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# Some Words to the Discouraged

By Lida Hood Talbot  
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THE tools of character development are the things that conspire against it; which head off the fulfillment of the fine plan; which hedge it about with a tangle of undesirable environment and prevent the happy culmination of the strenuous effort.

Everyone has felt the foil and hurt of his highest hope and the defeat of his best laid plan; has seen the future of a noble purpose come to naught and withdrawn himself, wounded and beaten, from the field.

It means the discipline which is incident to any growth; the training by which nature opens the internal resources and presents the finer aspects of their existence. It means that man does not know himself, for the simple breathing of life and the pursuits common to his animal intelligence. It means that through the machinery of her methods Nature introduces him to himself through his experiences and arouses his best impulses through his defeats.

Experience is the founder of understanding; in no other way under heaven may the intelligence which links a man to the source of power be awakened.

"Every property of matter is a school for the understanding," says Emerson, "in the contact of which the training is received through the waylaid plan and the destruction of many earnest efforts. It is a long, tedious grinding of the wheels of discipline, but through it we come to know that the axis of human intelligence is not yet coincident with the axis of Nature."

"Hard pressed, we declare 'injustice' and slunk in our tracks, but Nature knows no rebellion; she surmounts, grows down and under, goes around and shows herself up on the other side, serene and victorious. She has met with many obstacles on her way, but these have only served to strengthen her growths; and stopping only long enough to beautify the obstructions, hurries on to fulfil her errands of growth with exactness and fidelity to its law."

The augury of victory is an intrepid spirit, a serene courage that meets the fates undauntedly, indifferent to the menaces of the future. A soul that feels equal to the emergency of any necessity never gets out of proportion to the present development of its capacity; it has a native power of measurement which gauges its ability to perform any work that presents itself.

Mental and spiritual force lies in feeling that everything is all right, in feeling good-natured with discouraging events and environments, and living in the faith that that which happens has a natural right to happen. The sooner all mankind finds out that only the good can happen, the finer will be the future civilization.

It is not an easy thing to talk to a discouraged man unless you are going to agree with him. To tell him in the midst of his disaster that it is a good thing for him, and that it will develop his intelligence, is much like the proverbial red rag and the irate bull. For every man believes he has done all that he could do to make his life successful; that he has acted up to his highest light—and he has, to the light of his development at the time—but in spite of all he could do, he has been switched off into undesirable environments, and so he feels discouraged and resentful.

"In God," says Emerson, "every end is converted into a new means."

So with Nature and the actions of men; each thing and act is linked to something which lies beyond it; something which is absolutely necessary for the general motion of the whole sphere of life.

We were to keep this fact in mind, I think it would strengthen the spirit and arouse the intelligence to a perception of the law that would give a greater sense of peace than anything else. It would lift the view and induce a feeling of partnership in the workings of God and Nature.

Instead of feeling abused and as though nothing is worth while, and that there is no righteous reward for all our pains and sufferings, we would feel in conjunction with the very forces of Divinity itself!

A man's vitality has run very low when he allows his heart to sink beneath any blow of misfortune; he should know that every time he strikes sail to a fear and capitulates to a doubt he becomes diseased with regret and dissatisfaction; his mental and physical and psychical forces are depleted and his intelligence is blinded.

The day is open, nothing is caged, and there are no favorites in the field of the Universe, and there is an infinity of to-morrows which hold fast the unguessed and the unsolved, toward which all this unrequited effort is leading and with which it is divinely connected. What do we mortals get out of all this suffering?

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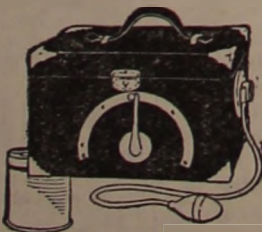
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Is the hour before the dawning.

There is ever a gem in the path of life

Which we pass in our idle pleasure

That is richer far than the jeweled crown

Or the miser's hoarded treasure

It may be the love of a little child

Or a mother's prayer to Heaven

Or only a beggar's grateful thanks

For a cup of water given.

Better to weave in the web of life

A bright and golden filling;

And do God's will with a ready heart,

And hands that are swift and willing,

Than to snap the delicate slender threads

Of our curious lives asunder,

And then blame Heaven for the tangled ends,

And sit and grieve and wonder.

L. B. H.—SELECTED.

LAURA B. HAMMER,

Covesville, Va.

In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.

St. John xiv, 2-4.

WILLIS R. KING,

R. No. C. Box 145, Waco, Tex.

No matter how hard goes the battle of life,

God's children need never despair.

His conquering grace giveth peace amid strife,

There is wonderful power in prayer.

For it moveth the Arm that moveth the world.

We know that the roses not always will bloom,

The skies will not always be rain; But go to the Father to brighten the gloom.

There is wonderful power in prayer.

For it moveth the Arm that moveth the world.

FRED A. FLMORE,

H. E. PALMER, Dodge, Tex.



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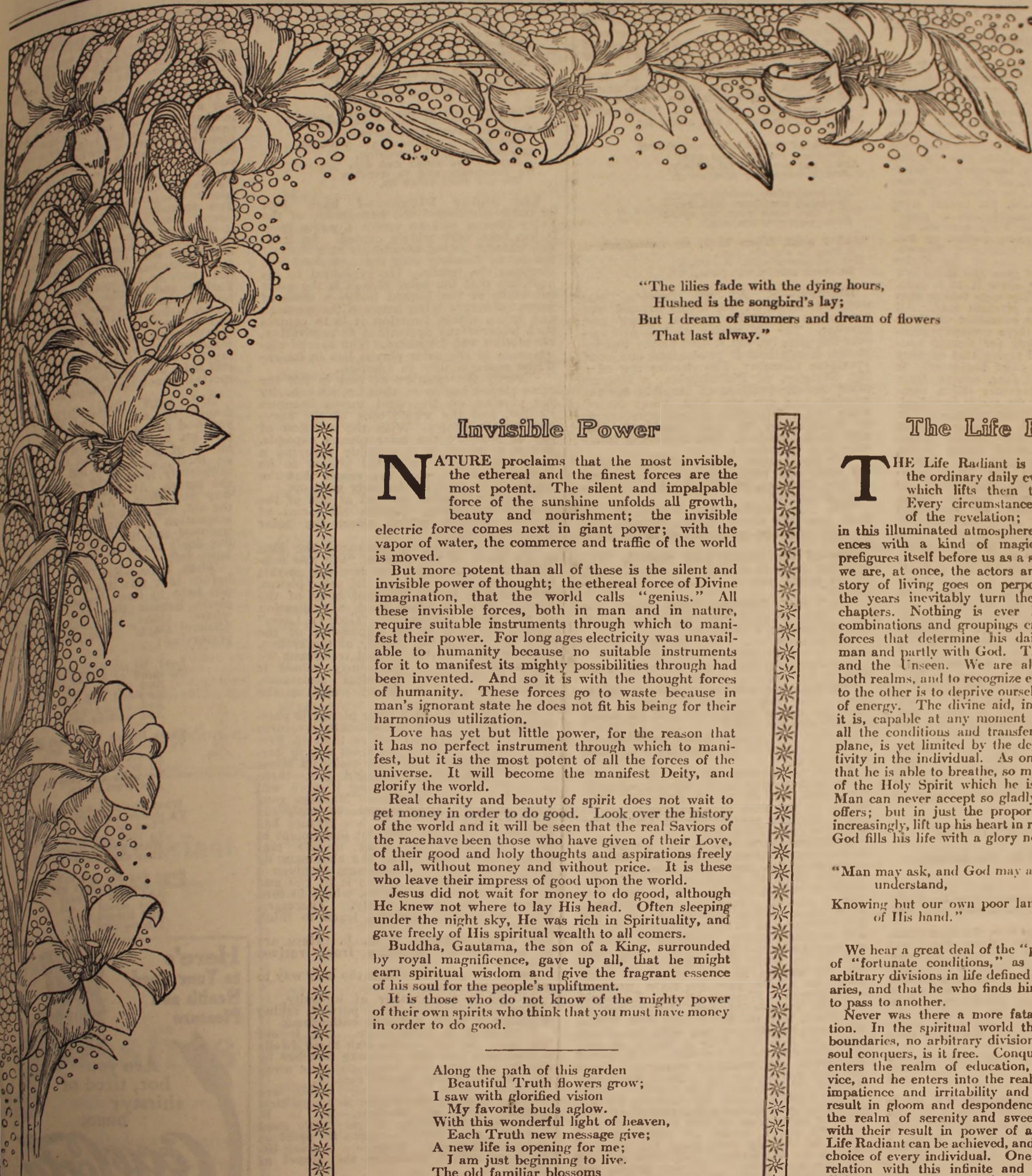
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"The lilies fade with the dying hours,  
Hushed is the songbird's lay;  
But I dream of summers and dream of flowers  
That last away."

## Invisible Power

**N**ATURE proclaims that the most invisible, the ethereal and the finest forces are the most potent. The silent and impalpable force of the sunshine unfolds all growth, beauty and nourishment; the invisible electric force comes next in giant power; with the vapor of water, the commerce and traffic of the world is moved.

But more potent than all of these is the silent and invisible power of thought; the ethereal force of Divine imagination, that the world calls "genius." All these invisible forces, both in man and in nature, require suitable instruments through which to manifest their power. For long ages electricity was unavailable to humanity because no suitable instruments for it to manifest its mighty possibilities through had been invented. And so it is with the thought forces of humanity. These forces go to waste because in man's ignorant state he does not fit his being for their harmonious utilization.

Love has yet but little power, for the reason that it has no perfect instrument through which to manifest, but it is the most potent of all the forces of the universe. It will become the manifest Deity, and glorify the world.

Real charity and beauty of spirit does not wait to get money in order to do good. Look over the history of the world and it will be seen that the real Saviors of the race have been those who have given of their Love, of their good and holy thoughts and aspirations freely to all, without money and without price. It is these who leave their impress of good upon the world.

Jesus did not wait for money to do good, although He knew not where to lay His head. Often sleeping under the night sky, He was rich in Spirituality, and gave freely of His spiritual wealth to all comers.

Buddha, Gautama, the son of a King, surrounded by royal magnificence, gave up all, that he might earn spiritual wisdom and give the fragrant essence of his soul for the people's upliftment.

It is those who do not know of the mighty power of their own spirits who think that you must have money in order to do good.

Along the path of this garden  
Beautiful Truth flowers grow;  
I saw with glorified vision  
My favorite buds aglow.  
With this wonderful light of heaven,  
Each Truth new message give;  
A new life is opening for me;  
I am just beginning to live.  
The old familiar blossoms  
Waft their fragrance back to me;  
Now, I stand in speechless wonder  
As a new Truth bud I see.  
Soon its beauty breaks upon me,  
And I drink its fragrance rare;  
Eager then to find new treasures  
In this Eden garden fair.  
Every day the path grows brighter  
As its beauties I behold;  
My glad heart sings its praises,  
But its tones can ne'er be told.  
—N. G. S. (M. S. C. Member).

## The Life Radiant

**T**HE Life Radiant is that transfiguration of the ordinary daily events and circumstances which lifts them to the spiritual plane. Every circumstance thus becomes a part of the revelation; and to constantly live in this illuminated atmosphere is to invest all experiences with a kind of magical enchantment. Life prefigures itself before us as a spiritual drama in which we are, at once, the actors and the spectators. The story of living goes on perpetually. The days and the years inevitably turn the pages and open new chapters. Nothing is ever hopeless, because new combinations and groupings create new results. The forces that determine his daily life are partly with man and partly with God. They lie in both the Seen and the Unseen. We are always an inhabitant of both realms, and to recognize either alone and be blind to the other is to deprive ourselves of the great sources of energy. The divine aid, infinite and all-potent as it is, capable at any moment of utterly transforming all the conditions and transferring them to a higher plane, is yet limited by the degree of spiritual receptivity in the individual. As one may have all the air that he is able to breathe, so may one have all the aid of the Holy Spirit which he is capable of receiving. Man can never accept so gladly and so freely as God offers; but in just the proportion to which he can, increasingly, lift up his heart in response, to that degree God fills his life with a glory not of earth.

"Man may ask, and God may answer, but we may not understand,

Knowing but our own poor language, all the writing of His hand."

We hear a great deal of the "privileged classes" and of "fortunate conditions," as if there were certain arbitrary divisions in life defined by impassable boundaries, and that he who finds himself in one is unable to pass to another.

Never was there a more fatally erroneous conception. In the spiritual world there are no limits, no boundaries, no arbitrary divisions. Just so far as the soul conquers, is it free. Conquer ignorance, and one enters the realm of education, of culture; conquer vice, and he enters into the realm of virtue; conquer impatience and irritability and bitterness, and their result in gloom and despondency, and he enters into the realm of serenity and sweetness and exaltation, with their result in power of accomplishment. The Life Radiant can be achieved, and is within the personal choice of every individual. One may place himself in relation with this infinite and all-potent current of divine energy and receive its impetus and its exhilaration and its illumination every hour in the day. The toiler in manual labor may lead this two-fold life. On the visible side he is pushing onward in the excavation of a tunnel; he is laying the track of a new railroad; he is engaged in building a house; he stands at his appointed place in a great factory—but is this all? His real work lies both in the visible and in the invisible. On the one hand he is contributing to the material resources of the world, and he is earning his wage by which to live; on the other hand he is developing patience, faithfulness and judgment.

## Moods

A rain-swept earth and a wind-swept sky,  
And gray mists trailing low;  
A wailing wind, and a troubled sea  
With a moan in its ebb and flow—  
A soul at war with itself and God,  
A heart surcharged with woe.

A rosy light in a cloudless sky,  
And a new-born earth below;  
A golden mist on a sapphire sea  
With an anthem in its flow—  
And a soul at peace with itself and God,  
A heart with love aglow.





# Talks with Brother Servator

## Peace be to this house



The page contains special answers to letters requesting my counsel and advice. As my correspondents come to me in confidence, no names are published.

While all are welcome to read the instruction and information given in this department, only letters from members of The Mystic Success Club can be considered for reply, as space and time prevent general advice.

**One Effect of Fear.**—N. W. F. It is not only well but necessary to train the mind to harbor constructive thoughts only. Fear thoughts and worry are destructive of brain tissue and lower the vitality and depress the physical force. For instance some of the Castles in India have a peculiar method of trying suspected people by what is called the trial by rice. In a case where it is necessary to determine the guilty party, all the people suspected are ordered to be present. In one scene which I witnessed, the people were made to sit in a semicircle and a "plate" (a square of plantain leaf) was set before each. Then a priest walked up and down, chanting and scattering flowers. This ceremony over, one of the chelas went to each man and gave him some raw rice and told him to chew it to a pulp. After a few minutes they were told to stop and eject it into the plantain leaf. All did so easily with the exception of three men. One of these three promptly commenced to cry and beg for mercy, confessing everything and saying that another of the three was the chief instigator. It is a curious fact that fear, arising from an evil conscience, prevents saliva coming to the mouth, with the result described.

**The Magnetic Projection.**—J. D. M. The aura around everyone extends as far as twenty-four inches sometimes, and it has astral colors which show to the clairvoyant the character of the individual. Dr. Buck says: "There is a magnetic atmosphere, or radiation, around every human being, and, indeed, something of the kind around every animal. Everyone feels this magnetic aura when coming in contact with others, even though they may see nothing, and may often be unconscious of its effects. This atmosphere of the individual is the source of what is called 'sympathy' and 'antipathy'; or attraction and repulsion. It is not imaginary, but real. It is the focalized result of individual character, and contains all the potencies and qualities of the individual's life. It is magnetic and has a definite mode of motion and definite color. It may be absorbed by or transmitted to another. The vibrations incident to it are the co-ordinate result of the combined and varying activities of the principles in man. The keynote in every individual is thus determined as a scientific fact in matter."

**Individuality.**—Y. M. C. Constitution and tendencies toward disease vary greatly. In medical circles it is called Diathesis or predisposition. That is why drugs and medicines affect people so

### DAME NATURE HINTS

#### When the Food Is Not Suited.

When Nature gives her signal that something is wrong it is generally with the food; the old Dame is always faithful and one should act at once.

To put off the change is to risk that which may be irreparable. An Arizona man says: "For years I could not safely eat any breakfast. I tried all kinds of breakfast foods, but they were all soft, starchy messes, which gave me distressing headaches. I drank strong coffee, too, which appeared to benefit me at the time, but added to the headaches afterwards. Toast and coffee were no better, for I found the toast very constipating.

A friend persuaded me to quit coffee and the starchy breakfast foods, and use Postum and Grape-Nuts instead. I shall never regret taking his advice.

The change they have worked in me is wonderful. I now have no more of the distressing sensations in my stomach after eating, and I never have any headaches. I have gained 12 pounds in weight and feel better in every way. Grape-Nuts make a delicious as well as a nutritious dish, and I find that Postum is easily digested and never produces dyspepsia symptoms."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Get the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

differently, and this is true of even food. Some people are strong and can take all sorts of changes, others have to be continually careful. This holds good even with children. One boy, for example, can hurt his finger and forget all about it the next minute and the hurt place will quickly heal. Another child might have just the same accident and develop all sorts of trouble from it.

**Ill Temper.**—F. F. S. People who persist in remaining blue or cultivating unhappiness simply keep themselves down, and make themselves far from popular. They have no business to continually inflict their troubles on others in any case. Other people have their rights and one of the rights is freedom from continually hearing carefully nursed misery.

**Stifling Conscience.**—Oscar B. It is easy enough to go on stifling conscience and saying, "Oh, I will turn over a new leaf some day. But—well, here's what Stuart Holden has to say about it:

"Good-bye! I cried to my conscience,  
'Good-bye for aye and aye!  
And I put her hand off harshly,  
And I turned my face away.

"And conscience, smitten sorely,  
Returned not from that day—  
But a time came when my spirit  
Grew weary of its way.

"And I cried, 'Come back, my conscience,  
I long to see thy face.'  
But conscience said, 'I cannot;  
Remorse sits in my place.'"

**Bigotry.**—S. As we develop, our standards improve, our ideals expand, our conception of Deity grows better and grander. The old notion of hell fire forever has gone by, but it died hard. For instance, here's how it confronted our good President Lincoln: The nomination of a Mr. Shrigley, of Philadelphia, a Universalist, for the position of chaplain for the hospital was not met with favor on all sides, and a delegation of protestants went to Washington to see President Lincoln on the subject. The following interview was the result:

"We have called, Mr. President, to confer with you regarding the appointment of Mr. Shrigley, of Philadelphia, as hospital chaplain."

"Oh, yes," replied the President. "I have sent his name to the Senate, and he will no doubt be confirmed at an early date."

One of the young men replied, "We have not come to ask for the appointment, but to solicit you to withdraw the nomination."

"Ah," said Lincoln, "that alters the case. But on what grounds do you wish the nomination withdrawn?"

The answer was, "Mr. Shrigley is not sound in his theological opinions."

The President inquired, "On what questions is the gentleman unsound?"

"He does not believe in endless punishment. Not only so, but he believes that even the rebels themselves will be finally saved," was the reply.

"Is that so?" inquired the President.

The members of the committee responded, "Yes, sir."

"Well, gentlemen, if that is so and there is any way under heaven whereby the rebels can be saved, then, for their sakes, let the man be appointed."

Mr. Shrigley was appointed and served until the end of the war.

**Extravagance.**—D. E. P. People are neither healthier nor happier for laziness, over-indulgence and extravagance. The careless habit of spending money for insufficient returns has become so prevalent that a general return to sober principle is ordained. The winter of 1912 will see a great wave in the direction of sanity and common sense. Suppose a farmer were to go to a big city for a visit now, and do as many city folks do—that is, riot in wanton luxury. Here is about what he would pay in farm produce, according to a Western friend. He would pay six bushels of oats for a cab to the hotel, and tip the driver with fifteen cabbages, the elevator boy with two dozen eggs, the bell boy with a bushel or two of barley and the porter with a half barrel of apples. His breakfast is worth a quarter of a ton of hay, the waiter's tip is two bushels of potatoes; it is worth a sheep to get luncheon and the waiter's tip for that meal is a bushel and a half of carrots. Dinner costs four or five bushels of rye, waiter's tip, a bushel of onions, and a room at the big hotel costs the price of half a car of turnips. And those are not all the items either. A long furrow and considerable hoeing to produce all of the above.

**The Healing Currents.**—LAURA N. The sages in India have long known of the earth as a battery of magnetic force. We shut off these currents by insulating ourselves from the earth's influence through wearing shoes. Father Knipp stumbled upon a great truth when he advocated his patients' walking barefooted in the fields for a half hour each day. Those who practice this, and

the consumptives who sleep on the ground, simply connect their nervous systems with the earth's magnetic life-giving waves and become charged with vitality and potency. It is a radio-activity secret, although, of course, certain parts of the earth are better than others for this purpose.

**The Benlah Land.**—FLORA S. There is the great, bright, glorious future ahead. Absolutely and beyond any doubt. The little trials and incidents of to-day are but to develop us, to give us mental, moral and spiritual exercise. Margaret Sangster says:

We long for fuller vision,  
And ever as we climb  
The rough hill-road, our feet are faint  
For beds of moss and thyme.  
Yet onward we are faring;  
We'll reach the mountain crest,  
And in the golden light of God  
The weariest shall rest.

Not here shall be the answer  
Our prayers so long have sought;  
Not here rewards be given  
For what our hands have wrought.  
Beyond the day of waiting,  
Beyond the strife and din,  
To knowledge and to freedom  
We yet shall enter in.

**The Solar Plexus.**—I have once or twice mentioned the importance of the Solar Plexus, and an article I wrote upon it has been very widely copied. An English lecturer giving an address at a Normal School in London uses the argument and confirms the truths. He explained to his audience that the solar plexus is the great sub-brain of the human body—a mass of nerve substance lying between the stomach and spine, whose function it is to control such unconscious operations as respiration, circulation and digestion. The special significance of the solar plexus lies in its extreme susceptibility to emotion.

Directly the emotion of fear is felt the solar plexus begins to shut up, its capacity for passing on the vital forces becomes limited, and the whole tone of the nervous system drops. With the emotion of joy or pleasure the solar plexus expands. When a person is thoroughly enjoying a good laugh it is expanded almost to its utmost capacity, with the result that the whole nerve tone of the body goes up.

Thus the lecturer arrived at one of the first of the rules, "Banish all forms of morbid thought which affect the solar plexus injuriously."

As an example, he instanced the idea at the back of the phrase, "We are miserable sinners." Constant dwelling on this idea must tend to depress the solar plexus, and through it the physical body of the sinner. On the other hand, a realization of the great conception, "God is Love," tended at once to an expansion of the solar plexus and the vitality of the system. In addition to this mental treatment the important organ so frequently named is often in need of physical assistance. "What we must do is to wake up the solar plexus."

In many people the solar plexus is partly atrophied. Such unfortunate creatures may be said to exist rather than to live. They merely crawl along from day to day. For such people—and they make up about 80 per cent. of middle-aged folk—there is health and vigor waiting if they will but follow the injunction—"Massage your solar plexus." It is possible to apply the massage with the hands, but Nature has provided a far more efficient instrument in the diaphragm—the great muscle that separates the chest from the abdomen. By deep breathing, the diaphragm is given a gentle motion which causes it to rub and press upon the solar plexus, which in turn energizes the entire body. Therefore, learn to breathe properly, learn to think joyously.

**A Few Truths.**—J. L. L. Here are a few helpful thoughts from various sources:

Judge for yourself. It is the only way to cultivate the brain.

Liberty is the mother of integrity.

One must espouse some pursuit, taking it kindly at heart and with enthusiasm.

Perfection is everywhere. Get it out who can. In any marble slab there dwells a madonna, and any one may find her by simply knowing the parts to chip away and the parts that should remain.

Queen Mode and King Habit are haughty despots, in religion as in politics.

**The Call to Action.**—F. D. E. Dreaming and wishing do very little good and life is too short to waste its precious moments that way. Here is a stirring little poem which embodies the gospel of work:

Rise! for the day is passing,  
And you lie dreaming on;  
The others have buckled their armor,  
And forth to the fight have gone;  
A place in the ranks awaits you,  
Each man has some part to play;  
The Past and the Future are nothing  
In the face of the stern To-day.

Rise from your dreams of the Future—  
Of gauding some hard fought field;  
Of storming some airy fortress,  
Or bidding some plant yield.

Your Future has deeds of glory  
Of honor, (God grant it may!)  
But your arm will never be stronger  
Or the need so great as To-day.

Rise! if the Past detains you,  
Her sunshine and storms forget,  
No chains so unworthy to hold you  
As those of a vain regret;  
Sad or bright, she is lifeless ever,  
Cast her phantom arms away,  
Nor look back, save to learn the lesson  
Of a nobler strife To-day.

Rise! for the day is passing;  
The sound that you scarcely hear  
Is the enemy marching to battle—  
Rise! for the foe is here!  
Stay not to sharpen your weapons,  
Or the hour will strike at last,  
When, from dreams of a coming battle,  
You may wake to find it past.

**The Reality.**—MRS. E. A. L. You lose a child is a bitter distress and mothers especially need our sympathy and comfort. When the bright eyes are closed forever, the little white hands folded on the breast, when all that is mortal of the one, is laid away—then should our hearts love flow toward the anguished mother. As the day closes and cold night falls, sound brings torturing memories to the young ones, the vacant seat, the empty clothes never, never to be put on the form again, all things rack the over-tensioned heart and dim the loving, sorrowful eyes. Mother, realize that the little one is NOT out there in the grave. No, the Divine Father and gentle spirit guardians are tending the little, new arrival on the upper plane, caring for it with infinite sweetness and compassion. The Christ's great love glowed with affection for children. That wondrous love still exists for them. And the mystic bonds between mother and child still hold, ever and forever, even though the mortal cannot see or trust as yet.

**Old and New.**—SILAS M. Don't despise the old. It had its purpose. As you find new and better things, still maintain an attitude of justice toward the merits of the old. Had the old possessed no merit, we would not have developed sufficiently from it to see and understand the better. All has been good in its own way and time. Appreciate the merit of the old, but don't stay in it, for that means stagnation and mental bondage. Look for the new and the better. Rise continually, but don't sneer at the stepping-stones you have left.

**This Life.**—EVA H. L. I have said before that this life is a school; we are put here to learn lessons in the physical plane, lessons that can be learned nowhere else. Dr. Babcock calls life "School Days." This poem is well worth preserving:

Lord, let me make this rule,  
To think of life as school,  
And try my best  
To stand each test,  
And do my work,  
And nothing shirk.

These lessons Thou dost give  
To teach me how to live,  
To do, to bear,  
To get and share,  
To work and pray  
And trust alway.

What though I may not ask  
To choose my daily task!  
Thou hast decreed  
To meet my need,  
What pleases Thee,  
That shall please me.

Some day the bell will sound,  
Some day my heart will bound,  
And with a shout  
That school is out  
And lessons done,  
I homeward run.

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# The Mystic Success Club

Gain Health—Gain Success—Gain Attractiveness

## Here's an Important Truth

Once more I want you to read what that great Englishman, Dr. Johnson, said: "It is worth a thousand pounds a year to have the habit of looking at the bright side of things."

Now, friends, a thousand pounds, English money, is five thousand dollars. So this delightful habit of mind brightness is worth five thousand dollars a year, for it changes life for the better.

You say it's hard to get the good habit that Doctor Johnson speaks of so highly. Well, under ordinary conditions it is difficult. But the Mystic Success Club makes it easy. That's one of the many good things you get from our Club—one of the many wonderful benefits. In fact, it is so general that you will notice that members of the Club constantly speak of getting this particular blessing. They get it, this delightful joy and constant blessing. You will get it too, and what a change it will make in your life! How it will help you, your family and your friends! The Club will teach you this beyond question. A noted scientist came in to see me about it. I explained to him just how it worked and he said, as he went out: "Certainly your Club is doing a grand and noble work."

And it is so simple after all, yet so true. So easily obtained and so sure. So, dear readers, see that you gain this and the numerous other benefits of the Club without delay. Here's my welcome to every son and daughter of our one Father-God.

## The Key to Monthly Instructions

The Monthly Instructions that Brother Theodore is giving in the Magazine, for members of the Club, should be faithfully followed. They are carefully selected by our good, wise Brother and are of great value and benefit. Any member who does not possess a Key to this cipher can have one by applying to the Club.

THE MYSTIC SUCCESS CLUB.  
I want every reader of the Magazine to read this column each month. That applies to members and non-members also. For on this page I often reply to members' questions and you will frequently find your own questions answered.

*Brother Theodore*

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The Teachers and Advanced Souls of the Mystic Success Club know the law. They have learned it and wish to pass on the joy and success which accompany its knowledge. They ask you to take no pledges or vows, simply to learn and develop—the best in you—the real YOU.

This done, we then impart Receptivity through the Second Degree. The Third Degree teaches PERSONAL ATTRACTIVENESS—the proper magnetic condition whereby the healthy body and happy, sanguine mind draw FRIENDS, POSITION, OPPORTUNITY and SUCCESS.

The glorious Fourth Degree is REALIZATION; when you feel and appreciate your newly awakened powers and your one-ness with the Sovereign Power of the Universe.

Our Members have learned and benefited. To all the dear brothers and sisters who have not fellowshipped with us in the Mystic Success Club as yet we say that our knowledge, our benefits, our comradeship are all open to you. We invite you—rich or poor—learned or unlearned—sick or sorrowing or discouraged. We have something good for you all—each and every one. Test our teachings; learn the law; avail yourself of the advantages. Your innermost self will recognize and approve.

Each loyal member of the MYSTIC SUCCESS CLUB soon gets beyond all slavish conditions. In the study of these beautiful Lessons YOU ONLY NEED TO BE TEACHABLE and FOLLOW DIRECTIONS. YOU CAN IF YOU WILL, and this is the FIRST STEP on THE PATH OF SUCCESS.

As to what the MYSTIC SUCCESS CLUB is doing, and has done, read the remarkable testimonies in our SUCCESS BOOKLET, which we will send free to anyone who asks for it. It is full of heart words from those who have come out of darkness into light through the leadership of OUR MAGAZINE and the MYSTIC SUCCESS CLUB.

You see, we are basing results on Principles tried and true. We ask no one to accept mere assertions. We know you can prove this law FOR YOURSELF if you will ONLY DO YOUR PART.

THE MYSTIC SUCCESS CLUB, organized and founded years ago, has helped and heartened men and women the wide world over. We desire members from all parts of this great and blessed planet.

We of the Club ask NO annual fees. There are no dues of any sort. A Life Membership is given to the regular readers of The New York Magazine of Mysteries, as explained below:

This magazine of Good Cheer, Good Thought, Good Influence, carries Sunshine and Blessings into every home. And in order that more people may read it, in order that it may be within the means and reach of all, the subscription price of The New York Magazine of Mysteries has been reduced to Twenty-five cents a year, or five years for one dollar. Think of it! What a small price for this splendid Magazine.

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We want to make more sisters and brothers of our race healthy to start with. Other good things will come later, but again we say that we convey health, vitality, force vibrations to the body battery first.

Come and join us! Never was so favorable a time. It is a special opportunity. COME!

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## Now Prospering

Our Brother finds membership in our Club is bringing him many blessings for which we all congratulate him.

I fully realize that I have received great help since I commenced to work in the Club, and I am very grateful to God that I was allowed to join this great Club. I was in trouble and was sick and discouraged and could not fit my mind right, but thanks to God and your teachings, I am now prospering nicely. God bless the Mystic Success Club and all its members. I feel better in every way. I cannot describe the happiness the Four Degrees have brought me.

W. A.

## Now Enjoys Good Health

By observing the laws which bring success and health we hold our minds open and become receptive and for this reason receive. Continue, dear Sister, to look on the bright side of life and see how beautiful this world is.

I once felt that life was not worth the living, but for several months I have enjoyed good health and I owe it all to the Mystic Success Club. I believe it would take fifty sheets of paper to write all about my dark days. To feel that I have been led so safely to the Light is certainly joy to me. God bless every member of the Club.

MARY F.

## Helped in so Many Ways

You are right in deciding to go over your Degrees again. Each time you review them you will find new benefit.

I have just finished the Fourth Degree, and oh, I am so glad that I joined the Mystic Success Club! It has helped me in so many ways. My health is better, I am happier and more contented and feel more than ever that God is ever with me, helping me, and that I can rely upon Him. But I think that I can get more out of the Degrees by going over them again and I am going to start right away to work them over.

MRS. A. L. McC.

## Feeling Much Better

All the members of our dear Club rejoice with our Brother in his success. We all love to hear of comrades prospering.

I have just finished my Third Degree and am feeling so much better in mind and body. I am so much more successful than before I joined the Club. I thank God and the Mystic Success Club and may God bless the grand work forever.

G. S.

## Life Is Brighter

To see our mistakes and realize them is going to help us to overcome them. Working the Degrees carefully and truthfully gives us an insight into our conditions and characters and in this way we reach out and get the good that is all around us.

I am sending in my First Degree blank. I have been wonderfully benefited. It is the sweetest work I have ever done in my life. I know myself better. I can see my stumbling blocks. Seems my way is brighter than ever before. In many ways I have been helped.

MRS. A. B.

## Gaining Every Day

Our dear Sister asks every member of our Club to keep on praying for her. We are all so glad that she is much better and feel sure good health will soon be her reward.

I have just completed the Fourth Degree. When I began to take the First Degree I weighed 110 pounds. Now I weigh 123 pounds. I am on the road to recovery. My nerves are much better. I am so thankful to the Mystic Success Club, and I hope to gain more and more every day. I want you to keep on praying for me. I feel it is such a help to me and my family.

MRS. J. B. S.

## Passing on the Good

One of our members has written in to say that he has been speaking of our Club to many friends and hopes soon to have another member. This is the real way to help. Whenever we find something that is helping us to a healthier, happier and fuller life then is the time to speak of this good to others and show them what has been making such a glorious change in us. Our Brother writes:

I have finished my Fourth Degree in the Mystic Success Club, and gladly recommend it to anyone who is anxious to live the ideal life. After working the four Degrees as sincerely as I know how I find myself with a peace of mind and a pureness of thought I have never known before. I have spoken to many of our grand Club, and expect to have a member very soon. With love, peace and good will to all.

E. M. M.



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Attention of the mystically inclined seems to be centred at present upon the work of Mr. Clay Burton Vance, who although laying claim to no special gift of supernatural powers, attempts to reveal the lives of people through the slender clue of birth dates. The undeniable accuracy of his delineations leads one to surmise that heretofore palmists, prophets, astrologers, and seers of divers beliefs have failed to apply the true principles of the science of divination.

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The following letters are published as evidence of Mr. Vance's ability. Mr. Lafayette Redditt writes: "My Reading received. With the greatest amazement I read, as step by step you outlined my life since infancy. I have been somewhat interested along these lines for years, but had no idea that such priceless advice could be given. I must admit that you are indeed a very remarkable man, and am glad you use your great gift to benefit your clients."

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### An English Writer's Experience

Once I had the pleasure of meeting Miss Florence Marryat, the well-known English authoress, who, although married, always wrote under her maiden name. She mentioned that many spiritualistic phenomena had come into her sphere of observation, and at first she was very much astonished and rather disturbed. But as she became more accustomed to them she began taking a scientific interest in the happenings, and her records of them are particularly valuable, as being unbiased, genuine and beyond any suspicion of ulterior motive. Miss Marryat said that her father, Captain Marryat, who wrote many world-famous books for boys and was captain of a British man-of-war, had also had one or two psychical experiences, and that just before his passing over to the next life he had expressed a deep conviction as to the continuity of existence and the possibility of spirits manifesting on this plane, under certain conditions.

Among Miss Marryat's recitals were the following. She has said:

One night when I was living alone in a house at Regent's Park, London, I saw a young girl standing in the centre of the room. She was dressed in a green riding habit, slashed with orange color, with a cavalier hat of gray felt on her head, ornamented with a long green feather and a gold buckle. She stood with her back to me, but I could see her profile as she looked over her shoulder, with the skirt of her habit in her hand. I thought that this was the spirit of my child Florence, who frequently came to me, but as this was a most extraordinary costume for her to wear, as she usually came in white, I questioned her the next time she came to me about it.

"Florence," I said, "why did you come to me in a green riding habit last night?"

"I did not come to you last night, mother. It was sister Eva."

"Good heavens!" I exclaimed, "is anything wrong with her?"

"No; she is quite well."

"How could she come to me, then?"

"She did not come in reality, but her thoughts were much with you, and so you saw her spirit clairvoyantly."

My daughter Eva was on the stage at that time, fulfilling an engagement in Glasgow, and very much employed. I had not heard from her for some time, and was becoming alarmed, as she usually wrote me every few days. This vision made me still more uneasy, and I wrote her immediately, asking if all was right with her. Her answer was to this effect: "I am so sorry that I have not had time to write to you this week, but I have been so awfully busy. We play here next week and I have had to get my dress ready. It's so effective. I wish you could see it. A green habit slashed with orange and a gray felt hat with a long green feather and a big gold buckle. I tried it on the other night, and it looked so nice." etc.

Well, my darling girl had had her wish and I had seen it.

#### A MATERIALIZATION

In this writer's investigations of Spiritualism she found that sittings in the dark afforded too much opportunity for deception, so she would not engage in any sittings where she could not have the use of her eyesight. She thus expressed herself one day to a party who replied, "Then the time has arrived for you to investigate Spiritualism, for I can introduce you to a medium who will show you the faces of the dead. She is Mrs. Holmes, the American medium." Said Miss Marryat:

This proposal exactly suited me, and I gladly accepted. A friend of mine, Miss Annie Thomas, who was eager to investigate with me, went to the home of the medium above mentioned. We were strangers to Mrs. Holmes and probably for this reason were received rather coldly. We sat, with the gas lighted. My friend and I thoroughly examined the rooms and satisfied ourselves, after sealing the doors and windows, that nobody could enter and we not know it. A piece of black calico was fastened across from one door to another, and in this was cut a square hole about the size of an ordinary window. We were told that the faces of spirits (if any came) would show through this square. After conversing for a while, Mrs. Holmes exclaimed, "They are coming." We were immediately on the tiptoe of expectation. A white mass advanced and retreated and finally settled before the aperture and a female face was immediately to be seen through this aperture. What was our amazement to recognize the features of my friend's mother, Mrs. Thomas. Poor Annie Thomas was very much affected and talked with her mother in the most incoherent manner. The only thing that puzzled me was the cap she wore. It was unlike anything I had ever seen her wear in life and I asked Annie about this. She replied "It is the cap she was buried in," which entirely settled the question.

Several more faces appeared to us which we recognized, but as it was getting late we did not encourage them to continue.

#### A COINCIDENCE

A young artist by the name of Courtney was visiting us and begged me to sit with him alone, so as to have no disturbing influence. We did, and the table began rapping out a number of consonants—a farrago of nonsense, it appeared to me, and I stopped and said so. But Mr. Courtney, who appeared much interested, begged me to proceed. When the communication was

finished he said to me, "This is the most wonderful thing I have ever heard. My father has been at the table talking to me in Welsh. He has told me our family motto, and all about my birthplace and relations in Wales." I said, "I never heard that you were a Welshman." "Yes, I am," he replied; "my real name is Powell. I have only adopted the name of Courtney for professional purposes."

This was all news to me, but had it not been, I cannot speak Welsh.

#### MATERIALIZATION OF FLOWERS

While sitting in a seance one evening the circle was told to wish for something. We unanimously asked for flowers, it being the middle of December and a hard frost. Simultaneously we smelt the odor of fresh earth and were told to light the gas again when the following extraordinary sight met our view. In the middle of the sitters (who were all holding hands and had been during the interim) was piled upon the carpet an immense quantity of mold, which had been torn up apparently with the roots that accompanied it. These were laurels, holly laurestinus and several others, just as they had been pulled out of the earth and thrown down in the midst of us. Our hostess looked anything but pleased at the state of her carpet and begged the spirits to bring something cleaner next time. Then they told us to extinguish the lights again and each sitter was to wish mentally for something for himself. I wished for a yellow butterfly, and as I thought of it something in a little cardboard box was put into my hand. My neighbor whispered to me, "Have you got anything?" "Yes," I said; "but not what I asked for. I expect they have given me a piece of jewelry." When the gas was relit I opened the box and there lay two yellow butterflies—dead, of course, but none the less extraordinary for all that.

At a seance I attended in England at which two mediums, Mrs. Guppy and Mrs. Mary Hardy, the American medium, were present, a large party of guests were seated in a well-lighted drawing-room, and the party was so large that the circle round the table was three deep. The table, a common deal one, had a round hole about twenty inches in diameter in the middle of it, was covered with a cloth that hung down, and was nailed to the ground, leaving only the aperture free.

We sat round the table, but without placing our hands upon it. In a short time hands began to appear through the open space in the table. All sorts of hands, from the woman's taper fingers and the baby's dimpled fist to the hands of old and young men, wrinkled or muscular. Some of the hands had rings on the fingers, by which the sitters recognized them. Some stretched themselves out to be grasped; and some appeared in pairs clasped together or separated. One hand took a glove from a sitter and put it on her other hand, showing the muscular force it possessed by the way in which it pressed down each finger and then buttoned the glove. Another pair of hands talked through the dumb alphabet to us, and a third played on a musical instrument. I was leaning forward, peering inquisitively down the hole in the table, saying, "I wonder if they would have strength to take anything down with them?" Suddenly a large hand appeared and very nearly took me down by seizing my nose as if it never meant to let go. At all events, it took me a peg or two down, for I remember it brought the tears into my eyes with the force it exhibited. After the hands had ceased to appear the table was moved away.

On one of my visits to London my attention was called to a woman of the lower classes who was very clever at foretelling the future by cards. I called on her and was received in her bedroom. She was an elderly woman, rather educated and intelligent for one in her position, but she could adduce no reason whatever for her facility in reading the cards. She told me "it came to her."

She rattled off my past, present and future as if she had been reading from an open book, and she mentioned a description of a person (which I completely recognized), so constantly with reference to my future, that I thought I would try her by a question. "Stop a minute," I said; "this person whom you have alluded to so often, have I ever met him?" "Of course, you have met him," she replied; "you know him intimately." "I don't recognize the description," I returned fallaciously. The woman turned around and looked me full in the face. "You don't recognize him?" she repeated in an incredulous tone. "Then you must be very dull. Well, I'll tell you how to recognize him. Next time you meet a gentleman who raises his hat, and before he shakes hands with you draws a written or printed paper from his pocket and presents it to you, you can remember my words. That is the man I mean."

I laughed at the quaintness of the idea and returned home. As I was walking from the station to my own house I met the person she had described. As he neared me he raised his hat, and then putting his hand into his pocket he said, "Good afternoon! I have something for you. I met Burrows this morning. He was going on to see you, but as he was in a great hurry he asked me if I was likely to see you to-day to give you this." He presented me with a printed paper of regulations which I had asked the man he mentioned to procure for me.

Now, here was no stereotyped utterance of the cards, no stock phrases, but a deliberate prophecy of an unfulfilled event. It is upon such things that I base my opinion that, given certain persons and certain circumstances, the cards are a very fertile source of information. It is absurd in a case like this I have just related to lay it all down to chance, to clever guessing or to trickery.

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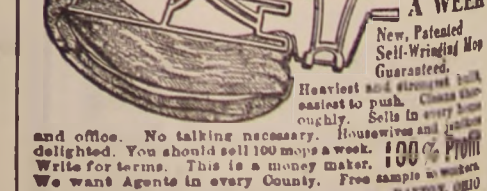
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Sixty-Six Orphan Babies Sent to the Far West to Find Homes

**Baby Cries Resound at Grand Central Station, New York, as Little Orphans Start for Homes in the Far West**

By B. C. A.

YOU may think we have everything in New York. But it would seem that we have not homes enough for our babies. Last week sixty-six foundling babies were sent out to the far West to find homes—out to God's country where there is plenty of room and where willing and loving hands wait to work for and to make life worth while to these little ones.

Just think of what a charity this is! There are many new-fashioned faiths and religions nowadays, but do these new cults surpass in *charity* the old-fashioned religion of the Romans? We feel like singing a praise here of this wonderful work the Sisters do,

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"Dyspepsia, also, came to make life harder to bear. I took all sorts of patent medicines but none of them helped me for any length of time."

"The doctors frequently told me that coffee was not good for me; but without coffee I felt as if I had no breakfast. I finally decided about 2 years ago to abandon the use of coffee entirely, and as I had read a great deal about Postum I concluded to try that for a breakfast beverage."

"I liked the taste of it and was particularly pleased to notice that it did not 'come up' as coffee used to. The bad spells with my heart grew less and less frequent, and finally ceased altogether, and I have not had an attack of sick headache for more than a year. My digestion is good, too, and I am thankful that I am once more a healthy woman. I know my wonderful restoration to health came from quitting coffee and using Postum." Name given by the Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

"There's a reason," and it is this. Coffee has a direct action on the liver with some people, and causes partial congestion of that organ, preventing the natural outlet of the secretions. Then may follow biliousness, sallow skin, headaches, constipation and finally a change of the blood corpuscles and nervous prostration.

Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

those good, good women, whose faces shine with the peace of love and sacrifice, of giving up all the strife of the world, for lives of sacrifice. If you could see the real love they give to these little outcast children, the patience with which they rear them and teach them life, love and purity! What chance would such children have if kept in the environments of what would have been their own homes in New York City? "Poor little homeless tots!" you say. But they'll not be homeless for long. How much better off they are than many little children born in homes here in the crowded quarters of New York. These babies, thanks to the start in life given by the good sisters, will find loving homes and will grow up and live useful lives.

The following is an account of the departure of the sixty-six babies as given in the New York *World* the morning of their departure, last Thursday:

SIXTY-SIX FOUNDLING CHILDREN GO TO CHILDLESS PARENTS IN SOUTH AND WEST

"A forsaken Teddy bear was the lonely sentry yesterday in a sunny ward at the New York Foundling Hospital, where sixty-six little mattresses were standing on end, comforts and pillows were spread to air and rows of tiny chairs stood empty.

"There was an air of desertion and gloom about, for the sixty-six little occupants of those sixty-six little beds, who have played there since their earliest days, left yesterday morning to go to their adopted homes in Missouri, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Mississippi and Texas.

"The sixty-six were a bit depressed as they toddled from the building at noon. They had been an early rising, for there was much to be done in the way of baths and curls and final touches. When a reporter for the *World* visited the hospital there were a few sobs and a great many silent baby stares of gloom.

"Side by side the children sat in their chairs. Helen Casey, in elaborately frizzed hair and a little frock of pink, looked disconsolately at a cracker in her plump hand and, with trembling lip, refused to be interviewed. Little black-eyed Harry Craig, on the contrary, said with a two-year-old lisp that he didn't mind publicity and was feeling 'werry well.' The others were divided on the question of mood. But while most of them ventured a friendly handshake or a shy, tear-filled glance, the majority were wordless.

"Half an hour before noon various ladies connected with the hospital paid a parting call. Among them was Mrs. Russell Sage.

"Then the little coats of pink and blue and black and white were put on. Some of the mites wore round straw hats with a blue

"Lord of my nights and days!  
Let my desire be,  
Not to be rid of earth,  
But nearer Thee."

It is a duty we owe humanity not to complain or become disheartened.

Mankind is never without the ministry of angels.—*A Mystic.*

When I am absolutely pure I will be absolutely happy and influence countless others to be absolutely pure and absolutely happy.

My thoughts, my aspirations, my desires must be high, must be absolutely pure.

ribbon about the crown. Others, by virtue of their youth, had caps. The pinning-on of their traveling badges was an important task. There was a bow of yellow and white for the babies who stop off in Oklahoma; pink for those who go to Missouri; blue for Arkansas; red and white for Ft. Worth, Texas, and Orange for Houston and New Orleans.

"With the little party Charles O'Hara and Michael McFeely, agents, Miss Mary Reynolds, Mrs. Mary McMullan, Miss Mary Russell and Miss Jane McGinty, nurses, and Sisters Marie Anna and Anna Michaela, went as guardians. Some twenty-five women and nurses accompanied them to the corner of

Lexington avenue and Sixty-eighth street, where a special car gathered up the little orphans off to homes and deposited them at the Grand Central Depot. There porters, conductors and policemen helped move the fluttered little travelers to their Pullman.

"Then it was that the suppressed sobs and tears broke forth, and the air rang with frightened cries. Nurses and sisters hastened to and fro, patting and hushing one and another child. Porters boosted huge hamper of food and clothing aboard. At 12.40 the train pulled out, and the sixty-six little New York babies traveled away to find sixty-six happy homes and become—who can tell what?"

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# The Gates of Day

**B**UT let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for a helmet, the hope of salvation.—1 Thess., v. 8.

Every day is a fresh beginning. Every morn is the world made new. You who are weary of sorrow and sinning. Here is a beautiful hope for you—A hope for me and a hope for you.

Yesterday now is a part of forever. Bound up in a shroud, which God holds tight With glad days, and sad days, and bad days, Which never Shall visit us more with their bloom and their blight. Their fulness of sunshine or sorrowful night.

Every day is a fresh beginning; Listen, my soul, to the glad refrain, And spite of old sorrow and older sinning. And puzzles forecasted and possible pain, Take heart with the day, and begin again.

There is no day born but comes like a stroke of music into the world and sings itself all the way through.

Our guardians come from a fairer and serener home than ours. They come to make us better, wiser and happier.

"Whither shall I flee from thy spirit?" is the cry of the awakened but unharmonized man. "The Father and I are one" is the declaration of the perfect man.



## Secure

By Alice E. Smith, Windham, N. Y.

This poem was written by a young girl, a subscriber who has passed beyond. She wrote it just before she passed on, a victim of quick consumption.

I, the Lord, have called thee in righteousness and will hold thy hand and will keep thee.—Isaiah, XLVI, 6.

"I will keep thee" in the danger, In the hour of grievous strife, When the powers of sin and darkness All conspire to take thy life.

"I will keep thee" in that moment When the tide of sin swells high; In thy day of direst weakness, "I, thy strength," will still be nigh.

When thy sorrows and thy anguish Roll like waves above thy head, "I, the Lord," will surely keep thee; And will still the tempest dread.

As a tree in the fierce tempest Bows before the raging blast, Bending thus is saved from breaking, Till the storm be overpast,

So if thou wilt bend before me, Lay thy proud head at my feet, I will lift it from the earth's sod, Lay on it a crown most meet.

"I will keep thee," when death cometh, And through Jordan's chilling wave, I will be thy guide and comfort, Thy strength and power to save.

Through eternity's vast cycles I will watch and guard thee still; Be a wall of fire about thee, Shielding thee from every ill.

Then be steadfast, firm, unyielding, Strong and faithful to the end, When from out the shining portals, I my messenger will send.

Then the welcome "Come, thou faithful, To the home prepared for thee, Where, with angels and the holy, Thou shalt rest at last with me."

## Bar All Self Pity

Seek to do that which you are compelled to do, pleasantly, good-humoredly, perfectly and with great persistence as well as respect for it, and try to do it better than it has ever been done by anybody before, and it will, through the suffering of your effort, prove to you that the very best thing happened to you that could have happened.

Self-pity is the tap-root of sorrow and discontent. It makes it impossible to get keyed up to any effort, mentally or physically; one's strings hang loose; not a vibration can be induced for resuscitation; just guttural growls of discouragement that drive everything and everybody from you.

One of the favorite thoughts which the discouraged carry around with them is, I wonder what I have ever done that I am so afflicted, etc.

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Every soul should be allowed to live its own life, to serve the line of its best information and deepest conviction. Conviction comes from responsibilities, from being early forced to solve one's own problems and form one's own conclusions. The man who usually climbs to the top of the ladder of success is developed from the boy who had to hustle for himself and depend solely upon his own judgment very early in his life. He had no "hacking" at him by any over-solicitude. It is discouragingly hard, and seems almost cruel, the discipline of self-sacrifice, but it

develops manliness and self-reliance and unselfishness. The have-to case is the one that performs the miracle of self-deliverance; it doesn't have time to get discouraged when failure slaps it in the face or trips the well-laid plan. Necessity is the angel of salvation, and the prophet of character.

He who cannot feel friendship is alike incapable of love. Let a woman beware of a man who owns he loves no one but himself.—Talleyrand.

God bless all good women! To their soft hands and pitying hearts we must all come at last.—Holmes.

The most charming and lovable woman to me is the sweet, pure mild, meek, patient and gentle Christian woman; the woman who is more like THE MASTER than any other being—such a woman was my Christian mother.

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## Ghosts on the Deep; They Saw a Ghostly Derelict

I live to be a hundred years old I'll never forget the sight—that spectre ship sinking like a shot, those phantom shapes leaping without a sound into the sea, the great whistle that out its noiseless clouds of steam, and nothing!

It was sixteen years ago, and I—then a husky young fellow of twenty—had shipped for the spring fishing off the Grand Banks. We had an able skipper, Captain McGuire, of Boston; a likely boat, and a good, knock-about crew, half Yankees and the rest Irish.

Fish were running fine, we heard, and we left Boston on March 2, with prospects of a big catch and plenty of money.

It was my watch to go out in the dory on the afternoon of March 13—I remember it well—with Carl Peterson. The sea was absolutely still, save for the swells. It was a dirty dull gray in color and looked as thick as treacle and as sticky as it rose and fell under our lee with mathematical regularity. Far off to windward we could see the fogbanks piling up, but we didn't bother about them.

Soon it began to darken, and we knew night was coming on. There was a quarter moon that night, and occasionally we could catch a faint glimpse of it through the fog. It looked twice its ordinary size, and there was a big ring around its crescent.

Peterson and I agreed to take turns on watch. I volunteered to stay awake until midnight, while he could roll up in the stern sheets and take a snooze. I lit my pipe and made ready to take it as easy as possible until it was my time to wake Peterson and turn in.

It was well on toward midnight now, and soon it would be time to wake Peterson. The fog seemed to be lifting gradually; off to the eastward I could see the sea for a couple of cable-lengths away. In one particular place it seemed to be getting lighter and lighter.

Then, slowly, the curtain of fog began to rise; very slowly, just as a curtain goes up in a theatre. It was dead ahead. Up, up, up it went, almost majestically—I shall never forget the sight to my dying day. And then right ahead, out in the gray dimness I saw something that froze my blood.

A big paddle-wheeler with two funnels was trying to straddle two giant waves. There was no sound of a storm, no waves anywhere else, but I could see that the strange ship was in a storm. There, right before my eyes as I gazed in a daze, this steamship with the old-fashioned rig was plunging one way and the other on her beam ends.

On the paddle-box was her name. I could just make out the letters through the fog: "P-R-E-S-I-D—"

And then a wave bigger than the others rolled over her and shut out the rest. But that wasn't the worst of it. The wave was just too much for the struggling

vessel. With her bow on one mighty wave and her stern on another her amidships seemed clear out of water. No ship could stand the strain.

She broke clean in two. Then I could see them on the decks—those silent shapes. They ran this way and that. The big whistle belching great clouds of steam showed how hard the captain was trying to get help, but I could hear no sound. Somehow I didn't wonder at that; it seemed so real that I didn't notice I couldn't hear the whistle.

And then they began to jump into the sea in every direction—I closed my eyes!

It was only for a moment. When I looked again the fog was as thick as ever. I couldn't see a yard ahead.

"Peterson, Peterson!" I yelled; "wake up, wake up, for God's sake! There's a wreck not a quarter of a mile ahead!"

The sleepy Swede needed no second call. We rowed desperately in the direction where I had dimly seen the sinking ship, hallooing all the way. Now and then we paused for a moment in the hope of catching a reply from some poor struggling swimmer, but not a sound—nothing but the creaking of our own oars in the rowlocks.

Just then a strange thing happened. The fog lifted suddenly and the setting moon shone down on the peaceful waters. Not a thing was in sight except a red and a green light four miles away—our own smack!

There wasn't a stick of wreckage, not a trace to show that a great ship had gone down.

"I guess you dreamed it, after all," said Peterson, as we pulled slowly away toward the schooner.

"Back sooner than you expected, boys," laughed the skipper as we climbed aboard. "Well, go below and get some hot grub and coffee. I guess you need it."

Peterson went willingly enough, but I stayed behind to talk with Captain McGuire. To him I confided what I had seen. At first he was inclined to be incredulous. But I was so insistent that he began to ask questions.

"I almost could catch her name," I went on, very earnestly. "I could make out 'Presid—' when she broke, pitched once and sank."

"Great God!" gasped McGuire, "that was the steamship *President*—she had two funnels and paddle wheels. My wife's father went down with her and our boy is named after him. What date is it?"

"It was March 13—unlucky day—1891."

"Fifty years ago to a day!" whispered McGuire, turning white as a sheet. "She left New York on March 11, 1841, bound for Liverpool, one of the first steamships to cross the Atlantic. Two days later there was a terrific storm. The *President* was never heard from again and never a bit of her wreckage was found. If you saw the steamer as you say you did, you must have seen her wraith, man!"

## A Spirit Messenger

Many people tell of Spirit Messengers having appeared preceding a "death." Here is an account of one from E. G. The child who was to pass over had a sudden liberation of the astral senses—an increase of vibratory rate. Mrs. E. G. also mentioned a dream in her letter. The family temple circle was incomplete, waiting for her addition as a believer. The circle of lights was astrally complete when her light was affixed. The symbolism was very obvious. Regarding the Spirit, E. G. says: Five years ago, my little son Percy was born, on Saturday morning, twenty-fifth of March. The same night I slept peacefully, with my baby boy lying beside me. Toward midnight, I was aroused by my little girl's crying and asked another boy to bring Ruby Dawn down into my bed, and she was very restless and seriously ill, as the doctor afterward told me. About three o'clock in the morning she suddenly sat upright in bed and pointing to the door of the room said: "Mother, what does that lady want here?" I replied that I could not see anyone, and she became delirious after, remaining more or less the same, until her death on the following Monday.

## Astral Plane

I am fifty-four years old, and a few nights ago I had my first *Psychic Experience*. It illustrates Emerson's saying that the Soul never answers inquiries by words, but by the thing itself. ("Essay on the Oversoul.") I had been trying to recall the name of an aunt, long since dead, and whom I had never seen. After several days of unsuccessful effort, I gave it up, but that very night as I slept a lady visitor appeared at our house, having the appearance of a traveler, and carrying a handbag. As soon as I saw her I said, "This is my aunt's own sister Martha." The name was correct and, from descriptions given me by people who knew her, I can almost believe that I actually saw her face.

A. C. F.

## A Vision

Here is a vision that reappeared in reality six months later and in a town a few miles away from where the vision was given.

A light haired and fair complexioned woman appeared before me holding an infant in her arms and a little one standing by her side. She called me by name, saying, "Florence, my husband has left me without a cent in the world. I don't know what to do. We have nothing to eat in the house and with these little ones I cannot go to work. But," she says, "I have a watch; would you take it to Los Angeles and borrow what you can on it and bring it to me as soon as you can?"

Just as I took the watch into my hands I awakened and found it all a dream. But it so deeply impressed me that I could not dispel the thought. This was in December.

The following summer I went to Pasadena, a distance of about seven miles from here, to stay and take care of an old gentleman, put up fruit and look after things in general while the family were at the Island. Here was where I met the lady of my dream through the old gentleman, who had known her for years. He called her Katie. She visited us often and I returned her visits.

I thought nothing of my dreams until one day when I called upon her she seemed very sad. Upon inquiry she said to me, "Florence, I don't know what to do. My husband has left me without a cent of money and with these little ones, I cannot work." She had a baby five weeks old and another little one a year and a half old. "But," she said, "I have a watch, and will you take it to Los Angeles and borrow what you can for me, as we have nothing in the house to eat?"

Immediately my dream of last December came back to me, everything occurred just as it had then. I took the watch to Los Angeles as requested and borrowed some money for her. Mrs. J. F. M.

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One day a fairy came to the birds and said, "I'm going to put a few more feathers on you and some more bones on you. Just hold still and let me make you perfect." How the birds chirped, frightened and sad. "We do not want any more feathers or any more bones. They would be burdens to us. Let us alone," they said. But the fairy knew what was best, so she made more feathers, more bones and fastened them to the birds, and when the work was done the birds had wings. They could fly! Just think of it! They had rebelled against the kind fairy's gift, the gift of wings!

Is it not often so with us, dear ones? Not seeing the end, we are apt to complain at the added weight put upon us by the good angels who have our eternal welfare at heart. Murmur not, tired heart; do your best. The rest is in the hands of God. He knows just what is best for us every time. This whole material existence may be merely the wing-giving period. Never mind; bear the pain. Later on we shall fly, free, joyous, songful.

'Tis not the arrival that counts; 'tis how we make the journey. Every day's living, that's the important thing. To live each day well, purely, sweetly, courageously, bravely. That's the duty of each one of us. Look not ahead to worry or anticipate trouble. Look not behind to grieve over mistakes. To-day, now, is all we have; live this hour this moment, the best you can. That is all.

Each of us has an influence on those about us for good or evil which can never be effaced. Just a smile may brighten or cheer another's path. A look of anxiety may add weight to another's load. Be careful. Be kind. That's the creed universal. Everyone understands kindness. It costs nothing to be kind. You can never pay for an unkindness, for if sent out it comes back to haunt you. Every time you hurt another you hurt yourself still more.

'Tis hard to do good, to be kind, to sacrifice, to give up even one's very life, and then to have one's loving gifts unappreciated. Yet this is generally the lot of earth's loving ones. Never mind; the reward is in the love deed, not in the thanks.

### GIVING THANKS

For commonplace blessings let us daily give thanks. For the glorious sunshine, the free air, the sparkling water, the silvery moonlight, the twinkling starlight. We accept these gifts of God thoughtlessly. Yes, we are thankful, but while these beautiful commonplace blessings come regularly we do not realize our gratitude.

But if some morning we should awake, and in place of the commonplace sunrise all were darkness, without a glimmer of light, then would we cry for the beautiful light, the commonplace light.

For other blessings, for health—if we are so fortunate as to possess this great blessing—for a mind to appreciate, for eyes to see, the beauties of the universe, for ears to hear the bird songs, the breeze and brook

laughter, for a voice to sing or speak praise carols—for all these commonplace things, thank God!

For friends and loved ones with whom to commune, for a loving Father of Light who delights in commonplace beauties, again thanks.

Forget not to appreciate your loved ones here; be grateful for the thoughtful favors, however slight, rendered by your dear ones here. It costs nothing to speak the loving word of appreciation or thanks, but oh, how such words are treasured by those to whom they are given!

The beautiful spring is here, with all its beauty, so commonplace, so heavenly. Are we grateful enough for the beauties so freely bestowed at this season? The pure, delicate, bright-hued flowers, the greening trees, the soft, restful grass, the praise songs of the birds, with their commonplace notes which no human voice can copy? Oh, beautiful is this springtime of color, song, freshness, fragrance, purity! Thank God for power to sense it, to realize it, to be grateful for it. Thank God, oh, thank God!

After this manner, therefore, pray ye: "Our Father." Our brotherhood, relationship, responsibility. Your Father, my Father. How much is embraced in that word *Our!*

"Who art in heaven." And oh, blessed thought! The kingdom of heaven within us; God in us; He, the life, the source of our life. Heaven is all about us, within us. Our Father is in heaven. Our Father is everywhere, therefore heaven is everywhere.

"Hallowed be Thy name." The Holy, the blessed, the loving.

"Thy kingdom come." Aye, it will come, when all hearts sing praise songs, realizing the kingdom is already here.

"Thy will be done as in heaven so on earth." His will be done, not ours. Ah, dear ones, this is such a hard lesson to learn. His will—though it lead us through the valley of death's shadow. His will—though it call us to accompany Him to Calvary. His will—though it tell us to dwell for years in the garden where the blessed One wept tears of blood. Learn to say His will be done in us, and life's hardest problem is solved.

"Give us day by day our daily bread." Food for the mind, soul, body He will give. May we accept it!

"And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors." Hold no debt of dislike or revenge against another and forgive forgetfully. Forgive yourself as you hope for God to forgive you. After repentance and God's loving forgiveness, forget your own sins and start anew, a newborn child of God.

"And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil." He will deliver. He is light. Let Him fill you with His glory, and how can the darkness of evil touch? Then there can be no darkness where light is triumphant.

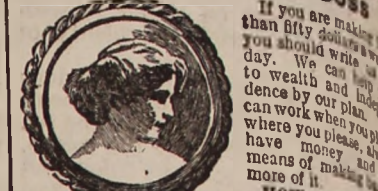
"For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory." His the kingdom and He is the King, the Ruler, the absolute Keeper and guardian of every soul who will be subject to the heavenly realm. His the power, the power of the King of kings, the King of the Kingdom of Heaven. His the glory. Let us glorify Him. Let us join in the heavenly glory song that the angels are singing round the great white throne. Amen!

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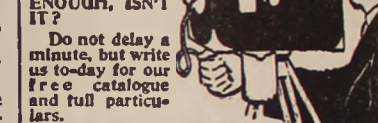
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"I am the resurrection and The life." It spoke, calm, low, incisive, sweet, so close at hand, Impressive thrilling, slow.

"He that believeth on me shall, Though he be dead, yet live." At length I asked, "Who speaks so well? Wilt Thou Thy meaning give?"

"What art Thou, gentle Voice of power? Dost come from Heaven above, To bring sweet peace in silent hour?" The voice said, "I am Love."

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Behold the Lilies

Behold the lilies, how they grow,  
 In their glorious majesty and power,  
 Their wondrous blossoms  
 In meekness trust, from hour  
 To hour—  
 Behold the lilies!  
 They will not, neither do they spin,  
 Their faith hath set them far  
 From your human lives of doubt,  
 The love of God lies deep within thy  
 heart—  
 Behold the lilies!

And yet no king of old could ever be  
 Arranged like these, they draw from the  
 air  
 And from the earth the substance they  
 need;  
 We should heed well the lesson;  
 Behold the lilies!  
 No golden glory can compare with theirs,  
 So white and pure—so sanctified—  
 We should low bow our heads in silent  
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In Essence By D. G. S.

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Friendship is a lovely passion, Knitting hearts with sunshine rays; Teaching we should not be rash on What we think of others' ways.

Friendship means the doing wholly All we can for others' cares; Purely perfect, yes, and solely For their interest, not our shares.

Yes, and when we've done this, mind you, We've done little, as God knows! But the deed's been checked, and signed, You know, for little so-and-so's.

Friendship makes a tie the stronger, And the fact is fully shown, As we know each other longer, And we see how love has grown.

What more sweet in Love's Affections Than to have a friend's "Confide"? What an intro-retro-spection Which we know speeds far and wide!

May you ever value Friendship; As is wise for all to do; Then you'll have the best of Kinship, Firm, and strong, and always true.

But for me to make assessment Or to suitably express What is Friendship's full investment Fails the pen of D. G. S.

An Inspiring Thought

Self-denial is accomplished through the sacrifice of the will. J. H. HANSON, Arkansas.

Come, ye disconsolate, where'er ye languish; Come, at the mercy-seat, fervently kneel;

Here bring your wounded hearts, here tell all your anguish; Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal.

Some Words to the Discouraged

(Concluded from page 2) death; he seemed to conquer it, so divine was his wonderful mastery of its every appearance, so transcendent his joy. He was not what many would have called religious, yet such was his illumination of what is right, of what is just, of what is kind, of what is loving, that when God's bell rang he, without any sickness or weakness, joyously laid off the mantle of this life, and—as though he were going on a pleasant journey, toward which he was looking with the highest anticipations of happiness—waved his hand and smiled his way out into a glorious heaven. We knew it was glorious, for the Light of a great effulgence adorned him as he, with level, smiling, loving eyes, was lifted out of this shadow world. He left nothing but the memory of his glorious manhood; earthly accumulations had all fled and he was very poor—so poor that the family from which he sprang value him and his memory as a failure, because he left no money wherewith to garnish his name. "He had no business judgment," was their verdict.

He did not need it; he had started Godward and was "booked for Paradise." He stood for the love of his kind; for the judgment, power and love of God; he loaned himself to God, and was paid in full. His splendid character was his wealth, his destiny.

His was a knightly soul! He was not of the kind who idolize money. Such characters as this furnish the world with new standards of excellence, that increase our respect for the resources of God, "who thus sends a real person to out-go our ideals."

It is a good thing to think that all the events of our lives are natural and incidental to the eternal voyage of an immortal Voyager, and that whatever it is that is discouraging is for some special development, some special deliverance, for some better outlook, some new way, for above all reasons, some further knowledge that could not be found in any other way.

To face resolutely that which has knocked us down keeps the blood circulating and feeding the brain, keeps the faculties alert, and the soul alive and conscious to meet the exigency. All of which quickens the natural resources and puts the mind to working out the means to keep afloat.

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On his way he fell in with a young man, and, as he was also bound to the meetings, the two walked together. As they came near the meeting-place it seemed good to them to halt behind a hedge and offer prayer. The old man, a child when he knelt before God, prayed thus:

"Lord, ye ken weel enough that I'm deaf, and I want a seat on the first bench, if ye can leave me have it, so that I can hear thy Word.

"And ye see that my toes are sticking through my shoes, and I don't think it is much to your credit to have your children's toes sticking through their shoes, and therefore I want you to get me a pair of new ones.

"And ye ken I have nae siller, and I want to stay during the meeting, and therefore I want you to get me a place to stay."

The young man, shocked at the old man's familiar way of praying, gently suggested that it was hardly the proper thing to approach the Almighty as a child would a father.

"He's my father," replied the old man, not accepting the suggestion of irreverence; "I'm weel acquainted with Him, and He's weel acquainted with me; therefore I take great liberties with Him."

When they arrived at the large tent in which the services were held, it was full. For a few moments the aged man stood in the rear of the congregation, making an ear-trumpet of his hand to catch the preacher's words.

His strained attitude of attention at last attracted the notice of someone near the pulpit. The old saint was beckoned forward and given a seat on the front bench.

During the prayer the old man knelt. The reverential posture attracted a lady's attention. She saw his worn-out shoes.

"Are those your best shoes?" she asked, when he had resumed his seat.

"Yes, but I expect my Father to get me a new pair, very soon."

"Come to me after the meeting, and I'll give you a new pair."

At the close of the service she conducted him to her house and gave him a pair of shoes.

"Will you stay through the meetings?" she inquired.

"I would, but I'm a stranger in the place, and have nae siller."

"You are welcome to make my house your home as long as you care to remain."

The young man learned of his aged friend's good fortune. And he learned more—that even a child's earnest, simple, direct requests are not irreverent when made to the Father in heaven.—*Youth's Companion.*

—W. H. Apperley.

## Loved and Loving

WHEN the sun of life is setting  
And the world seems growing cold,  
When our days are spent in fretting,  
And we feel we're growing old,  
Oh, how sweet if we can whisper  
To the hours that hurry by,  
Loved and loving, still I'm living,  
Loved and loving let me die.

Though sometimes I'm found complaining,  
When things seem to go amiss,  
Yet this thought is still sustaining,  
Life is sweet in spite of this;  
Little children romp about me,  
And their laughter cares defy,  
Whilst their voices sing this measure,  
Loved and loving let me die.

I have had long days of pleasure  
When my dreams were full of bliss,  
And I've seldom met a sorrow  
But 'twas soothed by thoughts like this.  
Friends have always gathered round me  
And their love has checked my sigh,  
Loved and loving they have found me,  
Loved and loving let me die.

What to me is gold and treasure  
When compared with life and love,  
What can fill the heart with pleasure  
Like the friendship one can prove?  
What can cheer us in our sadness,  
When this life is slipping by,  
Like a heart love-tuned to gladness?  
Loved and loving we may die.

What's beyond we know not surely,  
But in faith we trust to find  
A place where loves shall dwell more purely  
Than the loves we leave behind.  
There no falsehoods shall perplex us  
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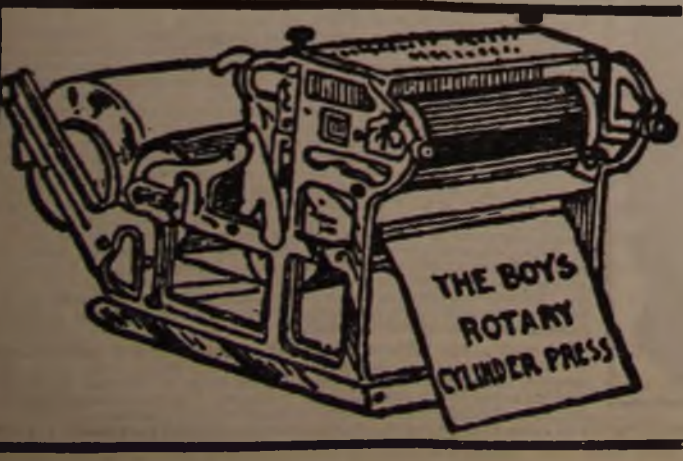
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Every young man should read it; and every young girl who has reached an age where she attracts young men, or thinks of choosing her mate for life, would be guided better in her associations by a careful perusal of the pages of this book. Certainly there is nothing to be hidden in our life problems. Were the light of truth thrown more often upon the vital things of life there would be less trouble, fewer misunderstandings, fewer causes for divorce; there would be, instead, far more happy marriages.

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The scene of eagles' morning flight.

And still, from loftiest altitude,  
Like noble soul in kindest mood  
Could it be moved and lowly set,  
'Twould blossom sweet as violet!

A lesson here from pow'r divine:  
No matter how our talents shine  
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Good cheer to help me bear the traveler's  
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## The Boy Scout Movement

What It Is and How It Is Helping the Boys of America

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In all parts of the land have gone with delight over this new scout movement. In every town, hamlet and city in the country little groups of boys are coming together and forming themselves into scout brigades. The great popularity of this movement lies in the fact that it makes the boy loyal to God, country and without restricting his freedom in any way.

The purpose of the Boy Scout Movement is the building of the character of the boys between the ages of twelve and eighteen years. It is a movement to strengthen their morals, their minds and their muscles. By means of the work which is carried on in active service. The scouting we are considering has nothing to do with this. There is another form which we term "Peace Scouting" or "Useful Scouting," such as is usual with frontiersmen in every corner of the world—men accustomed to living on their own resources, taking their lives in their hands, brave and loyal to their employers, chivalrous and helpful to each other; unselfish, reliable and God-fearing; in fact, MEN in every sense of the word. These are "Peace Scouts," and there is no reason why we should not train the boys of this great and glorious country to follow in their footsteps.

In order to be thoroughly successful, the boy scouts must have the co-operation of their parents and of the business men of the country. Then, too, there must be some institution of national scope behind the entire organization. With this object in view, we are fostering under our own management a boy scout movement to be known as "Uncle Sam's Boys," and by a new and novel plan intend to start Boy Scout Companies in every town and city in America and furnish them with every equipment necessary for the success of their endeavors. Membership in the organization will be open to any boy between the ages of twelve and eighteen years. There is no charge of any kind for membership, save a nominal fee for supplies, and by our plan any boy with a little push and determination can secure not only the supplies necessary for the work, but can obtain handsome uniforms, together with flags, rifles, drums, fifes, and in short, everything necessary to make a proper showing without cost to himself.

The official organ of "Uncle Sam's Boys" will be THE MAGAZINE OF MYSTERIES, and each and every month a space will be devoted to a chronicle of the doings of our boy scouts. We feel sure that every boy in the land will be enthusiastic about this movement, as it gives him a chance to become actively identified with a Boy Scout Company in his own town, without his having to put his hand into his pocket for any money to buy uniforms and equipment. Think of the joy of being outdoors with nature, and knowing nature as a friend. Just look forward to this summer's vacation and picture how proud you would feel marching up the main street of your town at the head of a company of boy scouts, each one dressed in regulation Boy Scout Uniform. Think how the people will shout and cheer as with heads erect, chests expanded, colors flying and your band playing, you march by.

Our scout movement is different from any other "scout" movement that you have ever heard about. It is fostered by men who were born and brought up in America, who know boys; and while they themselves have grown to manhood, still possess all the enthusiasm and vigor which is so characteristic of true American Boyhood.

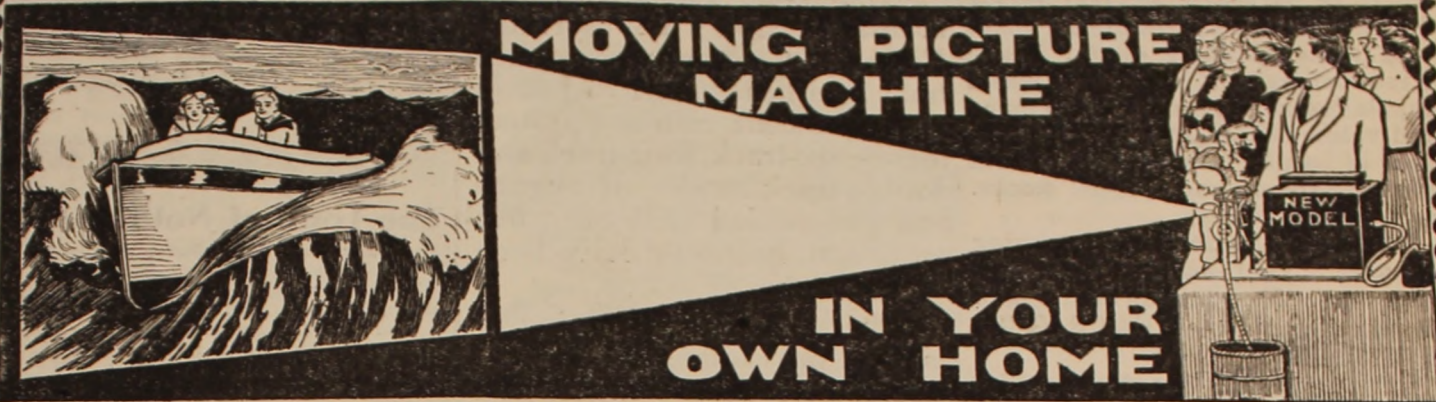
The whole object of this movement is character forming—to make the boys of the nation kind, strong and courageous. We are not everlastingly going to tell the boy to "Be Somebody," we are going to place him on his own responsibility and tell him to "DO SOMETHING;" we are going to say, "here is America, its future rests with YOU." We are going to make Nature an open book to him; show him how to appreciate the things around him; and, above all, make him a MAN, the kind of a citizen the United States will be proud to possess.

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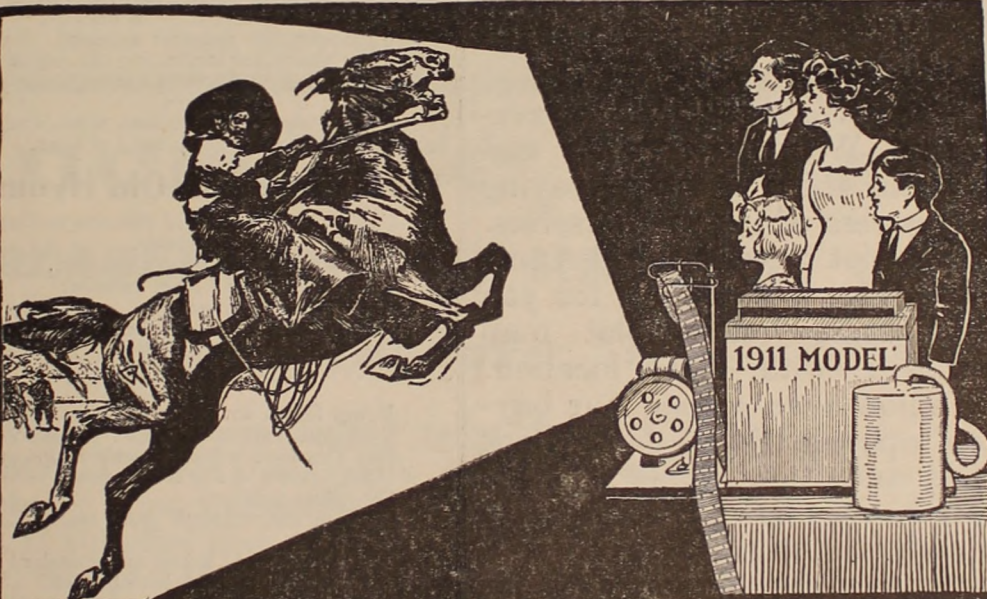
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They say that somewhere, in the distance fair,

Is the town of Nothing-to-Do,  
Where the sun, they say, shines every day,  
And the skies are always blue;  
Where no one tries for a silver prize  
And no one strives for gold;  
There every race has taken place,  
And every tale has been told.

The blacksmith sings as his anvil rings  
Of the town of Nothing-to-Do,  
And vows in his song, though the road is long,

When with anvil and forge he's through,  
He will wander far, where the glad folks are,  
And will rest in that happy town.  
He dreams of the day when he'll put for aye  
His hammer and apron down!

Oh, it matters not what the toiler's lot,  
Be he preacher or soldier brave,  
Though he delve a ditch, be he great or rich,  
Be he judge or statesman grave,  
He dreams always of the future days  
When he'll come to Nothing-to-Do;  
When he's faced life's test and his hands will rest,  
And his time to toil is through.

But Nothing-to-Do, folks tell me who  
Have journeyed the hills and found it,  
Is a hollow fake, and a big mistake,  
For the streams of care surround it.  
And the people there, they all declare,  
Are gloomy and sad and sighing,  
And they yearn for strife, for the joy of life  
Is something to do worth trying.

Interest yourself in the best work, and the hardships of life will seem easy to bear.

### Taken from an Old Hymnal

The Godly consideration of Election in CHRIST comfortable.

Sons we are, thro' God's election,  
Who in Jesus Christ believe;  
By eternal destination,  
Sovereign grace we here receive;  
Lord, thy mercy  
Does both grace and glory give.

Every fallen soul by sinning,  
Merits everlasting pain;  
But thy love without beginning,  
Has restor'd thy sons again.  
Countless millions  
Shall in life, through Jesus reign.

Pause, my soul! adore and wonder!  
Ask, "O why such love to me?"  
Grace hath put me in the number  
Of the Saviour's family:  
Hallelujah!  
Thanks, eternal thanks to thee!

Since that love had no beginning,  
And shall never, never cease;  
Keep, O keep me, Lord, from sinning!  
Guide me in the way of peace!  
Make me walk in  
All the paths of holiness.

Come, precious souls, let us aspire to live the life and know: to cleanse our minds of wrong thinking while here in the earth form, that we may be free, "that we may have no drawbacks when we enter upon the Higher Life after transition." Death is Birth. There are no dead. Life is life. How can Life die?

As you grow ready for it, somewhere or other you will find what is needful for you in a book or a friend.—George MacDonald.

"Pray without ceasing. And in everything give thanks."—I Thess., v. 7, 18.

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EMMA MYER, St. Louis, Mo.

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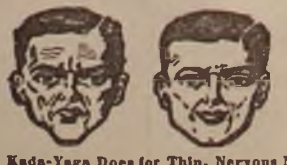
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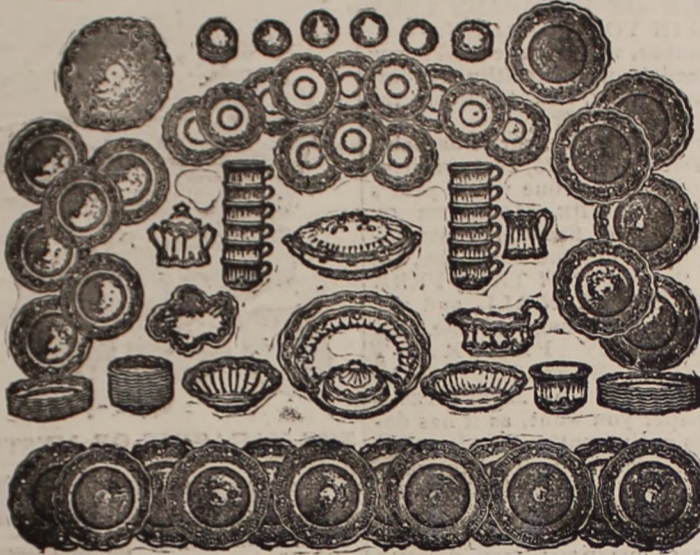
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