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POEM.

CHRISTMAS SONNETTS.

"Why hast thou forsaken me?"

"O, why hast thou forsaken me?" I cried When sword of Love's neglect pierced worst of all.

The word that I in agony did call,

Love gave not. Then my great ambition died. But with it went its twin, my selfish pride.

And lol From inn of Pain, the Light I sought, Flashed on me, and within my life was wrought

A wondrous change. To wine was turned its gall I am not subject now to any soul!

I need no human love whereon to lean! I look not now without for rest or power!

I AM! And in myself I find the whole! Where once my selfhood I had dimly seen, I see all clearly now, and bless that hour.

TRANSFIGURATION.

"He was transfigured before them."

That shock awakened soul. Wheretofore

I slumbered in mere thought of what I wished; I sighed but strove not for the power I missed,

Because I held belief in less or more.

But now the Christ within hids strife be o'er. The Love-Light shines from manger shrine. Its ray

Illumines form within this form of clay, And every tear, by Love, to pearl is kissed.

Now know I neither want nor time nor sense! This Light reveals me to myself, divine.

All Light is one, so am I one with Love! No matter where, nor when I shall go hence.

That Light will ever on my pathway shine,

And guided thus in Peace, I'll ever move.

-HENRY HARRISON BROWN.

Stockton, Cal., 1899.

I believe in you, my Soul—the other I AM must not abase itself to you and you must not be abased to the other.—Walt Whitman.

ALL IS GOOD.

God could not be unkind to me if he tried.--Thoreau.

Just as soon as one perceives that good and evil are only the mental attitude he assumes toward circumstances, that Nature is un-moral, nonethical, he finds himself growing more contented and ultimately this content becomes blessedness.

It is impossible that there should be Unity and have that Unity divided. We must be Zoroastrian or Unitarian in our conception of God. He is either One or two, (or possibly more.) If One, he cannot be either good or evil, or good and evil. He is. That is all we can affirm of It. HE IS.

If we believe in both good and evil in the governing, or originating power, we have the contending forces of Good and Evil, of Ormuzd and Ahriman. Between these two, in Persian philosophy, there is a constant warfare for the Human Soul. Finally each Good triumphs. Soul wins. Unity cannot be divided thus. But toward Unity we can each choose our attitude. We can say of each circumstance, "It is good," or we can say, "It is evil. It depends upon the relation the circumstance bears to our happiness. That which comes in line with our desire we call good; that which is not in line with desire we call evil.

What easier method of reconciliation than that of Jesus? He said, "Thy will be done," "Let thy kingdom come."

All we have to assume is that there is in Unity, in Law, that which is wiser than ourselves. It is either that we are able to manage the universe better than it is managed or we are

I AM CAPTAIN OF MY SOUL .- W. E. Henly.

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If we are, let us work at it and not. not fret; if we are not, let us stop freting and make the best of it.

All discussion upon this subject resolves itself at last into this: Could we have made a better world and, when made, could we run it better? The arrogance of the question settles it. Face this and you will quit all belief in evil.

Can I use the world and its opportunities better? This is the important question. This places all the responsibility upon me and I have only to do better to be satisfied, to be happy. This leads me to a change of attitude toward every condition and circum-I now declare that I will use stance. it for good. It shall not result in evil Whatever comes is a legitito me. mate result of my conduct, therefore is good, no matter what it is. I choose

good and eschew evil. When we make this determination, then, no matter what comes, it is good. We are like Mark Tapley, happy, under all circumstances. It is in this light of personal responsibility, of personal liberty, and of personal choice that Thoreau made the wise statement which is one of our constant Affirmations. I am so fixed in my love of Good, so settled in my conviction of Good that if God tried to be unkind to me as He did in the old fable of Job he could not. There is no other possible Affirmation that will give the happiness of this: All is Good. Try it one month and report.

"Amid the maddening maze of things, And tossed by storm and flood, To one fixed trust my spirit clings: I know that God is Good.'

Thoughts are but Ideas in motion, and they differ from the essence which is moved as much and as widely as waves differ from the water beneath them .- Andrew Jackson Davis.

Happiness stands like a maid at your gate,

Why should you think you will find her by roving?

Never was greater mistake than to hate-Try loving. -John Esten Cooke.

See renewal proposition entitled, "15 for 12" on editorial page.

RANCH PHILOSOPHY.

A COMPARISON.

Elder Brown an' ole Deacon Sims Are men uv strong an' strenuous whims. Each believes in fire an' damnation Es actual parts uv God's creation.

Peculiar, tew, ole Deacon Sims Is groans an' tears an' all sich things Thet mars the happiness an' joy Uv the church attender's boy.

But good ole laughin' Elder Brown Weighs about two hundred pound. He gives a feller a healthy grin, Wether he's with er without sin.

While Deacon Sims, with long drawn face, Is forever damnin' the human race, Seein' nothin' but bad an' wuss, Termoil an' sorrer, muss an' fuss!

Now easy goin' Elder Brown Hasn't time ter cast a frown, Though he believes in a blazin' hell, Reckons it a good place ter dwell!

Elder Brown an' Deacon Sims Are honest men in spite of whims, Fer each hes only drawn his own In shape uv laugh er solemn groan.

So ef your brain hunts gloomy things, They'll fly ter you on speedy wings. As sure as the sun'll shine termorrer, The heart your brain'll ever foller! -Sam Exton Foulds.

SUGGESTION IN A SWISS INSANE ASYLUM.

Forel, while medical director of the cantonal or State asylum at Burghoelzli, and one of the professors of the University of Surich, Switzerland, succeeded in hypnotizing nearly all his asylum attendants, both male and female, a large proportion of them becoming profound somnambules. For ten years experiments were made in regard to the use of hypnotism in the night watching of dangerous lunatics. Warders were hypnotized and trained to sleep by the bedside of those patients and to awake the instant they heard them attempt to get out of bed, the hypnotic suggestion being made use of to inhibet all sounds which had no reference to the duty laid upon them, and it was found that warders so hypnotized could perform night duty for six months and work hard all day without showing signs of fatigue. The results of these experiments were, it is said, uniformly successful, and no accident of any kind occured. -From an address before King's College Medical Society, London, by Dr. Milne Bromwell.

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AN HONORABLE LIFE IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN .- Dr. C. A. Bartol. Digitized by

A SACRED KINSHIP, I WOULD NOT FOREGO BINDS ME TO ALL THAT BREATHES.--H. H. Boyesen.

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AFFIRMATIONS.

[An affirmation bears the same relation to Soul Culture that an axiom bears to mathematics. It is to be taken as Truth, not reasoned upon, but accepted. Thus held, it will mould the expression of life into its own likeness. The "I" is the ego of the person who affirms. As one says, "I am happy," when all goes well with him, he is to learn to say, "I am happy," when all seems ill to him. He will thus, by Auto-suggestion, produce in himself that mental state which is happiness. These Affirmations are given every month as spiritual gymnastics by which one may grow into self-control. When they are repeated, or held in mind, other and injurious thoughts cannot come in. Thus by conscious choice one becomes Master of Pate.]

OMNIPRESENCE.

I am not contained between my hat and boots. --Walt Whitman.

Though I make my bed in hell, Thou art there. --Psalmist.

O Infinite and Omniprsent Power, I am One with Thee!

Thou art in me, and I in Thee.

With Thee I too am omnipresent.

This external world is but Thy appear-

ance. Thou art more, infinitely more. What Thou art in Thy world, that am I in my world.

Thou art present in every part at all times. I am present in every part of my body at all times.

Thou art present at all times in every part of Thy Universe with all Thy Power.

I am present in every part of my universe at all times with all my power. Everywhere Thou art, but Thou and I are One; I am everywhere.

Thou Absolute, art the Unseen, the Unmanifest, the Latent Power; I am the Manifest, the Seen, the Active Power; we are One and the same.

No matter where I am, since I think, I am the One Conscious God and All is mine at desire or need.

No matter where I am, I am the only manifestation of the Absolute that has Individuality. I also have power to think and to say, "I think;" to feel and to say, "I feel!"

Thou art in the majesty of rivers and the gentleness of brooks. I am there with Thee.

Thou art in the grandeur of the mountain and the grace of the lily. I am there with Thee. Thou art in the beauty of the sunset and the modesty of the violet. I am there with Thee.

Thou art in the greatness of the star and the littleness of the pebble. I am there with Thee.

Thou art in the forming nebula and in the gentlest zepher. I am there with Thee.

We are everywhere. We the Omnipresent One and we the Two in manifestation. Thou art the Potential, I the Actual, but I am all of Thee.

No matter where this body is, I am with Thee and am content.

No matter where this personality is, it is in Thee and Thou art in it and I am blessed.

No matter where this which the world sees and names is located, I am limitless, and "without body, parts, or passion." I cannot be located. I am one with Thee.

Bloom, O flowers! sing, O birds! murmur, ye streams! blow, ye breezes! thunder, ye storms! quake, O earth! fall, ye stars! die in boundless space, O ye suns! dissappear from manifestation, all ye infinitude of worlds! I am! I am one with ye all, but I am more than ye all. By your unconsciousness, are ye doomed. I, the Self-Conscious, shall live when ye are not. I alone in my recognition of Individuality, am immortal. I AM I evermore.

HEALTH TREATMENT.

I am self-poised and self-centered. I am opulent in health, wealth, and happiness. I know and realize the truth of unity. There is nothing between the Law, Lord God All Mighty and my body. God fills my body, and it is full of good health from head to foot. So be it.—Harmony (Divine Science).

> Trouble gwinter to find you, 'Taint no use to run, But dar's boun' to be some blessin's When de trouble all is done. An' de joy is jes' as certain As de day of sorrow's doom, Foh when it's time foh roses, Why de roses gwinter bloom. -Washington Star.

The more honest a man is the less he affects the air of a saint.—*Grant Wallace.*

SOME OF US CALL IT LONGING, OTHERS CALL IT GOD. W. H. Carroth.

GREAT ARE THE SYMBOLS OF BEING, NUT THAT WHICH IS SYMBOLED IS GREATER.-Richard Realf.

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SOUL CULTURE LESSON.

I AM SUCCESS.

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How I Won It through Affirmation.

A Series of Lessons in Soul Culture: No. 9.

HOLD FAST AND LET GO.

Work when you work; play when you play, That is the way to be happy and gay.

-Old School Reader.

Henry Ward Beecher, in speaking of a prominent English clergyman, said, "When he visited my home, he only added one to my children." There is no better element of success than the ability to thus relax. It is true that there can be no business success without Concentration, but there can be neither health nor happiness without relaxation. Nature is one in all het manifestation. All out possible knowledge is but that of motion. All motion manifests in undulation. Spirit and Thought, willd and wave, are all obedient to this same law of Vibration. Therefore, all business must move in undulations, have its periods like moon and tide, Spring and Autumn. The tables of the stock market are those of fluxuations. Every register, every balance sheet, is a record of this same Each week differs from the law. others in the year. Even the mail the postman brings fluxuates every day in number and value.

Man is subject to the same law. Read Longfellow's diary to see how inspiration varies. Study the history of literature to see that essays and historics have their seasons. Carlyle and Emerson were subject to the same fluxuation of power.

All operations on stockboards, and speculations of all kinds, pass through undulations. They have periods of success, periods of failure; periods of rush and of rest. Yesterday, a client called, who had formerly had years of success, but for three years had been going downwards. He had never learned the law of periodicity. When we vibrate with nature, we shall as naturally concentrate and relax at proper times, and thus vibrate with nature, as does the sailor at sea. He has learned to vibrate with the wave and avoids sea-sickness. When we learn to vibrate with the silent forces of Spirit, we shall avoid failure and all ills. To be concentrated all the time is to lose health and happiness, is to fail. To have no concentration is to be a cipher. The golden mean is to oscillate between the two. to work all over when we do work, to play all over when we do play. But Play we must. There is five times too much work and one fifth the proper amount of play. What is play? Enjoyment.

It is not necessary to teach you that concentration is necessary. The business world has already compelled you Too much effort to learn this lesson. is under the one thought of Necessity and Success through must. What concentration is in the scientific field is stated by Prof. Edgar L. Larkin of Mt. Lowe Observatory, in a late article. "It is a marvel what the mind can accomplish in sixteen hours of continuous effort without stopping to think of anything else." This last phrase which I have italicized is concentration. Pay attennion to one thought until you become that thought. Then it works itself. When this concentration is under necessity. is under business pressure, under that of the ambition of the scholar, a re-action must come. It comes less soon and with less right to the scholar and scientist, because the LOVE OF TRUTH inspires the one, while love of material power inspires the other. Are you seeking your ideal in financial, political, or business success? Then the more need of letting go at intervals and becoming like a little child, and in play (which is doing something simply because you love it) find recuperation. Have at times no other

A FACT IS THE DIRECT SPEECH OF THE FATHER.-Theodore Parket.

thought in your mind but just enjoyment.

Voluntary concentration and voluntary relaxation is the secret of success. This is the philosopher's stone which turns all circumstances of life to gold. Learn to choose your thought. Learn to hold it with persistency. Become it! When you choose lay it down for another voluntarily chosen. Learn to do so. There is no need of ten hours' nor even of one hour's concentration upon any subject. You can concentrate for one minute when you know how and let the Thought possess you. Thought, being power, will run itself until you decide to give your-Learn the self another suggestion. law of Auto-Suggestion (Affirmation) and work at working time and play in play time.

Do not mistake a change of involuntary thoughts for relaxing and rest. Such attempts at rest, at relaxation, we find at seaside, fashionable resort, theatre, billiard table, social rout, They are only a change in conetc. centration, in excitement, are only a change in mental tension. Letting go is found in doing because you love it. It is a letting down of power; it is giving the whole nervous system a rest; it is play for play's sake; it is enjoyment within and not forgetfulness born from a distraction caused by external conditions.

How? Change your mental attitude and find yourself relaxed. Remove all thought of must. Never be driven or drive yourself or your business. LET it come. LET it be done. Let it think itself. This leaves you clear-headed. Concentrate upon your thought. Let details be met as they arise. Pay attention to what you are doing. DO it and do it all over. If it is play, play. It is half doing that kills, that fails. It is failure to work, wishing all the time for rest; to rest, thinking of work-Learn to concentrate upon the simplest thing you do. If it is to sweep, sweep with mind as well as with hand. Isit to write? Write with mind as well as with pen. Whatever it be, let

it occupy your attention. Religiously set aside a portion of time for yourself to be happy in. When that time comes, if business, care, worry, anger or any fear seeks to call, tell it that you will attend it at the next business hour. Think of Carnegie who is so fearful of death that he will not let it be talked of in his presence. With all his millions, is that Success? Fear nothing. Think of anything desired as yours now and enjoy it.

Here is the law of success: Enjoy WHAT YOU HAVE. Put the dollar into enjoyment. It is in that way safely invested and will bring returns not only in health and happiness, but in dollars also. Some portion of the day do that which you love, that in which you forget yourself. With loss of selfconsciousness is relaxation, rest, new life. Beware lest the thought of competition enter into your rest. To play cards, billiards, to dance, row, yacht, or golf with a view to beating only, is to work under excitement, is to be self-conscious, is to plant illness and failure in body and business. Play for the joy of playing. Be as willing to lose as to gain. This is resting. Play with children, pets, flowers. Commune with book, picture, Nature. Learn to undulate in emotion, in thought, with the vibrations of the universal mind. This is Success. The Affirmations from this Lesson are:--I am prosperous because I am happy. I enjoy Being. I enjoy doing. I enjoy resting. I enjoy playing. enjoy getting. I enjoy investing. enjoy spending. I enjoy growing. I enjoy every moment. Life is to me blessed.

We are bound to say that there is a prompting inspiration about that little word NOW that heads the "biggest little paper in the world," published at 1437 Market street, San Francisco, Cal. It is full to overflowing with nowness. Some of us live too much in the future, and some too much in the past: but NOW is the accepted time. Health, wealth and happiness are ours by right, and we can have them NOW! If you don't believe it, send a dime for three months trial subscription and be convinced.—The Anvil

CHANGES ARE WROUGHT IN TIME BUT NOT BY TIME, -Carlyle.

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THE SONG OF THE UNIVERSE.

Untl the soul of man has tilled the field;

Experienced the full alphabet of life;

- Has joyed and sorrowed, fought and learned to yield;
- He cannot hope to lead a perfect life.
- The world is but a circle cut from space. Humanity, strong germinals clipped from time. Light, color, sound and odor hold their place.
- Each scattered note essential to the rhyme.
- There's perfect order in this giant scale; Nothing remains unfinished, incomplete
- With one note less the symphony would fail, Each fraction falls at universal beat.
- Our earth rolls on, full measure and full weight Of land and water, open space and hill.
- The low wide plain completes the mountain's shape;

Rivers empty the ocean which they fill.

- The forest weights itself against the rock; The clouds lock forces in the upper air;
- The rain drops lessen wind and thunder's shock; And darkness is pitted 'gainst the sun's fierce glare.
- Our music is a language without words, Enchained vibrations, focusing earth's wheel.

Life echos every sound that we have heard,

Betraying thus emotions that we feel.

It takes seven perfect notes to complete a tone; In colors seven, light gives us primal hue; With seven seeds the earth at first was sown; And seven planets ruled them as they grew. There's no vibration in all outer space

But finds response within the Soul of man; With each note blends harmonious his grace,

When he has tuned himself to understand. —Dorothy O'Neil, for NOW.

HUMAN OMNIPRESENCE.

An ex-minister of this city had this experience. He was writing late one evening in his study when a lady friend entered, unannounced. She looked over his shoulder at his writing for some time, then sat down. He spoke to her. She made no reply. He tried several times to enter into conversation with her, but she would not converse. It grew late, but still she sat Finally he suggested that it there. was after midnight and she had better go home. She still sat there. He became aware that it was, to use his own term for it, "A thought-form," and left his study and went to bed. Sometime after he called upon her. She had no knowledge of the visit. Later he read to her the pages he was writing and she remarked, "Why. I have read all that before somewhere." We can only comment by saying that sub-consciously she had read it and it had been stored away safely until the right suggestion brought it into expression.

A letter from a California friend narrates this:-"I knew that Mrs. W. whom I was nursing must soon pass out of the body. She clung tenaciously to life. She saw spirits about her and She finally described a in the room. man so plainly that I knew it was you. Then she said, ' It is Mr. Brown' (whom she had not seen.) I called for you Tuesday evening to come and help her. You did not come. Returning from a walk Wednesday evening at 7:30, you met me in the hall. saw you as plainly as I ever saw you. You stayed until 9 p. m. and then said, 'I will return soon!' You came at midnight and on leaving said, 'She will pass out early in the morning." She did so."

Now, while I never saw the sick lady nor was ever in her house, I was interested in her as a friend of my friend and we had often conversed about her. That Wednesday evening at 7:30 we were conversing about her and I tried to ascertain psychically whether dissolution had taken place, -thought it had not but soon would. That is all my conscious knowledge of my omnipresence. Were we conscious at all times of what we do or whom we meet, we would find that there would be no here and there, nor now and then to the I AM.

PRACTICAL METAPHYSICS.

I should like to give you some practical results of my investigation of metaphysics. I am not the victim but the victor of metaphysical treatment. For six years I was afflicted with an eczema which would not yield to all the medical skill which I could obtain. For six years they failed to help me. In six weeks, with the help of metaphysical treatment, I was cured; my physician living in Chicago and I living in Indianapolis while the cure was taking place.— From a report of the remarks of Dr. Albrecht before the State Dental Assn. of Ind.

TO-DAY OF ALL DAYS IS THE DAY TO BE ADMIRED -Thoreau.

ALL HUMAN HELP MUST EVER HINT AT THY SUFFICIENCY.-J. W. Chadwick.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

THE WINNING SPIRIT.

Feller who kin wear a smile When misfortun' gits him down, Is th' chap thet's goin' to wear Jewels, sum day, in his crown.

Feller who jes struggles on, When hope looks es black es sin, An' when life 'pears like a farce, Is th chap thet's goin' tew win.

Feller who jes grits his teeth An' refuses to say die, Is th' chap thet's goin' tew git There with both feet, bye an' bye. —Ohio State Journal.

EXPERIMENTS IN TELEPATHY. This greatest of human discoveries is attracting more and more attention every day. As a pioneer in the line of human evolution, NOW will never fail to keep this discovery and its significance before the world. Some very interesting experiments have been given in this city during the past two weeks by Dr. Alex. J. McIvor-Tyndall. Among them was his driving blindfolded through the streets under the direction of a committee of prominent and honorable gentlemen, going to a **hotel**, finding a name on the register, spelling it out and writing it upon a Among the many interesting card. experiments at his matinees, was his writing backwards of a word selected by a lady in the audience and telling the number of the page of the book where found. He also wrote date, name, bank and value of a check sealed in an envelope and placed in the pocket of the maker, these items being unknown to anyone but to maker himself.

But one successful manifestation of Thought-Power the Press has not reported. I awakened the morning after his first Matinee with a strong desire to send him my book, "Man's Greatest Discovery," with letter and invitation to call at our office. Sam took them to his room at 10 a. m., but at that hour Dr. McIvor-Tyndall called at "NOW" office. He told us later that he felt to come, did not know where it was, nor why he desired to come, but walked up here as if drawn. But valuable results to all concerned followed that visit. This I regard as a more valuable experiment than any of the others. It demonstrates that at all times we are enfolded in a sea of thought-waves; that we are susceptible to those which are in harmony with our thought; that those which awaken no antagonism in us are obeyed; that we readily receive help going our way. There is, however, no worse error than that held by so many, that we are subject to all evil thought. It is not truth. No thought can touch us that does not find its like in us. We are magnets. We draw our own. If the idea of coming to "NOW" office had been obnoxious to the Doctor, he would have cast the thought aside. But, knowing of NOW and its editor through mutual friends and having a desire to see us, it was easy for the thought I sent out to There is a most valuable bring him. moral here, one of the most important laws of life man has found. No evil can touch us if we do not think evil. Belief in devils creates devils; belief in evil spirits creates evil spirits; belief in malicious magnetism creates such magnetism; belief in bugbears produces failures; belief in sins and disease creates these conditions. When there is in the mind only the belief in Goodness, where there is the Affirmation, "All is Good," no evil is possible. Remember the law of life is, I am that which I think I am.

THOUGHT IS FORCE.

The way in which a person who understands the Law of Life can use it in healing others is through the newly discovered fact of thought transference. I state it as a fact not generally understood that thought is a fluid generated in the human brain. [O, Mrs. Wilmans, why not say it is Life manifesting through a human brain. Can a brain generate anything?] The

WHO LOVETH MOST IS NEAREST KIN TO GOD. Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

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eharacter of every person's thought is of a piece with his intelligence. A person who believes in the power of disease generates diseased thoughts. An ignorant person has ignorant thoughts. An intelligent person has intelligent thoughts. A person who has reasoned himself out of this belief in disease, through a study of the Law of Being, and has discovered that all is life, and that disease is but an ignorant denial of this truth, generates health thoughts, vital thoughts, which, being positive to ignorant or diseased thoughts, correct or change them, and occupy their place in the brain and body of the patient. This is thought transmission. Thought can be sent any distance. It is not confined by the limitations of earthly space. There is nothing that can hinder or delay it the ten thousandth part of a second. Thought charged with an intelligent commission, impressed with the will of the person who generates it, knows where it is going and what it intends to do. It is the most powerful substance in the world and is the most trustworthy. It does what the brain that gave it commissions it to do, and it does it without mistake.-Helen Wilmans, in Freedom.

LOOK FOR THE BEAUTIFUL.

"Why, Mr. Turner," said a lady who had been looking, with the artist, at one of his wonderful landscapes, "I cannot see those things in nature." "Don't you wish you could, madam," inquired the artist.

Fortunate is the person who has been trained to perceive beauty in everything; he possesses a heritage of which no reverses can rob him.

Every Soul is born responsive to the beautiful, but this instinctive love of beauty must be fostered through the eye and the mind or it will die. The craving for beauty is as strong in a child of the slums as in a favorite of fortune. "The physical hunger of the poor, the yearning of their stomachs," says Jacob A. Riis, "is not half so bitter, nor as little likely to be satisfied as their æsthetic hunger, their starving for the beautiful."

There are superb personalities that go through life extracting sunshine from what to others seems but darkness, seeing charm in apparent ugliness, discerning grace and exquisite proportions where the unloving see but forbidding angles and distortion, and glimpsing the image of divinity where less beautiful souls see but a lost and degraded human being.

It is a heritage possible to all who will begin early in life to cultivate the finer qualities of the soul, the eye and the heart.

A beautiful character will make poetry out of the prosiest life, bring sunshine into the darkest home, and develop beauty and grace amid the ugliest surroundings.

It is not circumstances so much as the attitude and quality of the mind that give happiness, contentment and divinity of service.—J. Lincoln Brooks, in Success.

WE ARE WHAT WE THINK.

"The Light shineth in darkness but the darkness comprehendeth it not."

Think of the following being in an M. E. Church paper! Yet there NOW found it, in a little church quarterly, *The Pulpit and the Pew.* Surely even theology moves:—

People grow old by thinking themselves old. When they reach the age of forty, fifty or sixty, they imagine that they look like others of the same age and that they soon will be useless, unfit for work, and unable to perform their wonted duties. As surely as they think this, it will come true, for thought is creative. How many of us can say with Job: "The thing which I greatly feared is come upon me."

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EDITORIAL.

SELF-POLARIZED. INTERIOR POWER.

[Eighth Article on the Science of Mental Healing.]

Come learn with me the fatal song Which knits the world in music strong. —*Emerson* (Wood Notes).

It may be that no Life is found, Which only to one engine bound Falls off, but cycles always round. —*Tennyson* (The Two Voices).

The things that are really for thee, gravitate to thee. • • • O believe, as thou livest, that every sound that is spoken over the round world which thou oughtest to hear, will vibrate on thine ear. Every proverb, every book, every by-word that belongs to thee for aid or comfort, shall surely come home through open or winding passages.—*Emerson* (Over-Soul).

The tendency of scientific investigation is to recognition of Limitations. That which is found by the methods of physical science is to it the only fact. The laws observed in the lower vibrations, the limitations of those vibrations. and the measure or perception of them by the senses they have called into activity, are to most people the measure of Man. Human powers are, by a false logic, limited to the powers that have been found by scalpel, crucible, or delicate instruments that note temperature, respiration, circulation, etc. A few scientists have dared to overstep this limit; they are finding behind, or above, or within, these octaves called matter, with which man has been toying, still other octaves of motion that their instruments cannot find. Some of these finer forces the savage obeys when he tracks his game or foe. Some of them the dying sense in vision; the saint feels them in his ecstacy; the psychic senses some; others move the orator, artist, musician, singer, and poet. By some, the traveler or engineer or picket is warned of danger. Some call us to door of friend and bed of the dying.

There is a world within our world, a form within our form, a life within our conscious Life, a motion within our visible motion. Those who have studied Man from the Within know this. Man as a Center is a radiator of forces finer than any instrument more crude than the finely organized

more crude than the finely organized brain can sense. It is to Man himself that the scientist of the future will turn his attention. Here is an infinite center of Power. Unlike any other center in the Universe, it can tell to itself its sensation.

Limitations pass away when thus we study. Limitless as eternity, limitless as the universe, is Man. To him and from him all motion tends. He radiates God and God flows to him. This recognition of the God-flow makes him Man. Until he recognizes it, he is animal. As he develops in his recognition, he becomes more and more God-manifest. Where limit God? Why then limit God-manifest?

The first necessity, would one understand the Science of Mental Healing, is that he or she understand the Limitlessness of Human Power, not what man has done, but what he can do. "Life only avails; not having lived," says Emerson. When one studies in this thought, there is receptivity. Like Darwin, he is looking out ready Until then, to find, gathering data. there is traveling in a line with "keep off the grass" on either hand. Freedom of thought, freedom from limitations must be his who would find Truth, who would learn to master Fate, who would learn to live the deathless life here and now.

This Freedom can be his only who ignores in his philosophy the body and lives and reasons from the Soul-(Mind-) side of life. This is reasoning and this is living from Principle. All else is living and reasoning from detail. In the first is life; in the second is death. From body as body, radiate only those vibrations that can radiate from matter. They are finer and more powerful than those from metal, vegetable, or brute. These vibrations draw the materially developed ones together. They are the "magnetic" vibrations, so called, because they

THE HOLY SILENCE IS HIS VOICE .- Trowbridge.

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have nothing in common with magnetism. Both are forces of the one Power and both manifest in differing degrees, the one universal attraction. This bodily or physical attraction has a certain degree of vitalizing power over the ill, weak, and the negative. When centered through Suggestion, it gives us magnetic healing. Each person radiates, therefore those who are strongly animal, -- that is, those whose thoughts are limited to body and material things,-do, when they learn to concentrate and trust, become good vital centers and healers. To deny "Magnetic Healing" is to deny radiations upon the lower octaves where the body of man vibrates. When on this plane, the individual draws to him upon that plane. For the same law that dominates all centers, operates here.

Positive and negative are relative terms. Each thing, each person, is negative to all above in pitch, and is positive to all below. Each center with less velocity, is negative to those that, in its own sphere, revolves Note the whirlwinds; when faster. two meet, they become one and take a direction which follows the diagonal represented by the parallelogram of the two forces. So is it with whirlpools. The one law of nature is that the greater centers of like motion swallow the less, but the lesser, when thus enfolded, proportionately changes the direction of the greater and lowers its pitch.

This principle of physics gives the key to health and success treatments. Here we learn why most magnetic, clairvoyant, and many mental healers feel depleted or reduced in power after treatments. They work on the plane of Nature, that of matter, rather than that of Spirit; are limited in belief. The affirmation, Without Limitations, would leave them fuller of life after a million treatments. Personally, I am never depressed after a full day of writing, mental treating, teaching, and lecturing. (Would you grasp this Law, I recommend that in some textbook or encyclopedia you study the "Parallelogram of Forces.")

Again turn to the whirlwind and whirlpool and note that the faster they revolve, the more they draw to them. When they are fast, they are powerful. They are fast because they are powerful; they are fast and powerful because they are higher in pitch, much higher than the surrounding mass. The soul is a center and draws to it as the whirlwind draws dust and the whirlpool draws driftwood. It draws its body and that which that body needs. It draws also that which it needs for its own expression. Centers draw; Spirit-centers (called Souls) draw, otherwise there would be no maintenance of individuality. Each soul, besides being a radiating center, is an attracting center. Each Soul attracts along the line of its needs, Each which are determined by its unfoldment.

Weakness of body, disease, accident, failure, slander, lies, vice, death are manifestations of Soul weakness. The Soul that draws these is weak in attracting power and draws on the plane of lack. The opposites of these conditions are those of fulness, health, success, protection, safety, truth, good report, virtue; they are conditions of completeness. Souls that draw any of these latter are full of attracting power.

Whoever shall mentally heal himself of any disorder of body, business, social relations, or oppression, will do it by becoming more strongly centered. All whom others assist as Healers or Teachers will develop thus some power of centralization. Polarized, mag-netized, chemicalized, are terms that approximate the truth. Only take from them all physical thought. Think of Self as a center and see that Self developing from whirlwind into cyclone. The one raises dust; the other, a town. So Souls strongly centered in Truth will manifest as great centers of power. Such draw to them that which they desire.

Here we have the KEY TO MENTAL

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It is DESIRE,-Desire HEALING. ing." That faith must be centered in the Power and Possession within your Self, within the Soul. Absolute Power can manifest only where there is an individuality through which to manifest. IT is unmanifest till the "I" God, then, must manifest comes. through the Soul. To the extent that a Soul becomes conscious of its power -conscious of itself--does God manifest. It is true, therefore, that without the "I" God could not manifest. IT would be simply the Latent, Undifferentiated Power, in which lies Omnipotence with all its possibilities. Without Faith in Self, God cannot manifest; with Faith in Self, all things are possible to Omnipotence within the Soul.

Faith is thus dynamic. "According to thy faith," means according to the the amount of Omnipotence you will let manifest in you.

When thus Faith is placed in thought along side of the force that lies in other centers, it will be seen that it bears the same relation to a Spirit-center that magnetism does to a magnet (a magnetic-center), to electricity in an electric-center (a dynamo), to gravity in a gravity-center (a world). Faith draws that which is within its own sphere of radiations. Insulate an article and electricity does not touch it. So when a Soul insulates itself by its lack of faith (which it manifests in some thought), it will not draw. Desire is the directive power in the Soul. Will is the directing power of the intellect. They must both be grounded in belief of Possession of power to obtain or to manifest.

Health will be his who will LET Desire govern WILL in FAITH in his SOUL as a manifestation of Omnipotence. The Affirmation of Liberty, of Faith is:—Without Limitations. In this the Individuality is perfected. The Soul is free to manifest along its own lines its Omnipotence.



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Jaggs .- Naw; what?

Waggs.--I'd put de mile stuns closter togedder and we wouldn't have to walk so far.--Baltimore American.

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BOOK REVIEWS.

[Books received will be noticed under this heading. Those we have space for will be truthfully reviewed.]

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