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We quote from a few of the many letters received during the past month, from those who have voluntarily expressed themselves regarding their

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We would recommend this important department of our work to students or others who wish to start the new year with good resolutions that are based on Self Knowledge thus scientifically obtained. (See adv. elsewhere.)

(The following is from one who is very widely known, and whose brain measurements equal those of Daniel Webster. Both name and address are omitted, as either would identify him to many.)

Nov. 1st, 1897.

Your delineation of my character was most satisfactory. Will remit the well-earned \$5 extra, and also send hand cast, brain measurements, etc., of my wife so that you may make a delineation for her.

Dr. ———

Grand Ledge, Mich., Oct. 3d, 1897.

The character delineation came Saturday, and to my delight does not express it. I re-read it daily, and find more each time. It is beautiful from first to last and true in every point. I will do all I can to make the most of the excellent teaching which it gave. The back numbers of O. S. L. came also. I like them best of anything I have read, and am learning much from them.

M. W. E.

Aurora, Ill., 10-12-97.

My delineation received. It is remarkably correct, and helpful.

M. S.

Chicago, Oct. 24th, 1897.

I have received the delineation and am much encouraged on reading it. I feel most keenly the imperfections you have hardly more than hinted at. It seems too good to be true that I have such latent possibilities. I hope you do not take a too optimistic view of my character. Perhaps you kindly present that side of it most strongly because you know how discouraged I have been. I have found the delineation most helpful, and will depend upon you to indicate to me the next step.

M. D. B. B.

Blue Earth City, Minn., Oct. 30th, 1897.

The delineation was accurate and most remarkable.

A. H.

London, Gr. Pa., Oct. 24th, 1897.

Most gratefully do I acknowledge the receipt of the character delineation. It is a source of great encouragement to me. At first, much of it seemed too good to believe, but after a careful consideration I became convinced of its accuracy and truth. You have made me feel that there are possibilities before me, and my next thought is how to find the way thereunto.

P. J.

Chicago, Oct. 6th, 1897.

Many thanks for your character reading which seems to be very true and accurate, and I think expresses very clearly what I might achieve. If I have the opportunity later on, I shall hope to come to you for a more complete delineation.

T. C.

Somerville, Mass., Nov. 4th, 1897.

The character delineation came just as I was leaving town. It was very satisfactory indeed.

A. K. M.

Bloomington, Ill., Oct. 3d, 1897.

My delineation was received in due time, and has been read and re-read many times. It has given me much to think of which I can understand. Allow me to thank you for the good advice which I can now see will give me much strength and help in my every undertaking.

The delineation, as well as your little O. S. L. booklets are more and more enjoyable and valuable after the first few readings.

C. H. F.

Allentown, Penn., Oct. 20th, 1897.

The delineation was received ten days ago. I have read and re-read thoughtfully its many pages. It affords me pleasure to assure you that I have derived great benefit from your words, and am convinced of a still greater profit to be reaped as time flows on.

Buffalo, N. Y., 10-4-'97.

The delineation was received this a. m. I have read and re-read it. Each time it takes on a deeper meaning. I ask myself again and again, how shall I fulfill the possibilities which it shows to be within my reach? I said to myself when I filled out the blank, "He will find me a puzzle, for I am so alone—so different from others." I will make a great effort to follow your advice.

H. E.

Mankato, Minn., 11-8-'97.

It might be inferred by my delay in acknowledging the receipt of the delineation, that I am lukewarm and indifferent in regard to it, but such an inference from my silence would be wrong. I was greatly pleased with it, and especially with those parts of it which pointed out defects and deficiencies in my character and thought methods, of whose existence I was more or less aware. I am terribly in earnest in my desire to profit by it in every possible way, and by speedily finding my place as a concordant note in the grand harmony of the Brotherhood and its work.

C. O. H.

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Success is Certain

in most cases where they get into the right place, and then work faithfully, with the earnestness which hope and adaptation inspires. Most persons have ten times more talent than they think, and waste their very **lives** in occupations which yield only about **one-tenth** of the money and happiness that would be possible in an occupation scientifically determined by their inherent constitutional biases.

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Woman's Occult Forces.

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Occult powers are born of calmness and repose. Occult forces have slumbered in the world's readjusting pot until fermentation has aroused the first drowsy symptoms of the coming awakening.

The Occultist can see in recent facts the "star of Bethlehem" which points to our beloved American "cradle of liberty" as the "manger" in which the gentle oriental child of occult wisdom is to be born.

American womanhood is the honored "Virgin Mary" of this "Immaculate Conception."

Our occidental civilized savagery, by according to woman a position of relative freedom, and for other reasons, has earned for itself a right to the refining and helpful influence of this oriental infant which is being "born of woman."

Chicago is and is to be a central "power house" for the generation of individualized spiritual strength.

The real history of Chicago reaches back to prehistoric times.

It was a focusing point for occult forces long before the Indians killed skunks on what are now its principle streets. The negative condition of its soil is adapted to the transmission of occult forces. As an occult center an inland city is almost a necessity in order that its electric currents may perform complete circuits.

All things transpire in the spiritual before they take outward form in act or event. Did you ever ask yourself what it is that draws together the forceful souls which make up a great city? It is not geography alone. "Thoughts are things." The invisible becomes interlaced with a network of great currents of force compared with which the ocean tides and electric currents are as nothing.

The future of Chicago is already known by true Seers who could have foretold its present known history long before it transpired outwardly.

The Occultist is one who has passed beyond the stage which would be tempted to use such knowledge merely for the sake of stock jobbing or real estate speculation. He does not have to worry about his winter's coal.

Deeply occult knowledge cannot come to one until it is safe in his hands.

It takes but *little* knowledge to show the desirability of readjusting our God given "selfishness" so it will be in true relations with the basic principle of love, thus making deeper mysteries safe in our hands. We cannot hope to accomplish great results in business or art until we do so. "His strength is as the strength of ten who has his quarrel just" because he thus gets into the region of morals and high vibrations which is to draw on the omnipotence within.

The scientific calculations of the Occultist enable him to foresee many coming events and therefore he can be of great service to those who listen instead of scoff.

Until the year 1900 persons living on the purely material plane will be subject to unusual fits of depression. Suicides will multiply. Surprises will be in order for

the unawakened, and frequent jars of the "spinal, vertebra" come to those who are not already in right relations with the soul.

In foreshadowing a mild harvest of retribution and disaster, I wish also to show the causes which underlie a greater upward impulse, and thus be rather the hopeful herald of coming prosperity, and a little golden age, the beginning of which many of us will live to see, instead of a pessemistic advance howler of coming calamities.

A dose of the physic of disaster may be very wholesome in relieving us from the impurities of a clogged liver of materialism and selfishness.

Love is the only true basis of happiness. We may profoundly venerate the ancient and benevolent Physician of cause and effect, who kindly administers the Divine metaphysics which bring temporary sacrifices and readjustments, but in its train a wealth of more permanent peace, power, wisdom and happiness.

"Thoughts are things." It is only reasonable that the humid heat of uninstructed selfish thought should generate an occasional thunderstorm, if not a cyclone, of cross vibrations of discord; and that its lightning should strike here and there; but how refreshing is the atmosphere afterwards.

The straying traveler should not whine, even if it takes a shower or drenching to induce him to seek shelter of the only farmer who can put him on the right road.

Can we not have the foresight to take our dose of metaphysics now, and bid a kindly, but advance adieu, to the worn-out materialism, which has served its pur-

pose, and is about to be washed away by a spiritual thunderstorm? Must we blindly wait until we experience the actual pain in the stomach, and financial chemicalization?

Woman's opportunity is at hand. Great souls inhabit the brains of woman as well as of man. The construction of woman's brain demonstrates scientifically that her "wisdom faculties" are a nursery for the training of occult forces, and a natural outlet for the coming outpouring. Man is made up chiefly of angles instead of curves. Woman's acoustics give an easier flow to the musical vibrations of love and occult power.

Thought vibrations easily become harmonious and musical, when slightly touched by the magic wand of love. Perfect love is the deathless principle in man, and is the perfection of music to all who understand the art of listening. We never need to be without music, any more than a woman needs to be without beauty. Beauty is the sure result of a rhythmic flow of love's vibrations. To interrupt its rhythm, is to produce angles, instead of beautiful curves and outlines; harmonious thought currents quickly show forth in beauty of form and feature. Let woman learn from Occult Science, how *not* to break love's electric circuits. Until then, her appearance will tell tales on her angry, hating, envious, jealous, anxious or other disagreeable thoughts, and their accompanying cross vibrations and inharmonious currents.

A loving woman, who understands her power, can play a beautiful symphony on the heartstrings of the densest man, even though he has never before been favored with anything more musical than a frightened

cat could produce, by promenading the keyboard of a boarding house piano.

The occult standard of womanhood is an easily understood, scientific mirror, which reveals the secret of woman's charms and powers, enables her to correct her faults, and opens the door to her almost unlimited possibilities.

She is the natural ruler of love's paradise, and should know how to perform the trust with the grace, tenderness, fidelity, wisdom and dignity which its sacredness should inspire.

It is my desire to reduce life's deepest occult mysteries to a few, simple, unerring and self-evident rules of conduct, which all may acquire and apply in crossing the bridges of today and forever, and leave the vague, visionary and winding paths of metaphysical speculations to those who have time to waste on side tracks at way stations.

The last number gives the keynote to woman's greatness, and shows *why* her heart is a "Closet of God," from which we discover the causes which relate her to all persons and things, and from which we easily foresee her destiny, and foretell the events which will follow her as slow effects.

To abandon a position at the circumference and get into the channel of that inner lighthouse, which gives an uninterrupted flow to the rays of Divine love and knowledge, at once opens up the subject without the use of words, and throws a piercing searchlight on its obscure relations and inter-relations. Words seem almost profane, after seeing by the inner eye those

sublimely transcendent visions, which thus cast a faint advance shadow of man's approaching greatness.

Rules, therefore, should refer chiefly to the opening of that third eye, or wisdom faculty, which sees through walls and obstructions and at great distances, which medical science knows as the pineal gland, and which soon will be generally known and better understood.

Rules should also show how to use that inner spiritual power, which, without effort, goes out from the body even while it sleeps, and deals with the *causes* or *rates of vibration* which control outward events and enable one to accomplish more in an *hour* than they now do in days or weeks.

Let suffering humanity thus learn how to deal successfully with their present practical needs, such a poverty, distress, want, discord, unhappiness, sickness or old age, and they will find that the duty of the hour thus performed will gradually build for them their "mansion in the skies."

The Creator of man did not forget to relate his needs to morals and immortality, and instilled into his *very constitution* that precept of faith and trust, "Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof."

Let him thus become that "wise man" who "rules the stars," even though he is now the "ignorant man" who "is ruled by them." Man's lifeboat of ignorance will be tossed and buffeted about on the ocean of fate until self-knowledge awakens his occult forces, or that "Christ within" which is *able* to say to the troubled waters: "Peace; be still."

We little realize the creative power of our thought.

It is tremendous; it is unlimited. All creation is through thought. Man's power to think is infinite and eternal. To him there is nothing unthinkable, nothing unknowable, nothing he cannot in time do if he sets about it right.

In using thought force, the difficulty is then, even after we understand its power, and that every thought creation, whether in the form of desire, hope, imagination, faith, aspiration, or direct thought, is building for us the thing desired, and actually bringing it nearer; still, we cannot banish our fears, our anxieties, our moods of hopelessness and discouragement, all of which are thought forces, but which send the thing desired farther away. Sometimes it thus becomes a case of one step forward and two steps backward. Control your moods and you will in time control your environments. Stop, now, and *break* the chains of your imaginary servitude and slavery. You have forged them for yourself. Slavery is not your natural heritage. God, the principle of all truth, endowed you with the inherent right to *think*, of all truth, and thus, by the power of creative thought, draw on the exhaustless resources of His omnipotence for the accomplishment of your every undertaking. Who can say of what you shall think, and, therefore, create?

In that respect you are absolutely free *now*. Exercise this Divine prerogative with royal freedom. Set no limitations on your possibilities. Your thought has power to do for you whatever you want to do. Your strength is in proportion to your courage, knowledge and faith. Your starting point is yourself. By understanding yourself, you will understand all

that exists, have command of all power, and get on that indestructible line which connects you with God Almighty. Spiritual liberation may be yours *now*. That deathless something within will cry for liberation until its cry is satisfied, by an *outward manifestation*, through *you*, of that perfection and omnipotence which it represents, and that, too, no matter *how* lowly may be your *present* condition or circumstance.

It is true of the drunkard in the gutter, or even the atom, as well as of the Prince or Saint. One man might cast a million shadows, each of which would be a complete reflection and image of himself.

Each man, in his infinite power to think, is the *complete* image of the One God—truth. Mankind is the million individualized images, each representing the same thing—God—and, truly seen, they are indissolubly related by ties (of a common nature and origin) too deep for anything to put asunder.

May this knowledge awaken in man that universal charity and love which will at least do justice to the meanest, weakest and most defenseless of his fellow-men.

As all are actually related, self-preservation demands that he should so act.

Before man can do unjust acts he must first generate deeply harmful thought vibrations within himself. It is easy to see that they would thus play havoc with his very life centers, even though they exhausted their force, vitality and velocity before reaching their victim.

It is suicidal to bathe in thought currents of hate and injustice, because "Curses come home to roost."

Generate thoughts of truth, right, justice and good will to all, and you will throw around yourself the only safe armor of protection against the shafts of such insidious and invisible thought currents of hate, and will thus get into the current of harmony, strength, and Infinite good.

Right is might. Get on the track of its omnipotent thought vibrations and all things at once become easier.

Woman cannot long remain in the gutter of helplessness, when she substitutes thought "Castles in Spain," or in love's ideal paradise, for the thought gutter of aimlessness, and hopelessness.

Love, thought, vibration, sound and form, are inter-related. The human brain and "face Divine" are mirrors of the mind, because *built* by the mind.

The form, size, and quality of the brain corresponds to and determines the power of the mind. The brain undergoes various changes, from childhood to old age, because the *mind* changes. Every event is first a thought, and is registered in the astral light. It can be read long before it transpires in the material, by one who has a cultivated clairvoyant or wisdom faculty. The clairvoyant faculty, or third eye, is a veritable reality, and was discovered in the human brain, many years before the Rochester rappings of 1844, which was the beginning of modern spiritualism. The author has several books published long before that time, which clearly describe the faculty, and its functions, fully covering the ground which modern science has since been forced to concede, and the wider range of facts, which the developments of psychic phenomena, have proved, all of which Occultists knew, for ages

before. This third eye should be cultivated, until it can get truth at first hands, by seeing the God within, face to face.

Its cultivation, will go hand in hand with the cultivation of occult power. Occult power should be cultivated until by the power of that deathless something within, "death is swallowed up in that victory" which manifests a deathless body. *Then* man is *able* to say "Oh, grave, where is thy victory." By simply realizing *why* that something within is already deathless, he should *now* be able to say, "Oh, death, where is thy sting." The death of the body does *not* signify the death of the *real* man, but the throwing off of a worn out envelope, which has paid its debt of usefulness to the higher self. It has contributed its brick of service and experience to the superstructure of that castle of character which builds for eternity.

It is a waste of time to build for time, or sense, or for other than eternity.

Construct of plastic thought an ideal body, an ideal business, an ideal home, ideal friends, ideal surroundings and an ideal character. Live the ideal life. You are not restricted in material or cost. Thought has power to draw on the Infinite reservoir of primordial matter. Select ideals that won't have to be changed. Be sure to build in a way that will do credit to the generous giver of omnipotent thought, who thus placed Infinite resources at your disposal. To have one ideal today, another tomorrow and still another, next week, or next year, is to waste precious force on a crumbling foundation of sand and can only result in a meaningless and chaotic conglomeration of wasted

material, which is an insult to your dignity and your Creator.

It is all important that man should understand *how* to harness his spiritual dynamite to the electric wires, of an understood thought system. He has been self-hypnotized by the unsound belief that he is a weak, fallen, depraved, and degraded "worm of the dust." Orthodoxy has nursed that "wormy theory," until most people accept it, without even questioning its truth.

Occult Science teaches the art of tapping the springs of omnipotence within, so that by the power of creative thought, man can do whatever he sets out to do. It offers special opportunities to woman, who is relatively restricted, in her choice of a field for accomplishment. She may choose the subjects of her *thought* and *follow* them with absolute freedom. It is her special province. Her faith is thought power. Her love, morality, fidelity, and purity, are wombs where occult forces are safely generated. Her intuitions offer an easy channel for their outward flow.

The law of evolution shows why we should have a kindly fellow feeling for the "worms of the dust," but with equal force shows why we, as thinking beings, should not allow them to "set the pace" for our progress.

The flashlight of creative thought has power to bridge the chasms of eternity's cycles, and quickly reach that final goal for all, which is the outward manifestation of truth's omnipotence.

When man learns that an instructed woman can by the aid of an inner sight, or wisdom faculty, foresee

dangers, and weak spots in his business, he will be only too glad, to avail himself of her loving help. When he learns that if trained in concentration, she can turn the X rays and occult forces, of her higher self, on to the causes which produce business results, he will be only too glad to have her loving thought permeate every nook and crevice of his business relations, and thus be for him the helpful organizer of great results.

We will suppose that he has a dangerous lawsuit, or an important undertaking on his hands, involving thousands, or even millions. Can she not by centering her consciousness, within, to that higher self, which knows no mistakes, or weakness, send thoughts to him, which will connect *him* with *his* higher self also, and in turn cause him to deal with that higher self of each and everyone with whom he comes in contact? Thus *everyone* concerned is lead to do the right thing at the right time and in the right place. The natural and necessary result is that each one, even down to the least important, does whatever is necessary to produce one great, harmonious, and successful result. That which may have been feared, drops into its proper place when the time comes, and that too without the slightest strain, or effort.

This is the true way to accomplish great business results. At night when you retire, instruct your higher self to teach you during sleep. This will assist in leading you to the right act the coming day.

Instruct your higher self to permeate every detail of your business life with the power, and harmony, that will bring a righteous success. The quiet of the sleeping body gives its spiritual forces even more free-

dom to act, than they would have if biased by the intense desires aroused by what your mere reason might deem wise.

Instruct your higher self to give the body that rest which will renew its power to accomplish results the following day, without strain or effort. In the morning, before beginning business, instruct your higher self to gird you with the right thought, the right speech, the right act, then dismiss all fear and anxiety as to results, and follow obediently, leaving to the sure revelation of time, the solution of all riddles, and the adjustment of all difficulties and obstacles.

In every act during the day, at least in every important act, realize that it is your *higher* self that is doing the work, and that it has the *power* to penetrate *behind* the *outer* shells of every person or thing with which it deals, and affiliate with the *souls* of persons and things, or that in them which *cannot* make *mistakes*.

The silent words of that deathless something within, are *words of power*. Thus business is made as easy as it would be to close a large deal which was controlled by some millionaire, who, without the asking, would say, "No further words are necessary, please step into my private office and I will give you the check, and wind the matter up."

The higher selves of persons, and things, are always the "millionaires" who control all business situations, and the millionaire within yourself always has an irrevocable entree to their "400." The question is, how to awaken this force within, how to use it, how to reach it in others.

This is the occult power which is inter-related with morals and all the deepest mysteries of life. Its fathomless resources make it unnecessary to cheat or steal, or to break any of the commandments. There is something within man, which would *always* rather do right, than wrong. That is it. There is something within, that would *always* rather do good, than harm, to others. That is it. Its power cannot be utilized until it is safe in your hands; until your selfishness merges into love. Let me tell you that which will bring that safety period to you now, viz: Do you not understand how the life of justice and love greatly increases your power to gratify normally *everything* your nature craves? How it enables you to obtain much more money, better friends, better surroundings, fame, and happiness? Selfishness is founded on the idea of doing things exclusively with reference to self. The question then arises, *what is your true self*. It is that God of power within, which is indissolubly related to all persons and things by ties so deep that to do injury to another is simply to do injury to a *part* of yourself and the penalty for infringement cannot be escaped any more than could be the penalty for cutting off your finger or head or the infringement of any other natural law. I do not say disobey the laws of your constitution. I say *obey them*, and that to *disobey* is the *only* wrong. The question is, what are those laws? One is the "law of necessity," or selfishness. Follow it obediently, but not blindly. Every instinct of selfishness demands that you study deeply the laws of thought, and of man's nature, for otherwise you cannot make the most of your practical situations in life.

Begin by so learning how to improve your health, or circumstances, and you will soon see that the life of justice and love, offers selfish and material rewards for obedience that are almost irresistible. A truly instructed selfishness needs no restraints. Does this seem too good to be true? I know it is quite contrary to the usual teachings of the churches, which are, to "be unselfish," "sacrifice yourself for others," etc., and which may lead a few persons to sacrifice *present pleasures* for the *still selfish* hope of *greater pleasures* "bye and bye," but it cannot alter *man's constitution* or the universal *law* which says that "nature is always right." We interfere with these laws at our peril, and if we could attain the vantage ground of complete knowledge and universal experience we would see that this much abused world is not out of joint after all, and that seeming evils are only the prods and pokes of necessity, which assist in bringing man into true relations with nature and the soul. If we will banish the darkness of ignorance by the light of knowledge, the illusions of so-called evil will vanish and selfishness take care of itself. There is no reason why man should not surround himself with all that would gratify his finer tastes. God is no beggar, and man is endowed with the power to draw on the exhaustless resources of Infinity for the gratification of his every want.

That *man* is given this unlimited power to think, and thus create, does not signify that the Infinite intended that we should live like skulking tramps or vagabonds. Do you ask if the Christ did not so live? If the Christ had the conscious spiritual power to create and instantly draw on the bank of the Infinite for all.

material needs, was it not a *very* good reason why he should *not* lug them around with him all the time? Would you chain a dozen crowbars to your feet for fear you might need them sometime, especially if you could get them whenever wanted? If you *knew*, to an absolute certainty, that the ready cash of the world was at your immediate command, would you care to load your pockets with gold?

Let man demonstrate by *actual experience* the ability to draw, through the power of thought, on Infinity for an *abundant* supply of money and all it implies, He will then no longer care for vast accumulations, knowing they would be only a useless care and burden, nor will he withhold such needed help to his fellowman, as he may have the impulse to render, or try to do less than justice to all in his every transaction.

Spiritual liberation is to come, not by stifling selfishness, but by the development of that omnipotent power within which can *afford* to be generous. Courage and generosity generally arise from a consciousness of superior strength. Learn how to develop your inherent spiritual strength and spiritual liberation will take care of itself.

"God helps him who helps himself." Man should help his fellowmen to help themselves and not regard them as helpless, forlorn or unfortunate, or to cry with them for company. By first attaining equilibrium of soul, or spiritual strength, and the abundance incidental thereto, he will thus be able to throw others into right relations with their own fountains of strength and supply and to give them outward help on all proper occasions.

That sickly, helpless "sympathy," which says:

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