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Success is Certain

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How to Create Opportunities.

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Man's position in the world should be that of master and not slave. His power to think will enable him in time, not only to "subdue the earth," but to control "every living thing," and to overcome even death itself. True mastery may be called a science, because it is governed by fixed principles, which are as exact and eternal as are the principles of mathematics and the universe.

The laws of thought and vibration are the eternal principles which place transcendent possibilities within man's reach. It is because the principles of this science of mastery are so simple, that man discards them until everything else has been tried and found wanting. Truth is always simple. It is our webs of error that are so complex. How important it is to grasp the esoteric meanings of simple things.

One of the very simple things which has deeply esoteric meanings is your thought. It is continually creating for you opportunities and circumstances, good or bad. When you thoroughly understand your thought powers, you may create for yourself unlimited opportunities, and thus bring into your outward life, the embodiment of your highest ideals, your noblest ambitions and aspirations, and your heart's deepest cravings.

The illusions of sense tell us, that this world is an immense solid, full of rough corners and edges, and that it was not planned with any especial reference to our personal comfort, happiness or good. It is only when we comprehend its esoteric meanings that we discover an entirely different condition of things. First, we discover that it is not a solid, but fluid, or spiritual; that its every atom is only a rate of vibration, or mode of motion, and that every rate of vibration is represented within the heart of man, and is ever subject to the control of his thought, as soon as he has gained perfect thought control.

Man is subject to the control of circumstances, to the magnetic influence or gravity, of every outside organized body, including the planets which compose our Solar system, until, through self-knowledge, he is able to awaken within himself vibrations, or magnetic influences, which have higher rates of speed, and which are, therefore, more powerful, and abundantly able to neutralize, or control, such outward magnetisms.

The low vibrations of an inferior organism are easily disintegrated, or reorganized, by him, who, through knowledge, is able by the power of thought to consciously generate higher vibrations, thus touching its keynote. The greater includes the less. This power should be used with the utmost caution, because other organisms having the same keynotes might be affected at the same time, which might lead to disastrous results. Occultists who remember the fate of Atlantis will need no such caution.

Self-knowledge enables man to awaken his latent potentialities and master his fate. The buffetings of fate are only for him who ignorantly drifts. The

process of mastery is comparatively simple. First of all, man must realize that those inner vibratory potentialities are actual realities *now*, and not mere fictions.

The acknowledged leaders of modern thought, although convinced that man, the microcosm, is a miniature universe in which exists all the potentialities of the macrocosm, have been unable to formulate practical rules by which man can bring into actual and immediate use, those inherent potentialities. They freely grant that each "atom" contains within itself some power which makes its evolution a foregone conclusion and necessity, but they fail to clearly link man to his exhaustless source from which he may borrow *now*, the conscious strength of its omnipotence. The Occultist takes man *behind* the mere outer scenes, which are but effects, and not only shows him his place in the universe, *as master*, but also shows him how he may deal with *causes* and so exercise those powers of mastery. These claims are facts, not fictions. They are scientific deductions from the laws of vibration and thought, and not mere "tommy rot." They are founded upon scientific and everlasting principles which any ordinary person who is able to become "as a little child," in freedom from prejudice, can comprehend and then apply. To so understand them is the chief corner stone in the temple of knowledge which enables man to create opportunities and demonstrate his mastery.

From our civilization has sprung a vast army of spiritual paralytics, who, in trying to escape from the blindness and narrowness of witch-hanging bigotry, have followed the backward swing of the pendulum, into a treadmill of agnosticism and materialistic thought, which they have trundled until their thought

vibrations have crusted into almost impenetrable shells of self, and, which gradually solidify, from that to dry rot, fossilization, and its consequent spiritual stagnation.

Materialistic philosophy has done much to "wipe the slate" of many theological errors, and by abandoning such dogmatic rubbish have cleared the way for something better, because more affirmative than materialism, but it has been at the personal expense of many of its pioneers and devotees, who have suffered the severe consequences of its narrow limitations. When, like the frog in the well, they regard that which they see as "the whole thing," it takes a very generous infusion of Love's life-giving and lubricating power, to again sufficiently set in motion their thinking machinery, so that it will "see" anything beyond the confining walls of these little "wells" of materialistic truth. To soon "go dry" is the natural result of their self-imposed bondage. He who "grubs around" on the mental "hard-tack" of worn out thought, is subsisting on a meager allowance of stale, mouldy, and almost lifeless crumbs. It is not strange that so-called death should soon come to the rescue of such a soul, and quickly change its outward form into something more fully representative of the soul's growth and individuality. The soul is deathless and will not be backward about exercising its Divine right and duty of self-preservation by discarding a body as soon as it becomes a useless incumbrance to soul growth. The whole ocean of Truth is the soul's natural heritage, and it cannot be permanently satisfied with that which may be contained in any one little "well."

Man's spiritual health will soon suffer if he ceases

to be "hogish" in his appetite for Truth. It is the very soul of those vibrations which compose the body and personality, and, therefore, it is only natural that they and the body should quickly dry up, solidify, and die, unless constantly held responsive to new thought infusions.

The position of the materialistic fossil, like the religious bigot, is so weak, that he trembles at the suggested advent of any new thought. The invasion of a new idea, which threatens the sophistries of his pet philosophy, is, generally, a signal for that prairie dog yelp, which is the prelude to an informal dive into the hole, or "well," in which he has, perhaps, long been hibernating.

It is about as difficult for mental and spiritual liberation to come to him who refuses to think, as it is for an oyster to suddenly leap from his shell. Receptivity to new thought, is the preliminary to true advancement. The most brilliant mentality will soon become severely afflicted with "intellectual leprosy" and soul starvation, if long restricted to a diet of materialism, or to only that which the five senses can comprehend. It is the vibratory infusions of love and its spirituality which gives vitality to a mentality. New thoughts of Truth awaken the vibrations of Truth's eternal life, and may be used as a means of prolonging life.

Vibration is activity. Vibration is the life of the body, and therefore, inactivity is its death. Real activity is the activity of man's thought and interiors. Mere bodily activity tends to exhaust the bodily energies or vibrations. The use of tobacco and all narcotics tend to artificially excite and thus exhaust ones vibrations. That is why their use produces tem-

porary pleasure, but subsequent nervousness and exhaustion. It is an extravagant waste of vibratory power, and, by letting down the bars, opens up channels for insidious and unrecognized attacks from invisible psychic vampires.

Before entering into a consideration of the cold principles of this philosophy, it would be well to consciously lay aside all preconceived opinions, past beliefs, reliance on authorities or traditions, and consider the principles purely on their own merits. You can then better see to what extent they are *self-evident* and axiomatic.

All of us are more or less the self-convicted slaves and prisoners of worn-out creeds and dogmas, and of that conglomeration of fictions and prejudices, which bind us to the illusions of ignorance, doubt, error, and unbelief, and blind us to the new truths, which, if entertained, might, by developing those inherent powers which relate us so intimately to the Infinite, thus be very helpful to us in overcoming our weaknesses and limitations.

Should a child of the Infinite consciously enlist in that forlorn, cowardly and idiotic brigade, each down-at-the-heel member of which, in marching over their imaginary bridge of sighs, is, at each long drawn out sigh, echoing the doleful wail, "I can't," "impossible," "worms of the dust," etc.? Should one's ignorance of the beyond, cause him to march under such a tattered, slavish and unworthy banner, or to quake at his every step? Should the fear of future disaster cause one to shirk, or forsake, the duty of happiness to-day? If a dog's tail must be cut off, will it hurt him any the less if he *dreads* it for a year in advance, or, if cut off an inch at a time?

The Occult philosophy teaches that man's belief in his own weakness, depravity, and limitations, is founded on the falsehoods of ignorance, and, on the erroneous claim that he cannot comprehend things which are Infinite. Truth is Infinite and man's power to think, makes it possible for him to comprehend it. It is knowledge—self knowledge—which enables man to rise in his majesty and peep over the highest mountain of ignorance, thus causing it and its fictions, to fade into their native nothingness.

The reason every heart expands and grows, under the belief in, and desire for, its own omnipotence, is that the heart *is* inherently omnipotent. The laws of thought teach that the power to comprehend a thing or to desire it, necessarily implies the power in time to control and attain it.

The following basic principles are worthy of careful and unprejudiced consideration. First. All actual business results and material things are composed of "atoms," the essence of which is *vibration*, as is proved by the microscope, and now admitted by Science. Second. The creation of opportunities and the accomplishment of all results in business, art, or social life, is, therefore, a question of controlling the vibrations and vibratory currents of which they are composed. Third. The first cause of vibration is Love, but Love, being at one with Truth, the Omnipotent and Eternal, uses Truth's counterparts, which is man, the thinker, and his thought, as its creative and manifesting principles, thus giving to man, through vibration and thought, all of Love's omnipotence. Fourth. "Thoughts are things." Every thought produces or creates a form which is composed of vibration, and, if

sufficiently intense and permanently held on, will densify and become objective in the material. Fifth: Man's thought and the power to think, being complete counterparts of Truth—the universal—represent the tremendous powers of Infinity; and man, through self-knowledge and thought control, may fully demonstrate these powers. The soul is the power to think, and, through thought, may manifest the soul's omnipotence, as well as its generally acknowledged immortality. Sixth: As the powers of man's thought and of vibration are borrowed from Truth and Love the Omnipotent, the only way man can manifest these powers, through vibration, is by conforming to the laws of Love. To get away from these laws is to become feeble and inert. The reason is apparent. Seventh: Man's soul being the counterpart, or "likeness," of Truth is indissolubly united to that source, and, like that source, is inherently the same yesterday, to-day, and forever. His conscious omnipotence, therefore, does not necessarily imply any particular length of time. His inherent powers are always on hand, patiently waiting for his recognition through self-knowledge.

God — Love — Truth — Man — Thought — Vibration
 "Is all and in all." Omnipresence is an actual and comprehensible fact. Omnipotence is not only a possibility but the everlasting reality of man's nature. Love, or Truth, delegates to man's thought the Divine work of creation, expression, and manifestation of forms through vibration as its agent. As is the race thought, so are the race forms. Invention precedes the outward manifestation of the things invented. "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he."

In time, man's thought will become as powerful, and

his will so intelligent; that his present lumbering methods of carrying ideas and inventions into outward effect, will be abandoned. He will then have direct and conscious control of vibration and can marshal to his service any quantity of atoms, at the immediate command of his thought. The Christ could rebuild the "temple" in which he taught; as well as the (bodily) temple of his soul in three days. It is claimed that the pyramids of Egypt were built by the magic of thought; and that mankind, as a race, will soon have convincing proof of that fact. Man may regain these "lost arts" by duly comprehending the powers within himself. When this philosophy, in its entirety, is understood, such knowledge will be safe in man's hands, because he will see that through vibration and thought, such powers are derived by him direct from the universal fountain of Divine Love and Truth and, therefore, that they become possible only when the laws of Love and Brotherhood are conformed to. This is the conscious attainment—Attainment—which every person must make before he can truly say: "I and the Father are one" not only potentially, but also in conscious, active power.

Within every atom is a spiritual striving; a life principle, which enables it to evolve. That striving or desire is thought. Its soul is the power to think. That power in the atom is deathless the same as it is in man and, in time, will put to blush man's present state of development. Then why should we say high or low, or pronounce superficial verdicts of good or bad? Judge not that ye be not judged, for with that judgment ye judge shall ye set a standard by which your present stage of progress may be known. It is

by constant recognition of the esoteric principles which give such Infinite promise to everything in nature—to every flower, every tree, every rock, and every human being, no matter how rough or lowly in exterior, that man may cultivate his occult powers, constantly give expression to the worshipful spirit of Love within himself, and become more and more responsive to its interior vibrations of power. He may thus cultivate his spirit of charity until it becomes wide as the universe. He may thus embrace within his tender compassion every living thing which feels, no matter how mean, depraved, or seemingly unworthy it may be. Then will he be able to awaken within himself occult power that is worthy of the name. It is because such power pertains to Love, and thus becomes safe in his hands. True universal Love like a mother's love does not sit in judgment on the weaknesses of loved ones, because it has Infinite faith in a fulfillment of that promise of Infinite growth which lies within each heart as a result of its Divine nature. It is by recognition of our occult powers and the inherent powers of others that we develop them into manifestation.

It is a mistake to associate the development of occult powers, or the creation of opportunities with any dominant use of will force. It is rather a process of unveiling those potentialities which lie within the human heart, thus making a way for the undercurrents of universal power, universal justice, and universal law, all of which are founded on universal Love. The dominant use of will force signifies obstructiveness of these universal currents, and, to that extent, tie man's hands. "I and the Father" can never become one in power except by becoming one in motive and intention.

Every use of will force which is not in harmony with universal Love, must react on the one so misusing it, with disastrous consequences in proportion to its power.

The Occultist's power consists in his ability to uncover the Love principle within himself by uniting his thought consciousness with its interior principles, with the higher self, with that principle of Love which is the exhaustless source of all vibratory power from omnipotence down. The path of devotion is, therefore, the short road to self mastery, and to the mastery of material circumstances. Man's devotions must become something more than an abject appeal for an undeserved good which he is too lazy to work for. Expressions of veneration and piety awaken interior vibratory activities, but true devotion goes farther and deeper yet. In its highest sense it is the action of an understood law which reaches those innermost vibrations of omnipotence within, which ever were, are now, and ever will be, a veritable reality in every heart. Power is thus awakened in conformity to a law and not in opposition to law. It is our *right* as children of the Infinite to ask, expect, and demand our inheritance (which is all the blessings of Infinity.) The action of this law is such that we must suffer the deprivations and hard knocks of our unworthiness, cowardice and ignorance, until we summon from within sufficient knowledge, courage, and gumption, to demand our rights as children of the most High. Our natures will hold us to the rack of necessity and labor, until we get sufficient mental "fodder" to understand *how* we can, as children of the Infinite, get *all* things by simply asking for them, when we learn to ask rightly.

These results are possible because of universal laws which are laws of man's nature, therefore such possibilities can never be permanently taken away from him no matter what he does, or how foolish he may be.

Man's sufferings, poverty, and limitations are only the kindly hints of nature, which suggest that he *must* follow the thorny pathway of experience until he learns the laws of things and obeys the occult process of acquiring knowledge and power. The method of experience is a method of work which subjects man to all the uncertainties and whims of fate—of the *evil* as well as the good of nature's savage elements. The occult method of work is an interior method of dealing with vibratory causes, which enables man to get above the plane of mere fate, and create for himself those opportunities by which he can master fate.

Students should learn to discriminate between the vibrations, which may be awakened from *within*, and those which come by projecting the consciousness into the astral realms. To thus project the consciousness, is to make it more receptive to an influx of dangerous astral elementals, and undesirable psychic influences, with which the invisible is swarming. From within may be found an inexhaustible supply of vibratory power. It is ever safe to draw from its self-controlled fountain. To so draw on it daily, is one's only safety and protection against that horde of unseen, earth bound, psychic forces, which are ever watching for sympathetic conditions and negative unprotected points, that they may re-supply their waning and artificial conditions by draining their victims of force. To cultivate psychic power by the negative state or by projecting the consciousness, may create the opportunities

to be led into such psychic pitfalls, and to other unsatisfactory results, but those are not the opportunities or results that the true Occultist or wise student craves. It is appalling to see to what extent such dangers have been drifted into, and unconsciously realized, even by those whose earnest researches ought to be to them a protection. They do not seem to understand that to so project the psychic consciousness, while in a weak, unprotected, negative state, is to become negative and receptive to the diabolical influences which swarm that psychic line which connects the body with the then projected consciousness. It is to literally let down the bars for such forces to walk in, and thus they are built into the life. After that, to follow one's psychic leadings, is to follow where such a medley of imbibed forces naturally go, and, thus, new avenues for more and worse attacks are unconsciously opened up.

The unseen psychic forces which almost constantly surround us, are, as a rule, first, those vibratory organisms which are given birth to by the more or less selfish thoughts of people in general. Second, the earth-bound principles of criminals or others, who, at death, were at least selfishly inclined; and, third, those elemental forces in nature, which, to a greater or less extent, are organized into vibratory currents by the general race thought. These conditions are, of course, more dense and intense in large cities than they are elsewhere. They are connected with and hover around the scenes of their previous activities, therefore some districts are more seriously afflicted than others. The higher soul principles, after death of the body, are not easily attracted to scenes of such intense selfishness, which were, perhaps, through re-

pulsion, one chief cause of their deliverance, through death, from such unhappy scenes.

Psychic phenomena has done much to open the blindly materialistic eyes of persons who otherwise would not believe in even the continuity of life, nor is its work ended. It is not my purpose and desire to criticise the individuals who use their clairvoyant talents in the ways above indicated, but to define the principles, facts, and philosophy involved, that they and others may be helped to choose wisely in the use they make of their spiritual faculties and forces. Each person should gain experience and knowledge in his own way. Every imperfect way has its place until better and the best ways are found.

Do you ask how one can guard against such dangers and pitfalls? It is by drawing for force, guidance, knowledge, inspiration, and power, exclusively from the Infinite *within*, and not from without. The forces within are all yours and *exhaustless*, while those that may be obtained from without are only the comparatively weak and dying echoes of vibratory organisms, given birth to by other people's thought. Like drowning men they catch at every floating straw which tends to brace up their waning vibratory powers. It is only natural, therefore, that they should *get* more than they *give*, for self preservation is their *first*, if not their *only* law.

One may project the consciousness without being clairvoyant, or, without even understanding anything whatever of this philosophy. Any and all persons who yawn, sleep, or in any way get into negative states, as all at times do, are liable to imbibe undesirable psychic influences. Sympathetic conditions are sufficient invita-

tions for psychic organisms to do their work. They do not stop to ask, are you an Orthodox Christian, Spiritualist, Theosophist, Christian Scientist, or investigator of nature's occult laws? Christians and Pagans, sinners and saints alike, are to them desirable, to the extent of their susceptibility. All persons should use discrimination in these distinctions, and constantly cultivate that thought polarity, which will protect them during all negative moods.

After one has drawn deep draughts from the vibratory well within, it is safe to project the consciousness in a *positive*, but *not* in a *negative* way. One should, at times project the consciousness for the sake of *giving* force, but not for the sake of *receiving* it. Why should man go begging force from the urns of others, when he has an Infinite supply within, which may be had for the asking? The only true way to *give* helpful force to others, by projecting the consciousness, is to send them thought force that will more closely connect them with their higher selves, and, so help them to help themselves. "God helps him who helps himself," and man should follow God's example by so helping others to help themselves. To do so is the purpose of this publication, and of the Home Silent Thought Brotherhood. That also is the purpose of the Brotherhood's daily noon hour observance, as is explained especially to our regular yearly subscribers. That simple practice offers safe ways by which the members silently give daily helps to each other. Their united thought naturally organizes into *currents*, which tend to take them away from the inharmonious cross currents of race thought, which are the influences that bring accidents and uncertainties into life.

Let us suppose that your life is not what you desire that it should be, and that you are hemmed in with many disagreeable circumstances and environments, which are seemingly beyond your control. The simple question is, what steps should you take in the exercise of your inherent powers of mastery? First, you should obtain reliable self-knowledge from the best sources you know, so that you may better understand your individual talents and how best to develop and use them. Most every person is much more liberally endowed with capacity than he himself knows, and the chief objects of the character delineations which are given to those who join the fourth and fifth degrees of the Home Silent Thought Brotherhood, are, to show, by purely scientific methods, what those capacities are, and how to make the most of them. The slight cost is as nothing, when compared with the satisfaction and benefits to be derived by finding those niches which the Almighty designed that we should fill, and, also, how best to fill them. If one is not consciously perfect and omnipotent, he is not beyond the need of self-knowledge, because omnipotence and perfection is man's Divine birthright, and it can come into his outward possession only through self-knowledge. One's occupation and purposes in life should be chosen with special reference to his talents so determined. They should then be pursued with a determination to obtain the widest true success and usefulness which those talents and the laws of thought make possible.

After a pursuit is chosen, the first thing to do is to formulate plans and methods of making it a success, but before an attempt is made to form plans, the mood

of success and fortune should first be produced. It can be produced by that process of mental concentration, which reaches the deeply interior vibrations and thoughts of the soul, which include not only a thoroughly comprehensive grasp of the subject, but also the power to successfully carry plans into effect when thus chosen. Those interior vibrations are so widely related that even while forming the plans, they, at the same time, reach out to the events, circumstances and persons best fitted to aid in accomplishing successful results. Such inner vibratory thought-activities are the real causes which attract success and should be the main reliance in the accomplishment of any undertaking, great or small. To simply form a plan and then mentally hold to it—and nothing more—is to constantly infuse the undercurrents of desired events, with fresh supplies of thought's vibratory power. If *continued*, it will densify those undercurrents until their corresponding events become objective and drift into the life. That is why the mood of mind is so important, in fact the thing of main importance. Even every desire is a thought which has vibratory power, hence the importance of centering on desires that will be permanent:

He who drifts with the general currents of fate, is subject to its uncertainties, but he, who by thought methods, manufactures for himself the undercurrents of the events desired, will, in spite of occasional "squally" appearances, have the satisfaction of reaping a generous harvest according to the seed so sown. Thought is the universal creative power. "In the *beginning* was the *word* and the word was with God and the word *was* God." Truth is God, or "the word," and man the thinker and his thought is its

creative and manifesting agent. Truth is the underlying reality, and the thinker is its creator of outward forms, therefore, man has the *unlimited* power to create opportunities and forms which *fully* manifest Truth—the Eternal Omnipotent and Universal. The principle is comparatively simple, and its application simple, if man will delve within himself for truth and power, instead of "gadding" about until exhausted in experimenting with rotten and useless outside props.

Mental concentration should precede every important outward act, and be practiced at regular times daily. In this way one may keep so closely in touch with his higher self that his every act, coming from that source, will be an action of *power*. Obstacles and difficulties should be mentally acknowledged, only to the extent of devising ways and means to overcome them, and, when so devised, such means should be promptly put into effect, even in the face of all apparent difficulties. It is when one's life is governed by a sound and understood principle, that his action is strong and effective. Impossibilities should be acknowledged *never*. There is no such word as impossible in the dictionary of thought, because thought is the exclusive and fully-empowered agent of Omnipotence.

The underlying realities of material things are their vibrations, and in controlling these realities, thought and the mood of success should be the main reliance. Thought, like heat, penetrates to the interiors of things. That is why heat expands the bar of solid steel. It is by changing its vibration. As water solidifies, if subject to the vibration of a low temperature, so will man's body solidify into an unfit instrument for his soul if kept in the low frigid surface vibrations of externalities

instead of in the warm, life-giving atmosphere, of its inherent vibratory realities.

Every discouraged word, or thought of fear and failure, helps to tear down and disorganize the currents of constructive thought, which are so potent in the creation of opportunities. It is because they interfere with the regularity of such currents. It is best to temporarily dismiss all thought of a plan or undertaking if you become unable to avoid anxious or discouraged thought concerning it. To so dismiss thought sometimes requires a vigorous effort, but it can be done if one is sufficiently determined. One can, at least temporarily, forget the deepest anxiety, or the severest affliction, by replacing thought of it, with some other thought. This can be done as would undoubtedly be demonstrated by one whose house should suddenly catch on fire, or a terrific earthquake come during such an affliction. Each mental faculty has its particular thought channel in the brain. If you allow any one, or even a few faculties, to monopolize your thought force, your brain will, in time, bulge out in that direction, and, perhaps, to the same extent, cave in, in some other equally important direction.

"A chain is only as strong as its weakest link. If you would control your moods and achieve success you must give each mental faculty, or "link," the support that is necessary to attain balance and its consequent power. If any one faculty is allowed to dominate your mental activities, thought control, and thought direction, are simply out of the question for the time being. The occult practice of daily thought concentration is very important if not essential to the acquirement of thought control. By a few moments proper concentra-

tion at the noon hour in connection with the Home Silent Thought Brotherhood, one may manufacture moods of power that will be felt in his every event of each day. This practice has very esoteric meanings which will unfold to the individual who duly observes it. It may be made the keynote to great attainments and great success. Each person therein has the available means by which he can, without expense, create for himself unlimited opportunities.

A few moments of true communion with one's interior world, enables him to carry its harmonies and powers into his outward acts. It is because he thus gets away from weak, surface vibrations, into a vibration which is able to deal with the interiors of things. In questions of judgment the subject, whatever it may be, is thus opened up more comprehensively, and in a way that its interiors may be seen. The mere outward sight of the World's Fair buildings at Chicago, would give a very inadequate idea of the wonderful things which were seen within their walls.

To anticipate the advent of a disagreeable event is to make its coming more sure and its unpleasantness more intense. The opposite is also true. The lesson is, to get into those harmonious interior realities which are entirely free from disagreeables, and thus bring bright and beautiful things into the life. Opposition and rough corners in life easily melt, if thus subjected to the high fluidic vibrations of Love. It is not for lack of power and talent that we fail to attain good life results, but because we fail to understand, develop, and use those powers we have.

One's self-knowledge and knowledge of human nature is generally his point of pride, but it is rare indeed

that such estimates of self can stand a scientific test or the test of true success. In fact the very ones who are the most confident, are those whose characters have the most bulges or caves, and the ones most blind to that fact.

Life is a great reality which is governed by scientific principles and laws. The individual who most earnestly and wisely seeks to understand and then apply those laws, is the one most apt to reap a rich harvest of true success, which is the natural and legitimate reward of self-knowledge. The coming events which cast their shadows before, can easily be foretold and made satisfactory by him who, through knowledge, creates his own opportunities, and then makes the most of them.

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LATER. (March 4, 1897.)

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LATER. (April 14, 1897.)

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C. E.

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E. M. B.

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A. W.

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M. C.

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