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Nerve us with incessant affirmatives. Don't bark against the bad,
but chant the beauties of the good.—EMERSON.

Time past and time to be are one,
And both are NOW.—WHITTIER.

'Twas only striking from the calendar
Dead yesterdays and unborn tomorrows.—OMAR KHAYYAM.

HENRY HARRISON BROWN,
Editor.

And what is faith? The anchored trust that at the core of things
Health, goodness, animating strength flow from infinite springs;
That no star rolls unguided down the rings of endless maze,
That no feet tread an aimless path thro' wastes of endless days;
That trusts the everlasting voice, the glad, calm voice that saith
That Order grows from Chaos, and that life is born from death;
That fr'm th' wreck of rending stars, behind th' storm and scathe,
There dwells a heart of central calm—and this, and this is faith.

What is the purport of the scheme toward which all time is gone?
What is the great aeonian goal? The joy of going on.
And are there any souls so strong, such feet with swiftness shod
That they shall reach it, reach some bourne, the ultimate of God?
There is no bourne, no ultimate. The very farthest star
But rims a sea of other stars that stretches just as far.
There's no beginning and no end. As in the ages gone,
The greatest joy of joys shall be the joy of going on.

—Sam Walter Foss.

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POEMS.

I AM.

My Father and I are ONE!—*Jesus.*

But ONE? One Power? One God?
If He is, then He is All!
From mightiest sun to tiniest clod,
From flowers that spring to stars that fall,
There is but One. Alone is He.
And, being All, cannot miss me.

He is! But then I also am!
I'm then in Him or He in me.
Somehow we're One. In life, I can
Realize how this may be.
That I am I, I surely know!
Then God must be that "I" also.

To muse upon the fact—I AM!—
Creates a joy within my soul.
I sense I am no longer man!
I'm God incarnate! I'm the Whole!
Why limit then, in thought, my Power
When I may live as God this hour?

I'm Power Omnipotent! But still
I talk of weakness, prate of time!
Why not omnipotently will
And live now as that Power Divine?
A Conscious King, my Self obey
And grasp Life's scepter from today?

I'm Power Omniscient! That is God!
Why limit Him alone to heaven?
Why is it not now understood
That God includes my morn and even?
Why put I off to other day
The heaven that lies now in my way?

Everpresent Power am I!
Why do I sigh for yonder star?
This persistent childish cry
To break over space's encircling bar
Is proof that I have been asleep,
Unconscious of the Power I keep.

I'm Power All-wise! All-seeing I!
No longer will I seek to be!
I let the Power I am reply
To this eternal quest! For me
No God henceforth to whom I cower!
The king I-AM asserts his Power.

—HENRY HARRISON BROWN.

DOLLARS AND THEIR USE.

Let a thought of use stand guard over your purse and then spend freely.—*Advice to me by an old friend years ago.*

Dollars want me, but why? What use am I to them or they to me? The world is seeking Dollars, but, when found, what is their use to the seeker? Wealth has its place in the economy of nature as well as in political economy and ethics. It has its place in Human development. But what is wealth? It is all that the external contributes to Human necessity. But what is value? It is the estimate Humanity places upon that which ministers to its necessities. But what is price? It is that which man places as the exchange value upon that which he feels he needs. Value exists only in the thought of man. There is no difference in reality between what is known as intrinsic value and that which is known as exchange value. Both have a common origin—Human necessity.

Diamonds and wheat have a value because they have their place in Human necessity. If wheat is \$1.00 per bushel and diamonds \$1,000 a karat, it is because Human necessity has so measured them. Diamonds and gold, bread and meat are alike Human necessities. Each ministers to Human needs. They are nature's opportunities for Man's development. Gold and gems have no value to the animal, but the cave-man loved the pigment that stained his face. This pigment had no value to the cave-bear which shared the same habitation with him. To find fault with the love of beauty and adornment, is an effort to eliminate from the Human that which distinguishes it from the brute.

SOUL INHERITS ALL THAT SOUL CAN DARE.—EMERSON.

Food has a value to the brute and to brute in man. Gold and gems, rich clothing and surroundings have only a Human value. And this value which brutes know not, this value that is not born of the animal nature, but of Human nature, the Dollar stands for. That Humanity places a price upon a diamond, a rich dress, an insignia, a title, proves that the value is there and in some way that so valued contributes to Human happiness.

There are no mistakes in nature. There are no mistakes in human estimates of value. The autograph of Shakspeare, the picture by Raphael, the statue by Phidias are of priceless value. The relics of past ages, the fossils of rare birds and plants for which museums compete are not mere fads. They all supply some human need and are all legitimately, approximately measured in dollars.

Use—that it supplies some human need—is the quality that gives value to every commodity or thing. To supply human needs, the Universe exists. The sun is for Man; the earth and all on it are for Man. He needs them; they are useless without him. When Man ceases, the earth and the solar system may give up business, for, without him, there is nothing for them to do. We can say that, without Man, these are not, for only Man gives them use and value.

"In nature there are no false valuations," says Emerson. "All things work according to their quality and according to their quantity." Man is part of nature and he can place no false valuation upon anything. For gems, insignia, lands, bankstock, fashionable recognition, or political preferment, he pays only what it is worth to him. Everything and every man has its and his price. You can buy any thing, position or person when you will pay the price. But that price cannot always be measured in dollars and cents.

Use gives value. What are the uses of things? What are the uses of Dollars? Whence comes the power things

wield? All power centers in man. Things have only that Power which man has delegated to them. That delegated power is his estimate of their ability to make him happy. Endeavor as we may, everything is at last measured by our standard of happiness. The value of the dollar or the diamond is the estimate I place upon them, measured by their power to make me happy. No price is too great to pay for happiness. If the dress or equipage is one's ideal of happiness, he cannot pay too great a price for it. He will make a sacrifice of all else for that. The loaf of bread to satisfy hunger is not more necessary to man than the plume to the cavalier or the coupon to the banker. Each enters the market and buys, at market price, that which is necessary to him. Happiness is the one universal test of value. The Ideal of happiness establishes price.

What then is the use of the Dollar? It has but one—to make its possessor happy. Just so far as it can contribute to one's happiness, is it of value to him. When that value is expended, the dollar is useless.

The value lying in use, it follows that the dollar spent is the only valuable dollar. Till spent, it has only potential power. To benefit, it must be converted into experience through use. The dollar hoarded is the dollar lost; the dollar spent is the dollar saved. The one has no power; the other has passed into one's constitution, exists in unfoldment. The first is not mine; the last is mine forever.

Use is to be measured by unfoldment. Experience is the road to unfoldment. All experiences are useful. Every dollar spent, no matter for what, is a useful dollar. Consciously or unconsciously, I have made each dollar the means of Soul growth. This is its only use. Nature is in the dollar as it is in the air and, as I determine, both may help me. If I will not decide my own fate, Nature will decide for me. I am to place over the dollar my ideal of use and let it go. When I confine my

GOD IS ALL PRESENT.

HE SEES PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE AS ONE.—TENNYSOON.

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ideal of happiness to external show, the dollar is well spent in external decoration. When I confine my ideal to mere eating and drinking, the dollar is well spent in gormandizing. When I make my ideal of happiness esthetic unfoldment, the dollar is well spent in the concert or the musical instrument. When that ideal is spiritual, the dollar is well spent when I pay it for R. R. fare to the mountains or the sea, or in the rent of a quiet room, or in the companionship of loved ones.

Only when I fall below my ideal is the dollar ill spent, but even then it imparts to me all the power I delegate to it. All the power I think it possesses contributes to my growth through experience. I cannot escape growth, but I can choose the means.

What is the use of money? It is merely the power of man, in concrete form, for opening to himself opportunities of growth. It represents his ideal of the value of things to contribute to his happiness. To love money, is to imprison the Soul; to love the opportunities money will open, is to live in the sunlight of Truth. The thought to place over the purse, would one use money for the noblest uses and consciously control his fate, is the Affirmation:—"I do not need you. You are valueless till you come to me and go from me, leaving me more for your coming and going. You are to me merely an opportunity of expression."

Henry Harrison Brown has published one of his Soul Culture lessons as a dainty little pamphlet which he will send you for ten cents. Its title is, "Dollars Want Me." It is the new road to opulence and the idea is more than commendable. It is calculated to unseat the selfish desire for money and replace it with the consciousness that money is God's instrument for pushing the world along and that it wants the services of every good person to help in the work. Have faith in your honesty of purpose and desire to aid humanity in attaining to higher and better things and then know that the God which puts that faith and desire in you will furnish you the means wherewithal to work. It is not a lesson for misers but for optimistic, altruistic workers and it's a happy thought. —*The Reasoner for July, 1903.*

RANCH PHILOSOPHY.

SING GLORY.

Trablin', singin' on mah way,
Glory in mah Soul!
Light grows brightah day by day,
Glory in mah Soul!
Victory's drums dey loudly beat,
Heah de soun' ob trompin' feet,
Victory's music sho am sweet,
Glory in mah Soul!

Trablin', singin', goin' home,
Glory in mah Soul!
Aint a gwine no mo' ter roam,
Glory in mah Soul!
Libin' now in glory lan',
Take mah brudder by de han',
Victory's heights dey sho am grand',
Glory in mah Soul!

Heah dem voices singin' sweet,
Glory in mah Soul!
God's sojers dey kaint retreat,
Glory in mah Soul!
Final brudderhood ob man,
Workin' out God's 'ternal plan,
Eber since de worl' began,
Glory in mah Soul!

—SAM EYTON FOULDS.

THE POWER OF AFFIRMATION.

Dr. Felix Regnault has contributed an article to *La Revue*, in which he deals with auto-suggestion and gives hints of its practice. He says it is necessary for success to withdraw the mind from external things and to avoid voice and conversation, while such disturbing sensations as cold feet and headaches are fatal to achieving complete control by the will. Night is the best time to engage in auto-suggestion, just when you are dropping off to sleep. The first thing to do is to think hard and engage in mental repetition. Those endowed with a strong will have obtained extraordinary results by this method, such as controlling the muscles, moving the ears and quickening or stopping the beats of the heart. Similarly, misanthropic persons become gay, the lazy active, and the passionate reasonable by education of the will. A simpler and easier method is to repeat aloud mechanically the suggestion you wish to obtain. Spoken prayers are equally efficacious, even if pronounced without fervor, for they penetrate by the ears and are imprinted on the brain. Some persons are strongly impressed by visual images. He cured a hypochondriac by advising him to write upon the wall of his bedroom every night, with phosphorescent powder, the words, "I am gay," so that he would fall asleep with them before his eyes.

A LITTLE FEAR IS A GREAT LEAK IN POWER.—HENRY HARRISON BROWN.

NOW I FIND IT TRUE
THAT BETTER IS BY EVIL MADE STILL BETTER.—SHAKSPERE.

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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 Fate.]

Let your light shine.—*Jesus*.

The Sun shineth and, in its beams, all the earth is glad.

The morning cometh and all nature awakens to manifestations of beauty and harmony.

In the Light, all things animate and inanimate rejoice.

Light is the life of the world. When the sun shineth, life blooms and fruits.

When the sun shineth, mankind enter into their labors. He tickles the earth with a hoe and it laughs with a harvest; or he harnesses the water, steam and lightning and they make, of raw material, the food, clothing, shelter and adornment of the race.

Thought awakens when the Light comes. Thought creates all; Thought produces that which man suffers or enjoys. Thought is Light from the Soul.

What Light is to earth, Thought is to Human life. It is "the Light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world."

Man only has this Light. Only Man thinks. Action without thinking in flower and board; action after thinking in Man.

Shine, O Sun! All earth rejoices in thy beams.

I also rejoice in these sun-beams. They create opportunities in my thought for usefulness.

Think, O my Soul! Thou hast felt long enough. With Light, comes the time for Thought. "Build Thee more stately mansions, O my Soul!" Out of Thought alone, canst Thou build.

Light from within must build my temple by calling into expression latent soul power, just as Light from Sun calls the germinal powers of earth into activity.

Deep below Thy thinking, O my Soul, lie the deep wells of Love which Thou shalt use as Thy power, but Thou directest this Love Thou art by the Light of Thought. Dost Thou not, Thou art no more than the unconscious brute who lives in sunlight without thinking.

Shine, O my Soul! Thy thought-beams shall re-create for me the world. Heaven, with its Eden-breaths, is Thine when Thou thinkest heavenly thoughts. In Light, I build, with Thought, my Eden-Home.

I am Light! I am the Light of the world! I am the Light that shineth in darkness. Through the illumination of Realization, I have come into a comprehension of the Light I am.

Light shineth and the darkness of error doth disappear. I shine and illumine my brother's path; by their Light, at need, I also am led.

By my Light, they know my development and they find in it inspiration to shine for themselves.

I shine that I may enjoy! I shine that I may unfold! I shine that I may inspire! I shine that I may still more fully enter into the Realization of Life as Light.

I shine that I may know myself as a child of the One, who is Light ineffable. I am Life and Life is Light. I am Life and Life is Love.

Love's flame is Thought. Love thus enlighteneth the world and maketh for me a heaven wherever I am.

Love living in my brain as Thought maketh for me a heaven here and now.

Your most delightful acquaintance is the man who grows on you. He saves you from cynicism. Every day you are finding in him some factor of manhood that you had not suspected; every day he proves in a new test to have resources of strength upon which you have not counted in your estimate of him.—*The Interior*.

WE FORM IDEALS AND THEY REACT AND FORM US.—JOSEPH LeCONTE.

* SOUL CULTURE LESSON. *

HOW TO BE HAPPY THROUGH AFFIRMATION.

Fifth Affirmation:—I LOVE EVERYBODY.
Love your enemies.—*Jesus.*

When once it is realized that thoughts and emotions, whatever effect they may have upon others, have a sure effect on the individual himself, it will then be seen that no one can afford to feel unkindly towards another because of the effect of the unkind thought upon himself.

You are learning how to be happy through Affirmation. There can be no happiness where there are unkind thoughts. There are no breeders of unhappiness but thoughts. Those born of belief in evil breed unhappiness. There can be happiness only where thoughts born of belief in the All-Good abound. Dislike, antipathy, revenge, hate, are born of belief in evil. Enemies are personified evil. They are creations of our fears. We fear only evil.

Would we be happy, there is but one road: *Believe in and love the Good.* This love will color your whole conduct. It is then absolutely necessary for you, would you be happy, to cultivate universal love. The moment any feeling not born of love enters your mind, happiness departs. The sensational, fashionable and the exciting in most lives are attempts to forget unhappiness in forgetfulness of Self; to drown unhappiness in pleasure, in the attraction of externals. Modern life consists mostly in attempts to forget Self. The person who is not happy when alone, who is not good company for himself or herself is not happy. When alone with our thoughts, then are we tested. All attempts to find happiness in externals are admissions of unhappiness and evidence that our life is a failure. Only happiness pays us for living. From Self, no one can escape. The time comes

when Self must be faced. Therefore, to think companionable thoughts is the only source of happiness. Happiness is an interior condition; it does not consist in externals, but does consist in the way we consider externals. Many persons who, viewed from the world's point of view, are to be pitied are happier than those who have those things it is thought should make them happy. Why? Because wealth, position, power, do not confer happiness. He who is ever ready to worry will find something to worry about, wherever he is. Conditions do not come "to worry him" as he claims. He hunts them up. He who is ready to be miserable will find occasion to be miserable. The woman who wishes to scold would find occasion to scold were she in the New Jerusalem. Her crown might not fit or not be sufficiently bright. Emerson says: "No change of circumstances can remedy a defect in character. If we are capable of fear, we will readily find terrors. The covetousness or malignity which saddens me when I ascribe it to society is my own."

Here we have the key to happiness. So love the world that it will give love in return.

"The world loves a lover," again says our teacher. Would you be loved? Then love. Would you have no enemies? Then love them and they cease to be enemies and become friends, for neither friends or enemies exist outside of your own mind. This applies to conditions as well as persons. Love them and they cease to wound.

There is no greater help for you in attaining happiness than the use of this Affirmation: I LOVE EVERYBODY. Let persons do to you what they may, you do to them as you wish to be treated, for the only person who can treat you either kindly or unkindly is yourself. You do this by the thoughts you harbor. Banish all unkind thoughts of any particular persons by this Affirmation: *I love them.* Outgrow unpleasant social conditions by the Affirmation: *I love everybody.*

* ECHOES FROM "NOW" HOME *

I realize that I am that which I think I am. If I think only good, there can be no evil. If I think only health, there can be no sickness. Think goodness and we are good. Think health and we are health. I am that which I am and there can be no other. Holding to the One Power, Good can only manifest Goodness.

BESSIE.

It was my ambition to help people, but my ideas of helpfulness have changed. Now my greatest wish is to become strong enough to help people to help themselves. When I help myself, I can help others to do the same.

VIRGINIA.

Deep within the Human Soul dwells God! Not realizing this, we shut and lock the fountain of life so that it cannot flow through expression. The Soul waits to be set free from the limitations we have put upon it. Love alone knows how and can unlock the Soul and give it freedom. Love will unwrap the Soul and reveal it as God in power and beauty. The locked-up Soul cannot grow because there is only growth through expression. Expression is life. The Soul must give forth its treasures in love before life will flow abundantly. More love, more life. The more the expression, the larger becomes the Soul's capacity for expression. Recognizing God in every Soul, we unfold by giving. We are to live on the Soul plane. Doing this, we realize our oneness with all humanity. We are never alone. God is everywhere. We are to waken and realize our possessions by giving them forth and thus, in reality, possessing them. Let our Light, which is our Love, shine that all may see and realize its service. When Love springs up in the Soul, then God shines forth in Power, Radiance and Beauty and we become an inspiration to all around us.

LEONA.

The moment that we realize our oneness with the Infinite Spirit, we then recognize ourselves as Spirit and not body and no longer subject to ills and disease. We then know that we are masters as well as builders of our bodies. None of us can help what traits we started with in life, but we can what we end with. We can arise above all morbid conditions. We can awaken the Divine in us and bring it into manifestation. Coming into an understanding of ourselves, as we do through Soul Culture, we can consciously direct, through forceful Suggestion, health and power through the body, can awaken power within which protects us from the adverse influences of disease and environment. We need no longer remain in bondage to circumstances or have life marred by the Suggestions of others. When we shut out the discordant influences of erroneous thoughts and feelings and come face to face with the Infinite Silence of our own consciousness, then do we come into a realization of the meaning of life and gain strength and courage to go onward. MRS. W.

Affirmations mean so much to me that I sometimes wonder if all the readers of NOW have felt their power and received the benefit from them which they may by daily affirming that which they wish to be. Take for instance this one: I AM THAT WHICH I THINK I AM! O, think what that means! How much ground it covers! Are you in poverty? Are you sick? Do fear and worry, and all the ills of life which the race thought has brought you, write their lines upon your face? If so, it is your fault. You alone are responsible. You have expressed in your life what you have thought yourself to be. This Affirmation has brought these conditions. You may not have used these words, yet you have expressed that thought in every attitude of life until these mental conditions have molded your external life. Ignorant or willful obedience to this law brings the legitimate results of obedience. Thought is force. To many, this truth comes late in life, yet our only remedy is to "Bout, face!" and by a change in our mode of thinking, change our life's expression. Affirm daily that which we wish to be. MARGARET.

* PHNEOMENA. *

A NOTABLE CASE OF CLAIR-
VOYANCE.

A valued lady friend in a city at some distance from San Francisco told me recently this fact in her experience.

About six years ago, an acquaintance brought to her a girl of sixteen who so suffered with spinal trouble that the physicians forbade all mental effort on her part. She put her to bed and rubbed her from head to foot with the certainty of cure. The girl arose well and has never been troubled since. The lady then mentioned her mother. "But mother is dead!" said the girl. "Indeed, she is not!" replied the lady. "I have ever been told so by Pa. When I was five, she left us and Pa says she is dead. I have never known anything more about her!" "Your mother is alive. Have you a picture of her?" The girl said she had a photograph and the next day she brought it to my friend. She was then told that her mother had married again and was living at such a number on such a street in San Francisco. The girl was dazed at the information, but, to test the matter both for herself and the lady, she came to the city, found her mother, remained with her and telegraphed to her brother to meet them here. There was a happy reunion. The father and mother had separated. The father had purposely kept all information from the children. The mother thought the children dead and the children so thought of the mother. The girl, now a married woman, recently called upon my friend and told her of this result of the clairvoyant vision of six years ago.

I leave it for my readers to explain, if any explanation save the common sense one of clairvoyance or telepathy is needed.

ORIGINAL PHENOMENA.

Experimenting, in a recent class, I

tested the members on their psychic ability. Requesting them all to listen to the Silence, I said: "You are now going to Honolulu. Remember and describe what you see. I give you three minutes for the trip." Several had pictures that were declared by those who had been there more or less correct. One young man said: "I was in a large plaza. There were many banana trees. A band was playing and a large crowd were present and they sang." "Did you hear the music, can you whistle it?" he was asked. "I will try!" He listened again and soon whistled an air. He had never been there and had little knowledge of the people. A lady present said: "I have a lady friend who has resided there and she often plays Hawaiian airs. I recognize that as one of them." A gentleman present said: "This is Monday evening and every Monday evening the band played on that plaza. At times, the people sing with the band." The young man then uttered a word which he heard and the lady said: "That is 'Good night' in their language." By correcting our time with theirs, we were at least an hour too soon.

The young man was now securely blindfolded and taken out of the room. A gentleman wrote his name very lightly on the printed side of a business card. This card was shuffled with quite a number of others and placed in his hands, blank side up. He ran them over and soon picked out one, saying: "That's it!" He was right. "Now wait a minute! You marked that with a V. Yes, a V. But I don't understand. Your name is there too!" He was correct. And, what is remarkable, the name was written in shorthand and looked to the uninitiated like a misshapen V.

No God behind us in the empty Vast,
No God enthroned on yonder heights above;
But God emerging and evolved at last
Out of the inmost heart of Human Love.

—Robert Buchanan.

HIS SOUL WAS LED BY ETERNAL LAW.—LOWELL.

MISCELLANEOUS.

ADMONITION.

Think light, think life, think love, think hope,
If you would in your horoscope
Behold the stars auspicious shine;
Think peace, think joy, think charity,
If from your field of view you'd see
Evanish all the stars malign.

—Susie M. Best.

LIFE IS NOT ELECTRICITY.

The marvelous results of Prof. Loeb's work seem to show that electricity and life are one and the same thing.—*American Monthly Review of Reviews*, for March.

It is strange how little logic there is in the specialist or the average scientist when he is taken out of his own special field.

Prof. Loeb has *not* demonstrated nor has any one demonstrated "electricity and life to be one and the same thing" nor will they ever do so. Could they do this, they would also demonstrate that life and heat, life and gravity, life and light, life and music, are one and the same thing. The philosophical spirit is not wanting here, but the true scientific instinct is lacking. The Law of the Correlation and Conservation of Force should teach one better than to make the above statement. Electricity is one with Life only as electricity is, like Life, a mode of motion. The principle of Unity teaches that there is but one Something of which all known forms of motion are manifestations. Electricity and Life are ONE in God, in Substance, in Energy. But electricity and Life are as unlike as manifestations as are iron and gold, snow and sunlight, light and sound. All these are but modes of motion. They differ only in length and speed of their vibrations. The gleam of hope that shines through present investigation and speculation is that it may, at last, dawn upon the scientists and philosophers that Life IS a mode of Motion, that Thought and Love ARE forms of,

manifestations of, Eternal Energy. When this is seen, it will be found that the boasted wisdom of today is as chaff compared with the knowledge that will then be Man's. NOW is the pioneer of the New Wisdom, born of the conception of UNITY. Man's Greatest Discovery is not in Prof. Loeb's or Monsieur Curie's laboratory, but in the simple experiments in telepathy as narrated in NOW each month. Life is Energy! Thought is Energy! Electricity is Energy! Light is Energy! God is *not* Energy, but he manifests, to Consciousness, as Energy. He is that which is behind Energy, the Forever Unknowable.

MEDICAL ASSOCIATIONS AND PHYSICIANS

are demanding that legislation enforce their demands. Are they sure that they are basing their demands upon Truth? Have they an infallible system so that they dare to crystallize it into Statute Law? Only unquestioned Truth should be placed in the statute book, but Truth needs not a statute to enforce it. Frederick Douglas replied to Daniel Webster when the statesman declared that passing a certain bill was like enacting a natural law, by asking, "What use to enact any other law?" We caution the medical profession to go slow and to know they are right before they go ahead. Were we to ask legislatures to pass a law regulating the practice of medicine to the theories of ten years ago, the whole medical fraternity would rebel. They wish to place over us the theories of the present which will be effete in ten years. Already the schools are rebelling against the germ theory. In a few years, they will see that, in this microbe theory, they have placed the cart before the horse. Microbes come, as the fungus and vulture do, where conditions have been made for them and they come as scavengers to bless. A N. Y. paper tells us that a number of well-known bacteriologists and toxicologists have been studying cancerous growth and

that these men who stand high in the science (?) of medicine "have proved the parasite theory of cancer false." This is equivalent to saying: "The germ theory is going the way of all past theories." When it goes, we shall be asked to institute a new code of sanitary laws in accord with some new theory.

Chairman F. W. Langdon, M. D., of the section of mental and nervous diseases of the American Medical Association at their 54th annual meeting at New Orleans in May, 1903, in his address as reported in the journal of that Association, said:—

As one result of all this labor and progress, our present-day conceptions of the real nature of many diseases of the nervous system are in marked contrast with those of a former era. To none is this more apparent than to the practitioner, who compares his modern text-books and literature with the same sources of information of a decade or more ago.

The public has a right, before it submits to the dictation of a Board of Health, to ask:— "If you know so much more than the profession did ten years ago, will not this Health Board know still more in ten years? In view of this possibility, is it not best that you go slow? Has not Mental Science something for you?"

SPENCER'S PHILOSOPHY.

Spencer's system of thought may be said to rest on two great generalizations which together form the basis of his philosophy. The first is that of evolution, which he formulates as a universal principle of all knowledge, and applies it as the constructive law of all the sciences. The second is his postulate of one ultimate Energy or Power, reached by generalizing from the scientific laws of correlation and conservation of Energy. This one Energy, Spencer takes to be the ground and spring of both nature and consciousness. Combining the two principles, Spencer reaches the fundamental idea of his system: that of an all-including evolution process that is the expression of an Energy that underlies and sustains it. On this basis, he draws his well known distinction between the Knowable, which is simply the world of evolution, and the Unknowable, to

which belongs such problems as that of the nature of the Ultimate Power itself and the final spiritual destiny of man.—*Prof. Alexander T. Osmond*, of Princeton, in *The Booklovers Magazine*.

THE MOST ANCIENT NAME OF DEITY.

Prof. Renouf, the French Egyptologist, says that Nutar (Power), or, more exactly, Nutar Nutra Amtu Heret (The Almighty Power which is in heaven) is the most ancient name of Deity. He says, as in a translation in *Literary Digest*:—"The Egyptian 'Nutar' means Power, which is also the meaning of the Hebrew 'El'..... It is very remarkable that the Sanscrit 'Brahma' also means the same. 'Nutar' never ceased to be a common noun and was applied indifferently to each of the powers which the Egyptians conceived as active in the universe and to the Power from which all proceeds and can be regarded only as the *sensus numinis*, or direct conception of the Infinite, which, like my learned predecessor, Prof. Max Muller, I consider not the 'result of reasoning or generalizing for revelation,' but as an intuition as irresistible as the impressions of the senses."—*Literary Digest*, for Jan. 10, 1903.

Swedenborg says, "He is born an animal and becomes a man." As an animal, it is right and natural, because necessary, that he should be selfish, and so, like all other animals, he is endowed with a strong instinct of self-preservation which makes him think of nothing but himself. But, as his reasoning powers awaken within him, he discovers that now he must think about the welfare of others as well as his own; and, later on, when his highest or spiritual powers begin to unfold, he learns that now he must love others not only as himself, but more than himself. These are the three stages of his Evolution—1st step, Animal life; 2d step, Intellectual life; 3d step, Spiritual life—and these three lives form one composite life.

W. H. Gill, in *The Light of Reason*.

The frost of winter is on my hair;
My cry of Passion has turned to prayer.
The veil has dropped from my yearning eyes;
The lesson's learned, and the plan all-wise
Revealed to my marvelling soul—
Revealed by Affliction's rod.
I give to others what cheer I may,
For the peace I give is my own rich pay.
And the sacred calm that has made me whole
Is God! Is God!

—H. Arthur Powell, in *Bookman*.

TO HENRY HARRISON BROWN, ON HIS
"NOW" BIRTHDAY.

Strong teacher of the Ever-Good,
Sweet prophet of the West,
'Tis hard to frame for thee a wish
Thou dost not *now* possess.

The years pass by and make us old,
Onward they ever flow!
They touch thee not, since thou hast learned
The secret of the NOW.

Of old God's prophet spoke of lands
Where milk and honey flow!
They pointed to them from afar,
Thou dwellest in them *now*!

Thou livest in the present Good.
May birthdays come and go
And find thee living, young and strong,
As this one finds thee *now*.

—Henry Victor Morgan.

EMERSON'S PERCEPTION OF THE
GREAT DISCOVERY.

Emerson, in his lecture upon New England reformers, given about 1840, speaking of the unity of effort and its power, says:—

Concert is neither better nor worse, neither more nor less potent, than individual force. All men in the world cannot make a statue walk and speak, cannot make a drop of blood or a blade of grass, any more than one man can. But let there be one man, let there be truth in two men, in ten men, then is concert for the first time possible, because the force which moves the world is a new quality, and can never be furnished by adding whatever quantities of a different kind. What is the use of the concert of the false and the disunited? There can be no concert in two where there is no concert in one. When the individual is not *individual*, but dual; when his thoughts look one way and his actions another; when his faith is traversed by his habits; when his will, enlightened by reason, is warped by sense; when with one hand he rows, and with the other backs water; what concert can there be? I do not wander at the interest these projects [of the reformers] inspire. The world is awakening to the idea of union, and these experiments show what it is thinking of. It is and it will be magic. Men will live and communicate, and plow, and reap, and govern, *as by an added etherial power* when once they are united as in a celebrated experiment: by expiration and respiration ex-

actly together, four persons lift a heavy man from the ground without a sense of weight. But this union must be inward, and not one of the covenants, and is to be reached by the reverse of the methods they [the reformers] use. *The union is perfect only when all the uniters are isolated.* Each man, if he attempts to join himself to others, is on all sides cramped and diminished of his proportions; the stricter the union, the smaller and more pitiful he is. But leave him alone, to recognize in every hour and place the secret soul, he will go up and down doing the work of a true member, and, to the astonishment of all, the work will be done though no man spoke. Government will be adamant without any governor. The union must be ideal in actual individualism.

This passage demonstrates that wondrous insight which marks this greatest of Seers. I have italicized two phrases. The first shows his perception of the fact that there is a power beyond that now harnessed to machinery and this prophecy is now, by the phenomena of Telepathy, demonstrated Truth. This demonstration is Man's Greatest Discovery. The other phrase states the fact that all union must be that of the subtle forces, must be union in Life, in Love, and not an intellectual union, not one merely in perception or acceptance of Truth. LOVE-OF-TRUTH is the redeeming power. LOVE-OF-TRUTH is the name of the Christ in this his Twentieth Century coming.

TRUTH ALONE FOR AUTHORITY.

A correspondent writes: "I have had so many healers representing different modes of thought that I do not know what to believe."

I wonder if the readers will perceive that this is a dependency on *authority* and not on *Truth*. What another can say to you, however true it may be in itself, can be to you only authority until the Truth has spoken the same thing in you of itself. Authority speaks to you from without, Truth speaks to you from within.

The difficulty is that we grow impatient in our progress in Truth and seek to hasten the matter by attempting to incorporate in our lives the realizations that have been attained by others, and thus put ourselves under the administration, not of Truth, but of authority.

AS LONG AS MEN FIRE THEMSELVES, THEY WILL BE SLAVES.—TOLSTOI

This at last proves unsatisfactory, as the lady states. So finally we are driven back to face the fact that it is only as the realization of Truth is born in us that we *have life*.

It is undue haste to demand too much; but "in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience." Let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

You know there must be an order of attainment in understanding, a fitting of us by every realization for the next. "I have so much to tell you, but you cannot bear it now," said Jesus.

So do not look around for an authority on which you can rely, but rest and live from the realization of the Truth in yourself which you have, being patient as to its fuller realization, but *constant in your faith so to keep your union with God*.

This is the secret of your deliverance, not by authority, but by the God within.

HAPPINESS.

Lasting Happiness can come only where there is original expression and creation. To believe in the Ideal and to give birth to the same in material results, yields satisfaction.

When outside things appear unsatisfying, it is a sign that one should do something. It may be only to change the point of view; or it may be to create the desired conditions.

There is so much unnecessary misery simply because people look at life in the wrong way; there is a lack of appreciation of the realities in things and people, of one's own capabilities.

A generous and wide recognition brings Happiness. It brings a feeling of security and strength. It brings Health, Harmony, Power.—*Fred Burry's Journal*.

BROTHERHOOD.

The spirit of humanity has changed religious beliefs. A great transformation has been wrought in religious thought, due not to this school or that, but to the spirit of humanity. This cannot be tried for heresy or burned at the stake or put in chains. It is as free as the viewless air and as real as truth. It forms opinion, changes creeds and colors thought.

It has made practical Christianity. Once we emphasized the condition of men after they were dead, now we preach to living men about living issues. The cities of earth are regarded

as of more importance than the city beautiful. This does not mean that men should not be concerned about the future, but it does mean that the duties of men now living are more important than the condition of men long dead. If the first is looked after, the second will take care of itself.—*From a sermon, Rev. Wm. Rader, of San Francisco*.

A BEAUTIFUL IDEAL.

My dear friend, my constant prayer is that Stanford University will stand pre-eminently ahead of all other universities in America in furnishing the means for the development not alone of the mental and moral character of its students, but that through the influence of its atmosphere their souls shall be so developed that when they enter the portals of the future life beyond they may have laid up for themselves such treasures as this world alone can never give. The development of the soul is by far the most important thing in this life—far more necessary than professors, as a rule, realize. All education should tend toward this same aim.—*Mrs. Jane Stanford to trustees of Stanford University*.

A New York journalist relates an incident regarding the German Steamship Lahn, which encountered very rough seas and blinding fog off the coast of Gibraltar. A New York paper which delights in awful front pages, on Monday, January 19th, disfigured its frontage with the word "doomed" in enormous letters. This referred to the supposed condition of the Lahn. The same individual who gained correct information psychically concerning the St. Louis laughed at the statement and boldly said to some friends: "The Lahn is quite safe and by no means badly injured. Passengers will return on board and she will resume her journey as though no mishap had occurred." Next day confirmation was published in the dailies that such was indeed the case.—*W. J. Colville, in Banner of Light*.

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THE THIRST FOR THE INFINITE PROVES INFINITY.—Victor Hugo.

IF LOVE BE NOT OF LIFE A PART,
'TIS EVER WINTER IN THE HEART.—HENRY HARRISON BROWN.

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We have an order, through the publish-
ing house of Scribner's Sons, to send
"Man's Greatest Discovery" to the
Imperial Library, Tokio, Japan.

Dr. J. McIvor-Tyndall has commenced
a series of lectures and entertainments
in this city, which he will continue
for several months.

Henry Frank of New York, lecturer,
author and leader of the Independent
Liberal Society of N. Y. City will de-
liver a course of lectures in this city
very soon. Our readers should watch
the daily papers for notices. NOW
welcomes him gladly.

J. Stitt Wilson has returned from an
extended tour of Lectures and Lessons
and is resting and "getting acquaint-
ed with his family" in Berkeley, pre-
paring for his fall work. He com-
mences in this city the first of August
a course of Lectures and Lessons on
"The Higher Life."

Lovers of freedom and especially those
who value freedom of the press will
join with all those who love Helen
Wilman's *Freedom* in deprecating the
present act of the P. O. Dept. in declar-
ing all mail under her newspaper name
or that of Mrs. Post, that of her hus-
band and son-in-law as fraudulent
and to be returned to sender. As at
present seen, it is one of the most out-
rageous acts since early anti-slavery
times. There must be some cause we
do not understand for such an order.
If this is but a continuance of the
petty persecutions the liberal press
has had under the craze of "economy,"
it will have an important effect upon
the next presidential campaign. No-
thing beyond freedom of speech and
press is so dear to the American heart.
We await for further developments
before we make any comments. Mean-
while we sympathize with Mrs. Wil-
man in the present suspension of her
paper and believe she will yet find
some way to communicate with her
subscribers and friends. Still we all
affirm:—All is Good. Truth is ever
triumphant. Justice is ever done. Ap-
parently to suffer is, in reality, to
win.

A lady of culture and position in this
city said to me last Sunday as we
came from the hall: "I cannot express
my gratitude to you for the comfort
the Affirmations in July NOW gave
me. I was alone in my bereavement
tonight and felt like crying, but I said,
'No! I will go and get some of Henry
Harrison's positiveness!' You have
strengthened me to bear, as you al-
ways do. No one ever gets a foolish
sympathy, but you help them to bear
and to be more!" This is the mission
of my entire work.

The bound volumes of Vol. III are
selling finely. They make a beautiful
book. It is bound in cloth by the
best firm in the city. Its contents is
perennial. Every year it will grow
more valuable. It will be sent post-
paid for \$2.00.

THE RIGHT WORD IS ALWAYS A POWER.—GEORGE ELIOT.

"NOW" ANNIVERSARY.

July NOW went to press too early for a report of our Second Anniversary. It is not too late to tell you how we kept it. June 26 was the 2d anniversary of "NOW" Folk and the 63d birthday of Henry Harrison. We attended to business during the morning and the afternoon we gave to play. At 5 p. m., a company of twenty sat down to dinner. The ladies of the Home decided that nothing that had to be cooked was good enough for that dinner and the "boys," of course, said, as usual, "It is best!" The dinner consisted of oranges, cherries, peaches, bananas, olives, raisins, dates nuts of various kinds, with water and milk for drink. It was a happy meal. We had enough; were physically full and spiritually exuberant. Little time was taken from our social life to prepare it. It was seasoned with that which will make any food digestible and nourishing—love.

In the evening, our parlors were filled with friends. In song, recitation, short pithy speeches and social converse, the short hours came all too soon. We did not say them "Nay" for we knew that every day between this and the next anniversary would be just as full of joy. We anticipate that, when the third anniversary comes, we shall have our business offices and Home under one roof and that large enough to say to all our friends: "Come and dine and joy with us." You NOW readers can help us to that roof by doubling our subscription list and ordering books for your friends. It is your NOW; it is your Home; it is your press we wish to buy and we are to use all these for you, to spread your Truth. It is this feeling of a common life, a common possession, that made us happy that day and keeps us so. We are ONE with all humanity.

George Edwin Burnell will give two courses of Lessons in this city, commencing Aug. 3. For information, address H. J. Young, 334 Golden Gate Ave.

In a late *Banner of Light*, Andrew Jackson Davis writes that he has transferred all right and title in his books to The Banner of Light Publishing Company and adds:—

I feel that, under all the circumstances of my advanced age, that I am justified in withdrawing slowly towards the Summerland. I do not know whether or not I may write another inspiration, but I do expect to continue my ministry to the sick in body and soul. For all my experiences past and present, I feel unbounded gratitude and, for mankind, I behold an era of justice, truth, love and wisdom.

In years to come, the debt the world owes this Seer will be recognized. In the tumult of new psychic phenomena and in the sensationalism of the movement for emancipation from materialism and the theological fears of the Hereafter that marked the 19th Century, the prophet and his message of Harmonial Philosophy has been for a time unheard. But he is a messenger of Truth. To him, next to Emerson, I am obliged to give credit for the impetus that inspired the great New Thought movement, of which Modern Spiritualism is so important a factor. That he may give us a volume from the ripe experiences of so many years and live many years to enjoy this present Summerland of the sense-life, is NOW'S thought for him.

We have on hand copies of Emerson's Essays in two volumes that we will sell for 50c.

New Thought Meetings in San Francisco.

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EDITORIAL.

SOUL AND BODY.

Their Interdependence and Relations to Unity.
No. 5.

THE ONE THAT I AM.

God is without body, parts or passion.—*The Catechism.*

For in Him we live and move and have our being.—*Paul.*

Every physical problem runs at last into the inexplicable.—*Prof. E. A. Dolbear.*

The elements of Nature are the mode of the will of God.—*Hermes Trismegistus.*

There is but One Deity, the supreme spirit; he is of the same nature as the Soul of man.—*Hindoo Vedas.*

This is no ghostly universe, but all intensely real as it exists in that intensest of realities, the Human Soul.—*John Fiske, in "Through Nature to God."*

Of that ineffable essence which we call Spirit, he that thinks most will say least. That essence refuses to be recorded in propositions, but, when man has worshipped him intellectually, the noblest ministry of nature is to stand as the aspiration of God. It is the organ through which the Universal Spirit speaks to the individual and strives to lead it back to it.—*Emerson, in Nature.*

I stand in the Great Forever,
O, God, I am one with Thee!

—*Eliza A. Pittinger.*

The opinion stated in No. 4 that the body of Man is co-extensive with space is so revolutionary that it is proper to elucidate it more extensively.

Whether the theological position is taken that there is One God who fills all space and from whom all things are, or the scientific and philosophical one that there is One Energy that fills all space, it matters little with our discussion. This must be admitted as true, that, where God is, there his body is, and, where Energy is, there is that through which Energy manifests. The universe is God's body.

Whose body Nature is and God the Soul.

I AM and, whatever I am, I cannot be separated from God. From ancient Vedas down to modern Liberalism, it

is held that man is the child of the Infinite. This has been a constant belief, yet there has been no logical application of that belief to daily life. The child has not been considered in the same category of power with the Father. But, if I am a child of God, then what God is, I am. Whatever power God is, I am. Where God is, I am! What God's body is, I am! If he fills all space, so do I. The mountain is, like myself, a manifestation of that which manifests. The immediate power behind the mountain is the earth, but the mountain is not separate from the earth, but has the whole earth for its body. The island most remote from the mainland is connected with the earth and with all other islands by the connection of all with the same earth. Were the mount or island separate from the earth, the earth could exert no influence upon them. It now affects them as parts of itself. So, were my body separate from God, or from any other manifestation of God, then there were a vacuum between me and God or between me and that other manifestation of God which is an impossibility. As an atom of water has the whole ocean for its body, so that portion of God we term Soul has all God for its body. It cannot be separated from God any more than it can be separated from itself.

Each Soul stands in the "Great Forever" with God. Each Soul can say with Jesus, "I and my Father are One!" But this Oneness is not merely fanciful, but, as Fiske says, it is the "intensest of realities." All that seers and prophets claim as a future possibility I claim as a present reality. I seek to bring myself into a conscious living in the thought they held. "In God we live and move and have our Being." Thus entering into Him and making my home consciously with Him, I must recognize my possibilities as limitless as His are. I must realize that, where He is, I am; that my body is his body. The body of Jesus was broken in ME, the martyrs were burned and soldiers died in ME. I am to

HE WILL GET TO THE GOAL FIRST WHO STANDS THE STILLEST.—THOREAU.

realize that I am one with All that is. "O, God, I am ONE with Thee." This is to be to me as real and as practical as the multiplication table.

Each Soul is merely a functioning within Itself of some possibility of Infinity. Within? Then the external of each Soul is Infinity Itself.

By no process of reasoning, can the body, or that through which the Soul manifests, be less than itself,—be less than that which manifests in and through it. Therefore the body, my body, your body, is Infinity Itself. Life cannot be divided out into portions here and there in space. Says Powell in his "Heredity from God:" "Life is a mode of the Universe. It is an eternal necessity. It is the I AM. The marvel of Life is that it brings to us, in the cell, all that has been achieved through millions of years; and so we inherit all past ages and past modifications, not only human, but animal. All history is in us." Powell quotes Edmund Montgomery thus: "You are today the inheritor and trustee of whatever Life has yet done. Mind is the original property of the elements composing the substance of existence. Out of the brooding gloom of insentient Nature, living activity slowly arose. It shaped its vital mold and the tide rolled on and on up to, and is now realized in, our consciousness."

All protoplasm, which is the beginnings of organic life, are alike. Says Powell again: "Protoplasm differentiated and specialized in a hand is not higher than protoplasm undifferentiated in the brain. Organic forms for specific purposes do not indicate an exaltation of substance, but a relative exaltation of organic structure. Organism is the restriction of free protoplasm to one method of living and doing."

Rightly understood, this means that there is but one body and that body is animated by the One Universal Life and each individual is but a manifestation in that one body of that One Universal Life. I am, but I am not a

separate individual, but I am a distinct and separate individual manifestation, an individual manifestation of the One. All manifestations of the One Power share the One body. I am separate as a manifestation but not separate as a thing, as an entity.

The person who can realize this as Truth will understand wherein Jesus spoke truthfully and scientifically when he claimed Oneness with the Father. I AM! but I have not a separate body. I am but a manifestation in Him and, in His body, I find my body. I have no location in Space, for he is spaceless. God's body manifests in Motion. Motions constantly pass in every direction and these motions are of every rate of vibration. The imagination cannot conceive the rates of speed. Slower than the millionth of an inch in a million years and swifter than millions of millions of miles in the millionth of a second—all these form my body. I am developing a consciousness of them. My consciousness has differentiated itself into a recognition of them through five special physical organs. In Soul, I sense all this infinitude of Vibrations and I am outgrowing, in the physical manifestation of my Self, this limitation. As I do so, I see my body extend beyond the limitations of the five senses. The Eternal Ages will see me constantly unfolding in consciousness of that which I am and, as that consciousness unfolds, I shall see my body more and more co-extensive with space.

The clairvoyant vision, the telepathic and psychometric faculties are broadening my vision of myself. I now see that my body is not limited to that which feels, sees and hears on the lower vibrations, but is much larger. At present, I realize a body which feels the finer vibrations that give me the psychic realizations beyond the limitations of eye and ear. I enjoy the broader vision of those who, having been forced by death, which is the loss of attraction between atoms on the plane of matter, to another octave of vibration, have there

learned that they are not limited as life to manifestations on merely this plane of the senses, but can, when forced to do so, manifest through the finer vibrations which they are and which they had been all the time but were ignorant of the fact. I am trying to stimulate all my readers to voluntarily live as Spirit in these finer vibrations without passing through that sudden transition from the lower octaves of vibration to higher ones, which is termed death. I am limitless in my body as God is limitless and, only through sensations within my own body, do I come into conscious relations with any other manifestation within my infinite body. As heart and brain, as hand and foot, in this limited manifestation are sympathetic, so I am in full sympathy with all the myriad manifestations in the Universal Body of the One with whom I am One.

W. F. Jamison, the veteran liberal lecturer sends out an appeal for a loan from his friends of small sums each to enable him and his wife to make a home. \$400 will do it and he will then pay interest instead of rent. He will turn the property over to the creditors at the demise of himself and wife. It is sad that one who has devoted his life to educating humanity out of theological error should have to make such an appeal. But the Christs in every field have been crucified. Those who claim to be Messiahs and are not so crucified are mistaken in their mission. NOW calls attention to him that all who feel to assist may write him at 1716 Western Ave., Chicago, Ill.

When writing to this office, please send the names of all your friends who are likely to be interested in "NOW" Philosophy and we will mail them some complimentary literature. We wish all our readers to feel themselves as co-workers in Truth.

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THOR THE THUNDERER SHALL RULE THE EARTH NO MORE.—LONGFELLOW.

MENTAL TONIC.

Much depends upon environment. Any girl will tell you that candy does not taste nearly so good out of a paper bag.—*Philadelphia Record*.

Chumpley: "I say, Chollie, doncherknow, I just received an anonymous letter, doncherknow."

Lepley: "Good gwacious! Who fwom?"

Haughty Lady (who has just purchased a stamp): "Must I put it on myself?"

Postoffice Clerk: "Not necessarily. It will probably accomplish more if you put it on the letter."
—*Exchange*.

"Don't you wish you had an automobile?" asked Miss Miami Brown.

"Oh, I dunno," answered Erastus Pinkly. "A mule doesn't cost near so much money an' it's purty near as dangerous."—*Reasoner*.

"That friend of yours seems to have a clear conscience."

"No," answered Senator Sorghum, "not a clear conscience, merely a bad memory—which, with some people, answers the purpose much better."
—*Washington Star*.

Father: "Yes, I admit that your lover has a good income, but he has very expensive tastes—very."

Daughter: "You amaze me. What does he ever want that is so very expensive?"

Father: "Well, you, for one thing."—*Exchange*.

"Well," said Noah, as he hunted for a dry spot on the top of Ararat, "a lot of people came down to the pier to josh us when we started, but I don't see any of them around to poke fun at our home-coming."—*Life*.

Mother was packing a box of goodies to be sent to one of the boys who was at boarding-school. "I think that's all, Jane," she said. "So please screw it up." "But, mother, aren't you going to put in a screw-driver?" asked little Betty. "How will Jack get it open without one?"—*Baptist Commonwealth*.

The most uncomfortable people in the world are those who think only of their own comfort.
—*Exchange*.

A NEW THOUGHT SETTLEMENT.

Dr. Frank Newland Doud, of Chicago, author of "The Evolution of the Individual," is in San Francisco. He has, for the past ten days, made "NOW" Home his headquarters. We find him a fine gentleman, progressive, broad-minded and practical. He is in perfect harmony with our thought.

He came to this beautiful land of sunshine in response to the "inner voice" which leads all men on and up.

Shakspeare says, "There is a tide in the affairs of men which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune." When the doctor carries out his present purpose, it will bring that which is better than material fortune to thousands, fortune in opportunities that are better than gold.

Thus, lead by "the Spirit," the Doctor aims to establish a New Thought settlement. He has in view a tract of 25,000 acres of good land in a beautiful valley in central California. He has been a resident of Chicago for eight years and, for several years previous, of Boston. He deeply realizes how hard and bitter has become the scramble for existence in all commercial centers. Because he realizes this, he has determined to get entirely out of it. He also finds daily others as anxious as he is for a relief. He believes man can go into partnership with the soil and find a happy and unfolding life.

He intends to interest New Thought people in establishing, in this garden state, a home for all who are with him in spirit, to build a community controlled by Love and Truth where there will be employment and enjoyment for hand and brain; a home for those who value attainment more than possession.

He has not formulated the details of his plans. He has asked "NOW" Folk to assist him in his plan of organization. It is desired that every person who joins the association shall have every advantage that can result from such a settlement. NOW has no personal interest in the mattersave that it rejoices in this practical effort. That there may be a symposium of thought upon this important matter, I invite the New Thought editors and authors to write their ideas of the best methods for establishing and maintaining this community. Editors who choose may answer through their journals, otherwise they are invited to write me a letter. Every reader interested is invited to send NOW his or her thoughts upon it. These

letters will be turned over to the doctor, and the results will be reported in NOW. What would you expect and desire were you to join such a settlement? is the question we wish answered.

It is not proposed that it shall be at first co-operative or communistic, but composed of individual homes and interests, all united in a common desire and a common public spirit of helpfulness. It is thought that a few hours per day will suffice to maintain all better than the average person is now, and leave time for the cultivation of the social, esthetic, intellectual, and; above all, the spiritual natures of the members. With a settlement of 500 people, all equally interested, each will become in some one or more respects a teacher and inspirer of the rest. Are you interested in the evolution of the individual and of society? Then drop us a note, thus helping on this movement with your thought.

THE LABORER A BROTHER.

I hold that nothing is more sure than this: That, underlying and overtopping every other necessity of our industrial organization is the necessity, on the part of the employer, of seeing in every workman at his forges or his looms, in his quarries or his mines, not merely so much "labor," and not merely an industrial machine, but a fellow-creature, a human being, a conscious soul, a brother man whom he must not treat with any least indignity or disrespect. Without this vision and this sympathy, no legislative ordering of our political economy will bring us much nearer than we are now to the mark of our high calling.—*John White Chadwick.*

The *Colorado Graphic* (Denver) says: "We have re-read for the second time 'Man's Greatest Discovery,' by Henry Harrison Brown. It is a book that should be read by all thinking people. It is a wonderful work." The same paper says: "The reader of NOW is filled with courage and Affirmation and is better able to fight the battles of life."

It (San Antonio, Texas) says of "Dollars Want Me": "This book is destined to revolutionize the thought of humanity in regard to dollars. The 'Almighty Dollar' is fading into nothingness before 'Almighty Man.' This book marks an epoch in man's relation to the dollar. It is a glorious doctrine."

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BROTHERHOOD IS COMING.

"God works in a mysterious way,
 His wonders to perform."—*Hymn.*

Human Brotherhood is coming. Only when settled right, settled in Love of Truth, are things settled. Justice is coming. Nothing demonstrates this more than the attitude of press and politicians during the late trouble in the coal regions.

Mayor Jones, of Toledo, said:—

God put the coal in the mines for all the people.

Rev. Edward Everett Hale, in the *Christian Register*, speaking for the conservative Eastern Unitarians, said:—

The strike leads the way to the only logical solution: the ownership of the coal properties by the State of Pennsylvania, or eventually by the nation.

Unity, of Chicago, speaking for the Western Unitarians, says:—

The conflict is for all time, or until one of the principles shall win. The one is the principle of individualism, the other of co-operation. It is justice for which the miners are contending.

Dr. Thomas, of the People's Church of Chicago, says:—

It is a new form of the old battle of liberty and slavery: the rights of all, or of the few. ••• If the plutocratic coal barons and railway presidents cannot work the mines, the people can. And that is what we are coming to.

The *Record-Herald* says:—

The nation must deal with the coal fields as it sees best for all people, "vested rights" to the contrary notwithstanding.

The conservative Philadelphia *North American* says:—

All the enormous damage to anthracite mines is due directly and solely to the obstinacy of the operators in holding the false theory that the coal measures of Pennsylvania are theirs to do with as they please, and that they have no public obligations. These men have said that the coal stored by nature for the use of man shall not be taken from the ground, except on conditions fixed by them. Coal has come to be

as necessary as air and water, and the right of society to take it for the benefit of all is as clear as the right of access to water supply. Private ownership of coal in the ground is tolerable only so long as the special privilege constituting the sole basis of ownership is not abused.

And the Portland *Oregonian*, the organ of the Republican party in Oregon and the voice of the great northwest, says; It was a great error to permit the coal supply of the country to go into private hands; but how to dispossess those who have been permitted to assume the ownership, is a mighty hard problem. Yet the whole country is awake to the fact, now brought into strong relief, that half a dozen men monopolize a coal supply that is indispensable to tens of millions. Is Government, through its power of eminent domain, to take possession of the mines and operate them, paying what it thinks fit and just?

These extracts show the trend of public sentiment. It is to public ownership. Only Love in the hearts of the people can work this change. It will work still greater until it is seen that of all insanity, that of hoarding wealth is the greatest. The only dollar that blesses is that spent under the thought of Use. The strikes, trusts and present oppression of capital help to bring in the day of Brotherhood.

PUBLIC VERSUS PRIVATE OWNERSHIP.

A recent step in San Francisco demonstrates how much better and cheaper the people can do for themselves than to delegate the power of doing for them to a corporation. The city has paid the Spring Valley Water Company \$1050 per month to irrigate seventy acres of Golden Gate Park, a rate of \$13.57 per acre per month. The new Dutch windmill recently set at work irrigates 100 acres at the expense of \$9 per acre per year. The mill cost the city only \$1,600. Great opposition existed over the erection. It now exists as a demonstration and argument for the acquisition, by the city, of the Geary St. R. R. this fall.

* WITH NOW READERS. *

[In this department, queries from our regular subscribers will be answered briefly. Questions will be signed with initials only. If an answer by mail is desired, enclose \$1.]

[A communication from "A Reader" is received. I must know the names of all whose letters or communications I notice and he or she must be a subscriber.—Ed.]

"In 'Dollars Want Me,' you say, 'Claim abundant Supply.' If I want \$400 to replenish my stock of goods, could I say, 'I want \$400 now right away,' and see them coming, or is it asking too much?"—L. M., of Mich.

Infinity can supply all you ask. There is never too great a demand, but why put a limit upon it and say \$400? Why not say "All I need each day" and let the Soul, which knows its own needs, guide you? Supply lies not in a sum of money! Supply is in having that which you need for expression when you need it. Supply is a habit. You are asking for a sum. When that is gone, you will ask for another. You will never have peace. Ask for Supply; forget and let Supply come as water comes in river to mill. Enough each day for the day. We are not to be constantly praying, constantly asking, constantly counting. Forget to ask, forget to count and LET Supply come. Spend what you have, knowing that, when the dollar must be spent, the next is waiting to come. You are to cultivate this mental attitude. If "Dollars want you," you are not to ask for \$400, or any sum, you are to be ready to receive all you can use and know that others are waiting to come. A business man in this city who took my lessons three years ago is running his business successfully in this manner. He remarked to me recently, "I let the Silence decide whether or not an expenditure be necessary. I know that the conditions that render the expenditure necessary will bring in the dollar to meet the bill. It always comes." It must come as effect follows cause. Do not

think that temporary wants can be supplied by sudden spurts of faith. The need is, to get out of all anxiety and worry, to have, at all times, serenity of mind, based upon the knowledge that *Dollars want to come to you to be used*. They will come when, by faith, you invite them.

Will Dollars come by not wanting them?

This question was sent up to me at a lecture. Will you the more readily go to a friend who leaves you at liberty to come or stay than you will to one who complains because you do not come oftener? I avoid those who say to me, "Now why have you not been to see me oftener?" Any complaint sends even the conscious being away. The unconscious obeys the same law. Therefore, if you complain of the Dollar not coming, it *feels* it for it is of the same ONE Substance as the Human Soul and is repelled. When you send Love and Liberty, the Dollars come as friends because they love you and feel the welcome. So, when you say to the Dollar, "Do as you choose" and say it in love, it will come to be used. LET THEM COME and welcome their coming and going.

A LETTER.

Among the letters and congratulations received on our Anniversary, none pleased us more than this one:—

San Francisco, June 24, 1903.

DEAR MR. BROWN:

I wish to send you a little birthday offering as an expression of the good you have done me. I attended your second lecture in San Francisco and have been, as you know, a very regular attendant ever since. I was at that time in a most dreadful mental condition, owing in part to having an only child in the late war. When he returned, the mental condition still continued. Your lectures were simply revelations to me. I seemed to absorb them all with the exception of the Affirmation: ALL IS GOOD! I was obliged to grapple with that for a long time, but I have now accepted it and feel myself growing in contentment and peace.

I wish to thank you earnestly and deeply for the clear, broad way you have opened up for me. May the unfolding years increase your power till you shall have the full satisfaction of your highest ideals.

L. B. H.

BOOK REVIEWS.

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

"May's Practical Methods," to ensure instant relief and permanent cure of disease without drugs, minerals, or doctors fees, by E. and B. May, of the Progressive Health Club, 156 High St., Harlesden, London, N. W., Eng. Free copies sent on application. This is a most valuable book for all who have not evolved out of a belief in disease, diet, hygiene, and physical methods of keeping well. It has a good word for mental methods and among the journals it recommends is NOW.

Our sprightly English contemporary, *Wings of Truth*, comes to us this month in a new and enlarged form. The beautiful and poetic name has been changed to *The English Magazine of Mysteries*. The old name, the editor says, "seemed to convey no idea of the nature of its contents." The purpose of the magazine is stated as "devoted to unravelling the mysteries of Self." I liked *Wings*. The journal is improved under the new name, but will I like the name as well? O Hashnu Hara is progressive, frank, and growing, an example well worthy of imitation. In an article on fear, she gives our Lessons credit for her inspiration to write it. She says: "Whilst reading one of Henry Harrison Brown's Lessons, I came across a sentence which struck me considerably. I haven't the book here, but the gist of it was that we should rejoice at the obstacles in our path, and welcome them as means of showing our power. It is the old story of attracting that which we fear, and the utter rout of all forms of darkness where fear is unknown. For where light is, there darkness cannot be. The moral is plain: give up fearing *anything*. Scent the battle from afar, and rejoice at the opportunity to show your power. Laugh to see how easily the giant obstacle cowers and shrinks away. Shout with joy that you have the power to fight and strength to conquer.

"Health and Vitality through Right Living," 25c, published by the author, 31 B Baronne St., New Orleans, La.

Once I would have hailed this book as a God-send, but that was when I believed in hygiene, and health methods. To all who wish to know what to do in way of eating, bathing, clothing, drinking, breathing, and exercising for health,

I can recommend this as a sensible book, safer than nine-tenths of such directions with which the public is flooded. On the last two pages he gives directions for Right Thinking which are in the line of NOW, and from this you can judge of the book.

Mrs. Excell-Lynn, editor of *Christ's Way*, Akron, Ohio, sends NOW a 10c pamphlet on "The Philosophy of Success," which is well worth the dime. It begins: "If a man is not happy, as well as a producer of happiness, he might as well be taken to some othersphere of existence, as life is to him a failure"—to which I say, Amen. Life is *not* without happiness. The opposite of happiness is death. Happiness and life are synonymous.

"The Science and The Philosophy of Life," by Edward Cowles, D. P. \$1.00. Published by Institute of Psychology, Portland, Oregon. The sub-title tells the scope of the book: "To live to attain the development of our higher faculties, that we may come into the possession of fullness of peace and plenty, of abounding health and happiness here, and a never ending eternity of joy hereafter." This is a good little book. The author loves truth more than he loves his theories, and has given the reader something free from fads and foolishness. There is much that will prove of lasting benefit to any person who will read it. Seed grains of wisdom lie plentifully while the chaff of speculation only occasionally shows, as for instance in Chapt. X. on "The Dual Character of Mind." I have sought but never found the much discussed "Subliminal Self." But even this speculation is stimulating.

Suggestion (Chicago, \$1 per year) has much improved since Elmer Ellsworth Carey became associate editor. The July number comes to us enlarged to 100 pages, with new cover, new dress, and with a general improvement. It holds today almost exclusively the field of Suggestive Therapeutics. We do not always like the editor's position in regard to psychic phenomena, as we think he is inclined to be dogmatic and to decide upon too slight data, yet the journal stirs up much investigation in that line and is to be recommended.

I saw that naughty "man-of-war,"
Deliberately hug the shore.—*Whim*.

YOUR ZENITH FOR NO MAN ELSE IS TRUE.—EDWARD ROWLAND SILL.

THE BATTLE IS FOUGHT IN THE HOME STRETCH,—
'TIS WON 'TIXT THE FLAG AND THE WIRE.—JOHN MOORE.

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