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Build thee more stately mansions, oh, my soul,  
As the swift seasons roll. Leave thy low-vaulted past.  
Let each new mansion, nobler than the last,  
Shut thee from heaven with a dome more vast,  
Till thou at length art free; leaving thine out-grown shell  
By life's unresting sea.—Holmes' "The Nautilus."

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## THE MAN IN THE HOLE.

There was a man in our town  
Who rushed along the street,  
When suddenly he felt the world  
Recede beneath his feet.

A teamster had delivered coal  
And then pursued his way—  
He left the manhole open, so  
There was the deuce to pay.

The man who hurried never saw  
The yawning hole ahead;  
He made some bitter comments as  
He disappeared, 'tis said.

Now comes the moral of the tale:  
A cyclone from the West  
Came down the street, as cyclones do,  
And never stopped to rest.

The coal man and his team were first  
Tied into forty knots,  
And then distributed in chunks  
O'er fifty vacant lots.

The street was ripped from end to end  
And split up through the middle—  
Not one who walked in it was left  
To dance or play the fiddle.

But he who hadn't seen the hole,  
And so had fallen through,  
Came out, when all was over, just  
About as good as new.

Keep back the things that thou wouldst say  
When Fate seems harsh with thee;  
It may turn out the other way,  
So wait a while and see.

—Chicago Times-Herald.

## TAKE OFF THE BRAKES.

Mr. Towne's excellent article in March NAUTILUS is a great help to many of my readers. The key to all growth is TRUST—self-trust—"take off the brakes" and get there. In proportion as we are able to let go the brakes we accelerate our progress.

*Fear of evil is the one thing which prevents self-trust.* Stop and think now, if that is not gospel truth. Listen:

1. Self-trust is the key to all growth.
2. Growth takes us out of all unpleasant conditions.
3. Fear of evil prevents self-trust.
4. Therefore the greatest good one man can do another is to help him eliminate fear.

Now, man is afraid of evil. And what is more, there will never come a time when he is not afraid of evil. Then the only way to eliminate fear is to eliminate evil.

Evil exists first, last and always in the human mind.

All that exists is spoken into existence in the mind. Evil exists because it is recognized, spoken. Good exists because it is recognized, spoken.

Evil is negative good, convertible into positive good.

But so long as the word, "negative good" is spoken it will remain negative good. "Negative good" is another word for evil; a devil with a longer name but he plays the devil just the same with the fellow who gives him mental house room.

Who wants a "negative good?" What man is not just as much afraid of poverty, sickness or death by one name as the other? Does not "negative good" scare you into fits even more readily than a good healthy devil would, horns, hoofs and all?

And does not fear paralyze self-trust? And lack of self-trust result in stagnation? And isn't stagnation death? "Negative good?" Evil?

"Negative good" is Satan's nineteenth century name. It is back number. Out of date. Quit speaking it. It is a bug-bear and stands ever ready to "put on the brakes" to all progress.

THE WORD is the creator of all things. The man who has an eye single to positive good creates positive good. He grows himself out of "negative good." But he never grows one jot beyond the negative so long as he recognizes the existence of anything but positive good.

The man who is able to look unmoved upon any human experience, his own or another's, exactly as he looks upon a specimen through the microscope, and says, "Good, positively the best thing that can be at this point in time and space," is very near a point in time and space where there are no unpleasant things to touch him; and where he has developed such power that he is enabled to lift others by the thousands out of the vibrations of "negative good."

He arrives at that point through RECOGNITION OF POSITIVE GOOD.

An eye single to positive good has focussed within him the light rays of PURE GOOD and there is nothing "negative" or "evil" there. His "whole body is full of LIGHT!"

There is no fear there. He has grown to trust himself until he has proved that I AM GOD, by doing the works of God.

Oh, Sweetheart, there is nothing but positive good in all this glorious universe and simple remembrance of that truth will save you in due time from every unpleasant condition.

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Mr. Towne, in an article in March Free Man, endeavors unconsciously to "put on the brakes" to self-trust. He says nothing in the article that is not true, but he loses sight of the truth of all truth's, "Trust thyself." He forgets that the will, being the executive of the upper brain, turns to the highest as the needle turns to the pole. It needs no more education in that line than a baby needs to teach it to nestle close to its dinner.

It is lack of self-trust due to belief in evil which makes a man choose anything else than the highest he recognizes. Teach him that ALL is good and you free him to turn to the highest.

Says Mr. Towne:

"1st. The lowest and most brutal desires are a negation of Truth and not a positive good. Inasmuch as they lead to wisdom and a higher plane through re-action they are a negative good."

The highest and most enlightened desires in any human heart today are low and brutal compared to the desires which will prevail a few thousand years hence. Nevertheless, present desires are the most positively good that can exist today. What is, is right. When it ceases to be positively right it will cease to exist. "Each thing in its place is best." When that which is better comes into its place it will no longer exist. Comparing the outward appearance we see positive and negative good. But at the heart of all things is POSITIVE GOOD. Live at the center and "judge righteous judgment."

Again Mr. Towne says:

"2nd. The power of intelligent choice by an enlightened will should not be entirely ignored in

the effort to free desire, if the most direct road to happiness and harmony is sought."

Will and desire are off the same piece. They are the Attraction which already acquired knowledge has for its next of kin. They need no training. The same law governs them that governs the magnetic needle; hands off, and they turn in the right direction. Trust them.

Because man recognizes good and negative good his will and desire constantly veer from one to the other.

As he grows in recognition of good only his will and desire become polarized to good only, and he ceases to be conscious of any "negative" desires.

To bless yourself as positively good, mind, soul and body, all your thoughts, and all your desires; to stick to that in the face of all feelings and conditions of environment; is the short cut to REALIZATION.

YOU include every desire and thought of you. There is no "Not I." To affirm, affirm, affirm, "I AM GOOD" (God) will in time cause you to realize it and every thought and desire of your being will come into harmony with that truth.

## THE NEW IDEA.

This Success Circle idea is the grandest conception of the human brain. Watch now and see the Ideal become real. See the circle widen until the vibrations of success are felt from pole to pole, from Dakota to the antipodes. Feel the vibrations increase in positiveness until existing conditions, concentered by the spoken words of poverty sent out by countless millions, including even the Messiahs of the human race,—feel the vibrations of the Silent Word increase, I say, until the old disintegrates and the new rises into form, the golden Phoenix of Success, of Opulence, from the ashes of poverty.

The WORD creates. The Word Poverty is the radiating center of the greatest Circle the world has, up to this age, known.

Its members are as the sands of the seashore for number; its membership fee simple allegiance to the Word Poverty; its requirements, servility, absolute mush-ness; tenure of membership determined by the individual, severable at will; emoluments of membership, the Name of belonging to the biggest thing on earth, the crumbs that are dropped, the water on Lazarus' finger tip, life time at hard labor with priests, pill doctors and ologists to manufacture ideas wherewith to fill their poverty stricken think-tanks. Star member of the Poverty Circle, Simon Stylites who sat twenty-five years on a stump and ate what the other Poverty folks passed up to him. He is dead, thank heaven. But there are millions more of him. I have met him numerous times at donation parties, etcetera, ad infinitum ad nauseum. He was always the star boarder. I've seen him grinding a hand organ on the street corner. I've admired him in the role of "Saint Lyddy M'ri," in February Ainslie's Magazine and taken off my hat to him as "Joe Beal" in Sam Walter Foss' "Back Country Poems." He is ubiquitous but he never does much but pose as the victim of circumstances, patience on a monument.



Poor simple Simon! He is the finished output of the Poverty Circle. But he isn't happy.

Extremes meet. Where the Poverty Circle circles there is the Success Circle likewise. To sever connection with the first and join the second requires a change of allegiance. Instead of listening to the Poverty Word he listens to the Whole Word of Success, of Opulence.

That is all he needs to do; just listen. Release the mental tension. Let things slide. Be careless. Be happy-go-lucky. Sleep, eat, drink and be merry. Work when he wants to. Do anything or nothing. Only listen to the Word.

Not by works are you saved from poverty. Work not for success. Work not for money, or for fame. Work for love of work. Work for fun. And listen to the WORD for success.

The WORD vibrates at the silent heart of things. All growth is from the deep, silent heart. Never mind the outside, the shell of things. Dwell at the center, the silent heart where the Word is.

Give the Word your *attention*. Everything needs *attention* to grow it. Attention is to the Word what sunshine is to the planted seed. As sunshine causes the seed to expand and express the plant, so attention causes the Word at the heart of you to express after its kind. Give Poverty your attention and it will express more poverty; give Success, Opulence, your attention and it will begin to expand and express within you and you will outgrow the old conditions entirely.

The WORD is the life of your conditions. If you do not like your conditions waste no time fighting them, or lamenting them.

Get a new WORD.

SUCCESS is the WORD you are after.

Daily I speak it for you. Come within the Circle and give my Word your attention. Be still and grow.

### TARRY AND HUSTLE.

Shelton writes me: "You misunderstand my article, 'Tarry in Jerusalem.' I did tarry in Jerusalem a long time, even after leaving Helen's class. I shall lift you a little in April Christian." Tom has never yet seen me, so he is excusable for thinking he can lift me, even a little bit. But I'll accept the will for the deed, bless his sweet heart.

"Tarry in Jerusalem" and my "Go in to Win" seem contradictory. Get down to the heart of things and you will find them One, even as Shelton and I are One. The world is divided into two classes of people; those who sit impotently and wail, "I wish I could, but I can't," and those who think they can and whose efforts remind me of nothing else so much as the gyrations of a hen with its head off. And that is what they are really like; small personal I's, in consciousness severed from the Universal I, the head.

Every human being belongs at different times in his development to these two classes. At one time "Go in to Win" is the Word he needs; at the other, "Tarry," till he realizes his I AM, the head. He will *attract* and *receive* exactly the Word he needs. I know this; so does Shelton. Therefore we speak the Word the spirit gives us and trust the Word to find its home and do its work.

And because we waste no time trying to reconcile our sayings at one time with those at another, we are called "inconsistent." The actions of the different parts of a machine appear inconsistent to a man who does not know the principle underlying it all. There is NO inconsistency save to the short sighted. All action, *every* Word grows out of something which in earlier turn grew out; and thus *all* things, every act and word, is traced back to the same First Cause, that by which ALL

things con-sist. "Oh, Consistency, thou art a jewel," and like all other jewels, only found *deep down*.

Life is both subjective and objective; unmanifest and manifest; inactive and active; thought and action.

The perfect divine-human lives a balanced life, *expressing* the subjective in action; making visible the invisible.

Few persons in present or past cycles have reached that point of poise. But the whole race is approaching it by a spiral way of progress. One side of the spiral is subjective, the other objective, and in his upward course the individual passes perhaps numberless times through these two classes, but every time he finds himself nearer the pinnacle, the point of poise, where thought and action balance and life is ecstasy.

We are getting there. Some of us need only to put forth a little effort, while others, who are worn with too much effort, need to tarry yet a little and *realize* more.

We subjective people are poverty ridden because we think without working out our thought. We are bodiless heads, instead of headless bodies. We wander in the theoretical realm the while our sister Marthas work out our theories; some of them.

We of the objective class rush around and do things whilst our Marys sit at the Master's feet and think things.

But neither of us is happy, and neither of us finds comfort until she begins to look to the things of the other. Mary must needs learn to do and Martha to think.

Only the Master is happy. He has found both Mary and Martha within himself. He has learned to keep still and think and rise up and *put his thought* into action.

The Marys of the world naturally despise the Marthas. The thinker looks down upon the plodder. And the Marthas have an inborn contempt for the impractical, "shiftless" Marys.

It is funny. Really, life is a picnic when one has managed to view the tragedy from behind the scenes.

Jesus smiled and loved both dear girls. And they both learned a thing or two in due time.

I used to think it a serious matter when some good Martha upbraided me for general no-accountness; I pitied her for the smallness of her mind that could take account of naught beyond household duties; I resented her interference with my affairs; I felt that I could be happy if only people would let me. And I lectured Martha roundly for her services. That was the subjective work that I excelled in. I could tell Martha more things than were dreamed of in her small philosophy.

But Martha had the good things of life that I would have given my eye-teeth for. And Martha's contempt for "shiftlessness" nettled me. I looked at her sleek little well-dressed self and was envious. And in due time I *grew* a mighty desire to be a Martha as well as a Mary. My contempt for her "smallness" developed into good, healthy admiration for the Martha thrift, and a desire to emulate her.

"I wish I could do such things, but I *can't*," I said. Things got a little more uncomfortable. Poverty pinched a little harder. I prayed for "power from on high." No change. Prayed harder. No tongues of fire nor any other sign that I was heard. No cash came in either. I *had* to quit praying and go to work. Result, felt better and had a little more money.

Then I waked up and went in to win. And I am winning. Winning more than Martha ever had.

Now there is another side to that little story. Martha learned to respect the subjective side of life. She concluded with the Master that Mary

had chosen the "better part." She learned of Mary as Mary did of her. The contempt left each; friction grew less and finally ceased, for each loved herself in the other and the other in herself.

Now do you see why the Law of Attraction places extremes in the same house, and *keeps* them there until the lessons are learned? I know a dear little subjective girl away out in Kansas—and lots more in other places—who thinks, or has thought, the world against her because she is surrounded by Marthas. She tries to get away from them, but "fate" keeps her to her place. And she is learning just as I learned. And those same dear old Marthas are learning from her.

I tell you, Sweetheart, the Law of Attraction knows what it is about, and if you don't like your surroundings and associates, the quickest way to change them is to love, admire, study them and vibrate with them until you have learned of them all you can. Then you will find the Law releases you and you may go where you will.

### THE HAND WONDERFUL.

Scientists have found that dissected finger tips of the blind contain brain cells of perception; gray matter of which the brain is composed. The wonderful perception and keen sensitiveness of the hands of the blind have long been an interesting study and now science is at last demonstrating the cause of such fine perception of the touch. When we acknowledge the presence of those fine subtle nerves of intelligence in the hand, we can no longer doubt the story which is imprinted therein in its lines, mounts, etc. An intelligent force tells its own interesting history and the hands gives forth its own tale with all the lights and shadows if the impulse of intelligence be there; if not, like the face of such a character, it is blank.

That valuable little paper, "The Microscope," recently gave an interesting article on the wonderful formation of the finger tips of a blind person. A physician assisting in an autopsy on a person blind from birth, found that the inner surface of the index finger contained a most complex and delicate ramification of nerve filaments, dainty and minute nerve twigs in immense quantities, branching from the main stem. Through constant use the finger tips of the blind acquire this unusual development. —FAITH AND HOPE MESSENGER.

### TO A PATIENT.

The first thing for you to do is to realize that what other people do or think, or do not do or think, has nothing to do with what you are or will be. Furthermore, the acts, words and thoughts of others are *none of your business*. They have a RIGHT to treat you in any way you *let* them treat you; and think of you anything they choose. You attract exactly what you get, and you *need* it all to wake you up to *yourself*.

Let them alone to think out their own salvation, and set yourself to make something of your own life and thought force. You have been frittering away your thought energy upon these people. That is why you have that tired feeling and cannot "concentrate." Either accept these people as they are, adjust yourself to them, be happy and make them happy; or else get out. You are making your bed in hell—making *your own* bed there. *Thou art whole! Take up thy bed and walk.* And walk with an *aim*.

"Lose this day loitering, it will be the same story Tomorrow, and the rest more dilatory. Thus indecision brings its own delays, And day's are lost tormenting over other days. (Or another's ways,) What you can do, or dream you can, begin it; Boldness has genius, power and magic in it; Only engage and then the mind grows heated; Begin, and then the work will be completed."



## DESIRE AND MONEY.

So your desires and your pocket book disagree. Well, it is your privilege to make them agree. There are two ways to do it. You are free to choose either way and what is more, you are perfectly able by using your ability, to *do* either way.

You may curtail desire to the dimensions of your purse. Every time you see a thing you want to remind yourself that you can't have it and must be content with something cheaper. Keep on teaching yourself that. You will grow to be literally content and even happy with what your purse will afford. You will literally curtail desire. You will have gratified your desire to curtail desire. You will vegetate comfortably that way for years, perhaps a hundred, and then go to sleep. You will have been going to sleep all those years. Finally you will drop off. \* \* \*

But if you know beans about what life is you will quit curtailing desires. *Desire is Life*. The more desire you have, the more life. The final overcoming of death will be accomplished by growth and concentration of desire. To curtail desire is to invite death. To cultivate desire is to cultivate life. \* \* \*

There is another way to make harmony between desire and purse; a way of joy and life abundant. And this way is possible to him who wills. Instead of curtailing desire to the dimensions of your pocket book *enlarge your pocket book* and gratify desire. Lay for your desires. When you want something never lose sight of it until you have got what you wanted.

You grow by the gratification of desire. Wake up and go in to win. When that desire is gratified, a newer, stronger, higher desire will arise within you. Enlarge your purse again. Cultivate desire and money and you cultivate growing joy and LIFE.

## "PENTECOST SAYS."

There is enough in you. Why don't you get it out, into expression?

If you can change an unpleasant environment, do so. If you cannot, dominate it as a master. Don't submit to it as a slave.

All growth is slow, except in the toadstool family. There is no hurry. There is plenty of time. Take it easy. Don't fret. You'll get there. Don't watch your growth too closely. Just keep yourself in the sunshine and do the next thing, especially if you are afraid to.

Say, Sweethearts:—

There are a lot of you who must be dead or hibernating. Wake up now and drop me a line or you will receive no more numbers of THE NAUTILUS. Those of you who received my paper regularly while I was a resident of dear old Oregon, will hear something drop if I don't hear from you inside of thirty days. Your name will drop out of existence so far as NAUTILUS is concerned. Better send a dollar and join the Success Circle. Then you will grow success enough to enable you to pay for what you want and even settle for what you have already received through this paper. If you can't scrape up a dollar just now, but want the paper, scrape up a penny and send me a card message to continue it. I will trust THE NAUTILUS to make its own collections in due time. I'd like to send out my paper to everybody who will read it, trusting it to convert the reader and collect its own dues. But Uncle Sam objects, and he is big enough to carry his point. But he is learning, like the rest of us, and some day will be as scientific as I, or T. J. Shelton, or even Bobbie Amara.

—Good.

—You are God.

—Follow yourself.

—Consult yourself.

—"Eleanor is much better."

—"What you can do, or dream you can, begin it."

—"My brother is getting along finely, thanks to you."

—"Your powerful Word *does* have an effect upon me. Please continue."

—"Please continue to speak the Word for my health. I am certainly getting well."

—"The Constitution of Man" will be sent to any address in the world for twenty-five cents.

—"Her month is nearly up, and she is so much improved. Her neck is reduced in size. Please continue."

—"Mother is surely improving and I am so much better. The pain and swelling are gone. Please continue."

—"Enclosed please find money for another month's treatment for sister. She is growing slowly but surely better."

—"I find 'Constitution of Man' a splendid tonic, full of thought-starters. I keep it on my chest of drawers by my bed, for a last peep."

—"I have not received your letter, but I *have* received your healing vibrations, for I feel stronger and better than I have ever before felt."

—"Please find enclosed money for another month's treatment for my son and self. We are getting along nicely. Success is with us."

—"Mr. B. writes me things are surely beginning to come his way. Please continue treating him, and myself. My business is distinctly improving."

—"Please remember to give *full* address every time you write, even if you were my next door neighbor in Portland."

—"Thy Light" is the latest mental science advocate, monthly, fifty cents a year. W. Sidney Fertig, Cameron, Wisconsin.

—"Poverty is disease, *the paralysis* of self-confidence," says Lena Fuller in Vol. 1, No. 2, of The New Dawn, Monett, Mo.

—"Herewith I enclose dollar for further treatment. I feel that my general health is slowly improving, especially my catarrh, which has been my chief trouble."

—"One year's subscription to NAUTILUS and the first month's treatment for health, happiness, self-development or success, or all at once, for one dollar."

—"The Evolution of the Family" is an interesting booklet by Jonathan Mayo Crane, issued by M. Harman, 507 Carroll Ave., Chicago. Price, 5 cents.

—"Dr. Close has just issued a third edition of his justly popular 'Phrenopathy.' Cloth, gold title, with a fine portrait of the author. Price \$1. Order of C. W. Close, Bangor, Me.

—"The Constitution of Man' by Elizabeth Lois Struble, \* \* \* is a daintily bound pamphlet of 68 pages. \* \* \* It is a vitalizing little book and sure to wake you to a renewal of life. You all want it."—Free Man.

—"More people have written for further copies of your 'Constitution of Man' than is the case with any other book I handle, and more express a liking for it than for any other book I sell."

W. E. TOWNE.

—"When the consciousness of man becomes so closely identified with the eternal Principle of Being that it recognizes the changing forms of matter and changes with them, without becoming lost in the physical vibrations, then the IDEA of eternal life will become a LIVING THING."

—W. E. TOWNE.

—"I am trying to absorb the wonderful teachings contained in your little book. Especially do I meditate upon Chapter III, 'In the Stillness,' after I have retired and all is quiet. I know I am happier through studying the lessons, and I also realize a new meaning to much that failed to impress me during the first reading."

—"A large percentage of cases that come to me for healing have 'gone the rounds' of the older healers and failed to find relief. Few of these fail to respond in some degree to my Word. I am proud of my record as a healer, and I am making better record every month. Success is with my Word and all things are possible of accomplishment."

—"You will note in another column Josephine Knowlton's ad, 'What's in a Name?' I sent to her the required data and received one of the truest character delineations I ever read; a real, advance thought reading, full of facts and inspiration. I take pleasure in recommending her. She is the gifted author of the famous 'Josephine Letters' published a year or so ago in Christian."

—"An Original Course of Instruction in Personal Magnetism" that is practical, short and right to the point is published by the Physic Research Company, Boston. The book is a large fifteen page pamphlet most artistically printed and the price is two dollars. It looks as if you are paying a big price for it but it contains more good, practical information on this line, systematically stated, than I have ever seen in a 200 page book."

—"I do so long to be free. Help me, please, with Your Word."

All the WORDS in the Venusian dictionary can't free you, for you *were never bound*. Use your freedom. As Goethe said, "What you can do, or dream you can, begin it." Keep on. Do the next thing. You will prove your freedom at every step. Limitations are of the stuff that dreams are made of. Quit dreaming and go to doing, and you will realize your freedom fast enough."

—"The same WORD which creates Success disintegrates poverty. All disintegration, even to death itself, is the result of the spoken Word of Wholeness, and is precedent to transmutation to a higher state of consciousness. Quit struggling to get things and keep things. The Word giveth, and the Word taketh away *to make place for something better*. Never mind what comes or goes. Listen to the Word of Success, the Whole Word, and let it work."

—"If you will only quit straining and striving to realize the I AM and simply *remember* that no matter *how* you feel, YOU ARE—I AM—you will find the I AM quickly enough. The only way to find the I AM within you is to *recognize* it there. Affirm it, *affirm it*, AFFIRM IT, until it affirms itself in your mind. It may take a week, or a month, or ten years. No matter; affirm it. When you do realize it at last you will know that you were never anything else but I AM. No matter how you feel, you are IT."

—"Why man, you're a king and don't know it! All your life you have been erasing yourself and exalting others. Year after year you have been abasing yourself—saying to yourself that you were nothing and that others were the Whole Thing. And it has come to pass—the condition is exactly what YOU have made it. Now, awake to your power! Consider the fact that you are a soul—the highest known force in the universe. Know that you have the power, through your will, to Create—know that you are a Creator. Commence now to destroy all the old belief in your own weakness—affirm your strength and health and wealth. Acknowledge yourself a Creator—a center of attraction for all that is good, and soon all that is good will begin to flow to you in obedience to the Law of Attraction."

This is quoted from page the first, issue the first, of Riches, edited by E. W. Dodge at Rutkin, Tennessee. Success to him.



## The Success Circle.

### Treatment for Business Success Only.

Daily I speak for each member of this Circle the WORD of success. Any man or woman is eligible for membership who is engaged in business, or desires to be. Terms, one dollar for 365 treatments and twelve visits of The Nautilus.

"Inclosed please find \$1.00 for your paper THE NAUTILUS and also to join the Success Circle. I am so glad to have you say you would rather heal poverty than any other dis-ease, because it is the trunk of which ninety-nine other diseases are only branches. That appealed to me more than anything I've read yet. I work from 8 in the morning until 6 and after, striving to succeed and sometimes it is very discouraging. If I could only put aside the annoying things, that worry the life out of one. Tell me how to stop it, or throw it off please."

Quit fighting your best friends and you will more quickly realize the success you desire. Your best friends are the little things; the little things that annoy you now. My WORD will wake you to SEE that these little things bring only good to you. Each one of them is a little opportunity. Think of the opportunities you have wasted by impatience! Not to mention the time wasted afterward in fretting over what occurred! Think of the *thought force* wasted over all these little happenings! Yes, think about it. And turn over a new leaf. Every one of these little things is a *golden opportunity to practice concentration*. Put your mind to seeing how beautifully you can meet each little emergency and make the best of it. Take pride in seeing how cheerfully you can accept the consequences that *seem* to be against you. You will find out later that it was the best thing that could have happened. Soon you will cease to have such annoyances *because you will have loved them into pleasures*. Daily my Word is with you. It will wake you up. You will go in to WIN and stick to it. Success is yours.

—The youngest member of the Success Circle is a dear little girl, Cora Regina Rossbach, of San Francisco, aged eleven years. It does my heart good to see the children getting started right. Pioneers are entitled to a lot of glory, but they earn all they get, and posterity comes in for the largest share of the profits.

—Send fifty cents to Albert and Albert, Atlantic City, N. J., and receive twelve numbers of "Faith and Hope Messenger" with twelve articles by W. J. Colville. February issue contains the first of a series. Its subject, "Man and His Environments." There are lots of other good things in the Messenger. Send one dollar and the exact date of your birth and receive the paper and a full horoscope.

—"I am doing my best in all that comes to me, but I feel that I am in the wrong pew and patiently wait an exit. Any help for that?"

Yes. There is help for anything. Don't wait for an exit. Most people are "too dern patient" for any use. If you *are* in the wrong pew you can *make* an exit. Make tracks right off. If you *can't* get out it is because you *belong* there. Be still and *REALIZE* that an exit will open in the nick o' time. In the meantime *get interested* in making that pew as comfortable as possible for yourself and every one else that is in it.

—My Word received will heal any dis-ease under the sun, acute or chronic, mental, physical or environmental. It takes time to speak the word and write letters. Time is money. If you want my time pay me for it. Send not less than one dollar if you want your letter answered. I speak the Word for one to ten dollars a month and leave you to judge the amount you ought to pay. I love to heal but I have outgrown the stage where I am dying to heal the fellow who would let me starve to death while I speak the Word for him. No more poverty for me.

—So you are constipated, like four-fifths of the American race, and want to be cured. If you really *want* to be cured you can be. I will tell you how but you won't follow directions. You prefer living in the good old ways of our daddies and sending money to me to speak the Word for you. But perchance a few of you will heed my directions and use your money for something else. For breakfast, drink a large cup of hot water and *eat nothing*. I hear a prolonged "O-o-o-h!" But it won't hurt you. Try it. Send for a year's subscription to Eleanor Kirk's Idea and get enthused with the no-breakfast idea.

—"Are you sure you can work as effectively through the Success Circle as by the old method?"

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—"The hardest thing for me is to disregard wholly others' opinions of our duties. To illustrate: We find no pleasure in the society affairs of this little place. Since studying the new thought our thoughts and theirs do not seem to meet. We pay our part. For instance, here is the firemen's ball. We buy a five-dollar ticket and give it to someone who could not otherwise go and are satisfied better than if we go. But for so doing the people seem to feel we lack social spirit. While we enjoy social intercourse even more it seems to me than formerly, we do not care to converse so much on the old themes. It *seems* to separate us. We know it does not. The same with calling. I have felt there must be something wrong in my make-up, for save among a few where I can come in to closer communion I find it *so tiresome* and so much talking and nothing said. Please tell me wherein lays the something and how is it to be remedied."

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