiefly argentiferous galena, and mined principally in Ainsworth and Slocan divisions of West Kootenay. * * * For the two divisions mentioned the grade of shipping ores seem to have been maintained, as may be calculated from the statistics, and averaged, on over 32,000 tons of ore, 97 ounces of silver to the ton and 47 per cent. lead.

"Hot Springs Camp. This is the oldest camp but one in the West Kootenay district. The bulk of the claims are very old locations, dating as far back as 1883, and have been worked with more or less success since its inception, but the camp is now passing through a transition period from the slow, old-fashioned method of hand-drilling, manual windlass work, and mule packing, to compressed air drills, concentrators, steam hoists and elevated rope tramways."

This was in 1898. Millions of capital has been put into the region since then and to-day the central point of interest is located at Woodberry creek, where the great plans and fortunes of King Solomon's Mining company are to be worked out.

OBITUARY.

Emma J. Boham died at Delaware, O., April 2, 1900, aged 44 years, 2 months and 22 days.

She was united in marriage to Oscar Aldrich January 1, 1878, to which union was born seven daughters, five of whom have preceded her to the land beyond.

She was an excellent medium, doing public work, and died with the blessed assurance that her religious views were right and that a happy existence awaited her in the spirit land. The funeral services were held at Ashley, O., April 4, E. W. Sprague officiating.

Theology is a course in ignorance. Its purpose is to teach that which is positively known to be false.—E. W. Howe.

SUPLANT COFFEE.

Belief of a Raymond Lady.

Mrs. J. T. Bartlett, Raymond, N. H., says: "I suspected that coffee was the cause of my persistent dyspepsia and terrible feeling of weakness and faintness at the heart. It was hard to give up coffee, but when I got some Postum Food Coffee and learned how to make it properly, I quickly obtained relief from the old troubles. The unpleasant sensation of faintness at the heart has entirely gone.

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FRONT VIEW OF MILL AND MEN'S QUARTERS.

ANOTHER VETERAN GONE HOME.

The parent stems reunited in the diviner life by the removal from our midst of Mrs. Harriet Kellenberger of Chillicothe, Ohio, on April 10, 1900, caused a sudden shock to her many friends in this city and the surrounding county, where she was born and raised. The circumstance of her death fell the more harshly on the ears of the community from the fact that she was recovering rapidly for one of her age from a broken limb received six weeks previous. The broken bone had knitted perfectly and she was expecting on Easter day to be removed from here bed for the first time since the accident occurred. She had been at various intervals in her life attacked with neuralgia, from which she suffered greatly for a short time, and on the morning of the 10th inst. was stricken fatally with neuralgia of the heart. Thus a noble citizen, a kind and charitable friend, a devoted mother and ministering angel to the needy was transplanted from the earthly to the spiritual home, making perfect the family tree, with one branch on the other side of life, to which the branches will be gathered one by one as time moves onward in its ceaseless registration of natural events. Beautiful thought: We were once a family on earth—in harmony and love united. Now the same family living and loving, growing and progressing in the life eternal. Mr. Kellenberger preceded his wife to the world spiritual 13 years. They had been outspoken Spiritualists for many years, when to advocate the cause meant derision and ridicule. But their honesty, industry and integrity won for them true friends, as the constant throng of visitors since she has fallen asleep attest. Mrs. Kellenberger was in her 73d year, the mother of eight children, all grown to manhood and womanhood, one of whom preceded her to the spirit world.—A. M. T.

Not much respect can be felt for the courage of Mayor Seymour of Newark, in New Jersey. The other day an Episcopal priest demanded of him that he should prohibit the performance of the actress Mrs. Langtry in Newark

during Holy Week "as a gratuitous insult to the respectable, God-fearing people" of the city, and the mayor passed the order along to the police. Such impertinence on the part of the clergy passing without rebuke by a public official is enough to make an American ashamed of his fellow-countrymen. The action of the Newark

minister is not the less reprehensible in the circumstances because of the extreme likelihood that the "respectable God-fearing people of Newark" who are denied the privilege of seeing the "Degenerates" of Mrs. Langtry during Holy Week will come to New York and witness the "Sapho" of Miss Nethersole.—The Truth Seeker.

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The Coming Age for this year will contain a strong serial story by Mrs. C. K. Reifsnider, entitled "Two Hearts for One." It began in the January number and will continue through the year. The time of the story is during our great civil war. It is a romance of life and love, very strong and quite dramatic.

Short stories and sketches of the lives of the earth's great men and women and studies of great books will also be monthly features of The Coming Age. The department of Authentic Dreams and Visions will receive special attention, as also will the department of Health Through Rational Living. Conversations with leading thinkers, preceded by popular editorial sketches, portraits of leading men and women. The department of Books of the Day and editorials will go to make this magazine in the best sense of the word popular, and with the great original essays appearing each month will contribute to the broad culture of its readers and render it indispensable to all thinking people who wish to be in touch with the best thought of the time.

In their prospectus for the ensuing year the publishers state that it is their purpose to make The Coming Age brighter, stronger and better than it has been during the past year, and this, to our readers, who are acquainted with the magazine, is promising much. They say that they propose to make this magazine a library of bright interest and virile thought, which shall appeal to every member of the home circle and prove indispensable to those who wish to keep abreast with the best ideas of the wonderful incoming age.

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SAYINGS AND DOINGS

OF

Rev. Dr. Talkwell,

OF

BY C. S. CARR, M. D., Columbus, Ohio, OF

CAN A MODERN PREACHER BECOME A CHRISTIAN MINISTER.

A reporter called on Dr. Talkwell this week to ask him some questions about a new departure which the secular society he represents is proposing to make. The reporter asked:

"Have you any objections to answering a few questions touching the new work of your society?"

"Not at all. I should certainly object to an attempt to make public anything which I regarded as the Master's work, but the society of which I speak makes no pretension of doing such work. Therefore I have no objection to speaking of it to you."

"Is it true, then, that this society is seriously considering an extension of its work?"

"Yes, it is true. Until now we have simply been having every Sunday morning a public service devoted mainly to the reports of my investigations into the various enterprises and activities of the city. These reports are to be continued indefinitely. The rapid growth and change of such a city as this will continue to furnish ample material for an hour's report once a week. But I have been considering the matter very seriously lately and have concluded there is more work than the society could do. I have made a proposition to the society which they are considering and are about to accept.

"Before I resigned my pastorate they were paying me \$5,000 a year. In addition to this sum they were also raising for missionary societies and various outside denominational purposes as much more. This would make at least \$10,000 a year the church was raising for the work we were carrying on.

"My proposal to them will cost considerably less money, but in my opin-

ion do a great deal more effective work. It is proposed to divide the work into three departments, musical, social and public instruction. I have offered my services to the church for \$1,000 a year to take charge of the department of public instruction, to be carried much in the same way as my Sunday morning reports have been—coming before the public once or twice a week with information concerning some item touching the life and institutions of our city.

"The department of music will be presided over by a competent musician, capable of teaching various instruments, conducting choruses and the like. This person will also receive a salary of at least \$1,000 a year. The director of music will be expected to organize orchestra and chorus classes for the production of sacred music, oratorios, operas, etc.

"The director of the social department of the society will have charge of the organization of clubs, literary societies, and especially amateur dramatic societies. The director of this department will also receive a salary of \$1,000 a year.

"The church building is to be remodeled into a theater auditorium, first-class in every particular. The room is to differ in no way from a modern opera house, except the addition of a pipe organ. The rooms that we have heretofore used as Sunday school rooms will be used for rehearsals, committee rooms, kindergarten work and other requirements of our society. The audience room, or theater, is to serve the purpose of musical and dramatic uses, as well as the Sunday services."

"You do not mean to say that you intend to have dramatic performances in the same room where you hold your Sunday services?" asked the reporter in astonishment.

"Certainly I do. Why not? The truths of the Bible or any other ethical truths can be taught far more ef-

fectively by the drama than all the preaching in the world."

"What, do you intend to introduce something like the Passion Play upon the stage?"

"Nothing of the sort. We will have little or no time for such nonsense. Plays based upon the Bible should be selected from the parables rather than the mythology of the Bible. Every sentiment of the Sermon on the Mount can find expression in a much more telling way by dramatic representation than by dreary sermonizing."

"Do you expect to confine your dramatic representations to Bible lessons entirely?"

"I presume not, although the sayings of Jesus would furnish plenty of material for hundreds of soul-stirring dramas. What a theme the Prodigal Son would make for the dramatist, or the story of the woman they brought to Jesus, and to whom he said, 'Neither do I condemn thee; go and sin no more.' These beautiful pictures in the life of Jesus could be wrought out by even an amateur dramatist in such a realistic way as to bring them home to every heart. I would not feel by any means any necessity, however, to be restricted by any bounds, for wherever human need or human aspiration touches there would be a legitimate field for our work."

"Would you expect to bring out these dramatic representations by amateur talent alone?"

"As nearly as possible. This would be the work of the director of that department. At least three amateur dramatic societies will be organized; one consisting of the children, one of the young people and one of the men and women of the city. All these will be selected without any reference to creed or locality. This would make the most effective preaching possible, besides furnishing something elevating and inspiring for our people to do."

"But," the reporter asked, "do you not think the salaries rather small to command men of sufficient talent to take charge of this sort of work?"

"Well, so far as I am concerned the salary is large enough. One thousand dollars a year is a larger salary than the average workman receives, and I would be ashamed to confess that I would not be able or willing to live on as small a salary as an honest working man. But suppose we are obliged to pay our musical director and social director \$2,000 each a year, yet this would only bring the three salaries to the amount of \$5,000 per year, exactly what they used to pay

me alone. Then there would be nothing to prevent both of the directors from giving private lessons in music or elocution in addition to their regular work."

"How will you meet the running expenses of such a work?"

"Oh, in various ways; perhaps by small admission fees to some of the entertainments, or perhaps in the same way we used to when we were known as a church."

"Would the building be open every night?"

"I hope so, and every day, too, for that matter. We intend making it large enough to accommodate an ordinary convention, and everything of this sort would find ready welcome. It will be our purpose to make the place just secular enough to admit any good thing, and just holy enough to shut out every sort of hypocrisy and pretence; a place where people, old and young, will love to come; a place where it will be the pleasure rather than the duty of all to gather; a place where sociability, not solemnity, is the regular order."

"Why do you object to calling this society a church?"

"The only objection I should have is the popular notion that the church is doing the work of Christian ministry. If we should call our society a church, then our work would be regarded as our idea of Christian discipleship. That any church has ever done or can ever be made to do the work of a Christian minister is exactly what I deny. That the church has done a good work and can be made to do a still greater work is doubtless true, and it is this greater work of the church we are aiming to do.

"But this has only incidentally anything in common with the mission of Jesus, and I wish to avoid giving a wrong inference. That we are proposing to do the work that the church ought to be doing, I certainly believe.

"Personally, I hope to be able to take a few feeble steps in the Master's work. My department of work will call me constantly to associate with the unfortunate classes. I will have no other business but to work among them. I shall come each Sunday to my reports with my heart full of the suffering and the injustice which they are enduring. I am simply to report my observations. All so-called literary work will be left to those who have the time. Then, I hope to do some of the Master's work at the same time I am assisting in the educational work, which the church has so long mistaken for the work of the Master.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MODERN VIEWS OF MATTER.

(From Light, London, England.)

Intelligent and cultured Spiritualists are interested in matter as well as in spirit. The cleverest men amongst us know but little of the essential nature of either, but if we can reach some definite and reasonable apprehension of the one, it may probably lead us towards a realization of the true nature of the other. Professor Oliver Lodge, who is one of the highest authorities on the subject, recently gave an address in Liverpool in exposition of the views, in relation to matter, now prevalent in the scientific world. We have seen no report of that address, but our readers will be able to gather something of its import from the following intelligent comments which have appeared in the form of an editorial article in the Liverpool Daily Post:

A much larger public than the large

audience which gathered the other day at the Literary and Philosophical society's meeting, is interested in Professor Oliver Lodge and his work; it is to be hoped, therefore, that his essay on "Modern Views of Matter," which for two hours held its listeners entranced, will soon be published. Across the minds of some of the persons who had the good fortune to hear the paper, the thought may have passed that the position of a great man of science is one of the most desirable. Not because the multitude regard him as a magician, nor because his line has gone out through all the earth, and his words to the end of the world, but because dignity of mind comes to him from the consciousness of great achievements, and the truest humility from the ever-present knowledge of the narrow limitations or human faculties. These are properties and qualities of most of the kings of science, and when, as in Dr. Lodge's case, there is added a personality of strange charm, a blending of strength and sweetness, of dogged courage and sunny humor, the admiration which he provokes is tinged with a trace of

envy. It is interesting to notice how science has built up a fabric of authority not unlike that of the church. Kelvins and J. J. Thomsons and Lodges may dispute with one another; for the rest of us dutiful acceptance is decreed. In all Dr. Lodge's audience there probably was not a single person possessed of the data necessary for the discussion of his theories, and when those theories command the universal assent of his peers, they will be received by the great mass of highly educated persons with an act of intellectual submission closely akin to that which determines the acceptance of a papal decree. But science's college of cardinals is open to every man of every race and station in the world who is blessed with sufficient brains and industry. Time was when physical science, partly through the indiscretion of some of its devotees, and partly through the ignorant prejudices of many good people, was popularly regarded as the dangerous enemy of religion. And at one period there was, indeed, more than a tendency in scientific teaching towards a rather sordid materialism. It meddled where it had

no business, it chuckled complacently when it had retrain the Gadarene swine, and sometimes it hinted that a day might come when truth and justice, faith and virtue, would stand revealed as forms of molecular motion.

Of widely different temper are the great physicists of today. It is not their work to study moral and spiritual phenomena; but in their hands matter and force become the objects of a reverence which seems akin to the spirit of religion. It is of intense interest to observe that as our pioneers wistfully but courageously grope through the darkness towards the Unknowable, one by one the fallacies of crude materialism disappear. But yesterday we were taught that force is a function of matter; today, in the light of the newest discoveries, we are told that matter is a phenomenon of force. If it were possible—but perhaps this is the foolish imagination of an unscientific mind—if it were possible to bring consciousness within the operation of the law of the conservation of energy, it seems to us that physical science might present to mankind a stupendous pantheism whose God, in-

deed, is all in all, in Whom all creatures and things live and move and have their being. Probably some of the boldest and certainly most misunderstood parts of Dr. Lodge's work were inspired by the hope of bringing into closer comprehension the material universe and that unknown Power of which it is merely the phenomenon. The purpose of Dr. Lodge's latest essay was smaller and more definite. He desired to state in plain terms the various theories which have been propounded as to the constitution of matter. The first definite theory was that of Descartes, who taught that matter is heterogeneous and continuous—in other words, that matter really is as it appears to our senses of sight and touch. The results of chemical experiment and spectrum analysis have made this theory extremely improbable. Next came the atomic theory, the germs of which are to be found in Greek philosophy. According to this, matter is not continuous, but is composed of aggregates of molecules, and each molecule is built up of two or more atoms; and this theory still holds the field. Dr. Lodge and other great physicists have recently been trying to determine what these atoms really are. The earlier view was that the atom is an extremely minute material particle, everlasting in form and properties, and infinitely hard. It was discovered, however, that the atoms are probably elastic, and almost certainly in incessant and violent vibration. Next came Boscovich, who suggested that the atom is an infinitely small, indivisible mass which is a center of force; this theory involves the idea denounced by Newton, that action between bodies is action at a distance. Finally came the vortex hypothesis. In 1858 Von Helmholtz showed that a closed vortex filament in an incompressible, frictionless, homogeneous fluid is indestructible, and in 1867 Lord Kelvin pronounced the idea that matter consists of vortex rings in such a fluid which fills space. Dr. Lodge and the later physicists have adopted this theory, and after a series of remarkable experiments have arrived at the conclusion that these vortices are manifestations of electrical force, and that the ultimate atom of matter is probably a unit of electricity. Thus, matter is lost in force, and the whole material universe becomes a phenomenal display of infinite and eternal energy.

The reasons which have led up to this remarkable theory are hardly apprehended by the untrained mind, even when assisted by such charming experiments as Dr. Lodge performed the other night. The great physicists must settle the matter between them, and the rest of the world must accept their conclusions. Meanwhile, it may give some amusement—it can hardly afford any advantage—to Dr. Lodge to learn one or two of the difficulties that arise in the average unscientific mind in contact with this theory. Is it not in effect the expression of one unknown in terms of another unknown? For example, he remarked of the ether, "Substance it may be; matter it is not." This distinction is necessary, because the mind of man can form no idea of a material fluid which is both frictionless and incompressible. Ether is substantial, then, but immaterial, a definition which almost reminds one of the dogmatic paradoxes of the Athanasian creed. Further, it possesses some of the characteristic properties of matter, inertia among others. Dr. Lodge's pretty experiment with an endless chain, which, when set in violent revolution, runs about like a hoop, and whose loosely connected particles exhibit an inertia they do not possess

when at rest, does not help us to realize the spinning of an immaterial chain or to imagine what its possible properties might be. Furthermore, one sometimes wonders at the confidence of what may be called the arithmetical conclusions of the physicists. Lord Kelvin, for instance, has given the number of vibrations per second of a sodium atom as greater than ten raised to the fourteenth power. Dr. Lodge also showed us how the number of atoms in an enclosed space might, under certain conditions, be counted. All such conclusions appear to rest ultimately upon practical measurement, and it would be interesting to know how far errors too small for detection by existing appliances may invalidate such conclusions. Lastly, some of us now and again doubt whether physical science pays sufficient regard to the subjective element of the universe. Things assuredly are not as they seem, and the mind shudders to imagine how entities as distinguished from phenomena may present themselves to higher perceptions than ours. There is no blue sky apart from living eyes, no sweet sound apart from living ears, no genial warmth apart from living nerves. The reality of all seems to be infinite darkness, silence and cold filled with the everlasting pulsations of force. After all, the secrets which it most imports us to know may be within us rather than without, and from the study of mind may at last come the key to those riddles of matter that now seem insoluble. Perhaps our famous physicist long ago surmounted such difficulties; perhaps they are too foolish ever to have arisen in his mind. At any rate, he will forgive the expression of them, which is the honest outcome of an effort to follow him in a perplexing and unfamiliar region.

A GREAT EX-METHODIST ON SPIRITUALISM.

In one of Rev. Dr. B. F. Austin's recent discourses that energetic and talented scholar had the following to say of the religion of progress. The stupid action of the Canadian Methodist church in driving out its leading spirit does not appear to have dimmed the truth-loving teacher. Said Dr. Austin:

"Some people dispute the use of the term religion when applied to Spiritualism. For many ages religion was supposed to be something grave and sad. Religious people were supposed to live in gloom and practice self-mortification; all pleasures and amusements were sinful and to be discarded. Innocent dancing was a mortal sin, and so was a hearty laugh. But this view has been fading for many years, although it is still in force. Men are to-day preaching a religion of joy and light and happiness. Tested by this standard Spiritualism is a religion, for there is no body of teachings so full of comfort, hope and cheer for mankind. Again religion is supposed to reconcile God to man. Here again we are religious. We do not consider God to be a white-haired person that sits in some far off heaven on a throne. We think God to be imminent in nature, an infinite spirit of love, power and intelligence, which creates and governs this world by law, and that to reconcile men to God is to teach men to avoid breaking the laws of the mental and spiritual life. We believe that no church, no creed, no book nor priest stands between man and God, but that each man stands face to face with the Great Spirit. So if to believe in misery, to deny the validity of reason, to think an act of faith a virtue, that our belief and not our deeds sends us to heaven or hell,

that we can sow tears and reap wheat is religion, we are not religious. But if to think religion the brightest, most joyous thing in the world, calculated to aid us in development of the highest characters, and to help in making a heaven of the home and this world worth living in, we are most assuredly religious. It is the most comforting belief and I derive a thousand times more comfort every day from it than I ever did from the old teaching.

"It is said we do not believe in prayer. No man with respect for truth should make such a statement. We do not believe that God will alter natural laws in answer to prayer, for all answers come from obedience to natural law. Prayer is aspiration of the soul toward the true and good, and that we grow to be like that on which we set our hearts. We also believe in the power of thought transference, and that a mother's prayers for her boy may influence him though far from home. We also believe that many prayers are answered by our loved ones in the spirit world. Spiritualism then is a religion. It is the religion of progress because its star points to the future. It is not a sealed and dead revelation, but is living and growing. We admit the inspiration of the ancient prophets, but they had no corner on truth. We are to-day coming to see new truths, higher and nobler than the old. We look for truth everywhere, and nothing is too sacred for investigation. We are to-day sons of God, and we are now getting hold upon the powers within us and without, and entering upon new realms of knowledge. The religion of Spiritualism brings us in contact with a new world—the spirit world. Through the development of our own psychic powers and through mediums we can communicate with this world, and the beneficent results to flow from this great fact are not dreamed of by the most sanguine. If we are soon all to go to the great beyond it is certainly of comfort and value to know something about it.

"Spiritualism teaches us present day inspiration. Not only inspirational speaking, although that is very wonderful. In Lillydale, N. Y., I heard Lyman C. Howe speak. An old man, frail and weak, with a drawl in his voice began talking to an audience of thousands. I was disappointed. Suddenly he paused, his voice changed, he stood erect, his eyes shone with a new light, and for over an hour he delivered an address which for sublimity of thought, and beauty of expression I have never heard equalled in this world. Was it Lyman Howe? No. It was an intelligence from another world controlling his organism. These intelligences came from the other world to inspire authors and poets through the power of suggestion. Inventors also are no less inspired. There is a man in Detroit who is just now taking out a patent on a machine which was described to him in the trance state by a departed friend. Physicians are inspired. Some of the best doctors in the country call to their aid clairvoyants to help them in the diagnosis of difficult cases, and receive suggestions for their treatment. Many valuable recipes have been compounded from prescriptions given through mediums by physicians in the other world, and thousands upon thousands of people are being cured of serious troubles by psychics who have curative powers. Of course all this sounds very strange and untrue, but all we ask is investigation. Still, if you cannot believe the evidence of your own senses, a world full of evidence could not move you. So this present day inspiration has many applications and is exceedingly practi-

cal and helpful in preparing us for and aiding us in the work of life. We have no creeds. A man does not need the theology of John Calvin, of Wesley or of Augustine's shackled upon his feet when he enters the race of life. Dr. Hillis has lately thrown off these bonds and stands forth a free man. I am glad to know that many ministers are cutting loose from creeds and teaching the people the new gospel of intelligence and love. Creeds are dead; the soul is alive; you cannot unite them. It is because the church refuses to keep up with the march of modern scientific thought that she is falling behind both in numbers and influence. We believe with Thomas Paine that any religion whose teachings would shock the mind of a little child, is not true.

"We believe in the moral government of the universe and accept the teachings of nature. We seek truth everywhere, and teach that the noblest service of God is in doing good deeds to men. It is because the spiritual philosophy thus faces the future and believes that to-morrow should find us further than to-day, that it is the religion of progress."

TWO MESSAGES CONCERNING VIOLENT DEATH.

DREAMS AND VISIONS—A RECORD OF FACTS.

By Mrs. C. K. Reifsnider in The Coming Age For April.

I give two instances of "thought transference" recently brought to my notice. The first I present as related by a Presbyterian minister. "I was in Arkansas," he said, "at a meeting conducted by Mr. W., and after the sermon a gentleman in the congregation arose, saying: 'I wish to be allowed to relate an experience of my own; I can not account for it, or explain, but give it as it occurred. I was traveling, and put up one night at a hotel in a certain town. Retiring to my room I was soon fast asleep, but during the night I was most suddenly awakened by an almost audible voice, the voice of my brother, crying out: 'Get up quick, and pray for me; I am being assassinated.' I sprang out of bed, fell on my knees, and prayed with all my strength, so impressed was I. I continued my journey next day, but was followed by a telegram telling me my brother had been assassinated the night before, and was lying at the point of death. I immediately went to his bedside, in Florida; and, friends, I have just returned from his funeral."

The second story, recently told me by a Baptist minister, bears on the same subject of thought transference or mental telepathy. "The eminent Dr. L., of Richmond, Va., was attending conference, and while at dinner one day became so impressed with the feeling that something terrible in which he was interested was being enacted, he mentioned the fact to a neighbor at table. Indeed, so strong and so awful was the impression he was compelled to excuse himself to his hostess and retire from the table, unable to eat a mouthful. In less than an hour a telegram was handed him, saying his son was found dead on a railroad track, not positively known, but supposed to have been killed by the train." Who can tell, in that awful hour of death, what thoughts flew from the heart of that young man to the dear father, and how the brother, in the hands of the assassin, longed for the protecting power of a Christian brother's prayers? B. J. R.

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The governor of New York has signed a bill which makes vagrants of men who live with immoral women and are supported by them. We hope the law will be enforced.

During "Holy week" the public schools of New York city were closed out of respect for Christ's "passion," but the parochial schools were open every day. The Catholic church ought to be ashamed of itself in ignoring what the state takes such pains to observe.

Robert Sheerin, M. E. M. D., has removed his publications, "The Suggester and Thinker" and "The Psychic Digest and Occult Review of Reviews," from Cleveland to Columbus, O., with headquarters in the Y. M. C. A. building on Third street, opposite state capitol. Dr. Sheerin is publishing two very valuable periodicals.

CHARITY—LOVE.

There is in all the writings of men, none that exceed in eloquence, rythm and truth, the thirteenth chapter of Paul's first epistle to the Corinthians. There is no man or woman living today to whom these beautiful sentiments do not appeal with truth. They are the sweet and undying juices of a neglected gospel. It is not because Saul of Tarsus penned them. The personality of that man, although woven into the woof and warp of Christendom, is not of so much account. He was strong and he was weak, a lion and a sheep in human intellectual guise. In his moments of exaltation he reached a high plane and caught the inspiration of the eternal spheres of light and truth. This bit of writing is among these inspirations. It is needed now. We all lack charity (which is another name for love) and heaven can never be ours until we possess it. Paul said:

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing.

And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.

Charity suffereth long, and is kind;

charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up.

Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil.

Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth.

Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

Charity never falleth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease, whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away.

For we know in part, and we prophesy in part.

But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.

When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

For now we see through a glass darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.

And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

WHAT KING SOLOMON'S MINING COMPANY PROPOSES TO AND WILL DO.

Some ask why such a big capitalization (\$30,000,000). Below will be found an item which answers the question and shows something of the great plans involved in this enterprise. The directors have recommended the following expenditures and improvements:

Development of mines	\$ 420,000
to capacity of 300,000 tons per annum.	
Development of water power	92,600
to 5,000 H. P.	
Electric power plant, 4,500 H. P..	197,000
Concentrating mill, 1,000 tons daily	100,000
Sampling works	50,000
Smelter, 1,000 tons daily.....	350,000
Cyanide plant	50,000
Dock improvements and buildings	20,000
Railroad, 40 miles.....	800,000
Chemical works	300,000
Total	\$2,379,600

The company proposes to complete the above work within five years.

The work outlined for the present year will produce 160,000 tons of ore, with a net value of \$3.84 per ton after paying all expenses, yielding a net income of \$614,400. This may be properly termed the company's present earning capacity, but to insure this income will necessitate the extension of their main shaft and levels and the enlarging of the mill and power plant which is one of the first contemplated improvements.

The future yearly gross earnings of the company from improvements contemplated may be scheduled as follows:

Railroad per year.....	\$ 720,000
Power (rentals)	180,000
Concentrating	216,000
Smelting	2,400,000

Total gross income from sources other than our own mines...\$3,516,000

The First Church of Spiritual Unity of St. Louis has chosen by unanimous vote, and for the third consecutive season, Professor W. F. Peck as speaker. This is a flattering compliment to Mr. Peck personally and also a recognition of his sterling ability. Furthermore it is another evidence of the practical efficiency of a settled speakership among the societies and churches that really is encouraging.

"Medical Talk," a live, progressive quarterly magazine, and the Light of Truth one year, \$1.50. Send in your subscriptions.

THE MEDICS HAVE IT.

The Love Medical bill, with some amendments in favor of the Osteopaths, has been passed by the Ohio senate, and will become a law. It bars out all magnetic healers, mediums and psychics whatsoever, and nobody has any right to practice the healing art in this state who is not a regular graduate of some doctor factory, or does not pass examination before a medical board appointed for the purpose of controlling the healing art in favor of the old and wornout systems of remedial practice. Evidently Senator Foraker's influence saved the Osteopaths, but there was no Foraker to pull the strings in favor of the magnetic and psychic healers. This is the situation.

Undoubtedly, sooner or later a test will be made of the new law and the supreme court be required to pass upon it, as affects magnetists and psychic healers. Judging from the attitude of the supreme court on the old law, to which the case of an Osteopath was carried, we have no fear as to the outcome. Already a leading magnetic healer operating successfully in northeastern Ohio stands ready to test the law. The gentleman referred to is Dr. Louis H. Freedman, now located at Ashtabula, who offers to head a subscription with \$50.00, and give the medical trust an opportunity to arrest him, if the liberal physicians and healers who are interested will follow him with subscriptions to a fund for the purpose of challenging the constitutionality of the law. This new legislation is of a stripe calculated to disgust every lover of liberty in Ohio, and challenges the respect of fair-minded people for the institutions of the state. It is a bare-faced fraud and has behind it a lot of cold-blooded and infinitely selfish men, who care nothing for and know nothing of the light blazing everywhere in the field of remedial practice. They are of the same ilk that have stood in the way of every advance in the healing of disease for the past 600 years, and many of them ought to have lived in the sixteenth century.

There is absolutely no such thing as freedom of action in the handling of sick people in Ohio. These doctors, with the help of paid hirelings in the late and malodorous legislature, have succeeded in driving the last nail in the coffin of medical liberty in one of the greatest commonwealths in the Union.

Let the law be tested. Dr. Freedman shows good metal in taking the stand he does for principle, and he ought to be supported.

The following quite appropriate advertisement appeared in the Topeka Capital during Rev. Sheldon's "brief authority:"

"Stir the subsoil deep to let in the rains that refresh the earth. Otherwise a large portion of the moisture graciously sent by our Heavenly Father is wasted by running off from the surface. Perine's Subsoil Plow accomplishes the stirring, as we believe would please Jesus who said let nothing be lost. Also, Perine's improved Potato Digger, designed to work well, even in unfavorable conditions of soil, which induces good words instead of bad words, by which we desire to honor Jesus."

The St. Louis Transit Co. has placed in service one of six handsome funeral trolley cars. These cars are designed to take the place of the time-honored hearse and carriages. They may rob funerals of much of solemn dignity, but they will be expeditious and probably cheaper.

MORE LIGHT IN THE CRANNIES.

What in the world is overcoming the Presbyterian church! It must be the light of truth. Here is The Interior, the great Presbyterian organ of Chicago, defending Rev. Dr. Hillis, who recently kicked over the traces, and is advocating the setting aside of the Confession of Faith. Dr. Gray, the editor, repeats what he said when Rev. Hillis was first attacked—that three-fourths of the ministers and nine-tenths of the members of the Presbyterian church reject the clause in the confession which Hillis attacked, and for which he was denounced by certain theologians and religious newspapers.

Dr. Gray has no doubt that the church will take an early opportunity to vote on a new creed, and that it will be carried by a large majority.

Rev. Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst of New York also comes out in blunt style against the time honored monstrosity, and says it ought to be put in a museum. "We ought to have a new Confession of Faith," says Mr. Parkhurst. "It is surprising that the Presbyterian church is able to do as much as it is doing with such an incubus strapped upon us as we are tottering under in our present confession. In the first place, the thing needed is not a system of theology, for that is what our present confession is, but a simple, brief Saxon statement of a half dozen or so of the vital ingredients of Jesus Christ's message to the world." All of which is quite hopeful.

PEN POINTS.

Mrs. Admiral Dewey has swapped religious absurdities and is now an Episcopalian.

Sam Jones, the exhorter, says that the churches are losing hold. Sam ought to know.

The only indecent thing about the "Sapho" crusade in New York appears to have been the prosecution.

"My position, therefore, is that the phenomena of Spiritualism, in their entirety, do not require further confirmation. They are proved quite as well as any facts are proved in other sciences."—Professor Alfred Russell Wallace, the greatest living naturalist.

The social commonwealth, like Spiritualism is coming about as rapidly as the people are ready for it. Both belong to the evolution of the spirit, which is a slow growth. Patience, fortitude and charity are needed in carrying on the great work of liberating the human spirit.

The congressional naval committee has asked for \$61,209,916 with which to maintain and improve the United States navy. The money will be appropriated. As a peace offering, the shivering, starving millions of the country will likely regard this as a little out of line. Who is this congressional naval committee, anyway. Men whom the S. S. M. of the country voted for.

Mrs. Lezette Wilz, 69 years old, died at 3845 Chouteau Ave., St. Louis, the other day, of blood poisoning, resulting from vaccination. She was vaccinated three weeks before her death at the Female Hospital against her protests. The death certificate signed by Dr. Simon, who was called to the case, gave the cause of her death "cellulitis of arm, caused by vaccination," and says he will stand by the statement.

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"BUY THIS STOCK."

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The building operations will cover many months and all we need is to know that when the month comes around a sufficient income to add to the production of the mines will be forthcoming to meet current expenditures and contracts.

If any one will examine the Rocky mountain range from Mexico to British Columbia he will discover that there has never been a failure to develop great dividend paying mines wherever there has existed the two essentials, viz: a large body of ore and an abundance of power. With these essentials failure can only come because of incompetency or dishonesty.

These elements of uncertainty are removed in this great enterprise. An enormous body of ore and abundant power we know to exist. Nobody of the thousands who know James B. Townsend will impute to him incompetency or dishonesty, and the men he has called about him to aid in their several important capacities, are known for their skill and energy in their several departments.

One hundred thousand dollars are already in the treasury. This shows the confidence inspired in the people by the simple, straight forward propositions set forth. Money is pouring in, and it is all needed. The Light of Truth is placing hundreds of shares among our people daily and more of it is to be had on application to this office. Write us for information and let us start you in an investment bound to result in gratification to yourselves and your children.

Remember there is to be no freeze-out of small stockholders by the large ones. Just as much care and attention are paid to the laborer who takes a hundred shares as to the capitalist who takes 10,000 shares.

Remember, too, that your investment means a loan of money at 4 per cent. to be returned to you.

Men who now hold up and rob travelers and sightseers in the Alps or Apennines are called brigands, and are outlaws of society with prices on their heads. But the men who will hold up and rob the sightseers at the Paris exposition are genteel citizens and most worthy people, and their plan of operations is merely alluded to as "very expensive." The big fish, i. e., people with fat purses, will be the prey of sharks, while the bourgeois will eat soup and lodge accordingly at proper distances. A dispatch says that a great advance in prices during the exposition, both at hotels and pensions, is in order. First-class accommodations within a reasonable distance from the exposition are going to be very expensive. An ordinary boarding house which usually charges seven francs a day has now made arrangements to charge thirty francs.

The Light of Truth Album of distinguished persons in Spiritualism is a rare work of art. Every copy of it cost us nearly one dollar, and the postage, twenty-five cents, on each book, leaves a trifling margin. This work ought to be in every Spiritualist household. It is a lasting memento of some two hundred persons who are among the leading spirits of the movement on two continents.

DEATH CAME AS FORETOLD.

The funeral of Mrs. Johanna Schroder at Williamsport, Pa., April 1, was the sequel to a prediction made by Mrs. E. J. Demorest, pastor of the congregation of Spiritualists there.

Three weeks prior to Mrs. Schroder's death Mrs. Demorest told Mrs. Charles Nuss that soon a woman would come to her house and die there. Mrs. Schroder soon afterward became a temporary member of Mrs. Nuss' family. A few days thereafter another medium told Mrs. Nuss that she saw a coffin being brought to her house.

Mrs. Schroder was taken ill and sank rapidly. The attending physician said she could not live long. To this Mrs. Schroder, who was also a Spiritualist, replied that she would live "just four hours yet." Just to the minute when the four hours had expired she died.

SAME HERE.

"There are ten thousand microbes on each dollar bill that has circulated for one year. Still there are men who insist on carrying this deadly menace around with them instead of sending them to us in payment for subscription. Come up, friends; we'll risk the microbes."—Cambridge Times.

WHITE HOUSE SHODDY.

Some workmen, while making repairs in the White House recently, were painting the doors and discovered that they were of solid mahogany, but owing to some mistake the original wood had been painted in imitation of walnut. The paint was at once scraped off and the doors restored.

The gratitude of many people will be given to Helen Gould when it becomes known that she has been maintaining at her own expense ten chaplains at \$90 a month each to show "the way, the truth and the life" to as many regiments of U. S. soldiers in the Philippines the while they are shooting benevolent assimilation into the Talags and the other Malays of those islands.

Ireland sees McKinley, and General Otis, military commander in the Philippines, is called back. Otis bounced the friars and said they should not be reinstated in their parishes. Archbishop Chapelle, who by the grace of the president of the United States is head of the church there, says that the friars shall be reinstated, and there you are.

War is a dreadful scourge. It is officially stated that thirty officers and men in the army of the Philippines have committed suicide, and that more than 400 men of that army are in insane asylums. The official reports further show that upward of 1,400 Filipinos have been killed in the last three months by the unerring rifles of our soldiers on the island of Luzon.

An article on vaccination detailing its effects on the person of Miss Kerr, appeared in our issue of April 7, and was charged up against Jackson, Mich. It should have been Jackson, Miss., which state also as a compulsory vaccination law.

"One of the most unfortunate mistakes ever made by the Christian church," says Rev. Dr. Parkhurst, "was to slide into the habit of identifying Christianity with theology."

"If a man look sharply and attentively, he shall see Fortune! for though she is blind, she is not invisible."—Bacon.

IN THE WAY OF A LAUGH.

At the conclusion of a charity concert a gentleman proposes that the famous and pretty singer, Miss Bellini, allow the highest bidder a kiss to increase the proceeds. She agreed to this, amid the applause of the public. The gentleman, stepping upon the stage, takes the baton instead of the hammer, and begins in a loud voice. "Twenty-five dollars for a kiss! Who gives more? To the first—to—" At this juncture rises Mrs. Shopperly, wife of a merchant, and calls out: "I'll give three kisses for \$10!"—Fliegende Blaetter.

Judge—"Here, officer, this man says he was arrested for merely taking cold. Is that correct?"

Officer—"It is, your honor. He was stealing ice when I nabbed him."—Chicago News.

Johnny Cracker—"Deacon Beuregarde jes' shot pap through the leg! They wuz argifyin' on religion, and—"

Mrs. Cracker—"Drat his fool hide! It do seem like yo'd fool pap wuz laid up all the time with either rheumatism, republicanism or religion."—Judge.

The Deacon's Dream.—"May you take this lesson home with you tonight, dear friends," concluded the preacher at the end of a very long and wearisome sermon. "And may its spiritual truths sink deep into your hearts and lives to the end that your souls may experience salvation. We will now bow our heads in prayer. Deacon White, will you lead?"

There was no response.

"Deacon White," this time in a louder voice. "Deacon White, will you lead?"

Still no response. It was evident that the deacon was slumbering. The preacher made a third appeal and raised his voice to a pitch that succeeded in waking the drowsy man.

"Deacon White, will you please lead?"

The deacon rubbed his eyes and opened them wonderingly.

"Is it my lead? No—I just dealt."

WHAT SPIRITUALIST EDITORS ARE SAYING THIS WEEK.

The Scottish Guardian has a thoughtful article on "Prayers For the Dead," though it is by no means free from certain quaint old superstitions. Referring to the sanction of prayers for the dead, by the Archbishops and Bishops, the Guardian quotes one of the war prayers to the following effect: "That it may please Thee to have ever in Thy merciful keeping those of the faithful whom Thou hast chosen to lay down their lives in the performance of duty." We cannot refrain from a shudder at that curiously grotesque "Whom Thou hast chosen." It will not bear thinking out.—Light, London.

Science has been forced into speculation by Spiritualism. The greatest scientists of the world are groping in the occult gloaming, seeking some explanation of the phenomena which Spiritualism is constantly presenting to the world, without accepting the spirit hypothesis. Freedom, the foremost champion of Mental Science, has this to say on the subject:

"If, however, the scientific skeptic will produce experimental evidence for such powers without involving the personal identity of deceased persons, he can weaken the spiritistic theory, but until he does so it is contended that it must stand as the best working hypothesis in the field."—Religio-Philosophical Journal.

A late article in the London Chronicle takes us behind the scenes and tells how illustrations of battles in South Africa are made for the delectation of the people. Scattered all over Europe are manufactories of ancient relics which are sold to travelers, specially to Americans, at enormous prices. Coins, ceramics, medals, seals, everything that human ambition would love

"Look out," shouted the conductor as the train was entering a tunnel. Just then an Irishman poked his head out at a window and came very near being struck in the head by a projecting rock.

"Faith," exclaimed Pat, "when they say 'look out' in this country they mean 'look in.'"

"You are not allowed to smoke in this car," said the conductor to another Irishman.

"Faith, I'm not smoking," said the Irishman.

"You have your pipe in your mouth," said the conductor.

"Yes, and I have me feet in me shoes and I'm not walking," said Pat.

The Light of Truth wants your good thoughts.

POSITIVE ENOUGH.

At the conclusion of Professor Hyslop's "narrative" of his experiences with Mrs. Piper, which took place at the regular meeting of the Society for Psychical Research in Boston, a gentleman in the audience arose and asked Professor Hyslop if his experiences and investigations had resulted in his acceptance of Spiritism. Professor Hyslop replied: "It positively has done so; there is no other explanation but Spiritism."

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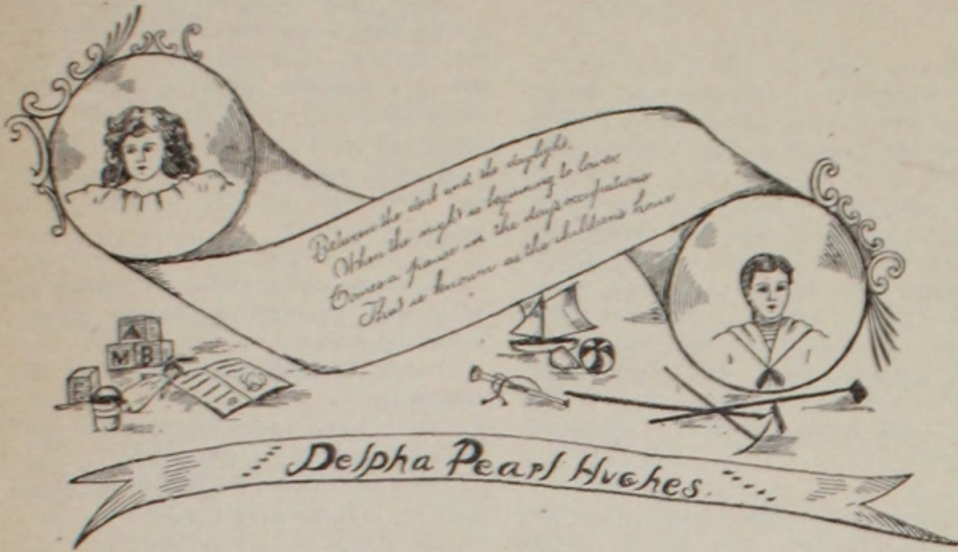
"How do you like our church?" asked the good man; "I hope we made you feel at home there." "Sure you did," replied the unregenerate youth; "I heard the same old texts that pop and mom used to fire at me."

He who refuses counsel is beyond help.

It is certain that the discoveries of universal law have reduced prayer among us to an anachronism. It makes no difference whatever whether the prayer be for a moral or an intellectual or a physical benefit.—Conway.

To exhibit in homes, or in museums, even mummies, are imitated. Manuscripts on every variety of subjects are simulated to meet the demand. Go in any direction and fraud is met with, save when "sacred literature" is found in some old monastery, or is exhumed in some old ruin. Such finds are always genuine, always inspirations of God, saved by special Providence for the benefit of the church.—The Progressive Thinker.

Whatever form Spiritualism in Great Britain may assume in the future, whether it will remain a mere aggregation of societies without any bond of union between them, or a federal union of our working forces, the question of a legal statute in either case is a problem that is increasingly pressing for consideration. The innumerable and recurring difficulties that arise in connection with the business of our societies cause a woeful wasting of funds and accomplished work. Business men are alienated, because of their dissatisfaction with the unbusiness methods so frequently prevailing. Would-be workers retire because their desire for business methods is misconstrued into a wish to "boss" things, to use an expressive Americanism. While in not a few cases funds and property slip from our hold, and become the possession, in some instances our opponents thus profiting at our expense. All of which is, of course, lamentable, but could be easily prevented. Spiritualist societies have the usual rights at common law, but they are not yet recognized as religious bodies. Is such recognition necessary for the cause is, of course, a debatable point, though not a few are beginning, through painful experience, to believe it is a necessity of our work.—The Spiritual Review, London, Eng.



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FOR ARBOR DAY.

What do we plant when we plant the tree?
We plant the ship that will cross the sea;
We plant the mast to carry the sails;
We plant the plank to withstand the gales;
The keel, the keelson, the beam and knee;
We plant the ship when we plant the tree.

What do we plant when we plant the tree?
We plant the house for you and me;
We plant the rafters, the shingles, the
floors;

We plant the studding, the lath, the doors;
The beams and siding, all parts that be;
We plant the house when we plant the
tree.

What do we plant when we plant the tree?
A thousand things that we daily see,
We plant the spire that out-towers the
crag;

We plant the staff for our country's flag;
We plant the shade from the hot sun free;
We plant all these when we plant the tree.

—Selected.

MISS GRAY.

Katherine Gray was the school teacher in the village school and was loved by all her pupils. Every boy in the school respected and loved her, and they were always anxious to assist her in some way. On rainy days they drove her to her home, and in every manner possible they paid her kind attention, while the girls kept her desk supplied with flowers.

Miss Gray, in her turn, was always helping some one. Now, she remained after school to explain some arithmetic to one of the girls, now she was gently reasoning with one of the boys who had lost his temper that morning. The sweet face and gentle ways won the heart of Harvey Brown, a widower, and he asked her to be his wife. Katherine consented, and many tears were shed when it became known that Miss Gray could no longer teach the village school.

In Mr. Brown's home things were not running very smoothly, for he had two children, Norma, a proud, haughty, little girl of 12 (very much spoiled), and Fred, a rather stubborn youth of 14. Both children objected to their father's marriage. Norma had (since her mother's death two years before the opening of the story), been her father's little housekeeper, her word was law and her father was very proud of his "little woman." Norma rebelled against the idea of giving her position to a stranger, while Fred declared he would do "nothing to please her, and everything he could to tease her." (Boys will be boys.)

"And just think, Fred, she is only eight years older than I," said Norma.

"And just think, she is only six years older than I," said Fred.

"I suited father for two years, and I am learning more every day. I don't see why he wants to marry," complained the "little woman."

"And I don't see why," grumbled Fred, "he must marry Miss Gray; she

can't know so very much more than you."

The compliment pleased Norma.

"Now Fred," said Mr. Brown quietly, "what are your objections to Miss Gray?"

The boy was at a loss what to say, he did not intend for his father to hear his remarks. Fred answered rather stiffly: "Well, she is too young."

"Papa, what are your objections to me?" asked Norma.

"None whatever, my child," answered her father, gently stroking her hair. "I have thought the matter over and think it a good plan, for Norma you cannot deny but that you need some kind advice and gentle teachings. You will always be my little woman, Norma, and no one can ever fill your place in my heart, and I know Miss Gray will love you. And you, Fred, also need gentle reasoning and advice, and you have often heard me say 'that only a woman can reason with a boy.' So, dear ones, I think it a happy plan—the best for all; and, for my sake, be kind to Miss Gray and in a short time I trust you will learn to love her."

"Humph," was Fred's reply, while Norma escaped from the room.

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During the first two months of Miss Gray's married life she had a difficult time. Norma addressed her as "Mrs. Brown," while Fred only said "Ma'am," and some very amusing scenes passed in the drawing room. Perhaps not amusing to them. Mr. Brown was in a dilemma. Norma would not obey his wife and Fred persisted in teasing her and addressing her as "Ma'am." Poor Mrs. Brown! But Katherine Brown was still Katherine Gray in her manners, and by her sweet, kind ways and gentleness slowly but surely won the heart of Norma. Unconsciously Norma learned to love "Miss Gray." Gradually her haughtiness disappeared, and ere long she realized how pleasant it really was to have some one decide for her which dress to wear on this and that occasion, which pair of gloves looked best with this suit, and Norma forgot that "Miss Gray" was only eight years older than she. Mr. Brown was aware of the change in his daughter's manner and once he was present when Norma softly whispered "Mamma."

Katherine, after a fierce battle, won Fred. One day Fred went skiff-rowing on the lake, and in a mysterious way the boat was overturned. He was rescued by his companions and carried home in an unconscious condition. Fortunately nothing serious terminated from his unlooked for bath. A very heavy cold kept him confined to the house for a few days. Katherine was as tender as his own mother could have been and Fred, boylike, would not acknowledge even to him-

self that Miss Gray was nice (even if she was young), but the long afternoon wearied him and he actually felt thankful when Katherine offered to read to him. The interesting story which she read made him forget his surroundings and he dropped the title "Ma'am," and as evening approached Fred was charmed by Katherine's sweet, quiet ways and declared he had spent a very pleasant afternoon in spite of the cold. Fred soon followed Norma's path and ere long they both idolized "Miss Gray."

Katherine is now very happy. No cloud darkens the sunshine of her life. She is loved by all who know her and only smiles when she thinks of the battle fought and won, with kind words and gentleness used as ammunition. MAY HEDRICK.

MAMMA'S BIRTHDAY.

Little Daisy, darling treasure,
Stands by her mamma dear.
She whispers " 'Tis mamma's birthday,
That is why I am here.

"I came to bring my birthday gift,
My boundless, eternal love.
'Tis all I have to give mamma,
From my home in heaven above.

"I put my arms about your neck
And give you a loving kiss,
With a wish for many returns,
Of your birthday just like this.

"For my dearest mamma's birthday,
Is a holiday for me,
And each year I will surely come,
With my boundless love to thee."

—Mrs. E. Gertrude Lepper Smith.
Hamline, St. Paul, Minn.

THISTLEDOWN AND ROLYPOLY.

Thistledown and Rolypoly are tiny twin sisters. Thistledown has yellow, downy hair, which flies all ways, so that her head looks just like a thistle ready to be blown away; and Rolypoly is so very fat and round that—well, she is just Rolypoly.

Thistledown says she never was in a real live story and she wants to go in 'one, so I am going to tell the little children about them both.

Santa Claus brought them a tea set, and with it came a little letter saying that he had to give dishes to so many little ones that he had only one set for them both, and that they must never be selfish with it.

"I won't be selfish," said Thistledown. "There, I said so first."

"Sistledown may take 'em all the time and I won't take 'em any," said Rolypoly, and she put the box of china in Thistledown's hand, and in stepping back fell over a low stool and rolled under the couch, bumping her head. But she rolled out again, and though there were tears in her eyes, she kept them back as Thistledown ran to her, saying: "Here, you poor 'ittle Rolypoly, you may have all the dishes." But seeing that they were likely to "querl," as Rolypoly says, about which should have them the "worstest," I told them they could have a little tea with them right away.

"First, we must have a table," said I; so I brought out my lap-board, but Thistledown said that wasn't a " 'stension table," and so I placed the cover of the flour box across two chairs, and spread napkins over it for a table cloth. Then, while I was getting bread and butter, they set the tea-things out. "We's dot the table all setted!" called Thistledown, dancing on her tiptoes around the board.

"Bring the bread and butterth! Bring the bread and butterth!" sang Rolypoly, trying to dance as she had seen her sister do, but crash! She had rolled over again, and this time brought the table, dishes, chairs and all down with her.

We had them soon righted again,

and they were happy when they found that none of the precious china had been broken. All went on merrily for an hour or so, neither of them forgetting to be unselfish. I had taken my sewing to the window and was watching the leaves dancing outside and listening to the prattle of the children within. Rolypoly stood on her stool and said:

"Now, Miss, I'll tell you how to make mince cake. You just take some mince and put in some dough, and then you go out to the barn and get an egg and put it in, and then you go to the neighbors' and borrow some cinnamon and put it in, and then it's just splendid!" She clasped her hands over her eyes as she saw me laughing, and then—well, then—she roled under the table. SISTER FANNY.

LITTLE BROWN BABY.

Little brown baby wif spa'klin' eyes,
Come to yo' pappy an' set on his knee.
What you been doin', sub-makin' san'
pies?

Look at dat bib—you's ez du'ty ez me.
Look at dat mouf—dat's meriasses, I bet;
Come hyeah, Maria, an' wipe off his
han's.
Bees gwine to ketch you an' eat you up yit,
Bel'n' so sticky an' sweet—goodness lan's!

Little brown baby wif spa'klin' eyes,
Who's pappy's darlin' an' who's pappy's
chile?

Who is it all day nevah once tries
Fu' to be cross, er once loses dat smille?
Whah did you git dem teef? My, you's a
scamp!

Whah did dat dimple come f'om in yo'
chin?

Pappy do' know yo'—I b'lieves you's a
tramp;

Mammay, dis hyeah's some ol' straggler
got in!

Let's th'ow him outen de do' in de san',
We do' want stragglers a-layin' 'roun'
hyeah;

Let's gin him 'way to de big buggah-man;
I know he's hidin' 'erroun' heah right
neah.

Buggah-man, buggah-man, come in de do',
Hyeah's a bad boy you kin have fu' to
eat.

Mammay an' pappy do' want him no mo',
Swaller him down f'om his haid to his
feet!

Dah, now, I t'ought dat you'd hug me up
close.

Go back, ol' buggah, you sha'n't have dis
boy.

He ain't no tramp, ner no straggler, of
co'se;

He's pappy's pa'dner an' playmate an'
joy.

Come to yo' pallet now—go to yo' res';
Wisht you could 'allus know ease an'
cleah skies;

Wisht you could stay jes, a chile on my
breas'—

Little brown baby wif spa'klin' eyes!

—Paul Lawrence Dunbar.

Dwight, Neb., April 6, 1900.

Dear Aunt Rose: This is my first letter
to the Children's Hour.

I am 11 years old. I have three little
brothers and five sisters. I also have one
sister and brother in spirit life.

I do not like to live here very well as
there are no other Spiritualists living close.
I would like to see Aunt Rose and all
the little cousins.

Nobody but my two oldest sisters know
I am writing.

As this is my first letter to you I will
close with my best wishes to you all, and
if I see this in the Children's Hour, I will
write again. I am your loving neice,

MARTHA BALES.

And Aunt Rose and the cousins
would like to see you, too, I know,
and we will hope you will remember
your promise to write again.

What merry times you must enjoy
with so many brothers and sisters.
Please tell us more about them.

Do you live in the city or country?
We shall want to know all about your
home surroundings.

A FAVORITE CUT.

Freddy (aged 6) was seated in a barber's
chair. "Well, my little man," (said the
barber, "how would you like your hair
cut?"

"Like father's, with a round hole at the
top."

TRAFFIC IN SACRED THINGS.

(J. A. Edgerton.)

Commercialism and religion do not go together. They never did and never will.

Commercialism and love of humanity do not go together. They never did and never will.

Commercialism and patriotism do not go together. They never did and never will.

Commercialism is essentially selfish. Religion, love of humanity and patriotism are essentially unselfish and altruistic.

There is no more contemptible creature than the man who seeks to debase these sacred emotions for commercial ends.

The fakir who traffics in men's hope of immortality, pretending to bring messages from another world at so much per message, and the man who joins the church to help his business are on a par, and are beneath the respect of any honest man.

They are on the same plane as those who sold doves in the temple of Jerusalem.

If there is anything that Christ denounced more than another it is the love of money and hypocrisy.

Uniformly gentle and charitable in speech, he never used denunciatory language except as against the hypocrites, the ruling classes and the rich.

The same evils exist to-day which he condemned 1900 years ago.

The temple of religion is filled with those who are in it for what they can make out of it.

The most sacred sentiments of the human heart are prostituted for gain.

We have made money getting our all-in-all, and have thus lost sight of the sweet, the beautiful and the elevating things of life.

We have put our pleasures, our lives, our everything down on a coarse material plane and we hardly know what high and noble thinking and real love for mankind means.

Our nation was instituted by pure-minded patriots to bring democracy and liberty into the world. To-day the temple of our government is filled with a den of thieves; men who pretend patriotism to advance their personal interests.

They are turning the nation from its high and lofty purpose, and are striving to make it the engine of oppression, of robbery and of conquest.

O, for a Christ, who, with a whip of plaited cords, would drive the money-changers out of the temple of the republic!

The oil of Christianity and the water of Mammonism will not mix.

The wolves in sheep's clothing who are in the church are worse enemies than all of its outside foes.

They use its holy name to shield them in their nefarious work.

The temple of God needs another renovation. The money-changers have again invaded its sacred precincts.

I am not condemning the church. I want it to become the great engine for regenerating and uplifting the world. I believe that it will. But just now it has come too much under the domination of the Mammon worshippers.

The great battle between Christianity and paganism was not fought in Rome at the time of Constantine. It is yet to be fought.

The eyes of the world still are turned toward Caesar and not toward Christ.

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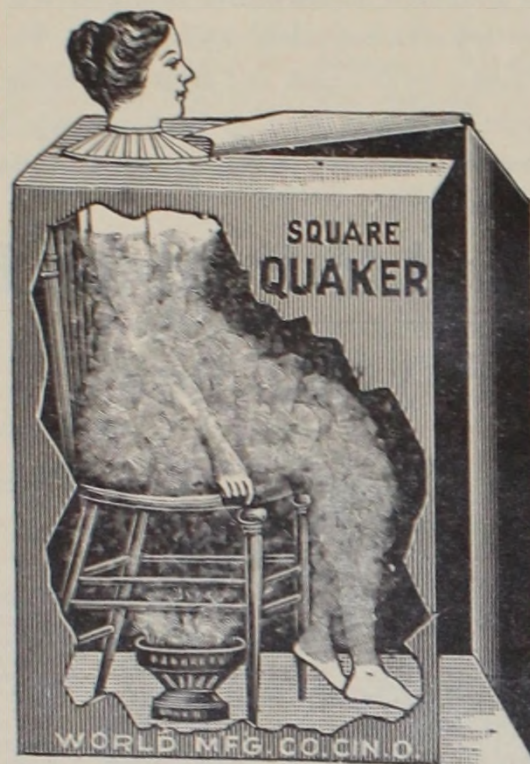
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Hundreds of well-known physicians have given up their practice to sell this Cabinet—such eminent men as Emerson McKay,



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Thousands of remarkable letters have been written the makers from users, some of which, referring to

RHEUMATISM, LA GRIPPE, KIDNEY TROUBLES,

will be interesting to those who suffer from these dread maladies. W. L. Brown, Oxford, O., writes: "My father was down in bed for months with rheumatism; this Cabinet did him more good than \$50 worth of drugs." G. M. Lafferty, Covington, Ky., writes: "Was compelled to quit business a year ago, being prostrated with rheumatism and kidney troubles, when your Cabinet came. Two weeks' use cured me; I have never had a twinge since." Rev. Geo. H. Hudson, Okemos, Mich., says: "I gave up my pastorate on account of nervous prostration and lung troubles; my editor so highly recommended your Cabinet, I tried it; from that day I have steadily grown better; am now well; nervousness gone; lungs strong; am a new man." Mrs. Ober, No. 994 Broad St., Columbus, O., writes: "It is grand for curing colds, la grippe, inflammation, aches, pains; it cured my uncle of neuralgia and sleeplessness with which he had long suffered. A neighbor cured herself of la grippe in one night, her little girl of measles, her little son of croup. Another neighbor cured eczema of many years' standing." Hon. A. B. Strickland, of Bloomington, writes that the Cabinet did him more good than two years' doctoring, entirely cured him of catarrh, gravel, kidney trouble and dropsy, with which he had long been afflicted.

HUNDREDS OF MINISTERS

write, praising this Cabinet. Rev. H. C.

But it has been a material development. Spiritually, men are scarcely farther advanced than they were 100 years ago.

What the world needs is that the next century shall see as vast spiritual strides as the one past has seen material strides.

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WILL HASTEN PERSPIRATION

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Carrie F. Weatherford is at Battle Creek, Mich., until May 1. Address 205 Champion street.

Dr. H. C. Andrews has closed an engagement of three months at Allegheny, Pa. He is now in Cleveland, O.

Leroy Berrier's Chicago address is now 56 Fifth avenue, Room 611. Home address, 921 Ridge avenue, Evanston, Ills.

The Rev. Moses Hull of Buffalo will deliver two addresses in Detroit, Monday and Tuesday evenings, April 30th and May 1st.

The Spiritualists' and Mediums' Home, formerly at 3310 1/2 Rhodes avenue, Chicago, has been removed to 3265 Rhodes avenue.

Mrs. Virginia Barrett is located at 822 Rebecca street, Allegheny, Pa., and is serving the Second Spiritual church of that city for April.

Lyman C. Howe is free to answer calls for May, June and August. Also for fall and winter of 1900 and 1901. He has three camp engagements, Columbus, Lake Brady and Casadaga.

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The camp meeting at Grand Rapids, Mich., this year, will have among the speakers and mediums Dr. Peebles, Dr. Spinney, Mrs. Marion Carpenter, Oscar Edgerly, A. E. Tisdale, Mrs. R. W. Barton, Augusta Ferris, Mrs. Blake, Mrs. Josephine Ropp, Samuel Smith, Mr. Holmes and Anna L. Gillespie. Arrangements have been made for a tent 60x90 feet, which will have a seating capacity of over 2,000.

The program of Island Lake camp, Island Lake, Mich., is nearly ready for the public. The hotel, which is undergoing extensive repairs, will be open June 1, camp commencing July 19, and closing Sept. 3. Mediums for phenomena intending to locate at Island Lake will please notify secretary in time to have their names in program. Any one desiring programs please send address to Ella B. Brown, 266 21st street, Secretary, Detroit, Mich.

The third annual convention of the New York State Association of Spiritualists will be held at Empire hall, Syracuse, N. Y., on May 11, 12 and 13. The first session is called at 10 a. m. on the morning of the 11th. There will be a fine list of speakers and mediums, which will be given later. The officers for the coming year will be elected at this time. No expense is being spared to make this the very best Spiritualist gathering ever held in our Empire state. The convention headquarters are at the Empire hotel, where special rates will be given. For further information address all letters to Herbert L. Whitney, Secretary N. Y. S. A. S., 953 Madison street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Charles F. Woodworth is at Battle Creek, Mich., until May 1. Address 88 Chesapeake street.

Dr. W. C. Andrews has closed an engagement of three months at Altoona, Pa. He is now in Cleveland, O.

Laura Barber's Chicago address is now 24 Fifth avenue, Room 511. Home address, 461 Bridge avenue, Evanston, Ill.

The New York Club of Buffalo will deliver two addresses in Detroit, Windsor and Toronto evenings, April 29th and May 1st.

The 'Spirituist' and 'Mediator' have, temporarily at 222 1/2 North LaSalle street, Chicago, been taken over by 222 North LaSalle street.

Mrs. Virginia Barrett is located at 122 Belmont street, Altoona, Pa., and is serving the Second Spiritual church of that city for April.

Lillian G. Stone is due to receive calls for May, June and August. Also for fall and winter of 1904 and 1905. She has three many engagements, Cincinnati, Lake County and Cleveland.

Professor W. F. Peck will be representative at Great Rapids, Mich., and elsewhere and will speak at a few points in north west from St. Louis the latter part of June. He will graduate at the meetings of the Mississippi Valley association at Clinton, Mo.

Dr. A. M. G. Wheeler, the psychic telegraphist whose writing and thought speaking in the medium to the light, is again for engagements with many meetings and conferences this season. Only patients work desired. All work under strict test conditions. Address all communications to 124 Jackson St., Louisville, Ky.

The next meeting at Great Rapids, Mich., this year, will have among the speakers and mediums Dr. Phillips, Dr. Spencer, Mrs. Martha Carpenter, Oscar Rogers, A. W. Daniels, Mrs. E. W. Barker, Angeline Ferris, Mrs. Helen, Mrs. Josephine Rapp, General Smith, Mr. William and Anna L. Gilguth. Arrangements have been made for a new hall tent, which will have a seating capacity of over 1,000.

The program of Island Lake camp, Island Lake, Mich., is nearly ready for the public. The tent, which is undergoing extensive repairs, will be open June 1, being reconstructed July 15, and closing Sept. 1. Mediums for glass plates according to books at Island Lake will please write secretary to care to have their names in program. For our meeting program please send address to 224 N. State, 2nd 1/2 story, Northway, Detroit, Mich.

The third annual convention of the New York State association of Spirituists will be held at Niagara Falls, New York, on May 11, 12 and 13. The first session is called at 10 A. M. on the morning of the 11th. There will be a list of questions and answers, which will be given soon. The officers for the coming year will be elected at this time. An address is being opened to order the first day of Spirituist gathering ever held in our Niagara state. The committee headquarters are at the Niagara hotel, where special rates will be given. For further information address all letters to Robert L. Warner, Secretary, N. Y. S. S. A., 92 Madison street, Brooklyn, N. Y.



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W. D. Noyes reports that arrangements for camp meeting of the Columbus, O., Liberal Camp association are going steadily forward, the prospects for a successful and pleasant camp being very encouraging. The association has leased for 30 years 30 acres of beautiful grove land, clear of brush and undergrowth, having been previously used for picnics. There are two wells of pure water, two living springs and a creek running through the grounds. The camp is eight miles

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Hermon, Maine. — The Progressive Union celebrated the 52nd anniversary of Modern Spiritualism by holding an all-day meeting in I. O. O. F. hall on Sunday, April 8. Brother Charles Brown of Onington, Me., was present, and delivered a very interesting address on the development of Spiritualism and its practical work. Nellie Chase of Hermon Pond gave a number of spirit messages. These were very accurate, and nearly all of the messages were given to entire strangers to the medium.—Leon M. Hewes, Sec.

Lake Pleasant, Mass.—The twenty-seventh annual convocation of this successful camp will open Sunday, July 29, 1900, and continue 30 days. Among the speakers already engaged are Hon. A. H. Dailey, Miss Lizzie Harlow, Professor William M. Lockwood, Mrs. Carrie Twing, J. Clegg Wright, Mrs. Mary E. Lease, Albert P. Blinn, Miss C. Fannie Allyn and Mrs. May S. Pepper. The Ladies' Schubert quartet, of Boston, has been re-engaged for its third season to sing at all of the services. The summer programs are now ready for distribution. — Albert P. Blinn, Clerk, 603 Tremont street, Boston.

Springfield, Mass. — Mrs. Maggie Waite is still with us and greeted each Sunday evening with crowded houses. One of our local papers tried to bring the cause and Mrs. Waite and her workers into ridicule by a long story and caricatures printed and illustrated, but the effect has been to do great and lasting good, many now come to hear and learn for themselves who were indifferent before the article was given out to the public. The article was one of the best advertisements the Spiritualists ever had. The Ladies' Aid, as well as the Church of the Spirit have given Mrs. Waite a welcome that she has appreciated and shows by remaining another month with us.— Louise E. Sackett.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—The Fraternity of Soul Communion held a special Easter spiritual service at Aurora Grata cathedral Sunday evening, April 15, 1900. No church service in the City of Churches had a more beautiful Easter service. A crowded house greeted Mr. Courlis as he stepped upon the platform, and the lecture being done away with in the evening service and held in the afternoon, gave all those seeking light a grand opportunity to hear through the closed ballots. Mr. Courlis has held the platform for three years and his work has grown from two parlors to this beautiful edifice we now occupy. The Verdi quartet and Miss Ray Stillman sang very acceptably.—W. H. Adams, Sec.

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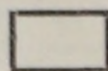
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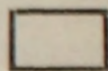
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Geneva, O.—On Sunday, April 1, the First Spiritualist society of Geneva, O., held a memorial service at Spiritual hall, in remembrance of Brothers A. W. Ward and William Fowler, whose transitions occurred during the last year. Mrs. L. M. Webster of Ashtabula, O., officiated. At the close of the service C. H. Figuers of Cleveland gave psychometric readings. In the evening of the same date the fifty-second anniversary of Modern Spiritualism was observed and the speaker was Mrs. Webster. This lady has only been about 18 months in the work of our cause, but she is an eloquent and gifted speaker, and we predict for her great ability, if nothing retards here progress. C. H. Figuers gave many tests, and without failure. Zetta L. Eise of Galion sang at these meetings. Following these services, the third, fourth and fifth, J. Frank Baxter of

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To J. F. Sturm, Sturm's Mill, W. Va.—I hear the names of Henrietta, Wanjeta, Jesse Franklin, Howard and Benjamin. "I am so happy and glad to greet you. I often visit my earth home, and only wish you could know when I am there.—Annetta."

D. McDonald, W. Bay City, Mich.—I hear the names of Mack, Alexander, Donald and feel the influences of an uncle, a father, grandfather and aunt. You should have a private seance with some medium. Horace and Stella are here, but send no messages.

I hear the name of George, calling Laura. I hear him say: "My Dear Wife—I have never left you since my passing out, but have tried so hard to fulfill my promise to you. Do not hesitate any longer, but do the best you can, and let others be responsible as well as you."

To Mrs. D. M., Win., K.—There are several spirits here for you, and I hear the names of George, Frank and William, all in spirit life. "Yes, they are all here you mention, and many more. Do not make any changes at present." This influence comes as a father and I see a vacant lot—you will understand.—Medium.

To Mrs. Geo. F. Brown, Charlevoix, Mich.—I hear the name of Elijah and he wants to reach some one in California. There is some one sick there. They should take treatment at once. "The conditions are very badly mixed here, and you should get advice and a private reading from some medium."—The Guide.

To Mary Butler, Hopkinton, Ia.—"Dear Wife: I have been over here a long time and have tried so hard to reach you through other mediums that I am about discouraged in my efforts. I used to visit the Better Way and the good old Banner, and now the Light of Truth. I was not fully prepared for the home over here, and it is far better than I expected. Do not worry about the children. They will have to learn it the same as you have. I send love to George, Charles, Elizabeth and Eugene. With love till we meet again.—E. B."

Admiral Dewey announces himself a candidate for the presidency. He is not particular which party whip nominates him.

VERIFICATIONS.

To Dr. Benton.

K. M. Ramsey, Independence, Cal., writes: "I feel I can not sufficiently thank you for the delightful message from my dear mother."

Caroline K. Sparrow, South Orleans, Mass., writes: "I received my nice message with much pleasure and satisfaction, and I believe I shall see the day the promise will come true," etc. "I hope I shall have this blessed privilege again if I can."

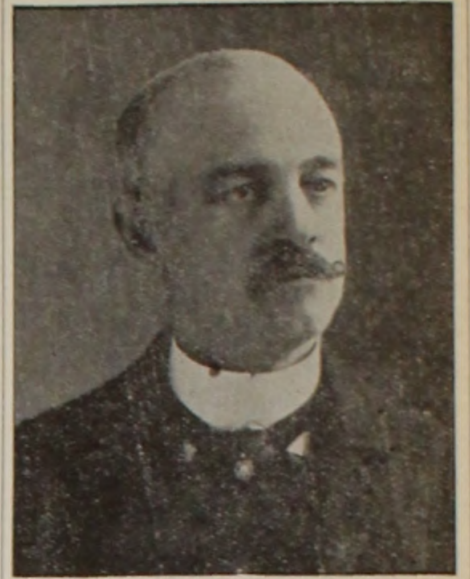
E. J. Hussey, Muncie, Ind., writes: "I thank you and guide, Dr. John Williams, for the message received in Light of Truth March 24, 1900. Van Cleve was the spirit I addressed my communication to—was glad to hear he is still with me."

H. Jarvis, sr., M. D., Elk Ridge, Md., writes: "Allow me to thank you kindly for the message that you received from and through your spirit guides, and which was printed in The Light of Truth April 7, pages 14th and 15th. It is truths and facts. How do I know that? By past and the present experiences, based on careful investigations and facts only. The slight transposition of the name of Dr. Strawsbury, is in fact, from that well known late slate writer, Dr. J. D. Stansbury, who has been a guide and helper to me in more ways than one."

T. L. Mantor, Ark City, Kan., writes: "In the last of February of this year you sent me one of your cards for me to address some questions to any of my spirit friends from whom I desired to receive communications. The questions were to be sent sealed in an extra envelope and returned with seal unbroken. The questions thus far have not been returned, I presume from some oversight in the office. In The Light of Truth of March 31 appears an answer to some of my questions, which are very satisfactory to me, and I should have acknowledged it much sooner but was waiting the return of my questions. To some it would have meant more if they had seen the letter returned with the seal unbroken, but not so with me, dear brother. I gave no names in my questions to my spirit friends. I addressed, father, mother, brothers and sister. Now you will notice in your message that you get the influence of father and mother and you get the names of Samuel and Elizabeth, which are their correct names.

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Charles H. Allen, assistant secretary of the navy, has been appointed civil governor of Porto Rico.

The heresy hunters are after Rev. Dr. Francis Brown, a professor in the Union Theological seminary.

The Massachusetts supreme court has decided that hotel and restaurant keepers can not sell cigars on Sunday without violating the law.

The senate committee on privileges and elections ousted briber Clark, of Montana. The seat he loses cost him over \$250,000. He will try it again.

Bishop Potter, Episcopalian, just returned from the Philippines, charges that the friars there rob the people in fees for the privilege of getting married.

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