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## Original Miscellany.

### HYMN TO ERIS.

Slowly, slowly, over the lake  
The mists of the morning trembling break;  
Slowly, slowly, upward they rise,  
Drifting away to the summer skies.  
Shadowy clouds o'er the water creep,  
The breeze's breath has stirred the deep;  
The rippling waves with quickened curl  
Dance by the shore like a laughing girl.  
Slowly, slowly, etc.  
Beyond the mists, I see the blue,  
The cloudy drift still shining through,  
And distant far, a glad surprise,  
The morning sunbeam meets my eyes.  
Slowly, slowly, etc.  
Oh! silvery lake, in beauty dressed,  
My spirit drinks the balm of rest,  
As wood from trouble, care and strife,  
I blend with thee, sweet lake, my life.  
Slowly, slowly, etc.  
Oh, changeful lake! oh, changeful lake!  
May I, like thee, to beauty wake,  
And see the clouds that hide my soul,  
Away like thy dim vapors roll!  
Slowly, slowly, etc.  
So may I greet the rising sun,  
That tells life's day is well begun,  
And growing clearer hour by hour,  
Shine brighter with its growing power.  
Cleveland, May 27, 1868. E. S. W.

For the Ohio Spiritualist.

## Deductive and Inductive Research.

NUMBER THREE.

To the consciousness of the senses, the universe seems resolved into three great positive facts or phenomena: mind, matter, and motion.

It is assumed that all motion is the effect of mind-action, and although it may appear that molecular movement exists independent of spiritual forces, still a profounder science will establish the proposition of universal spirit-power recognizable in the phenomena of existence.

The effort of mind is ever toward comprehension, and its action is to that end. Mind cannot comprehend itself apart from its contact and union with the material—since it is only by study of the effects of its own power that it can realize the method of being.

Science has made many and valuable discoveries concerning matter, but no full statement of its nature has thus far been possible. But of the spirit, nothing is as yet affirmed upon a recognized scientific basis, outside the developments of Spiritualism, and therein is more of suggestive idea than of positive elaboration. We must study the mind through matter, the spirit through its action, intelligence through its manifestations.

Matter exists as gross or refined element or substance, and in proportion to the refinement of an element or substance is its liability to be effected or changed by surrounding influences. It is true that certain forms of refined matter in the state of crystallization, as in the diamond, are nearly indestructible by common agencies, still they are at all times strongly affected by electrical forces; hence the true diamond is always colder than the atmosphere. The granite rock is but little affected by the sunshine and rains of thousands of generations, while the more refined soil of the garden seems to kindle into life and glow with flowers every summer! The discoveries of chemistry are full of examples of this law. It has been utilized until the etherial light is found powerful to produce chemical changes and print upon the sensitive plate of the photographer the shadow of the landscape or the figure. This and similar results in the varied arts are attained by the use of highly refined chemical elements or forms of matter. An investigation of the nature of the more refined elements or substances, requires the most skillful manipulation in the delicate processes of test and analysis, and most critical observation of the effects produced, to discover their order of combination and trace the relationship existing between them.

For this reason, discovery in regard to these things has been delayed, but at present the appliances of analytic science are so far perfected and the intellect so enlightened that even light is made a subject of chemical research, and by the solar spectrum proved to be capable of analysis, and composite in character. Aside from all this, the common use of the senses makes obvious wide distinctions in the form and nature of the varieties of matter. Some substances appeal to all our senses and are recognized by them all in any condition which allows the operation of the senses themselves. Others appeal to but a part of our faculties in any circumstances, while still others are obvious to but a single sense under the most favorable conditions.

Still more abstracted from our consciousness are certain elements whose

existence we realize only by their effects, and it is fair and reasonable to presume that there are materials and forces of whose existence our physical senses give no information.

For example, a beautiful fruit awakens in all the senses most lively emotions of delight. We see it as it hangs upon the fruitful bough, the hearing informs us when it drops ripe and heavy to the earth, the touch is excited and pleased by the softness of the down which covers it, its perfume delights the sense, and it is found by the taste as delicate and aromatic as it is beautiful.

Some plants are inodorous as they grow, they are not recognized by the smell, but are conspicuously seen, pungent in taste, and palpable to touch as they are heard rustling in the wind.

The porcelain paper-weight upon the table is heard sharply ringing when struck, its vibrations produce sound, it is hard and cool to the touch, it is perfectly visible in the light, and opaque, but has no smell, and when touched by the tongue is quite tasteless.

A large thin tube of pure glass may be quite unseen in the strongest light. It is tasteless and has no smell, yet it is very hard to the touch, dense and heavy, and rings like a bell when tapped by the finger.

We live in an invisible atmosphere. When pure, it is scentless, tasteless, and if at rest and of the temperature of the body, is unfelt; it merely conveys sound. Light, the etherial element, is of pure transparency. Revealing all things, it is itself invisible. Colors are born of it, but it is not a color. Sound, taste and smell, it has none. We cannot perceive it by touch, it is intangible, but most entirely actual and recognizable by its effects.

Electricity, everywhere powerful, is discerned by its effects alone; yet no one now doubts its existence, and there are other forces and elements still more subtle and elusive, potent in effectiveness and equally universal in dissemination. Of these are the auras, aromas, atmospheues, etc., roughly designated as MAGNETISMS, whose use and action enters largely into the problems of Spiritualism.

It is not perceptible that mind directly effects the grosser forms of matter; the utmost effort of will is incompetent to move a grain of sand; yet in obedience to the force of an idea, mountains are leveled, valleys are filled, and the face of nature changed at will. How is it that the mind, incompetent to drill a hole like the worm in the tree, can yet tunnel mountains, bridge great rivers, and bore through the geologic strata? Mind operates through organization! The human body being the type of its method, is at once physical and magnetic. Conscious existence without organization is not evident, and it appears by the discoveries of Spiritualism, that all intelligences, in every grade of being and sphere of existence, are possessed of bodies peculiar to their state and adapted to their condition.

While gross forms of matter are unaffected by mind directly, the refined elements are subject to its influence to a wonderful degree. Measured by the quality of that upon which it operates, the more refined the element, magnetism, or aura, the more completely it is controlled by the mind; in fact, it is assumed that only the most subtle and sensitive of all the impalpable forms of matter can be thus affected.

It is impossible at the present time to enter fully into the argument which demonstrates the existence of these elements in the human system. It has been fully done elsewhere, and the present purpose does not admit a review of the discussion. The fact will be found consistent as we go forward; indeed, upon no other hypothesis can a rational explanation of the phenomena of life be even attempted!

The human body is a complex and perfect magnetic battery and machine; including all the known methods of evolving electric and magnetic currents by friction, by decomposition, and by heat; it has its magnetic centers, poles, and electrodes, its positive and negative surfaces, its magnets and connections.

Each bodily organ develops and evolves magnetism peculiar to itself. The organs of the body are voluntary and involuntary, that is, dependent upon or independent of the action of the will. The will cannot regulate the action of the heart, but can control the lungs in health and during consciousness.

As are the organs of the body, in their relation to the will, so are the magnetisms evolved from them; in fact, it is by virtue of the magnetism their structure and constitution qualify them to develop, that

the so-called voluntary organs are controllable in the degree peculiar to their functions. The brain is the great positive pole of the human battery. If a number of pieces of metal are held against the forehead for a moment they will adhere with a tenacity not observable in any other portion of the body; this is because of the greater power of magnetic attraction at that point. The newly perfected magnetoscope is reported to manifest very great sensitiveness to these forces. From the arm of the magnetoscope, by a silk thread, is suspended a small ball of sealing wax. The fingers being placed under the metallic arm, the pendulum of wax and thread vibrates in a manner determined by the magnetic and mental state of the experimenter!

But owing to their extreme refinement, the magnetisms of the body generally elude analysis and baffle research. They are known chiefly by their effects. Still we have the authority of Herschel, the great astronomical discoverer, for saying, we are not to deny the existence of a cause in favor of which we have a unanimous agreement of strong analogies—though it may not appear how such a cause can produce the effect, or even though it may be difficult to conceive its existence under the circumstances of the case.

[Editorial Correspondence.]

## Summit County Quarterly Meeting.

The Quarterly Meeting of the Spiritualists of Summit County met in Empire Hall, Akron, on Saturday, May 30th, 1868, pursuant to notice, and continued its sessions two days. Saturday was mainly devoted to a general survey of the field, the consideration of the practicability of establishing a Society, Lyceum, etc. The attendance was small, and almost entirely composed of persons from the neighboring towns.

The second day there was a fair audience, and lively interest manifested. Sunday morning the State Missionary commenced his remarks by saying that, though he felt a strong inclination to dwell upon the Spiritual Philosophy, yet he was admonished of practical work to do, and he must regard the external. He who neglects this cannot truthfully be said to have any great measure of interior growth. A Society and Lyceum must be instituted here in the midst of this wonderfully growing, prosperous community. Their establishment everywhere is a question of time merely. The interests of the present and the opening future demand the Lyceum; it is necessary as a means through which the Spiritual may express itself. It was discovered in the spirit world, and is adapted not to children only, but to every age and condition of life, from infancy to old age. Here the youngest and the oldest may grow together. The speaker would appeal, in behalf of Organization and the Lyceum, not only to those in Akron, but to the friends present from other parts of the county; not only to those having children, but to the young men and the young women; would appeal to them in the interests of a momentous future. Let them take right hold of the work, and there can be no doubt of success. The palpable benefits of the Lyceum will naturally draw persons to its support. Those who have outgrown old forms will be drawn into higher and better. His anxiety was more for the Lyceum than for the Society, but the two must go together. "The great object of life is culture, development, and youth is peculiarly susceptible to training. We must not neglect the tender scion if we would have the thrifty, beautiful tree. Any religious system is faulty to just the extent that it does not care for childhood; and thus carry forward the work of the future. Sectarians understand this. Look at Catholicism. There are six Catholic churches in Toledo. The Sisters of Charity are ever active, searching out children, whom in many instances, they feed, clothe and educate. It is so in all our cities. Now, is it because they have more generous impulses than other folks? No. To a great extent, the building up of the Church is the animating motive. This is an important part of the external machinery of Catholicism, and so perfect is the system that few who are thus secured ever get away. Do revival meetings make converts from Catholicism? Why not? Are they less susceptible? No; only as the Chinese walls of prejudice within their minds prevent. In Cincinnati, Catholicism is making more converts from Protestantism than the latter from the former. What does all this show? It shows that the education of the children is the vital, essential work. It is time we understood this,

for in the nearing future everything liberal will be opposed in one long line of battle, in a more desperate conflict than history has recorded since the same dread call of religious warfare resounded in the past!

The audience were exhorted to gather up the children, the blessed flowers of humanity, and see to it that all that is lighting in its influence is kept from them. The absolute necessity for such liberal culture need not be argued. You know it. How much do you realize it? Does your head telegraph to your pocket? If you've only got a sixpence, send a generous impulse down, in the name of Humanity, and turn that sixpence over! You will feel the better for it. Whether cents or millions, go down in the midst of them, knowing that you are linked eternally with Humanity, and this practical beneficence will unfold you gloriously. Ask not, Is it popular? but, Is it right? Many are so scaled over, hardened and petrified in external stings that it takes ages almost to get one ray of healthy light in. Come up out of the cellar into the sunlight of generosity—and bring your pockets with you! There is benevolence in this audience, plain to be seen, and it is as sure to work when the proper object is presented, as the eye to respond to light.

What of Organization? Last November the State Association determined to organize the Liberal element. The plan is perfectly free; all sects may come and stand upon this platform. Like Uncle Sam's "farm," it is so broad that there is "room enough for all." No such questions are asked as, "Do you believe in dipping?" "Do you acknowledge the trinity?" &c. How they differ, but no lordly tree quarrels with the smaller ones that surround it, or say, "I'm oak, I'm close communion—you are hemlock, and you are maple, and you are pine—you must move to another lot, for we can't grow together. God Almighty never knew a Baptist, a Methodist, a Universalist, a Spiritualist, or any other 'ist' whatever. If you want a beautiful flower, don't plant it on a rock; don't put your children in vices, as the Chinese do their feet; don't put the little fellows—nor yourselves—in cramping creeds, subject to the periodical visits of bigoted teachers, who come around once in so often saying, "Don't believe! don't believe!" much as a cooper goes round a barrel to tighten the hoops! Your own life is the creed you are writing down daily. Life unfolds demands freedom. This system of organization—so that each may be the peer of every other—is a necessity. But some fear that our platform is too broad, too free. Let us examine it:

WE, the Spiritualists and Liberalists of Ohio, believing that life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, are the inherent rights of every human being; that the harmonious development of man's physical, intellectual, and religious nature, is the foundation of his present and future happiness; that Spiritualism presents the highest, purest, most complete system of religion and philosophy the world has ever received; and being desirous of obtaining the benefits of a LEGAL ORGANIZATION, as a branch of the "Ohio State Association of Spiritualists," hereby associate ourselves together under the following Articles of Association:

ART. 8. The only conditions of membership in this Association shall be the recording of the name of the person desiring to unite, in the journal book of the Society, kept for that purpose, and every member shall be at liberty to withdraw from the Association whenever they feel disposed, by giving two weeks' notice in writing to the Secretary to erase their name from the journal; and no person shall be questioned by the society, or any member of it, for such withdrawal.

If the good is in you, you are in no danger of being overrun by the vile or immoral; but if you turn your Society into a horse-stealing institution, it may be so. Be good and you starve the devil. Goodness and the reverse speak right out; men meet on their own plane; the thing regulates itself. Now, how many will enter into such a system of organization? Business and religion are interwoven, they should go together. No matter how many dollars are in the business that is separated from religion, there is no profit in it. You want a reasonable, practical system to carry forward the work that the exigencies of the times demand—a work the reverse of making people believe they are "totally depraved." Take Akron as a base. An army must have a centre, a body as well as wings. Come here, then, with your influence, your means, your children. Get the system, and the children will be forthcoming—with moderate effort. Get a place to meet, officers, teachers, and equipments and I'll agree to furnish the children. Your Socials, if properly conducted, not only pay expenses, but enable you to have speakers. Finally, friends, may we all come up to a realization of what duty demands and reap the reward of well-doing.

In the afternoon, following some remarks upon the teachings of Spiritualism, by the State Missionary, the desk was occupied by Mrs. Thompson, the well-known medium and lecturer of this city. We were unable to secure anything like a full report of her remarks. Every sentence embodied an idea, and only a phonographer could do justice to the inspired utterances. She had not forgotten the many journeys over the hills among the villages of this section, in the years gone by, and to-day rejoiced to see so many of her Richfield and other friends in attendance, seconding the laudable effort that is being put forth. Our mutual experiences have been varied, but shadow as well as sunlight is needed.

Without organization, nothing can be done in the way of practical life. Spiritualism has been flooding the world, and by its manifestations making the path of progress brighter. You have been blessed with the proofs of Immortality. It was essential that the membranous tissue of old beliefs and relations should be broken up; isolation followed, that a more perfect individuality might be attained. The laborers through this condition have needed stout hearts, and but for the evident growth of mind perceptible everywhere, would have retired from the struggle and have fallen back to their quiet homes. But there is work to do, and no time for rest now. Whether we have a liberal or a tyrannical Government, depends upon our exertions. Thank God, there is an Organization that will call the Ohio Legislature to account for its late illiberal medical enactment. We must concentrate and bring a practical bearing on the laws. There are more liberal than conservative minds in the country. Let us work for our philosophy. The freedom that is manifest in men is the prophecy and evidence of the degree that may characterize the nation. As we have general organization, so we can have special. All nature teaches it. While Bro. W. was speaking, I noticed a little boy in the audience who had his lap full of flowers—some were large and some small, some of brilliant hue and some of the reverse—among the rest was a large and rather coarse white flower, of no particular beauty. But the child instinctively organized a bouquet, and that which before seemed commonplace rivalled any of the others in attractiveness. That bouquet spoke volumes for organization, if a little self-denial will secure the means for this Lyceum, by all means let it be had. There are many things we can dispense with, without serious inconvenience, but not a knowledge and application of the laws of progress.

Mrs. Thompson then sang an improvisation on a subject selected by the audience—the Children's Lyceum.

About fifty names were enrolled as members of the Akron Association, and nearly \$75 raised toward Lyceum equipments. A Social will be held next Friday evening for the purpose of making up the deficiency, and to aid the missionary work.

For the Ohio Spiritualist,

## Jewish Confirmation.

On Wednesday, May 27th, the ceremony of Confirmation was performed by the worthy Rabbi Myers, of the Huron street Synagogue, in behalf of a most interesting and intelligent class of young Hebrew masters and misses. The reading of the Scriptures in Hebrew by the Rabbi and his young pupils was interesting. The sermon—following was well delivered, in German, but the glory of the whole was the examination of the children. We were happy to hear such broad, liberal, wise and progressive principles inculcated in a community which Christian prejudice leads many to discredit. There was very little we should desire to alter in the teachings of the Rabbi, and only the portion relating to the Hebrew ceremonies, Sabbaths, etc., could be spared from the education of every well-trained child. We should be glad to have every Lyceum child as well taught as were these young Jews. Most impressive of all the ceremony, was the blessing of the children. After the discipline had been recited in the most creditable manner, they were sent to their parents, who were in different parts of the audience, for their blessing, and as the deep words of fathers and the trembling utterance of mothers confirmed the lesson of the hour, loving hands were laid on the young heads, and a prayer went up from every heart to Israel's God for their welfare. Hardly a dry eye could be seen. Long may the children enjoy life, to honor their teacher and made happy the lives of their parents.

Cleveland, June 1st.



Missionary Report for April.

HUNSON TUTTLE, Secretary of Ohio State Association of Spiritualists.

LAST Saturday and Sunday we were present at the Summit County Quarterly Meeting, a synoptical report of which will be found on the first page. The occasion was a pleasant one.

On Wednesday evening we had the pleasure of listening to a lecture from Rabbi Myers, of the Huron Street Synagogue, in this city.

Bro. OAKS informs us that a Lyceum was organized in this thriving village, May 1st, and now numbers about seventy members.

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jobbing and in fact failed to show any case where they could be used. It is a pity that counsel did not ask him to name the winner of the Derby race for 1868.

Mr. Home is simply a remarkable medium for a certain phase of spirit manifestations, which have attracted most of the crowned heads as well as the nobility of Europe, and by them have been patronized and acknowledged to be what they claimed, namely—the visible or tangible presence of departed spirits.

As for the odium you attempt to throw upon spiritualism in the conclusion of your article, it is unworthy the pretensions of your paper to fairness on a subject connected with science and religion, that is endorsed by the best talent and most progressive minds throughout the civilized world.

When you become better informed you will probably change your sentiments, as most of your cotemporaries have already done, who once thought they were doing God and the State some service by opposing the only light that is destined to relieve mankind from the bondage of priestcraft and the ignorance of past ages.

Respectfully Yours, D. A. E.

For the Ohio Spiritualist. Communication.

MR. EDITOR: The publication of THE OHIO SPIRITUALIST has most certainly filled a large void for the Progressionists of this State, and it deserves to be well patronized.

But there is one thing that no number of papers, magazines, or lectures, can accomplish of themselves, i. e., demonstrate the grand, fundamental principle of the New Philosophy.

For my part, I waded through column after column of the various Spiritual papers, listened to innumerable lectures, besides engaging in many discussions on the subject, and had volumes of other people's evidence rehearsed to me in favor of the Spiritual Philosophy, and after all failed to be convinced, and probably should have remained unconvinced to this day, had I not found other and more potent evidence, from other sources.

Now I have got so far in the Harmonical Philosophy as to accept its basic principles as so many truths, and feel thankful that I have outgrown my theological swaddling clothes, and consequently think the cause worth proselyting, acting in accordance every chance I get.

For what reason is the Circle so little cultivated in this city? What chances are there for a skeptical inquirer? Is he to be overlastingly pulling out his pocket-book for the benefit of some traveling "test medium," or must he wait the return of the "Eddy mediums."

Now, Mr. Editor, what do you think about this? Does it not behoove all Spi-

For the Ohio Spiritualist. Swindling Land Operations.

The Herald's Washington dispatch contains the following: Eight hundred thousand acres of land in southern Kansas were decided many years ago to the Cherokee Indians by the government, in return for half a million dollars in gold, held on trust by the government for the Cherokees.

On Wednesday last a treaty was consummated by the Indian Commissioner with the Osage Indians by which, according to a dispatch from Lawrence, Kansas, about eight millions acres of land are ceded to the Government and the Lawrence and Galveston railroad.

Why the railroad is to receive this land, for one and a half million dollars, or 19 cents an acre, is probably best known among the swindling speculators who propose to get it at this low price.

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The third number of THE OHIO SPIRITUALIST is before you—an improvement, we think, upon either of the previous issues, yet in several respects falling short of what we are determined to make it.

We are more than ever convinced of the great necessity that exists for a paper like this in Ohio.

We trust that you will consider it a PLEASURE as well as a DUTY to aid us now in this enterprise.

We are compelled to omit a portion of the editorial which was prepared for this issue—also a communication from Elder J. S. Prosser, of the Shaker Community—to make room for the very important and interesting report of the State Missionary, for April.

The Children's Progressive Lyceum of this city will hereafter commence its sessions at half past nine o'clock in the morning; to be followed by a general Conference, instead of the usual lecture. Speaking at half past seven in the evening.

In another place may be found "An Extract from a Lecture," on the "Restless Spirit of Man," recently delivered at the St. Clair Street M. E. Church of this city.

"Build your churches; they are ours, by a law you have not known. Raise your steeples, flank your towers; Truth shall claim them for her own!

J. H. POWELL, who has for some time past been an active English Spiritualist, will speak in Geneva the 7th and 14th of June.

A. A. WHEELER and wife, the State Missionary, intend a vacation in July, and a probable journey to the seaboard. They have been hard at work and need rest.

A. B. FRENCH will lecture at Milan, June 7th; at Chagrin Falls, June 14th; at Painesville, June 21st.

E. WHITFIELD addressed the Spiritualists and Liberalists of Cleveland, last Sunday. We have not had the pleasure of listening to Bro. W., but competent critics inform us that his discourses are very philosophical and highly interesting.

Mrs. THOMPSON speaks in Andover, Ashtabula Co., to-morrow.

THE BANISH OF LIGHT.—We hardly need say to the Spiritualists of Ohio, "stick to the BANISH." It should not, can not, be superseded. But take this paper also. You need BOTH, and can easily afford them.

From Greene, Chenango Co., N. Y., we hear: "The cause of Spiritualism is gaining ground rapidly in this section of the country. I shall endeavor to get up a club for your paper."

stormy day. Spirit in this place, and I await the further development of science here. An efficient President and excellent speaker. "Gilder, as well as a whole time to the work. Also Broth of Cardington, and faction of those who hearing him, being caught again to enter hope he will. Monday I went to of Cardington, who enjoyed the hospital and faithful Spirit Much interest was a general desire to know of either of What few friends I and courageous, and a small society and ble. Faithful we needed to assist power to advance I came from the storm and sunshine I had arranged for sparsely attended, weather, in part, but justice and bigotry place as absolute. The storm was such that there was no present. The gen "Capitol House" of the "missionary and Brother S. O. unceasing efforts to Spiritual philosophy darkness which en and test mediums willing to work, s. Having an enGauga county, direct line of travel Great Western R recovery effort, by w the road, to make tures at Mansfield Sterville, the friend meeting, in time through. Hence at Akron. Here full of energy, life number of S" minded people, who can be established lectures at this place I found they post office, where and consequently been made. Upo friends, it was the short in which to had better improve around and talking, saying and Lyeo the kindness of B ing and intelligent man, who procured the "missio faithful," who all other places ing onward t found many w for organizatio and especially "Children's Pr cordingly arrau a "two days" Akron, May's time the "Mis B. French, will edly, in trump people who ma that time it is cize a Society a My next app na. I took Ha I made a bricks tions, while w I had intended day evening, b lifeless and dor Spiritualists th apart, that I d "breaking up" underbrush, th could make arr time here that would say to tl time cometh, y the "Missionary and put the pl Ravenna I fou with the "harm offers, battling ment and succu Many kind frier alists, as well as eral-minded pe I gave two "Citizen's Hall" tive audiences, associative acti ball of organiza and quite a num the printed form the constitution Children's Lyceu here for one of successful societ State. It will t right kind of lal a living, health earnestness of tl in a most liberal cause. My next point Falls. Here Bro preceded me, the great measure paths straight, at His two lectures, of the Disciples," ken of, and the fr this place have r Brother E. to con into to their wau once a month, is their appreciation worthy man and of the firm hold y Spiritualism has taining here. Th in this place ar f recent destructio borring under the not owning a buil meetings. A very motious hall in, for my two eveni well attended. Th using a legal Soci



Ohio Spiritualist, for April.

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Monday I went to Ashley, twelve miles south of Cardington...

I came from there to Gallon, accompanied by storm and sunshine...

My next appointment being at Ravenna, I took Hudson in my way...

I gave two lectures, May 19th, in "Citizen's Hall" to large and appreciative audiences...

My next point of labor was Chagrin Falls. Here Brother A. B. French had preceded me...

At Chardon, a beautifully located village, and county seat of Geauga Co., I found my fame had preceded me...

signed the Constitution for an organization of a Society and Children's Lyceum in Cranston...

Having left the railroad, I determined on trying the "overland route," the "country across" to reach a few inland places...

At South Newbury I halted in my country journey, and gave one lecture. Owing to the fact that the notices for meetings did not reach their destination...

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The weather cold and rainy, I was gratefully indebted to our earnest Brother Utley, who conveyed me in his comfortable carriage...

We close our month's labor for April, enjoying the generous hospitality of Brother Hurlbut and writing up this report...

The importance of districting the State, as far as possible, so as to still further perfect the system of Missionary labor...

DISTRICT CIRCLE, NUMBER ONE. Toledo, the Center.—East Toledo, Sylvania, Tremainesville, Genoa, Elmore, Maumee City, Napoleon, Wauseon, Perrysburg, Tontogony, Waterville, Westfield, Milton, and Portage.

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DISTRICT CIRCLE, NUMBER FOUR. Cleveland, the Center.—Rockport, Richfield, Copley, Sharon, Akron, Seville, Wadsworth, Hudson, Ravenna, Newberg, Euclid, Willoughby, and Kirtland.

DISTRICT CIRCLE, NUMBER FIVE. Geneva, the Center.—Madison, Unionville, Perry, Painesville, Saybrook, Ash-tabula, Kingsville, Conneaut, Jefferson, Austinville, Monroe, Harpersfield, Andover, New Lyme, Pierpont, and Thompson.

DISTRICT CIRCLE, NUMBER SIX. Chagrin Falls, the Center.—Chardon, Burton, Newburg, Auburn, Bainbridge, Troy, Parkman, Farmington, Mesopota-ma, Middlefield, Braceville, and Newton Falls.

Letter from the State Missionary. AKRON, O., June 4, 1868. BRO. HAMMOND.—We are still hard at work here—can begin to see streaks of spiritual daylight...

Extract from a Lecture. Delivered at the St. Clair Street M. E. Church, Wednesday Evening May 27th, 1868, by W. E. Lows, Esq.

Not to institute the metaphysical inquiry whether man is restless because progressive in his nature, or progressive because innately restless and dissatisfied with his present status...

"HORRIBLE (!) PROFANITY.—Some one, looking through the Religious Telescope, says: At the celebration in Boston, on the 31st ult., of the twentieth anniversary of modern spiritualism...

That was a shrewd girl, and not devoid of sense, either, who remarked, when other girls were making fun of her short skirts and pants, and affected to be much shocked at the exhibition thereof...

A thousand vague fears, wild speculations, and indigested schemes, hurry through one's thoughts in seasons of doubt and danger. But, by arresting them as they fit across the mind...

REPUTATION.—Reputation is as often got by noise as by merit. The man who blows his own horn loudest and most constantly is very apt to be considered the biggest and best out.

On this banner was represented a host in bright array, surrounded by an effulgent light, and marching forward in triumph; while a man in dark raiment was making his way toward a deep cave.

On this banner was a representation of a grass-grown grave, upon the headstone of which was the epitaph, "The Sacet Old Theology. Rest in peace."

Quarterly Report of the Ohio State Missionary. — Though this report was published in the other Spiritual papers two or three weeks ago, we shall, in our next issue, make room for it, for reference, as it is important that the SPIRITUALIST should give as complete a history as possible of the proceedings of the State Association from the commencement of its labor.

"THOU SHALT NOT SMOKE."—A "resolution" having been introduced into the Methodist General Conference condemning the use of tobacco and shutting out from the ministry all persons addicted to the weed in any form, the New York Tribune comments thus:—

STATEMENT OF GENERAL PRINCIPLES.— I. Principles are self-existent, eternal, impersonal, unchangeable and everywhere present. II. Individuals are dependent, and changeable. III. Principles, therefore, and not persons, constitute the only infallible guide.

No minor laws logically proceeding from these general principles can ever oppress the natural rights of any; neither will the time ever come when these fundamental truths will be superseded, however differently they may be incarnated in the methods of verbal and visible expression.

That was a shrewd girl, and not devoid of sense, either, who remarked, when other girls were making fun of her short skirts and pants, and affected to be much shocked at the exhibition thereof, at a party, "If you'd only pull up your dresses about your necks, where they ought to be, they'd be as short as mine!" She was not troubled any more.

A thousand vague fears, wild speculations, and indigested schemes, hurry through one's thoughts in seasons of doubt and danger. But, by arresting them as they fit across the mind, by throwing them on paper, and, even by that mechanical art, compelling ourselves to consider them with scrupulous and minute attention, we may perhaps escape becoming the dupes of our own excited imaginations.

Books.—E. S. Wheeler, the regular speaker of the Cleveland Society of Spiritualists and Liberalists, intends to keep on hand and for sale to accommodate the public, a general assortment of Spiritualist, Pagan, Infidel, Atheist, and other unique and good books. Send for a list of publications. Books will be forwarded by mail or express to fill cash orders. Lyceums furnished and the trade supplied at a discount. Direct to E. S. Wheeler, Room One, 89 Bank street, Cleveland, Ohio.



Selected Miscellany.

THE POET.

O, Poet! is this thy bower. This garret, gloomy and poor? Still weavest thou rhymes of beautiful climes...

Courtesy Necessary in Married Life.

Persons who imagine that marriage sanctions rude familiarity and disregard of the amenities of social life, are wretchedly mistaken...

Such conduct to strangers would be held unpardonable; how much more so in those who should cautiously avoid giving offence!

It sometimes happens, too, that a man will reproach his wife in the presence of others. Now this is what a woman of the least spirit will not fail to resent...

In adopting this course, men would find fewer errors to censure, and more sincerity in avoiding them, than they will be likely to meet while they expose to public animadversion the weakness of those whom they are pledged to love, honor and protect.

The Inward Life.

There is an inward land of beauty, where harmonious breezes ever vibrate across the nerves of the spirit form. 'Tis while traveling amid the elevating and ever brightening scenery of this heavenly clime...

sion. Although your efforts at first, may not be crowned with success, yet every truthful effort will bring you nearer to the perfect life, where, under the calm sunlight of Nature's divine outpourings...

Wonderful Coincidence.

Lavater died, and his friend Stilling, who always rejoiced when a soul was freed from earth, wrote a glorification of the departed Lavater. In this poem he represents the awaking of the good man in the heavenly kingdom...

Some months after the publication of the poem, Stilling met an old friend of Lavater's, who shook him warmly by the hand and thanked him for the pleasure he had experienced in reading the "glorification"...

From the Banner of Light. A Strange Law.

An important bill has passed both branches of the Ohio Legislature and become a law, ostensibly for the purpose of "protecting the citizens of Ohio from empiricism and to elevate the standing of the medical profession..."

To the violation of this law is attached for the first offence, a fine of "not less than fifty nor more than one hundred dollars," and for the second offence, in addition to the fine, "imprisonment in the county jail for the term of thirty days."

This law may be all very well, and perhaps may elevate the standing of the medical profession, for which there is urgent need, but it is certainly contrary to the genius of our government...

It is true, mediums make mistakes sometimes, and fail to cure; but do M. D.s never blunder? Are they infallible? For every mistake of a medium, I can show ten made by these M. D.s.

Nevertheless, if the law sifted out the quacks, we should be silent; but it does not. There are ten quacks with diplomas, where there is one without.

There is another point to this law, if possible, still more objectionable: "And also requires a good moral character." Now that sounds very well, but what is meant by a "good moral character," and who is to decide?

Fraternally, HUDSON TUTTLE.

MEDIUMS.—Occasionally we receive slips clipped from religious or secular papers, claiming that some medium has been exposed, or has been suspected of being an impostor...

There is not now, nor ever has been, a medium of any note who has not been accused of being an impostor, scamp, liar and cheat; among whom the "gentle Nazarine" is a most prominent example.

MORAL BEAUTY OF WOMEN.—No woman can be handsome by the force of features alone, any more than she can be witty only by the help of speech. Nor is she capable of being beautiful who is not incapable of being false.

Light Breaking Everywhere.

No doubt many of our readers have read the following, from the Banner of Light, but we deem it worthy of republication here...

Taking up "The Round Table," of New York, one of the ablest weekly journals of the country, and read by the most cultivated men and women, we fell in with a passage of thought, in connection with a review of one of Andrew Jackson Davis' latest works...

But the day for this class of individuals and papers, we are happy to say, is drawing to a close. They cannot go on as they have been going, and be longer tolerated by the more conscientious and intelligent portion of the community without rebuke.

Elder Grant Troubled.

The growth and rapid spread of Spiritualism all over the world is giving our contemporary of the World's Crisis some uneasiness of mind. In speaking of his recent debate with Moses Hull on the subject of Spiritualism, he says, "None other could accomplish such great results in so short a time..."

Well, friend Grant, let him come, but see to it that you treat him more humanely than he was received on a previous visit. None but Spiritualists, we venture to say, would recognize and receive him should he appear among men again...

THE STILL SMALL VOICE.—It is not amid the scenes of wild excitement, that God is pleased to speak to his children. The Prophet stood upon the trembling Mount until the tempest, the earthquake and the fire had passed. He only heard the noise and din of the elements.

TREASURES OF THOUGHT.—If thou hast thrown a glorious thought upon life's common ways, should other men the gain have caught, fret not to lose the praise! Great thinker! often thou shalt find, while folly plunders fame, to rich thy store the crowd is blind, nor knows thy very name.

THE LABORER INDEPENDENT.—The laborer is as independent as the employer. One could not get along very well without the other. The employer would suffer more without the aid of the laborer, than the laborer would without the aid of the employer.

Fifth National Convention. The Fifth National Convention of Spiritualists will meet in Corinthian Hall, Rochester, N. Y., on Tuesday, the 25th day of August, 1868...

OHIO SPIRITUAL DIRECTORY Mrs. NELLIE L. BROWN, 15th street, Toledo, Wm. BEATMAN will answer calls to lecture in Michigan and Northwestern Ohio...

HENRY J. DURGIN, inspirational speaker, Cardington. A. B. FRENCH, lecturer, Clyde. W. A. D. HUME, lecturer, West Side P. O., Cleveland.

O. P. KELLOGG, lecturer, East Trumbull, Ash-tula Co., O., speaks in Monroe Centre the first, in Andover the second, and in Thompson the third Sunday of every month.

CLYDE, O.—The First Society of Spiritualists meets in Temperance Hall, 184 Superior street, on Sunday, at 10 1/2 a. m., and 7 p. m.

CLYDE, O.—Progressive Association holds meetings every Sunday in Willis Hall. Children's Progressive Lyceum meets at 10 a. m.

TOLEDO, O.—Meetings are held and regular speaking in Old Masonic Hall, Summit street, at 7 1/2 p. m.

CINCINNATI, O.—The Spiritualists have organized themselves under the laws of Ohio as a "Religious Society of Progressive Spiritualists," and have secured Greenwood Hall, corner of Sixth and Vine streets...

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