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SUMMER DAYS.

are and fair, out the earth and air;

couples twinned, And yellow butterflies in pairs come waltzing down

the wind.

The morning-glories drape the wall with crimson white, and blue,

Coquetting with the honey-bees the long sweet mornings through ;

The humming-bird hangs poised above the lily's nectar-store. And unfledged birdlings twitter in the nest above

The grandsire sits beside the porch, where coolest shadows lie,

While all the bees flitting by; He never marks their flight, nor sees the swallows

come and go. But rests his chin upon his staff, and thinks of long ago.

I ask him if these summer days are not a rare delight,

They rise so fair, and glide so slow into the golden "Ah mel!" he says, "I dream upon the years which

The days, since I have grown so old, seem all alike

I wonder if 'twill come to me-the time when I

shall say, I see no splendor in the sky, no beauty in the day; When birds will sing above my head their chorus glad and clear,

Yet bring no flutter to my heart, no rapture to my ear? I wonder if I too shall sit and dream an old man's

And vaguely meditate and brood on half-forgotten themes While all the hues and symphonies of sea and sky

Pass vainly by my heedless sense, like trifles nothing worth ?

Ah no! whatever change may come, that change can never be

This lovely world can never lose its happy charm for me;

Not all the serrows time can bring, not all life's mightiest woes. Can take the odor from the fern, the color from the

And though my senses fail with years, and lose

Yet when the sparrow comes and sings at earl morning's hour-Ah! he who once has heard the song can never

cease to hear-I know the clear ecstatic voice will pierce my heavy

And I shall see the croses blow, and note the

pleasant hum

And though my eyes may have as yet their bitterest tears to shed.

I never can be wholly blind to evening's gold and

The flowers will not cease to glow because my cheek

The peach-trees will not fail to blush because my

bloom is gone; And all the mists which mournful age may bring to

Can never hide the purple hills, the sea's delicious

This beauteous world, which every year renews its

youthful prime, Will be as fair when I am old as in my childhood's

And age can never

To him who sees the swallows build, the morning-

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IS IT POSSIBLE?

A STORY FROM REAL LIFE

WRITTEN FOR THE PRESENT AGE BY ANNIE DENTON CRIDGE. CHAPTER XV.

far spent, the spring at hand. With Jane and is so afraid of being married for her her pupils the winter had been a delightful money.' season. The physician had recommended the family to remain in the country for the bene- fellow!" said the minister. Mrs. Meredith, fit of the younger children who were not well. who had sat down, rose from her chair and Jane's life flowed peacefully and even joyfully looked out of the window again. "Well," along. The cloud that had hung over the she said, her voice somewhat softened, "perpast was lifted, and she "entered into rest." haps it will do him good; I only meant his From out that past, however, there always good when I talked to him; we were very stood little Charlie, in his dark blue embroi- kind to him when he came among us: he dered dress and coat, his black plush hat with might have married any one of the girls in black plume as she had seen him on the morn- the church, for they were all talking about ing of their final separation ; to this memory 'Mr. Cuff!' 'Mr. Cuff!' but now not one she clung, though she shut out all beside. would look at him. Every day Jane and her pupils well enrapped in cloaks and furs defied king frost in his tinued a few moments afterwards as he was strong hold. What cared they for whistling seen to walk away, his head down as before; winds, biting frosts or crisp snow! The snow "truth sometimes does not hurt, but it also balls flew and the laugh and the shout of does good; the surgeons's knife and lance are cheery voices rang merrily through the air. not pleasant to the touch, but have to be The school-room near the river was deserted- used occasionally." Jane preferring her sitting room for that purpose. Diversify teaching and the above open air exercises with reading and writing of our friends during the winter, before we in a cozy room, occasionally talking and turn to the spring that awaited them. romping with one of the children, and we have a picture of Jane's life from day to day.

The interruptions to this life were her visits to Philadelphia. Here, with her friends, experiments on Intuitiveness, visits to Dr. Meredith's, attending his church occasionally and social gatherings similar to that sketched in the preceding chapter, gave completeness

her lines had fallen in pleasant places. At a Christmas party given by the Forsyth families a sum of money as a Christmas present had been presented to their minister, which, as payment for being their minister, entertainment for friends and themselves spring? he objected to take. "They knew his princi- whenever they met. They discovered that

Oh, summer days, dear summer days! how sweet ye

When all the birds have built their nests, in loving

said Jane as they stood looking at him. One power. his hands hung at his sides.

matter?" said Jane.

he also understood what was the matter.

"Poor fellow!" said Jane half aloud.

"You spoke to him about his bachelor's hall?" asked Jane.

"Of course I did; not as soon as I wantwait awhile."

Mr. Cuff still remained in his the church gates while the minister, Jane for a natural solution, but have attributed all and Hannah stood at a short distance from the phenomena thence arising to especial imthe window looking at him.

dith; he has been looking for a deep rector, tester, and all these unfounded theo purse."

"I think." said Hannah. "he does not now visit the young lady I have often seen him with, as I have not seen them priestcraft! the source, the cause assumed together for sometime past."

Meredith; "he wants a woman with money; ries; hence fanaticism." since he has come among us he has been gohe was hunting out the deepest purse, and so providences, ghosts, spirits and every other asked him why he did not go and see Elizabeth Forsyth, as they were the wealthiest in our church, and those he was then visiting had nothing. The very next Sunday I saw him with Elizabeth; then at one of the Germantown parties he made me sick-escorting her everywhere! He has been going there ever since-preaching 'Nature's laws and stuffing himself. He has offered himself I have found, to no less than four of our young girls in the church, he says he discovered that they would not can do somethings heretofore supposed the suit him; he should have found that out exclusive appanage of the Spiritual realm, The summer was gone, the winter too was first; Elizabeth Forsyth won't have him, she

"How sad he looks standing there, poor

"He'll get over it by-and-by," she con-

We must linger yet awhile on the doings

Winter brought some prospective changes to William and Hannah Tilghman, also to Thomas Martindale. William and Thomas the establishment of a branch house in Cincinnati, and then their removal thither. This change, which was to be carried into efto her existence, and made her realize that feet in the coming spring, was deeply regretted on one account, as involving the dis- and so beautiful should perish in their bloscontinuance of their Psychometric experi- soming, and that no glorious summer of a

must be without money and without price;" power (varying, of course, in kind and de- world of science is that science hath been shameful pittance profitably engaged at once as a present from one friend to another he was gree), and hence that it was not the exclu- taught superficially, none of its multifarious as laborers and capitalists, "sitting under their willing to receive a token of regard; this sive gift of one or two here and there. Jane, developments having hitherto taken a flight own vines and fig-trees," in gardens, orchards, money implying payment, he could not con- having made it an exclusive study, acquired beyond the material phase of life, that being manufactories and stores, in health, in honor, scientiously receive it—and did not receive great proficiency. She could now not only the husks wherewith the intellect has been in hope, in happinees—this was the repro-When beauty smiles and fragrance breathes through it. The purse had been made up by half a give a character with general correctness, fed. Hence, by reason of this blindness, duction of the picture she had so enthusiasdozen persons; a private conference took but could go into details, showing how and men with their faces turned down to the tically presented to Charles Upland, and so place, the result of which was probably the in what direction each organ of the brain earth have said there were no stars and no carefully cherished in her own soul as a vision silver tea set received by him from an un- operated. She had learned to go even one firmament! known source on the following New-Year's step farther; to look beneath the outward "Wherein then," he continued, "shall we later as men became better and wiser; and day. On the succeeding Sunday nearly every protuberances of the brain and give the seek an explanation of the Intuitive, but in so, when but little hoped for as a present member of the church must call at the minis- soul's own measurment—the real, internal the Eternal? where of the life, but the spirit? reality to be reached by her, it remained with ter's for a moment. How warm their greet- character as distinct from the outward. Thus where of the space-defiant but in the un- her as an ideal to be aimed at if not accomings-how bright their eyes, as they admired she learned as she said in her own words, that dying? where of the power, but in the es- plished; it became to her as a purifying, insometimes beneath an inferior organization sence, and where of the essence but in the vigorating, harmonizing influence imbuing Mr. Cuff had been so long in manifesting was a something which I call soul vastly supe- perpetuity of that which gives forth its her with the good she sought for others. any sign of displeasure that Jane and Han- rior and far transcending the external man; strength? Shall the spirit, which annihilates nah were beginning to think that Mrs. Mere- and, again, that sometimes with a large distance and leaps back through cuntless ages

> but it was carried out. One Sunday after spirit." This necessarily launched our generation and in space to a coffin! Verily, the experiments as the participants. He was meeting when Jane spoke to Mr. Cuff he friends on a sea of speculation, William of nor the flowers that fade and the blossoms that also so far interested in Jane as to request made no reply, but walked off to the church course, discarding entirely the idea of soul die are less the representatives of the unfad- Hannah to describe her in one of her letters, gates, and there stood as the whole congrega- or spirit as distinct from, or independent of the ing and undying than the Intuitive of the which Hannah had done, adding all she knew tion passed out; friends were greeting each material organism. The book in which these perishable form, and fleeting show which about Jane and her family. Of this Jane other, some standing in groups quite near experiments are recorded lies before us. So falls into atoms by the transfer of the spirit was unaware, although she had, as she suphim, but he spoke to no one. Dr. Meredith's interesting are the experiments in themselves, to a more glorious and abiding tenement." house being, as will be remembered, oppo- and so clearly do they show her progress step site the church, Jane called the attention of by step, that the record would be well the minister and his wife to Mr. Cuff's worthy the perusal of the reader; but we do all their examinations, often copying them movements—or rather, to the absence of not desire to stop here for that purpose, hav- from the record. He commenced a series of friends in Philadelphia, was unabled to leave movement on his part. "He is angry," ing now to deal with a different phase of this experiments with Jessie, the result of which his business; during the winter he often ex-

> after another walked away, but Mr. Cuff During the winter they arrived at this of seeing persons and places from writing or met to make their experiments. On the apmoved not, so he was soon alone, his head point. Jane in several instances had des- specimens; this phase of Intuitiveness came proach of spring he requested Hannah to ask bent, his eyes inclining earthwards, and his cribed the personal appearance of the writer almost simultaneously to Jane and Jessie, Jane if she would correspond with him. stove-pipe hat drawn over his forchead, while of the manuscript psychometrized; now she and suggested many curious experiments. Hannah, of course, gladly delivered the often described not only the writer but his Oscar, who had written a friend some par- message, to which Jane replied, "O, yes-"He would not speak to me; what is the residence and surroundings; to feeling had ticulars on the subject, received from him two with pleasure; tell him to write, and I will supervened sight. Here was a new phase to specimens of dust, the facts concerning which answer immediately." "He knows what is the matter," said them; they tested it repeatedly, and invari- he was to communicate subsequently to the Mrs. Meredith in her severe style; and the ably with success. At first they were skep- examination of the specimens by both Jane many changes to our friends let us glance for peculiar expression on the minister's counte- tical, Jane herself included; but when and Jessie. These specimens were sent by a moment at Mr. Cuff, who has recovered his nance as he stood a little distance from the demonstrated beyond a doubt, it was really Jane to Oscar for examination, with window looking at Timothy Cuff showed that interesting to observe how differently it at- the following result: fected them according to their previsous re- "I see an Indian who is seated on the ligious ideas. To the minister and his wife ground; he is making something with a indignantly, imagining that he loved her "Poor fellow indeed!" rejoined Mrs. it was but the realization of their faith in the stone; he is of very inferior appearance; purse more than herself. Of late he has Meredith; "I don't pity him; it will do him Divine origin of man. To William Tilghman laughs occasionally; seems monkeyish, good. 'Natures laws!' mince pies, pound it seemed to strengthen his previous views. tricky, mirthful; yet is an Indian I am cake, tarts by the dozen at Germantown two He read the examination in that connection sure.' or three days in the week-dry bread, aqua- again and again; his tongue was loosed, and viva, bachelor's hall and bugs the remain- he hesitated no more for words, though he shook his head more than usual as he said:

"Now I know that I'm right. Religionists have written on 'special providences,' ed, because father then thought we ought to believing each expression of Intuitiveness an position at who are highly intuitive, have never looked serious Indian chief." pressions of the spirit of God, here they "I saw him at one of the parties with rested, thinking the whole universe unfolded Elizabeth Forsyth," continued Mrs. Mere- Place intellect on the throne, make it the diries vanish. The Intuitive nature of man has ever tried to speak; but how it has been fenced in by the boundary lines of to be something out of and beyond law, not "O, no! of course not," rejoined Mrs. in themselves; hence absurd religious theo-

"Intuitiveness," he continued, "explains ing with first one, then another. I thought all the theories of Divine impressions, Divine out of nature, out of laws, out of order iming the Universe."

The minister and his wife were present when William gave expression to the preceding sentiments. Dr. Meredith was silent a few moments, and then replied.

"Remove or lay aside pre-possessions appear quite other than adverse to the idea of immortality. If man in his present state may it not rather prove that he is approximating thereto than that it does not exist? still rather, that he is himself a part of that realm? And assuming the doctrine of a rational immortality to be true, and that man is now in the Spritual world as well as in the rather prove its increasing power? Because we in the body are endowed with Spiritual gifts in and of ourselves (speaking after the is Deific in its origin-'every good gift and

seems to me that a portion of his conclusions do not rest on a perfectly sound basis. If be reason in supposing that faculties so noble

Jane sent to her brother full particulars of nah.

On examining the other specimen she said : 'An Indian Chief, tall, dignified; feels a chief in his very soul. Oh! he was killed by something piercing the back of his

that the first was an Indian, "very inferior with Ponto, being the natural sequence. "O, especial interposition of God. The Quakers, I'm sure," that the second was a "proud, Timothy," said Hannah, "has good taste-

> dust from the bodies of two Indians whom Timothy Cuff!" he found buried in a mound on his farm, cumstances to be an Indian chief; his skull to Jane: was almost pefect, and in the back of it was around hole, which must evidently have caused his death. This was the second of these specimens examined by Jane.

These experiments were followed by a series by Oscar to Jane she correctly described the cave from which it had been taken, the direction of the veins, the character of the rocks. aginings of God and his manner of govern- the inclination of the various geological strata, etc. The same specimens were examined by Jessie; and though she observed some things not noticed by Jane and entirely ommitted others that Jane had perceived, yet they substantially corroborated each other; and thence-forward every specimen was examined against a future life, and these facts would by both of them, each thus becoming a test to the other. Oscar carefully recorded every examination made by Jessie, leaving a suitable space on the opposite page for the insertion of Jane's examination of the same specimen when received. Thomas Martindale obmen when received. I nomas Martindale ob-should gradually become accustomed to the labor. served the same method, by which course a It is a beautiful spot, he added as he looked around double record was kept of all facts thus learned on the subject.

We have seen that Oscar was a dreamer : well, at about this stage of their experiments material, would not just such phenomena as he began to build air-castles compared with those we have seen result from adequate which those he had built concerning the growth of the Spritual nature in the earth "farm" were but baby houses. He wrote ife? And as in the progress of society the Jane that he firmly believed that Intuitiveness "kingdoms of this world," permeated by the in its present stage could be used in finding law of love, become gradually the "kingdoms metals, copper, lead, silver and gold, and of our Lord and Christ," does it prove the wished they were together that by repeated all his time to the farm. non-existence of Christainity, or does it not experiments they might ascertain the laws governing the subject. If she and Jessie could see veins of ore in mines now being worked, why could they not point out the nanner of men, for in philosophical, fact all places where there were rich veins of ore that no one else knew anything about. If they every perfect gift is from above') does it, could locate a copper mine or gold mine, can it follow that these Spiritual gifts resting they would buy the land and go to on the inner life must pass away, because that work, then good-bye poverty, goodlife shall dwell in an edifice more appropriate bye log cabin, good-bye hoeing corn, good-bye Virginia! how they would "Verily these suggestions of our skepti- travel! They would go to California, travel cal friend are in some respects appropriate, through the country, resting here and there Anxiously she waited the next letter from and embody much valuable truth; yet it to look for the rich veins of gold; or they Jessie; but five weeks passed before she the facts prove anything, they prove what all rich deposits, which of course this power ing: seers from St. Paul to Swedenborg allege as would enable them to point out; the Rothwithin their own knowledge-that within the childs, compared with them, would be but physical body exists a Spiritual body; and, paupers; for the treasurers hidden in the had but one dollar left! went from place to place to physical body exists a Spiritual body, and, paupers, for the depths of the earth would be theirs in measdays more and he is without money; what is to be

"The reason these phenomena seem so being too intangible to remain longer, but the reason these phenomena seem so being too intangible to remain longer, but plant; sometimes he was almost ready to lie down to development and culture, and without such now menaces the very existence of the public tearly to transcend human experience in the thousands of mountainties which are entitled existed, and save them from a danger which to development and culture, and without such now menaces the very existence of the public plant; sometimes he was almost ready to lie down

of what might be-yes, must be-sooner or

Hannah and William Tilghman wrote so dith had forgotten her threat to have some brain, good intellect and generally excellent and measureless geological person even to the regularly and fully to Gavin Kirtland, that talk with him in regard to his mode of living; phrenological development is a very inferior very gates of chaos, be crowded in time to a he was almost as familiar with the details of posed, read all his letters, those referring to her having been wisely kept back by Han-

Gavin though very anxious to visit his was the development of a power on her part pressed his wish to be with them when they

As we enter on the spring that brought so composure though generally avoided by the ladies of the church as rather a dangerous man. Elizabeth Forsyth has dismissed him called occasionally on Hannah Tilghman, once expressing a desire to see Jane, remarking that she was an excellent young lady whom he very much admired, even going so far, in one case, as to say that had he better understood nature's laws with reference to the affections he would have chosen Jane-all which was duly reported to the Jessie, who examined them also, reported subject of his eulogies, a boisterous romping has he not. Ponto? thee admires it, does thee The facts as subsequently communicated not Ponto? O, Ponto is wild with admira by Oscar's friend, were that he had taken the tion! jump again, Ponto! O, wonderful

What of Jessie? with the spring we naturone of whom he knew from some attendant cir- ally turn to her. Here is one of her letters

"DEAR JANE .- Behold our horses cows, farm house and all melting into thin air ! Spring is here ut where is our farmer? I scarcely know how to egin to tell the developments of a few short weeks Oscar gave up his school four weeks ago and came home to farm. His shoes were out at the toes and he must have a pair, and mother must have a pair; with various specimens of rock, minerals and metals. From a small piece of silver ore sent worked at least four hours a day for the first week when the ground was ready mother and I dropped the corn. He was of course very tired, but he never mplained, though his pale face and his hand against his side everytime he stopped to rest, while e looked seriously over the land yet to be dug, told

its own story.
"He seemed week his labor was fitful; sometimes he worked four hours and again only two hours Just fancy thee sees him coming towards the cabin with his hoe in his left hand, while he wipes the perspiration from his long face--'O dear, O dear! 'tis hard work!' he says as he lies down on the sofa. "Another week passed away. Poor Oscar felt hi farm slipping away; he worked by fits and starts tied him, so took a hoe and worked when he did; he thought that excellent, but I blistered my hands, and had even less disposition or capacity for such work than he had."

"About the end of the third week as I was watching him work, he said, 'This will not do Jessie; I believe I shall have to make money before I farm; O dear! it is hard work; but if I could buy a farm, stock it, build a house and employ a hand or two on the quiet valley, and the mountains in the back ground; "it could be made a very Eden; but there ground; "it could be made a very Eden; but ther are no schools this summer; we will starve while th orn grows, and next winter will be the same as the it wont do. O dear! let us go in the house For three or four days he was very much given

to brown study; poor fellow! I did feel sorry for him; he would walk out and look on his fields so sadly. He wanted to be a farmer, and had so hope and built on his farm that he had come to love it. "At last he told mother that he believed he would take the first steam-boat that passed and go to Cincinnati, where he would perhaps obtain a situation

But when we looked over his wardrobe-O dear! out; his shoes bought for mud, not for a city. "So here we are all alone, he has been gone a week;

the warm moist spring is here, but our farm is left desolate, pining for culture. I'm glad he has decided on this course; but it made me very sad and sorry because it was like taking the last hope of a drowning This letter made Jane sad also; for she

well knew what a struggle it must have been, how much suffering it must have cost Oscar to relinquish all his farmer expectations. would sometimes walk carefully over the learned anything of the results of his jourground; for there were large nuggets and ney to Cincinnati; then came the follow- out to them the evil tendency of the opposite DEAR JANE :- Great changes and adventure

since I last wrote. Oscar arrived in Cincinnati bought his clothes, took board for a week, and then

done? goes down to the river; sees men carrying hides on board a steamer; goes on board; inquires Jane laughed incredulously at her brother's destination; up the river, he is told to Pittsburgh enthusiasm. "What a castle builder!" she one of her own castles just fitted across her board! by repeating this operation to a sufficient extent the scured a passage, and arrived home.

he left us again once more, saying he would go far-ther if he did not succeed there, and would not return until he did, for he saw plainly he could do nothing without money.

"I left off writing to run after a snake which popped its head in at the door. I have killed the gentleman; his rattles I have laid on a piece of paper on the table. I shall keep them as a tro

letter from Oscar; he has obtained a situation i Cincinnatias teacher in one of the public schools There was an examination the day after his arrival, it appears, to fill three vacancies; as they are paid according to capabilities, his salary will equal the highest He wishes we were altogether; says thee could obtain a school if there, and after a short time I could; that all of us had better continue teaching for some years, save all we can, and then either return to this spot or some other, and live in God's beautiful country an independent life. Brother is sane at last! We intend to go there n three months, or as soon as he obt all together again.

(To be Continued.)

There is a grandeur in the Soul that dares Live out all the life God lit within; That battles with the passions hand to hand, And wears no mail and hides behind no shield! That plucks its joy in the shadow of Death's wing-That drains with one deep draught the wine of Life And that with fearless foot and heaven-turned eyes May stand upon a dizzy precipice.

High o'er the abyss of ruin, and not fall!"

From Washington Evening Star. The Public Schools.

Meeting of the Trustees-The Bible in the Schools-In its reading Necessary or Judicious ?- How far Relig ious Instruction should extend in the Schools, &c.

Mr. A. E. Newton called up the report

the Committee on Rules, adverse to certain

proposed amendments, and in quite a lengthy

address, he urged the adoption of the amend

ments. After Speaking of the necessity of explicit rules as to the Superintendent, he readmire." fers to the fact that the committee had reported unfavorbly on the proposed new rule requiring attention to the training of pupils in good manners, the culture of their moral perceptions, and the proper development of their my judgement, prepare the way for the satisreligious faculties. He says that he had an- factory solution of an otherwise troublesome ticipated that one portion of the rule might neet with serious objections, and it was venturing on disputed and jealously guarded ter- itated with the question of the use or disuse ritory. The amendment is predicated upon the undeniable facts that the moral and relig- So soon as the great Ecumenical Council of ious faculties of a child constitute as truly a the Roman Catholic Church, now in session part of its human nature as do its mental and in the "Eternal City," shall render its decisphysical powers, and that the proper develop- ion on the questions submitted to it, we may ment and culture of these faculties are not less expect a powerful and persistent effort, in important to individual welfare, the good of the community, and the welfare of the State public schools or to banish the Protestant Bible than is the culture of the other powers. "In fact, they are as much entitled to develop- tween religious sects. I wish to put myself ment and proper training in childhood as are on record in advance on this question, as beany others of our common faculties, and with- ing unable to see the justice or propriety of out such culture the character is necessarily requiring the use of any text book in our defective and un-symmetrical; the child grows up with perhaps a sharp and active intellect, but a dull and stunted sense of moral obliga tions, and a lack of religious sensibilitiesjust the material, indeed, from which to develop the sharper, the swindler, the demagogue, or the criminal of any stripe. To properly develop and rightly train all the No one will contend that the Bible is necfaculties constitutes true education, and any essary, or is used by any judicious teacher as system which neglects so important a part as those referred to is seriously defective." Mr. Newton continued, urging that no right minded parents would object to their children being taught politeness or the duties of truthfulness, honesty, industry, temperance, obedience to parents and teachers and to public law, and of doing unto others as we would have others do unto us;" and right minded parents would prefer seeing their children models of good deportment, &c., rather than

experts in arithmetic, grammar, &c. He says that teachers who are not qualified to impart the simple lessons appropriate to childhood and the school room, to give due attention to the training of these pupils are out of place in the school room. In other cities the duty of giving daily lessons in morals and manners is not found to be too onerous. He quotes from a law of Massachusetts: "] shall be the duty of the professors and tutors of the University at Cambridge and of all preceptors ond teachers of academies and all other instructors of youth, to exert their best endeavors to impress on the minds of children and youth committed to their care and instruction, the principles of piety, justice, and a sacred regard to truth, love to their country, humanity and universal benevolence, sobriety, industry, and frugality, chastity, moderation, and temperance, and those other virtues which are the ornaments of human society and the basis upon which a republican constitution is founded: and it shall be the duty of such instructors to endeavor to lead their pupils as their ages and capacities will admit, into a clear understanding of the tendency of the above mentioned virtues, to preserve and perfect a republican constitution, and to secure the blessings of liberty, as well as to promote their future happiness, and also to point

HOW FAR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SHOULD

child has religious faculties which are entitled existed, and save them from a danger which ples, he said, on that subject; the gospel two-thirds of their acquaintances had this utterly to transcend human experience in the thousands of women now drudging for a and dis-school system.

hope came, and he talked in glowing tones of this little paradise'-what it could be and what he would there exists such a variety of religious beliefs and non-beliefs in the community, the free toleration of which is guarranteed by our organic law, that there can be no religious teaching in our public schools without danger of in infringement upon the rights of some class, and thus arousing sectarian opposition. "The proposed amendment does not contemplate the teaching of theology-at least, what is commonly called "revealed theology"-nor of any sectarian dogma. It merely proposes to give attention to "the proper development of the religious faculties" of children-those faculties which are the necessary basis of all religious systems-and to do this in a particular way, that is "by duly recognizing and presenting, on proper occasions, the Supreme Father of all as an object of veneration, love, and obedience." This is the fundamental idea of all enlightened religions, to which no sect among us can reasonably object, and which, in substance, is acknowledged by even those, with few or any exceptions, who are outside the pale of any religious sect. In other words, the amendment proposes the culture of a reverent, loving and obedient spirit, rather than the teaching of disputed religious doctrines-a spirit which is the opposite of the notoriously irreverent selfish and unruly tendency of "Young America," and which is the crowning glory of a noble character." * * * The kind and extent of religious culture which this amendment seeks to prescribe, while it would interfere with the rights of no sect, would the better prepare the minds of children for special religious instruction elsewhere, as their parents may elect; it would generate an added ower in our schools for the control of the wayward and unruly, without resort to physical force : and it would tend to round off the characters of the rising generation with a symmetry and beauty which none can fail to

THE BIBLE IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

"More than this, the adoption of some such provision as is here proposed will, in problem that will soon be forced upon us. Already a large portion of our country is agof the Bible as a text book in public schools. this District as elsewhere, either to abolish or from them, or to divide the school funds beschools that is offensive to the consciences or the religious convictions of any portion of those who are taxed to support the schools. It is not doing by them as we should wish them to do by us under reversed circumstan-

IS THE READING OF THE BIBLE NECESSARY

a book from which to learn the art of reading, especially in primary schools. If read to any good purpose in such schools, it is for the moral, spiritual, and devotional lessons it contains. But it is well known that the passages which are suitable for such lessons, to be given "without note or comment," are very few in proportion to the bulk of the volme. Much that is read to children, without explanation, might as well be read in the original Greek or Hebrew, so far as giving them any intelligible idea that can be called "a lesson" is concerned. The repetition in their hearing of unintelligible words from the Bible cannot tend to inspire them with a rarational respect for the book. It is more likely to have the opposite effect. Much as I venerate the Bible, my reverence is for its spirit rather than its letter-for the truths it contains, rather than the paper and boards, or mere words which makes up the volume. Now, the spirit of its moral and devotional essons is incorporated into many other books, adapted to the comprehension of children, and even into many of the lessons presented in our common reading-books of all grades. These are, or should be made to be, unexceptionable to all respectable classes who are required to support the public schools. In my judgement,, it would be more just, reasonable and useful to require the use of such lessons as means of religious culture, than to prescribe the daily reading, "without note or comment," of passages selected at random from the Bible. Or, if lessons from the Bible are still to be used, it would seem far more sensible that a selection should be made or adopted, by competent authority, of passages suited to the purpose, and of a character not offensive to the consciences of any class. Such lessons could be printed in a small book by themselves, adapted to the different grades of schools, and if the language should be simplified or explained where necessary it would be all the better for the Mr. Newton next considers the second purpose intended. By making provision for branch of the proposed rule requiring teach- religious culture, as suggested in the proposed ers to give attention to the development of amendment, and at the same time avoiding the religious faculties of their pupils, which infringement upon the rights of conscience of probably, he says, is without precedent in any class, we may not only improve the charments, more than two hundred of which were duly recorded in their book. This was their luscious fruit, the bright promise of the duly recorded in their book.

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INVOCATION.

Our Father God! thou holy one, With up-lift hearts we come, To breathe thy praise once more.

Assembled here to learn of Thee, As one life, one soul, one heart we stand, Asking that thy presence may be felt,

As in the spirit-land. Our Father God! send us thy love, To bless our lonely, weary life, Thy pure and holy angel peace, To still the storm of pain and strife.

Oh ! give us knowledge, and the power, That its bright presence ever brings, And wisdom with her golden light, Our Father God! teach us to walk, Within the straight and narrow way

And all thy perfect laws obey Then from a true and noble life. Our praises shall forever rise, And piercing heaven's star-paved floor, Draw blessings from beyond the skies

eds asserted Reflection.

Emerson has said that "every thing the hood, and their voice is heard in the counindividual sees without him corresponds to cil of the nation. The same cannon that his states of mind," and the poet has ex- aroused the men of the nation white and pressed the same idea as follows:

"The thinker need not look without, To find creation's plan, The light and thought of all the world's Prefigured, dwells in man."

If this be true we see no reason why man may not do what he wills to do, and be what he aspires to be; and from the affluence of his spiritual nature obtain the wisdom and power to solve the most difficult problem that could be presented to his consciousness. If every individual is an incarnation of the divine, possessing all the attributes embodied in the First Cause, what is to prevent the finite from opening the windows of the soul, that his spirit may look skyward and blend with the infinite. Thus gaining from the inexhaustable store house of intelligence, brighter gems of wisdom, purer pearls of thought and a more perfect understanding of God and nature, mind and matter, the real and the ideal, than he could obtain in a lifetime of research among the antiquities of the past.

> Can ascend truth's holy mountain, Or drink from out the golden cup At inspiration's fountain-

If he can do this-

Can see and comprehend truth, disting false; and from the pure realm of principle draw out a code of correct living, which will it is possible for individualized spirit to do this, and having attained the highest pinnacle in the temple of mind, from which lofty position it can clearly comprehend the Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of Man, the immortality of the soul; the highest expression of the principle of justice, and shall correspond with the divinest aspirations The thought of that divinity will effectually mand her rights. conceal every deformity. We do not expect to see as perfect an expression of the attributes of the spirit given through a coarse good and beautiful. Inharmonious surroundings cannot sadden his spirit, for he has risen we have paid for." If we encourage pride, own faults reflected in others. Anger, like a ing his business paper. The Journal adds: prickly thorn will arm the temper with intractable mo-roseness. Avarice like some choking weed teaches the fingers to grasp and the hand to oppress. Revenge like some poisonous plant, rankles in the heart and meditates mischief to its neighbor. The law of compensation is ever true. Let us learn from the wisdom of St. Bernard. "Nothing can work me damage except myself; the harm that I sustain I carry about with me, and never am I a real sufferer but from my own fault."

lost sight of, or appear in their true light, Baker, Miss Nettie Hazen, Mrs. Jennie Lansimply as the effect of organization, false caster, Mrs. Lizzie A. Spooner, Mrs. Jennie education or a limited culture, out of which Ivinson, Mrs. Mary Flynn, Mrs. Rev. Hartthe spirit will eventually emerge and unfold souch. its God like powers in the higher realm of We cannot close this article without hon-Editers New York Department. with us, and what we have paid for it. If this grand jury, composed in part of women, may be sure they have been purchased by kindness, charity and good will. If we have distrust, suspicion and hate, the "still small voice" assures us we have received what we have paid for. "The spirit of God is withn." With God nothing is impossible. We

can be what we will to be. Be true and thou shalt be strong, To labor for the right, and overcome the wrong Be true, and wrong will fly from out thy sight, Or change its dusky garb to robes of light. Be true and thy soul shall grow strong and grand, And on the mountain height securely stand; Be true, and all that earth can give is thine, The seal of wisdom on thy brow shall shine. Be true and love shall glide from heaven down, To place her choicest jewel in thy crown; Be true and on thy soul no stain will rise, To be reflected in thy brother's eyes.

The World Moves.

ter apparently aroused this nation to a sense of great wrongs to humanity. The shackles fell from four million human beings who stand forth to-day in all the dignity of man-

black, seems to have awoke the women too, and they like Banquo's Ghost will not down at bidding. What the woman's rights people want is a thorough and radical revision of the laws, which shall sweep away all the legal consequences resultant on marriage, and leave the two parties precisely as they were before, so far as all rights of property are concerned. Can this not be safely granted, and more, why not sweep away every barrier to her full and equal enjoyment and participation in all social, civil and religious rights of every kind. The time has been when this could not be. Let us suppose, when man was but a little elevated above the animal; when his own muscular arm was his own weapon of defense and

sense of justice; in that case woman would be but a babe in his arms. He rules by power, she by love; he drives, she draws; and there is no stronger power to keep woman down than this idea of her mental inferiority. In our own humble opinion, political enfranchisement will improve the character of women. There are three conditions in which woman suffers. She is not independent; she feels that she is inferior to man; she is not

the right from the wrong, the true from the to another for support ; and lastly, she does in the fine arts, and they were no less accepthat these women stand ahead of others, because of their liberal education. But wothe law of progression, through which each and science, and are they any the worse for not upon earth are necessary for your harmo- above, and from the buttery down to the celsoul will continue to advance through all com- leaving the kitchen and the nursery? Only nious growth in spirit land, and to gain a lar. ing time. It can look from the inharmonious let public opinion support them, let the pulknowledge or experience of fraternal love, This humble dwelling had been selected as joined them not to talk of noises even if they

ing time. It can look from the innarmonious and the public press, and in a you must return again to the earth" replied a temporary residence, during the erection of heard them, But scarcely had the mother glorions era so rapidly approaching, when life short time these old foggies, who look upon SILVER SPRAY. her as inferior, will be astonished. What is it that makes woman dependent upon man that my soul has ever given to that principle, The Fox family were reputable farmers "Here they are again!" The mother chid of the spirit. Hooking from the cann realing of seul life, we shall see not the faults and but public opinion? If vested with politi- It came into existence in the spirit-land— members of the Methodist Church in good them, and lay down. Thereupon the noises of sour rise, we shall see not the launts and cal franchise, the cares of the State will, in a hence there is no taint of earth clinging to standing, and much respected by their neighbors. The

groves and lofty towers catch the first smiles not her influence being felt where we had it higher plains of life. of day. But this does not detract from the not, but sadly needed it before? We have beauty of the wild rolling prairie. It is true instances before us: The Senate of Wisthat what the individual sees without corres- consin, as we learn from the Beloit Journal, lady to a clerkship in the Legislature. In superior to them, realizing that they are but 1861, Mr. Caverno, a member of the Asthe imperfect expression of the principles of sembly from Milwaukie, having a large nature, which when properly understood will amount of local business intrusted to his care, right the seeming wrongs of the present. It had his wife with him, occupying a seat at has been truly said that "we receive what the same desk, to assist him as amanuensis She was regularly in her place each day of selfishness and injustice they will make their the session, doing most of her husband's cornomes with us, and we will be apt to see our respondence, and under his direction prepar-

The presence of a lady daily among a hundred "The presence of a lady daily among a hundred legislators, was at first regarded as a matter of questionable propriety, but it soon became apparent that the constant attendance of a lady exercised a restraining influence. There was probably less vulgarity and impropriety of language during that session than at any previous or subsequent one. Mrs. Caverno by her admirable deportment won the respect of all and at the close of the session than respect of all, and at the close of the session the members of the Assembly united in presenting her with an elegant gold watch and chain.

Only a few weeks since the news reached us of the conferring of the right of franchise on women by the Territory of Wyoming. family, is not the success and honor of one tory that women are empanelled as jurors. It glory of the noon-day sun." misfortune of one the sorrow of all? Are the box from which the grand jury was to be will do as you think best, although I dread to twelve years old; and Kate, nine. misfortune of one the sorrow of all? Are the box from which the grand jury was to be not Socrates, Plato, Jesus and Paul, parts of drawn, the names of women, who were legal return again to the dark atmosphere of earth. Soon after they had taken up their resithe great soul of nature and cannot we incorvoters as well as men, and eleven women were the discovery at of the best paper ever published for children. the different societies, comprising this Circle, make porate their truths in our lives? did not drawn, and not one asked to be excused. It morrow, we will launch our bark upon one of to think it was a very noisy house; but this Hydesville! Mr. Mompesson, in bed with We were glad to learn from Mrs. Kimball the an effort to be present at this meeting, as business of their success pave the way for our more has been asserted that women would not vote the magnetic rivers connecting the earth was attributed to rats and mice. During the his little daughter, (about Kate's age,) rapid advancement? may we not through con- if they had the power. We regard the ac- with the spheres above it."

so absorbed in the contemplation of those jurors, who are, by this action, made to stand sublime principles that control the realm of out in bold relief in the history of the procomings of our brothers and sisters will be Eliza Stewart, Mrs. J, Mackel, Mrs. Agnes

he whole country. I have never taken an active art in the discussions, but have long seen that coman was a victim to vices, crimes and immorality of man, with no power to protect and defend herself from these evils. I have long felt that such powers candal that in our temples of justice and in our courts of law, anything should be permitted which the most sensitive lady might not hear with propri-ety and witness. And here let me add that it will e a sorry day for any man who shall so far forget the courtesies due and paid by every American gen-tleman to every American lady, as to even, by a word or act, endeavor to deter you from the exercise of these rights with which the laws have invested you. I will conclude with the remarks that this is a question for you to decide for yourself. No man has any right to interfere. It seems to be proper for yomen to sit upon grand juries, which will give Who that lives and ever lifts his eyes from them the best possible opportunities to aid in sup-pressing the dens of infamy which curse the country. I shall be glad of your assistance in the accomplish-ment of this object. I do not make these remarks the soil on which he treads can doubt it? The world seems suddenly to have awakened from a deep sleep. The first guns of Sumpfrom any distrust of the gentlemen. On the contrary, I am exceedingly pleased and gratified with the indications of intelligence, love of law, and good order and gentlemanly deportment which I see manifested. I will now listen to any reason which any juror may

ake for being excused.' CLING TO THOSE WHO CLING TO YOU There are many friends of summer. Who are kind while flowers bloom, But when winter chills the blessoms. They depart with the perfume. On the broad highway of action Friends of worth are far and few; So when one has proved his friendship, Cling to him who clings to you.

Do not harshly judge your neighbor, Do not deem his life untrue, If he makes no great pretensions Deeds are great though words are few ; Those who stand amid the tempest. Firm as when the skies are blue. Will be friends while life endureth,

Cling to those who cling to you. When you see a worthy brother, Buffeting the stormy main, Lend a helping hand fraternal, Till he reach the shore again : Don't desert the old and tried friend, When misfortune comes in view.

For he then needs friendship's comforts, Cling to those who cling to you. Hearts and Homes.

A SPIRIT COMMUNICATION.

Language cannot describe my happiness at

But my love for you is the first expression D. Fox.

SILVER SPRAY smiled as she replied: It is as if they were material. you will reflect this perfect wisdom and love gin's dream.

to March 1870, twenty-two years!

to address. In view of the fact that next when standing on the floor. protection should be conferred upon women, and it Thursday, the twenty-second anniverna that has followed, all purporting to come their places. So, on one occasion, was the from the same source, that is, from the world dining-table. of spirits, and claiming to be produced by those who have once been inhabitants of this world; and again when the results that and the early part of March, gradually inhave followed, and the power attained by and creased, toward the close of the latter month, through Modern Spiritualism are considered, in loudness and frequency, so seriously as to claiming as it does to be a new religion, the break the rest of the family. Mr. Fox and question becomes one of vast importance, and his wife got up night after night, lit a candle, at the present time very justly commands the and thoroughly searched every nook and corattention of scholars, scientists and eminent ner of the house; but without any result. men of all classes throughout Europe and They discovered nothing. When the raps America. We find in "Owens' Footfalls on came on a door, Mr. Fox would stand, ready the Boundaries of Another World," the to open, the moment they were repeated. following very clear and full statement of the But this expedient, too, proved unavailing. manifestations in the house occupied by Mr. Though he opened the door on the instant, John D. Fox, near Rochester New York, by there was no one to be seen. Nor did he or which the first intelligible communication Mrs. Fox ever obtain the slightest clew to ever obtained from the spirit world by the use the cause of these disturbances. of alphabet was received. Whole sen- The only circumstance which seemed to tences being rapped out by some intelli- suggest the possibility of trickery or of misgent power, unseen and unknown to those take was, that these various unexplained ocwho witnessed these remarkable demonstra- currences never happened in daylight.

> The Hydesville Dwelling-House. Disturbances in Western New York,

your earth."

1848. which must be attributed to the difference of and the consciousness that I possessed her af- the proprietor of the house in question. It be one of the simplest things in the world." the possibilities of the soul. We believe opinion as regards education. Many had distinguished themselves in a literary way, many capable of appreciating, being so completely lower floor consisting, in 1848, of two modemen occupy high positions in literature unfold all its attributes. The loves you knew from the sitting-room up to the half-story ment.

joy that has become a part of our being will measure, fall upon her; if vested with election and there bors as honest, upright people. Mr. Fox's children sat up in bed. Mrs. Fox called in reveal the divinity in every human form. ive franchise, she will be in a condition to de-If I possess the purest and divinest express- iginally Voss; but both he and Mrs. Fox gested itself to him that it might be the rat-Who one year since would have believed it ion of love, why is it necessary to retrace my were native born. In Mrs. Fox's family, thing of the sashes. He tried several, shakand inharmonious organization as through years, she occupies to-day. See what she is contain all that is of any value in the lower, sight,—her maternal grandmother, whose as often as her father shook a window-sash one in whom we find a harmonious blending doing in the Western States and Territories. as the lowest contains the highest, but undevel- maiden name was Margaret Ackerman, and the noises seemed to reply. Being a lively of the temperaments and a well balanced Is woman treated in consequence with any oped. According to this I shall obtain in time who resided at Long Island, among the numbrain. We know that only the higher em- less respect? On the contrary, is she not all that is necessary for me to possess, and ber. She had, frequently, perceptions of fu-

because you are so absorbed in this one love Mrs. Fox's sister also, Mrs. Elizabeth that you do not see the necessity of gaining a Higgins, had similar power. On one occa- can tell where the end will be?

Who will question the statement we now suade herself this might be but the hammermind and matter, that the sunlight of God's gressive movements of the world: Mrs. make, that in no period of the world's history ing of a shoemaker, in a house hard by, sitlove, will so fill our hearts, that the short Amelia Hatchter, Mrs. Dr. Hilton, Miss has there been witnessed such a change in ting up late at work. But further observa- whether she could still obtain a response. the religious world as has occurred during tion showed that the sounds, whencesoever Yes! It could see, then, as well as hear! paper filled with choice reading, and free from the time above indicated, from March 1848 proceeding, originated in the house. For She called her mother "Only look, moth- the soul degrading teachings of the Sectari-It is not our purpose to speak of this great come more distinct, and not only were they and thumb as before. And as often as she us, more attractive than ever. We are quite revolution or particularize as to the marked heard first in one part of the house, then in repeated the noiseless motion, just so often re- sure our readers who do not take the Lyceum change in the public mind upon theological another, but the family finally remarked that sponded the raps. life. It is well to pause in the journey of orable mention of Chief Justice Howe-all subjects. We are aware that to this it may these raps, even when not very loud, often This at once arrested her mother's attenlife and ask ourselves, what we are taking honor to his name. In his first charge to be replied that no change has been made in caused a motion, tremulous rather than a sudthe fundamental doctrines (as they are term- den jar, of the bedsteads and chairs—some- noise. Ten strokes, distinctly given! "How merely getting a copy for your own use, but ed) of the Christian church. Granted, but times of the floor; a motion which was quite old is my daughter Margaret?" Twelve talk to your neighbors about it, and get up a "Ladies and Gentlemen of the Grand Jury-It is are they promulgated from the pulpit? never! perceptible to the touch when a hand was strokes! "And Kate?" Nine! "What can club. Please remember that new subscribers novelty to see, as we do to-day, ladies summoned to laid on the chairs, which was sometimes sen- all this mean?" was Mrs. Fox's thought. Can get the Age and Banner for \$2.50 a serve as jurors. The extension of political rights and franchise to women is a subject that is agitating a congregation of to-day, a sermon that sibly felt at night in the slightly oscillating who was answering her? Was it only some year. would have been accepted then, and we guarantee he would soon have only vacant seats ally perceived as a sort of vibration even

The resulting on the floor

The resulting of the bed, and which was occasion—

The resulting of the bed, and will hereafter be dated Saturday, April 2nd, and will hereafter be the next question which she put seemed to republished every other Saturday, instead of twice a month as heretofore. By this arrangement as proposed in a resulting of the second of the resulting of the second of the second of the resulting of the second of the second of the resulting of the resultin would have been accepted then, and we guar- motion of the bed, and which was occasion- mysterious echo of her own thought? But

considered by itself would be insignificant, al- Another time (this was late in March) Kate stroke. She had lost a child. though creating at the time an unparalleled felt as if a cold hand on her face. Occasionexcitement throughout the world. But when ally, too, the bed-clothes were pulled during taken in conjection with the varied phenome- the night. Finally chairs were moved from

The disturbances, which had been limited to occasional knockings throughout February

tions, purporting to come from beyond the And thus, notwithstanding the strangeness confines of material existence. And here of the thing, when morning came they began ing out all the more wonderful manifestations the night. Not being given to superstition, the dwelling in question, which preceded, the that have followed, has never been explained, they clung, throughout several weeks of anand can only be accounted for by attributing novance, to the idea that some natural exbeing, "We are spirits once inhabitants of at last appear. Nor did they abandon this ered in, to the number of seventy or eighty,

snow on the ground. In the course of the afternoon, a son, David, came to visit them There stands, not far from the town of His mother then first recounted to him the that assent might be testified by rapping. pecuniarily independent, and therefore looks the return of Silver Spray. Her counte- Newark, in the country of Wayne and State particulars of the annoyances they had endur- When there was no response by raps, and nance was radiant with the glory of her celes- of New York, a wooden dwelling,—one of a ed; for till now they had been little disposed the question was reversed, there were always not receive that education necessary to make tial home, and I felt that it was not necessary cluster of small houses like itself, scarcely to communicate these to any one. He heard rappings; thus indicating that silence was to her so. It is but a few years since distin- to return to earth to learn how to worship meriting the title of a village, but known un- her with a smile. "Well, mother," he said be taken for dissent. guished women could be counted on your fin- and adore. I said something of this kind to der the name of Hydesville; being so called "I advise you not to say a word to the neighture, and receive the approving voice of ger's ends, and now they number thousands, Silver Spray, remarking that her presence after Dr. Hyde, an old settler, whose son is bors about it. When you find it out, it will

> Wearied out by a succession of sleepless absorbed in this pure and holy love I felt rate-sized rooms, opening into each other; nights and of fruitless attempts to penetrate table in the social circle because of their in- that from it I could draw all that was necessa- east of these a bedroom, opening into the sit- the mystery, the Fox family retired on that terest in public affairs. Everybody knows ry for my spiritual nature. "Thou cans't ting-room, and a buttery, opening into the Friday evening very early to rest, hoping for not live truly upon this one love, for thy same room; together with a stairway, (be- a respite from the disturbances that harassed spiritual nature demands an opportunity to tween the bedroom and buttery,) leading them. But they were doomed to disappoint-

> > The parents had had the children's beds removed into their bedroom, and strictly enanother house in the country, by Mr. John seen them safely in bed, and was retiring to rest herself, when the children cried out, ing them to see if they were loose. Kate, instantly responded.

This was the very commencement. Who

ponds to his states of mind. If he has en- recently appointed a Miss Julia Hubbard as knowledge of the others which are grander, sion, in the year 1823, the two sisters, then I do not mean that it was Kate Fox who which old and young will together partici- sand pages during the last four months. The ponds to his states of mind. If he has enponds to his states of mi stance in the State of the appointment of a found. Happiness is an effect, not a cause, dus by canal. But Elizabeth said, one morn-that these mysterious sounds seemed instinct requirments of nature occasionally deand no soul can enjoy perfect happiness until ing, "We shall not make this trip by water." with intelligence. Mr. Mompesson, two mand relaxation from the cares and be ready for the press. all the avenues of his spirit have been thrown "Why so?" her sister asked. "Because I hundred years ago, had already observed a anxieties of life, and believing too, open. Your love is now centered upon me as dreamed last night that we traveled by land, similar phenomenon. Glanvil had verified that the demands of the mind and body for day of March, at Otter Creek, Jackson an individual; Fraternal love is broader and and there was a strange lady with us. In it. So had Wesley and his children. So we amusement are legitimate, and to be supplied, county, Mich. Will answer calls to lecture embraces all created things. Your soul could my dream, too, I thought we came to Mott's have seen, had others. But in all these cases have resorted to the dance, which when propnot always be satisfied with the love of tavern, in the Beech woods, and that they the matter rested there, and the observation erly conducted is regarded by them as one of an individual, or individuals; the time will could not admit us, because Mrs. Mott lay was no further prosecuted. As, previous to the least objectionable practiced by society. come when this one love will fail to satisfy the dying in the house. I know it will all come the invention of the steam-engine, sundry ob- Hence they are in the habit, notwithaspirations of your soul. Then the love of true." "Very unlikely indeed," replied her. servers had trodden the very threshold of standing the denunciations of the church principles, the love of truth as it exists in sister; "for last year, when we passed there, the discovery and there stopped, little think- of meeting together, children and adults, and speaks through all material and spiritual Mr. Mott's wife lay dead in the house." "You ing what lay close before them, so in this nearly every month sometimes oftener, to forms, will alone satisfy the yearnings of your will see. He must have married again; and case, where the Royal Chaplain, disciple have in this way a social time. It would spirit; and thus led on step by step from the he will lose his second wife," Every partic- though he was of the inductive philosophy, seem that the Spiritualists of Niles in this lowest plane of earth love up the shining ular came to pass as Mrs. Higgins had pre- and where the founder of Methodism, admit- respect do not differ from others, hence they pathway, until you stand upon the mountain dicted. Mrs. Johnson, a stranger, whom at ting though he did the probabilities of ultrasummit, and realize that the waves of infinite the time of the dream they had not seen, did mundane interference, were both at fault, a hope to meet many Spiritualists from Dowawisdom and love, the rays that reach you go with them, they made the journey by land, Yankee girl, but nine years old, following up, giac, Decatur and other neighboring towns, from the great centre of all truth, hath bap- and were refused admittance into Mott's tay- more-in sport than earnest, a chance observa- The Spiritualists of Niles extend to all a cortized your soul with joy unspeakable. Then ern, for the very cause assigned in Mrs. Hig- tion, became the instigator of a movement dial invitation to meet with them. which, whatever its true character, has had Now, the news comes to us that woman is that has found entrance through the open Mr. and Mrs. Fox had six children, of whom its influence throughout the civilized world. Why should we complain or be jealous of admitted to the Court upon terms of equality portals of your soul. Now you have one ray the two youngest were staying with them The spark had several times been ignited, one another? Are we not all members of one with man—the first time in the world's his- of light, in the future you will have the full when, on the 11th of December, 1847, they removed into the house I have described. died out each time without effect. It kindled DAY IN CHICAGO," to say we had the pleas- April 2nd and 3d. Conference and business meet the glory of all? Is not the sorrow and seems the sheriff of Albany county, put in Your theory is very beautiful I replied, I The children were both girls: Margaret, then no flame till the middle of the nineteenth cen-

next month, however, (January, 1848,) the whom the sound seemed chiefly to follow, But where it now has thousands it ought to a more perfect arrangement for holding these meetstant and well directed effort obtain admittion of the women of Wyoming as a most Our next communication will be a sketch noise began to assume the character of slight observed that it would exactly answer, in have tens of thousands, and will if Spiritual-

fute that idea. "How many children have After a time, also, the noises varied in their I?" she asked, aloud. Seven strokes. has fallen to our lot here to act as the pioneers in this movement, and to test the question. The eyes of the world are to-day fixed upon this jury of Albany County. There is not the slightest impropriety in any lady occupying the position, and I wish to assure you that the fullest protection of the Court shall be accorded to you. It would be the most shameful event thus to be commemorated. We of something heavy, as if a dog, seemed to lie "Are they all alive?" she asked. Silence, sary of Modern Spiritualism is to be ob- character, sounding occasionally like distinct "Ah!" she thought, "it can blunder some-Nor were the disturbances, after a month Still the number of raps was seven. Of a event thus to be commemorated. We of something heavy, as if a dog, seemed to lie "Are they all alive?" she asked. Silence, course allude to the so-called, "Rochester on the feet of the children; but it was gone for answer. "How many are living? Six Rappings." This manifestation, perhaps if before the mother could come to their aid. strokes. "How many dead?" A single

Then she asked, "Are you a man?" No answer. "Are you a spirit?" It rapped. "May my neighbors hear if I call them?" It

rapped again.

Thereupon she asked her husband to call a neighbor, a Mrs. Redfield, who came in laughing. But her cheer was soon changed. The answers to her inquiries were as prompt and pertinent as they had been to those of Mrs. Fox. She was struck with awe; and when, in reply to a question about the number of in reply to a question about the number of her children, by rapping four, instead of three as she expected, it reminded her of a little daughter, Mary. whom she had recently lost, will every one of our present reach the remainder of three as will, and see what they can do for their paper. Will every one of our present reach the remainder of the daughter, Mary. whom she had recently lost, the mother burst into tears.

But it avails not further to follow out in minute detail the issue of these disturbances. since the particulars have already been given, partly in the shape of formal despositions, in more than one publication, and since they are not essential to the illustration of this ranch of the subject.

It may, however, be satisfactory to the reader that I here subjoin to the above narrative-every particular of which I had from Mrs. Fox, her daughters Margaret and Kate, and her son David-a supplement, containing a brief outline as well of the events which imwe may remark that the simple "rap" leav- to think it must have been but the fancy of mediately succeeded, as those, connected with disturbances of the 31st of March.

On that night the neighbors, attracted by it to the power claimed—the answer ever planation of these seeming accidents would the rumor of the disturbances, gradually gathhope till the night of Friday, the 31st. of so that Mrs. Fox left the house for that of Mrs. Redfield, while the children were taken The day had been cold and stormy, with home by another neighbor. Mr. Fox re-

Many of the assembled crowd, one after anfrom his farm, about three miles distant. other, put questions to the noises, requesting

Anniversary Meetings.

Since our last issue we learn of arrangements for meetings at Toledo, Buffalo, Battle Creek and other places. Brother S. H. Wortman, Secretary of the Buffalo Society a Unitary Home, have appointed a meeting writes that the Spiritualists will meet in to discuss preliminaries, at Decatur, Satur-Kremlin Hall during the day for speaking and day, March 26th, at 10 o'clock, A. M. All other exercises, and in the evening for a so- who are interested in the movement, it is cial. Spiritualists from adjoining counties are hoped will be in attendance. invited to attend.

We hope to receive reports of meetings from friends in all places where the day is observed. Will our friends on that occasion before the Young Men's Lecture Associaplease call attention to the Age and send us tion, of Marshall, Mich. Subject the "Ideal

results of the meeting? the programme in Niles. Meeting to be held at PEAK'S OPERA HOUSE, one of the finest week. in the State, which is permanently occupied by the Niles Society of Spiritualists every Sunday. Opening Lecture at 11 o'clock. Lecture and other exercises in the commanding position within the next twenty perfect expression. Again the highest must individuals had evinced the power of second-Recitations interspersed with instrumental of this indefatigable worker; a congestive music and singing. During the entertain- chill brought him very near the other world. ment Dr. HENRY SLADE under the control We are glad to hear of his convalescence. brain. We know that only the higher eminences are tipt with silver, and the tops of treated with more marked attention, and is
instead of returning to earth will ascend to hear of his convalescence.

was, snapped her fingers, and call out, "Here, of Indian spirits, will appear in Indian cosinstead of returning to earth will ascend to hear of his convalescence.

We are glad to hear of his convalescence.

of Indian spirits, will appear in Indian cosinstead of returning to earth will ascend to hear of his convalescence. follow these phantom processions to the grave old Splitfoot, do as I do!" The knocking tume and exhibit characteristics of that peo- we learn that for the purpose of ple in speech, song, and dance.

social dance, commencing at 10 o'clock, in brother Tuttle has written over two thou-

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above paper. Our only reason for the omistance to the elevated planes of thought occu- most satisfactory answer to this objection, of our return to earth.

N. M. P. knockings heard at night in the bedroom; drumming, and thing that was beaten or ist but do their duty. Why will our friends Austin R. Swan, Secretary.

THE PRESENT AGE pied by the most advanced minds, and become Here are the names of the women drawn as March 31st 1848—March 31s orthodox teachings, yet permit their children Not so Kate Fox. She tried, by silently to be dragged into the Sunday Schools, and to in their hands, when here may be found a not only did the knockings gradually be- er!" she said, bringing together her finger ans! The number for March 15th is before Banner, after reading the following promise

"The next number of the Lyceum Banner will be bers will receive two more numbers in Lyceums their papers every other Sunday, without

The form will also be enlarged to eighteen pages gaining thereby two pages of the present size in each

It will be printed on fine, calendered paper, made expressly for our use, with entirely new type, and otherwise improved in many ways, so that we feel sure our readers will be delighted with its new

It is the intention of the publisher to make the Lyceum Banner a weekly just as soon as possible, and it cannot well be done in its present form. We shall furnish the paper to clubs at less rates than beore, thus offering Lyceums extra inducements to urnish a paper for all their children.

We have constantly striven, with what success our eaders must judge, to make each number better han the one before it, and we expect to be better leased with the Lyceum Banner in its new form,

han ever before.

The first volume of the new series will end with ne present year, instead of Sept. 1st and a new olume will commence on the 1st of Jan. In order o give those who have not taken the paper an opporunity to become acquainted with it, we will send it oall NEW subscribers nine months, or, from the beginning of the new volume, until Jan. 1st, 1871 for fifty cents! We do this hoping that those who bene new name with fifty cents for the remainder of A new story by Pearl Hapgood will be commenced in the next number."

Inducements to Subscribers.

We call attention to our list of Premiums found in another column. This is no "lottery scheme," or "Gift enterprise." We actually purchase the articles at prices named, and they will be distributed among the two thousand new subscribers and renewals first received. The subscribers names will be entered and numbered as received and a receipt for money sent to each subscriber. It is true all will not receive a \$250 Organ, but some one of the 2000 will receive it. Every subscrber will receive one of the premiums named. Every one will secure A PREMIUM and the PRESENT Age for one Year for \$3 six months for \$2, and three months for \$1 50. All persons who do not wish to participate in the distributions of Premiums can have the Age on same terms as heretofore. Our sole object is to increase our circulation as rapidly as possible and we assure our friends that we shall spare no effort to make the PRESENT Age, an organ worthy of the cause it advo-

We appeal to all who would aid us, to avail themselves of the liberal inducements now offered and make them known to all. Persons who will act as special Agents please address us at once giving reference.

Unitary Home.

The friends in Southern Michigan, who are taking the initiative in the establishment of

PERSONAL.

A. B. WHITING lectured two weeks since a large number of subscribers as one of the and the Real." We had hoped to be present, but were disappointed. We were, how-We are requested to give the following as ever, favored with a synopsis of the lecture which was found in our columns last

Brother Whiting has been speaking in Coldwater. Having abandoned the contemplated lecturing tour to Missouri, he will answer calls for April and May.

HUDSON TUTTLE. - We regret to learn of will be favored with a series of Tableaux and the recent very severe and dangerous illness expediting the publication of the works The exercises of the day will close with a now being prepared for the press Spiritual Science and Philosophy," will soon

EMMA MARTIN will speak the last Sunfor April and May. Permanent address Bir-

REV. J. P. AVERILL, Agent of the Michigan Association of Spiritualists is now in Van Buren County, will remain there over next Sunday and go from thence to Kent County. Will attend the Kent County Circle, Saturday and Sunday, April, 2nd, and Bd. We hope our friends in Kent County may keep brother A. active for a month. They will have an opportunity to hear him at Grand Rapids. We know that none who employ the state agent as a speaker will have

CEPHAS B. LYNN, Now lecturing at Sturgis can speak for Spiritual Societies in Michigan during April. Don't fail to send him a call at once. He will do you good.

Kent County Circle. The Quarterly meeting of the Kent County Circle

It is not given to youth alone Life's choicest gifts to share; Nor does the bloom of early years All of life's fragrance bear.

As, when the flowers of Spring are gone, And Summer glories fled,
We hail the brighter Autumn hues That seek our love instead;

So, in the Autumn-tide of life, And, 'mid the frosts of age, Are vielded oft, the richest fruits That bless life's pilgrimage.

The heart that aye for others beats In kindliness and truth, Cannot grow old, but wears within The elements of youth.

And, as the gorgeous sunset hours Our happiest thoughts engage, So, oft, the brightest flowers of life, Entwine the brow of age.

O Life! and my life, thou art full of sunshine and shadow! Sometimes on some mount of transfiguration communing with angelic guests, and soon brought down to the garden of Gethsemane, talking with the bleeding hearts, lacerated with the jealousy of a blind spirit of intolerance, that must ever attend any progress of mankind, or the advancement of truth.

However, in my life there has been more the rifted clouds.

This morn I am greeted with a letter from a Hingham, Mass., correspondent, who gives us received and priviliges enjoyed; did we an account of the intolerant who persecuted the first mediums of modern Spiritualism. which I enclose for the readers of the PRES-

"At this time I am investigating a matter, the first mention of which I find in Mrs. Harding's "History of Spiritualism." If you have seen the book, and read any of it, you will perhaps remember the published account of some manifestations and a communication through one "Mary Jane Leonard," in the family of "Dr. Lyman B. Larkin, Wrentham, Mass., in the year 1845, which was som ham being an Evangelical town in its religious belief, could not countenance such proceedings, consequently some of the godly (or godless) ones commenced a persecution of the said Mary Jane Leonard, and Dr. Larkin. At a trial of the said Mary, for the practice of "Necromancy and witchcraft, in the house of said Larkin, holden in the town of Wrentham, with five justice on the bench-three from Wrentham and two from Franklin-she was sentenced to sixty days confinement in Dedham jail This was November 28th, 1845. The principle person engaged in conducting the trial was Rev. Horace James a Baptist minister of said town. The girl was not allowed any defence whatever at the trial, and a Rev. Tyler Thatcher, (orthodox minister in the same town) and wife, who spent a week in said Larkin's house for investigating the matter, was became in part, if not in full, convinced of the in- limits. nocency of the girl of all conscious agency in the matter; but, on the contrary, it being of a spiritual origin, so then, without witnesses, defence or voice at all in the case, she was sentenced and confined in liberty of speech and conscience no longer ago than

The history of many of the prosecutors in this particular case is very interesting. Two persons always in the dark, but prime movers behind the scenes, were Rev. H. James and Tyler Thatcher The one has lost several promising children, the other four wives. Thatcher has just died in California in great poverty; he buried three children all (as w say) untimely. Rev. H. James moved from Wrentham to Worcester, where he buried his whole family. His wife become quite a trial for some time following, the details of which I have not become familiar with, but expect to at an early day The Baptist Church, of which Dr. Larkin was a member, spent thirteen consecutive afternoons in hearing testimony regarding manifestations at his house, and arranging a confession for the Doctor did not follow. A constant persecution was kept up until 1850, when the Doctor was excommunicated and afterwards an effort was made to get him placed in the insane asylum at Worcester, which project he informs me was defeated through the in- doors are wide open to both sexes, extending strumentality of his spirit wife-she passing from to all equal opportunities and encouragement. earth life in the year 1850.

The Doctor becoming weary and tired of persecu tion and the people of Wrentham, soon after the last effort moved away from there, and to date has no revisited the town.

Of the seven church members who made up the committee of investigation, four of whom were dea-

cons, five are now dead. From the above you will get a very faint and im-

sachusetts, from the year 1845 to 1851, full and particular accounts of which I think have never been published, and I presume many of the Spiritual ists are entirely ignorant of the facts.

at Wrentham and get a full copy of the same, together with all the letters that passed between him and said church. He thinks it would require some four days to examine and make the requisite copy ; sent it to the public. I believe the Rev. Horace James is at this time a resident of Lowell, Massa

I am aware there is an increased amount of persecution to-day over that of five years ago, thus evincing the fact that our philoso phy is gaining ground, and going down into the hearts of the people. Demands are increasing for lectures and tests, and truly the harvest is great-the laborers few in propor-

tion to the demand. Why this scarcity? is the frequent inquiry. My answer is this, very few are willing to sacrifice to bring truth to light; few are wilthose who advocate an unpopular idea. And maturely in consequence of the miasmatic influence, coming from the foul breath of slanpregnable to these vituperations of the ignorant, though their better natures will everour frozen souls, and send us more light. the grove behind us - we had slid into another business."

An unexpected word of encouragement day .- News.

or cheer, sometimes makes us forget all the dark, winding pathways through which we were led nearer the sublime heights of purer

"Kind words can never die e'n though they fade."

A note from our worthy sister R., from B. Creek; says, "As the PRESENT AGE comes to me week after week with its inspiring articles, they do me good. I feel I'm a better woman, for I am learning how to lead a true life by reading that clean sheet. I look for it from week to week as I would for some dear friend that was to bring me glad tidings from my loved ones: for I do see so many things from the pens of those I love, and I only wish I was capable of adding For I am drifting on the tide, and they have reached the my mite to this great fountain of truth and goodness. The yearning cry goes out from

itable and a truer women." To all such I would quote the words of our teacher. Jesus: "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst

fter righteousness for they shall be filled." Evermore in this vineyard let me labor

for truth and humanity. S. A, H. East Saginaw, March 10, 1870,

Let Us Return Thanks.

Words are of little value; only as they serve to express thoughts and ideas, and not unfrequently we find ourselves unable to so of joy than of sadness, and never a cloud so frame them that they accomplish the end dedense but at times I could see some glisten- sired. We feel deeply sensible of this fact ing dewdrop, made to sparkle by light through at our present writing, and equally conscious that we should be wanting in that courtesy that acknowledges appreciation of benefits not in the most available way express our gratitude to the Spiritualists of Michigan for their kindness and hospitality during our sojourn among them.

Coming among you for our own personal benefit we had not anticipated spending any pertion of the time in lecturing. We found however, a field so inviting that we could not resists the calls from both sides of the river, to cry aloud and spare not.' And now as we look back over the five months past, every Sunday three years before the Hydesville manifestations, and with a single exception, (and then prevented which were very wonderful in their nature. Wrent- by sickness) we have addressed intelligent, appreciative and for the most part large auliences, in such parts of the State as we could reach most conveniently from the University. In each place we have visited, Niles, Kalamazoo, Battle Creek, Marshall, Albion and Farmngton we have found a deep and active interest n the essential truths of our philosophy, and what is better still, noble generous men and women to whom we shall never cease to be grateful for hospitality so broad that it rises above the narrow limits of fashionable etiquette and baptises the soul of the receiver with a halo of its own brightness. We forbear mentioning names in this connection as denied a hearing in her behalf, because they each they would extend this article beyond proper

The State Convention was the largest and most harmonious we have attended. No petty while her eyes sparkled and danced as you no harm. During May I speak in Salem, Mass., schemes to gratify personal ambition; no have seen the snow sparkle and dance some- and in Lowell, in June. Shall attend the next Na-Dedham jail. So much for Massachusetts' boasted ridiculous exhibition of uncaged lunatics; no vehement fanatics clamoring for individuality at the expense of all order and decorum; no broken down hobbies saddled for the occasion, but an earnest thoughtful convocation of men and women, who feeling that "in union there is strength" abandoned "windy speeches, " and set about the work of organization in a business like and orderly manner. We feel assured that its influence will be largely felt during the coming year.

Our connections at the University have been of the most pleasant and agreeable nature. The professors and students with whom we have been associated have treated us with the utmost courtesy and good will, before they would fellowship him again. But peace and we can affirm from experience that the high reputation the University sustains is well earned reputation, and its privileges are over estimated. And what is better still, its

To the several lecturers in the State, we are especially grateful for having extended to us the right hand of fellowship, and contributing in no small degree to make our stay both pleasant and profitable. To Brothers Whiting, Whipple, Loveland and Fishback, as well as Sisters Horton, Martin perfect glimpse of the early persecution of medium- and Fowler, we can only say God bless you! ship, and those associated with it in good old Mas- and the great work in which you are engaged. We realize your trials, and shall rejoice in your triumphs. Your "day is not yet," but the morrow cometh," and when its I am anxious to gather all the particulars in this golden beams shall chase away the dark night case and have it published in the papers. Dr. Lar- of intolerance, and Young Progress lifts on kin suggests the examination of the church records | high the white banner of our new religion ; then shall a world redeemed from priestly arrogance and superstition do you and many who are working with you honor. Nor can but then we should have the same to fall back on I in this connection forget the editor of the and sustain the charge when we should wish to pre- PRESENT AGE, whose open doors and kindly

welcome will not soon be forgotten. Our lectures have at best been but the inspiration of hours we have stolen from the press of other cares, and to know they have been recieved so favorably only evinces the deep interest you feel in our philosophy, and we return to our home, better, wiser and happier for the few months we have spent among A. B. F.

WHERE THE SUN DOES NOT SET'-The folowing graphic passage is from the description of a scene witnessed by a Mr. Cambell and his party, in the north of Norway, from a cliff 1000 feet above the sea: The ocean stretched ling to have all manner of evil said of them, away in silent vastness at our feet; the sound as it ever has been and ever must be of of its waves scarcely reached our airy lookout; away in the north, the huge old sun swung low along the horizon, like the slow beat of the many of these noble reformers who would dare pendulum in the tall clock of our grandfathers to speak boldly for the right, are like Theo- parlor corner. We all stood silent' looking at dore Parker, brought down to the grave pre- our watches. When both hands came together at twelve, midnight, the full round orb hung triumphantly above the wave-a bridge of gold running due north spanned the water der, so destructive to physical health and between us and him. There he shone in silent human happiness. Few are iron-elad, or im- majesty, which knew no setting. We involuntarily took off our hats: no word was said. Combine' if you can, the most brilliant sunrise and sunset you ever saw, and beausay, "Father forgive them for they know not ties will pale before the gorgeous coloring what they do." Were all of life dark and which now lit up ocean, heaven, and mountain. dreary we could not live it; but many times In half and hour the sun had swung up dithe clouds part, the warm, genial sun of rectly on his beat, the colors changed to those of morning, a fresh breeze rippled over the friendship, love and truth come in to warm flood' one songster after another piped up in

CHILDREN'S DEPARTM'T

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"ENFOLDED IN THE HUMAN INFANT IS THE 'IMAGE' OF AN IMPERISHABLE AND PERFECT BEING.

MY DARLING'S SHOES.

God bless the little feet that can never go astray, For the little shoes are empty, in my closet laid away; I sometimes take one in my hand, forgetting till I see It is a little half-worn shoe, not half large enough for me As sharp as when, two years ago, it cut my heart in twair O, little feet, that weary not, I wait for them no more,

And while the blinding tear-drops wet these little shoes so old. my very soul for more knowledge, culture I try to think my darling's feet are treading streets of gold and goodness, that will make me more char-And then I lay them down again, but always turn to say, God bless the little feet that now so surely cannot stray.

> And while I thus am standing, I almost seem to see The little form beside me, just as it use to be : The little face uplifted with its soft and tender eyes-Ah me! I might have known that look was born of Paradis I reach my arms out fondly, but they clasp the empty air, or there is nothing of my darling but the shoes he used t

Oh! the bitterness of parting cannot be done away, Until I meet my darling where his feet can never stray; When I no more am drifted on the surging tide, But with him safely landed upon the river side. Be patient, heart ! while waiting to see the shining way, For the little feet in the golden street can never go astray

> WILLIE AND JESSIE. CHAPTER VII.

"I'm going for my goat to-day, Jessie," said Willie, as he opened his eyes one morning; "I'm going for my goat, Jessie; I am going to take a rope and tie around its neck through-out. A committee which the audience had to bring it home; but I won't have it tied when it is once here; oh, no! that would be rather cruel, I think. I have all ready for the goat a large goods case turned up under the shed, and the straw is all ready for its bed. Oh, won't it be nice, Jessie, when it

s trained to pull my wagon." "I don't want a doll," said Jessie, who had been sitting up in bed, listening to Willie's talk and looking earnestly at him; but as she said this she bent her head, and her long, dark hair fell over her face and hid her beautiful eyes. "I don't want a doll," she said again; I won't buy a doll with my

"What do you want to buy?"

"I want little girls' rights?" "You want little girls' rights?" said Wilie, stepping out of his bed and going to Jessie's bed; "what do you mean, Jessie?" "I mean," said Jessie, "that I want a goat too; girls can have goats."

"So they can," said Willie; "and would ou really rather have a goat than a doll?' "Yes, I would like a goat; then we would have two goats to pull the wagon, and one would be my own-my very own goat, would it not Willie?" And all the time she was playing with the collar of his nightgown, her little fingers pretending to place it just so, as, if she was dressing him for a walk, gaged for April, but then a month's rest will do me times on a clear lake of water.

"And we will have harness, Willie; can ou make harness, Willie?"

"Perhaps mamma can make it," said Willie, as he listened to her chatter. "And we will feed our goats with hay and apple pearings; and oh, won't it be nice, Willie-vou goat, and I a goat!"

"Well," said Willie, "we will ask papa and mamma about it. Come, I will help you to dress briskly, and we will go down stairs. I think it will be quite right for you to have a goat. I am going to have one, and you nust have one, I think. But how much noney have you, Jessie?"

"My bank is half full," said Jessie: "it have enough."

In half an hour they were all in the dining oom, and their papa and mamma were astonshed at the new presentation of the goat

"A goat for Jessie!" "Girls' rights!" and her father pretended to be full of wonder. "Ha, ha! this brings the matter of woman's right to one's own fireside. Jessie, a goat, hey! Down with the bank!" he said, taking it from the mantel piece and trying to else. un-screw it with the point of his breakfastknife; "we must look into this matter of girls' rights. I am afraid, Jessie, you are going to be cheated out of your rights.

All this time the bank was being undone while their father's face was all smiles, and every one looked on greatly pleased.

"Hurrah for the pennies!" he said, as the bank suddenly fell open and the pennies went tumbling to the floor. Away went Jessie, Willie and their father, too, after the pennies, and very soon they were counted. There were seventy-five cents.

"Jessie! you have seventy-five cents. You know Prof. Greeley gave you one dollar, and how much more does she need to buy a goat," asked her father, as they sat down to breakfast.

": Willie thought awhile and said "seventyfive cents."

Well, said their father, taking out his pocket-book. I must give seventy-five cents to the cause of girls' rights-here it is, Jes-

"Oh, how Jessie smiled. Don't you chilren who read this story just think you see ner happy face! and don't you just think you see her and Willie, after breakfast putshe puts her hands in to be sure that it was done full in daylight. is there, again and again. Oh, Jessie was a her sav:

"Willie, I will soon be as large as you, won't I?"

"So you will, little daughter," said her mother,-"You feel large to-day, because you have Girls' Rights."

"Yes," said Jessie, "I like girls' rights." Away they go across the green. "See how they run to make their own bargain," said their father, who stood at the door. "Mrs. Martin they are very early learning to do

"Yes," said their mother, "but it is all

right; it will give them confidence in them-

What a time there was when the goats arrived! Such a bleating! Why their cries sounded like the screams of two cross children. Mr. and Mrs. Martin laughed heartily; Jessie could hardly hold her goat, it rushed around so actively; and when at last they were let loose in the street such a time as there was coaxing them to eat hay

potatoes, coarse grass and I know not what else! Jessie's hands were full of business. By-and-by she took time to look at her father and mother, ran towards them and said clapping her hands, "oh, oh! I'm glad! I have GIRLS' RIGHTS!"

Yes you have girls' rights Jessie, and you are blessed to-day.

Voices of the Leople.

Salzbury, Bay Co, Mich. March, 11th, 1870.

DEAR AGE : It is encouraging to be able to note progress. The Bay City people being disappointed because circumstances prevented Mrs. Horton, from giving them a lecture under the auspices of our Bangor Society when she visited us last month, engaged her themselves for the evening of the 3d inst. The Court-House was secured, and this affords the largest audence room in this vicinity, (in the finest building of ts kind in the entire State, if we take the judgment of the members of the Legislature when on their visit to this place about a year ago.) Every availaole seat was occupied and many chairs were brought in to accommodate the throng, which was composed of the most prominent citizens, as well as the best minds among us. As at her former lecture, we were favored with appropriate music from the "Harp' by a fine quartette, which placed the speaker and isteners in agreeable rapport. The subject was "Inspiration," and it was treated in a most thorough nanner for one hour-wrapt attention being given selected from among themselves for the purpose propounded "The wonders and magnitude of the Pacific Railroad," as a subject for an impromet poem. This was certainly a novel topic, but it was no more novel than was the improvisation poetical and unique. It challenged the admiration of all while it captivated with its delight.

On the following evening she lectured before our ociety in Babo Hall, Wenona, to a full house, the ubject of the lecture being, "The good Spiritualism has done." The subject of the poem as named by a ommittee was " The sewing machine." Both lecure and poem were of the most finished and interesting character; while the music with which we were favored, placed all in sweet harmony to absorb the blessings of the whole occasion. The people are eager for Mrs. Horton's coming again, for they are captivated by her powers and the logical clearness which she exhibits on the rostrum.

The intense throbing which this mighty impulse Spiritualism has startled, is being felt all through this community. Our mediums are plied by guests ong in the day and late in the night, till they are ometimes nearly worn out. Our Sunday meetings in Babo Hall are well attended, and the speaking which thus far has been given mostly through myself, seems to be well received. The assistance which you afford is appreciated, and as heretofore. so hereafter we will endeavor to extend your use fulness. You may be sure the copies which do come here are circulated till thoroughly read and worn.

March 12th, 1870. Col. D. M. Fox: Many thanks for your kind notice of my coming into the State. I am unenmain West for some time. The PRESENT AGE has a host of friends here. All affirm that its contents are not only of a high literary order, but also of a Spiritual nature which certain other journals would do

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well to emulate. The last Sunday in January, Mr. A. J. Fishback oncluded a fifteen month's engagement with the Spiritual Society, worshiping in the Free church. ultured and highly inspirational Mr. F. has been a lessing to our people wherever called. He has made his mark in Sturgis. Not only as a ripe scholar, a keep and progressive thinker, but an enthusiastic and practical preacher, has won the support of a genial, sympathetic and manly nature, he has drawn around him in private life, a large circle of faithful friends, and been favored with an increasing auditory Sabbath after Sabbath. The blessings of his late congregation rest upon him, and their earns on the dining room mantel-piece. I think est prayer is, that he may continue to grow in inspirational power, and remain year after year, an efficient worker in the cause of progressive religion. In ompany with his most estimable lady, Brother F. is on his way to Victoria Station, Iron Mountain R.

R., Mo., where all letters should be addressd. Senator Wait, B. C. Buck Esq., Fox, Gale, Gardner and others too numerous to mention, still remains outspoken workers on the side of Radicalism

and Spiritualism. Modern Spiritualism is being subjected to the closest scrutiny. We welcome it. The good, the right, the truth will triumph. We want nothing

The June meeting at this place, it is expected will be a grand success. The managers are now nego tiating with some of the most prominent spiritual philosophers and speakers in the land, with a view of securing them on that occasion.

The friends here rejoice that the cause is so pro gressive in the State, and in their behalf I extend an earnest fraternal greeting to all who see the divine light of the New Idea, and are determined to progress therein. I am very truly yours, CEPHAS B. LYNN.

Box 325, Sturgis Mich.

ROCKFORD, March 14th, 1870. EDITOR AGE: Being snow bound after attending our very interesting meeting, although I am not in the habit of writing for the press, I will state what has been done in the cause of Spiritualism, in Ottawa county. The last Quarterly meeting was well attended, and I have held one meeting since. Two years ago, there were no avowed Spiritualists, now there are nearly one hundred, and some twenty Mediums for different manifestations. They hold circles mostly private. Some of the finest physical manifestations I have ever seen has taken place at the house of the Murray brothers, their little girls the Mediums all in the light. I must tell you one incident. One of the girls was standing by the table asking questions, and receiving answer by the of mine." table, a little boy was sitting near by. They asked the spirits if they would raise the chair with the boy, they said yes; they placed their hands on the chair, [mother and daughter,] the chair and boy raised in the air, and floated out into another room, ting on their warm coats and hats and thick through the outside door on to the piazza, then back the money in their pockets. See Jessie as bed of the chair as high up as they could reach, this

The weather was unfavorable for our meeting, but we had a very interesting time. Sister Pearsall happy little girl! Listen and you will hear gave soul-stirring speeches, then the conference followed. "God in the Constitution" and "Woman's thing, because the first one had?" Rights," were discussed, and handled without gloves. The friends are alive here in Rockford Yours for truth, SARAH GRAVES.

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> Helen looked the gallant Captain full in the eye, the looking a mother, and of the looked the gallant Captain full in the eye, as to the value of musical instruments. Mr. A. C. Wortley, wholesale dealer in Watches Jewelry, Silver Ware, &c., Kalamazoo, as to the value of Watches and tea-sets offered as Premiums; and tents, to see whether there is nothing that would have an immoral tendency. Being a mother, and of course interested in the welfare of my children, I cannot be too careful in providing them with reading Yours truly, MARY W. STRAUB. zing influence.

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"And have you no pity for the ruined life of th girl that you confess you love ?" asked Reid, speakng seriously for the first time.

"I have Will; but that which cannot stand th test must fall: that's my doctrine." "Hope you will be able to abide by it, then," said

steady voice close by his side. "My God, Helen! you here?" exclaimed Gran-

ger, starting to his feet.

"I am here, sir,-here to thank you for the lesson you taught me. It's a poor rule that won't work both ways, and if a woman who can be flattered by one man before marriage, can be flattered by another after marriage, a man who will flatter and lie to one woman before marriage, will lie to her and flatter others after marriage, and I want a husband that I can trust."

It would have taken a skilful artist to have porrayed the expression of Granger's countenance as Helen thus addressed him; while Reid was simply

"You pity my ruined condition, but those who cannot stand must fall," she continued, fixing her clear gray eyes upon his with a gaze that held them. " want none of your pity, sir, and hear me, Edward Granger, there is no one man that can drag me down. Had you marrried me while I trusted yo you might possibly have led me to do what my own soul condemned; but I am awake now: my eyes are pen, and it can't be done."

"No, sir, I am not ruined: no woman is ruined inless she thinks so; and I here swear, in the presence of high heaven, that I will not sink,-that even with the additional burden you have laid upon me, I will rise higher than you can ever hope to rise: and my child will take a higher position than any child born of an unloving, heartless woman, with you for its father, can possibly reach;" and turning from him she walked away with the air of a queen in her own right, instead of taking the position Granger the people; and aided by that all important adjunct had assigned her: that of a wronged woman seeking justice, recognition through marriage with her be-

> "But still the spirit that you see Undaunted by your wiles, Draws from its own nobility Its high-born smiles."

nurmured Reid, as she passed out of sight.

WOMAN'S PROTECTORS.

FROM CHAPTER XIX

One day she heard Sam the darkey saying to the Captain, "Mity fine woman, dat, mas'r Cap'n, if she lo hab a boy, an' no man."

"What do you mean, Sam?" asked the Captain. "I mean's, mas's Cap'n, dat mas'r Harlow, who

went away just afore you cum, he her boy." "What! Miss Harlow's ?" "He call her mudder, ennyhow."

"Thank you Sam; here's some money for you." "Gosh !" said Sam, as he caught the shining coin

After this Captain Gilbert was particularly attentive. Not rude, but continually manifesting that 20 " kind of interest which is so annoying to a sensitive woman. Helen bore it for awhile without seeming to notice it. But one day, when he had been more persistent than usual, she said to him: "Captain, when you was a boy, did you ever go

skating ?" He seemed somewhat surprised at the oddness of

such a question in mid-summer, but replied, "Often, often, my dear Miss Harlow; it was a favorite sport "Did you ever see a great rude boy purposely

trip up a little girl because she was not used to the ice, and he could do so just as well as not?" "I do not recollect, now, that I ever did; but I am

very certain, if I had witnessed such a thing, I should have thrashed the villain within an inch of gloves to go for their goats. See them put to the place of starting, their fingers touching the his life: or if not, it would have been because I Helen smiled. "But suppose, Mr. Gilbert, that

every other boy upon the ice had taken it into their

heads that they had a perfect right to do the same

The Captain hesitated; "I cannot see the purport of your question, Miss Harlow, but I do not think in acting for us. All Spiritual Lecturers are our

"Still, if the girl chances to be sixteen, instead of seven, and the big boy twenty-three or four, and he succeeds in tripping her upon the slippery steeps

as she said this, and he evidently understood her to the printed catalogue of White & Co., Boston, for meaning, for he colored to the roots of his hair, the prices of books. and from that time forth he never said, "My dear Miss Harlow.

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For barren wastes scorched by the fires of passion.

It casts away Life's choicest jewels with a reckless hand, Or barters them for tinseled ornaments That tarnish with the touch of time. It deals With breaking human hearts, as though they Felt not,—snapping asunder the chords of Tenderest love with wanton cruelty. It makes its entry to the gardens of The soul, or stalks with rude and awkward gait, Acress the ornamented grounds of Love, Plucking with selfish hands the fairest flowers, To throw them in the red and glaring fires Of its unhallowed lusts, that burn their way Deep into the trusting spirit of many

Shuddering we mark its Pathway, as we do when burning lava Speeds its way downward from the cratered Summit of the mountain, hissing like a Fiery serpent, transforming scenes of beauty To a blackened waste of ruined hopes. Ah! there is a

Changeless law of compensation, that meets The faithless soul with an accusing veice, At every angle in the path of life, Helding aloft the burnished mirror memory, Reflecting truthfully the startling record,

See how The unfaithful spirit shrinks from itself, And with a keen remorse, calls for oblivious Sleep to close the awakened senses, and vell; The visions of its own wrongs, or prays, That Earth may open wide her bosom, And with the sable curtain of the grave, End the sad scene and quench the seething fire, That burns into the core of every joy, Changing its pleasures and its sweets to pain

In the ageny of unrest, It seeks the lofty mountains base and calls aloud To over-hanging crags and shelving rocks, To fall upon, and hide it from the face Of him who holds his court in every Human soul, and sits, white-throned in judgment There, the sleepless chronicler of every act, (Noting on the broad margin of the life-book's page) The motive-source that gave the action Energy and power, for good or ill, For weal or wee. The conscious, living, thinking self

Annihilation seeks in vain. Throned in purity, central within the soul, Is ever found the perfect likeness of the Eternal Mind. So has the mighty, moving Spirit, long hid from human ken within The vales of matters vast unmeasured realm Outwrought it's will. By slow progressive steps moves outward From its inward source of power, to External ultimation in forms of wisest use, The particles of matter clothed with life, That in the finale show his wisdom, in beauty And perfection;—cause outworking the effect;— The sun, a prophecy of worlds to be;— The little acorn-germ, of starlwark oak;— The grain of golden harvests yet to come.

By the same law.

The rose unfolds its petals to the light, The air is laden with the perfume of Its breath. By the same law, each Individual soul has wrought its way From seeming chaos, up to its present Plane of life, and when the genial breezes
Of harmonious thought, blending with reason's Light, shall yield the needed culture to the en will meet in Changeless love its counterpart, in holy And eternal union, the ultimate Of all false forms of earthly love, seeking Its glorious crown of happiness in Mutual joy and peace. They blend their Aspirations, with the Central Inspiration Of all life, echoing the universal lesson, That "Love is the fulfilling of the law."

Know that Existence once begun can never end. The unfaithful soul that dashes down the Vase that holds the fragrant flower of trusting And unselfish love, defers the hour Of its own happiness, and takes upon The spirit's beautious form a self-inflicted Blight, that long shall dwarf it's growth, And mar the natural harmony that flows Like ceaseless melody from a true life.

O, suffering Soul! Retrace thy wayward steps and render beautiful Again the temple of thy being, lighting Its windows evermore with lamps of pu Unsullied love. So nicely balanced Is the plan of life, that if we truly live, Our every need shall find supply and yet No trespass make upon anothers right. There is a pure divinity in every soul, That if we yield unto its Sovereign power, Will ever point, unerring as the needle To the pole, "the straight and narrow path," That leads to shining mounts of happiness, Where wisdom's crystals fountains overflow With sparkling streams of truth, to quench the Spirits thirst, and with a grateful knowledge, Satisfy the longings of the immortal Soul. The self poised mind encompasses the Only Heaven it can ever know. With all its loves attuned to harmony, It dwells above the worlds fierce jargon of Contentious strife, and calmly walks above The storm-clouds wrath, while far beneath it Marks the zig-zag lightning path of human Passion' knowing meanwhile that all will reach The goal of glorious destiny, though Long they struggle ere the drops of ignorance Be burned away, leaving in the erucible Of life, the pure bright gold of knowledge Rich set with sparkling diamonds, exhumed From the deep river-beds, where streams Of earthly passion, so wildly sweep along
The shores of conscious being, bringing down From mountain range the finest particles Of gold, and polishing the jewels that Are wrought into a crown, that lightly rests Upon the wearers brow, the only fadeless Wreath that holds the treasures we shall prize In yonder Summer Land, when we, with all Our labor dens, shall cross the shining river, Whose waters break in ceaseless melody Upon the shores of our Celestial Home.

MAN'S DESTINY.

Synopsis of a Lecture delivered by HENRY C. WRIGHT, at South Newbury, Ohio. Reported by Geo. Wm. Wilson for THE PRESENT AGE.

RELIGION pertains to the relations between man and man. God made manifest in men, The only rational idea of the future life is all that rational selfconsciousness which is ing to principle, are not ashamed to be seen women and children, and not in Sabbaths, that entertained by Spiritualists. The pop- the distinguishing feature of mankind; em- with an ax or saw on their shoulder, or in use; Bibles, Priests and Church, is the essential ular idea of heaven brings no satisfaction to bracing humanity in its fraternal sympathies, these and all who belong to the class of manelement of true religion. Both Protestants the soul. and Catholics hold that religion is something between God and man. It is the burden of ignore, no matter what our religious belief for man's achievement? And is there aught wealth and display, without any visible means popular religion to hold up the relations of man is. When the loved one dies, we ask, "Where in the world of mind or matter, too insignifi- of support, and who so often shock the sensito an outside God. This is the universalidea is my wife?. Where is my child?" Spirit- cant for his attention or regard? Surely we bilities of their aristocratic "set," not so of Christians and Pagans. The relations be- ualism answers those questions, and demon- often "look too high for things close by." much, I am inclined to believe, on account tween man and man are called morality, but strates the immortality of the soul. Never We are too apt to seek outside of ourselves of the actual crime committed as their want they are the only true religion-all else is a mock at the truths of Spiritualism unless you for that which can only be found within us. of success in its concealment.

waste of time and thought. What are the qualifications for an entrance | death of the soul. into the kingdom of heaven? Is it believing in the Bible, vicarious atonement, baptism, destiny is. Our daily experience is our des- With this view of the nature of man; we are when the world and society pay the ho- nor yet the heart of man conceived." of being born again? Feeding the hungry, tiny. If you carry heaven with you when prepared to consider a proper course of study mage and respect, which is due, to those form is to make a wise estimate of the kind clothing the naked, giving drink to the thirs- you leave the body, you will find it when you for his benefit. Every man and woman should whose ways and means of subsistence are of character which is needed to make a comty, earing for the poor, needy, suffering ones reach the Summer Land. Precisely there as respect the dignity of the human character, known; when labor is honorable and well ponent part of a society relatively perfect. of earth will secure us admission into the here, we find what we carry with us. Learn sufficiently to make it the chief object in rewarded there will be less striving to avoid When this estimate is made, and the ideal Lingdom prepared from the foundation of to control yourselves here, and you will take life to cultivate and improve it. And should it; consequently fewer brows bearing the man and woman are clearly delineated, then the world. What we do to poor, needy hu- heaven with you when your spirit departs teach the young by example as well as pre- brand, Outcast, Prostitute. Fewer of God's tion such educational machinery as is adapted manibeings we do to God. It matters not from its tenement of clay.

happiness. It is so in every relation of your souls.

moral conditions. A vast amount of misery oped. is caused by the ignorance of fathers and mothers. Parents are responsible for the death of their children when they die from inherited disease, or the diseases caused by over feeding and violation of the laws of

Every person should form pure, wholesome, ed to have men see him practice. Such The death of the body severs no ties of the habits will bless us. Parents should teach their children to form correct habits that will hold the same relations to her spiritually as make them a blessing and pleasure to the world, before death. Do not go to the graveyard not an unmitigated curse. That Parent is a to find the husband or wife, but you will find dreadful enemy to the happiness of his child, them with the loved ones left behind. Will who desires to bring it up to get a living the mother who has left a child dearer to her proscribed and over-ridden by display. Crime without enjoying an honest labor. No man than life, go searching through eternity after has a right to grow rich by making others Christ? Learn to feel that your loved ones by honest labor. A man can worship God more acceptably, and in a higher and more useful sense, by plowing the soil, than by kneeling down and telling God what he thinks of Him and of himself, and what he wants Him to do.

Our heaven or hell is exactly in accordance feel and act rightly towards their associates the angel choir. have heaven in them; hell can find no place in their hearts. It matters little what we think of Moses, Luther, Calvin, John, Paul, Aaron or Joshua, but it is of infinite consequence what we think of ourselves. We should bring our appetites and passions into subjection to our reason and judgment.

Christendom is everlastingly talking of saving men and women by what was done eighteen centuries ago-that what one man said and did, is to save the world. His actions and deeds saved him, but cannot save | perity. us. Our destiny does not depend on how Christ lived and died. Instead of turning your thoughts to God and Christ, turn them to your own hearts. Christ came not to save us, but to teach us how to save ourselves. He died not to save us, but to save himselfthat is could not deny his principles; he could endure the agony of a death on the cross easier than be a traitor to his convictions.

The united orthodox denominations regard the death of the body as the most terrible event of life. The priest, taking advantage of this natural event, dwells on the horrors of the future life for the puporse of gaining dominion over the minds of the people. Does the popular view of the future life tend to make us wiser and better? It is the universal teaching of Christendom that it would be a most terrible calamity to abolish hell and proper missile, have failed to reach the obthe devil, for we are told that hell keeps men in subjection. Men and women instinctively lasting punishment. If a person really be- should be a monument of genius, we would the dross and tinsel, from the gold and pearl could never again sleep or eat. Men create as ornamental, by the use of proper material, odious, while goodness and purity shall be hell for those whom they hate—not for their and planting it upon a firm basis. So with the passport to respect and honor. How can loved ones; they never believe in hell for the plan of human education and developthemselves or their friends.

absorbing question with man in all ages. wish that every soul was quickened by noble control society? Before the proper renova-Cicero asks the question, is death evil or and generous impulses; striving to give the tion can be effected, the worlds true workers, good? and says the answer depends on what highest form of expression to every attribute must be its acknowledged peers. Hands and comes after it. Ancient philosophers taught of the human character. The true and suc- faces which come bronzed and browned, from

the immortality of the human soul. I cannot prove it. I know that God exists. of the observer, as the fruits of his labor. The temple of the living God is in the human heart. Intuition tells me that I am to live forever. I love the power to apprehend the conditions of the future life. Did necessary for him to be a scientific man, that will be less seeking to shun it, in order to be nature or God create in me a desire for that which does not exist? In all the vast unior demand for that which does not ex-

priest. I am astounded at the monstrous and women. The distinction of sex is in the convey the individual into circles of respecta- For the Present Age. perversion of the teachings of Jesus by the soul. We shall be dependent on each other bility, and do not constitute real worth; there as here. The time is coming when the but that industry, selfrespect, intelligence, As we feel and act toward living human relation of men and women to each other will moral, integrity and virtuous habits are the beings, so will be our heaven or hell; by be a source of untold happiness. When the only guarantees to a prosperous and happy which I mean, happiness or unhappiness sexes learn their true mission to each other life, and the only qualifications which invite in Lake City. Night after night the people simply a state of mind. This view is in har- this earth will be all the heaven we shall ever true respect and honor; whether they be have attended in great crowds, until we bemany cultivated minds. We predict for him a suc- the grand idea that religion is something be- The same love of social life will exist there of wealth and splendor. All methods for of the Congregational church were thrown cessful literary career. We regard this as one of the tween man and man. Our destiny must turn, as here. One of the fixed laws of our social real advancement in life must be based upon wide open for the seventeenth lecture of this not on how others feel and act toward us, but nature is that we cannot make ourselves happy law established in the principles of nature. In "Infidel" I have given sixteen lectures in how we feel and act toward them. We can by making others unhappy. We cannot be order then to advance and elevate the human Concert Hall on Spiritualism, Theology, the can have heaven in our hearts, no matter how happy by returning evil for evil. There is family a knowledge of individual structure and Bible, Biography and History. This evening Wood's Patent Modifying Chamber and Perfect Harmonic Swell, others act toward us. When young children no true happiness in calling you a villain be- requirements, both physiologically and phre- I addressed a large audience, the church beare playing together their happiness depends cause you call me one. The law of good for nologically is necessarry. Human Anatomy and ing densely packed, many being obliged to reon how they feel and act towards each other, evil is the only source of happiness in the Physiology, instinctive with innumerable cells, main standing during my hour-and-a-half's for they know nothing of God or Christ. Let body and out of it Good for evil should be by means of which the process of life is carried discourse on the inexhaustable subject of one child become cross and the harmony of the watchword of life, as it is the only law on, reveals, in itself a volume of wisdom and Temperance. It is generally my "luck" to the circle is destroyed—they are all miserable. by which people can live together in social is both beautiful as well as interesting to con- be on the unpopular side of questions. Even When they govern themselves they are pleas- harmony. Love is man's only saviour. If template. But when we consider and inves- among reformers I have been accused of going ant and harmonious in their relatious-all is you are ever happy you must have love in tigate the structure and function of the further in violation of good sense than most

We carry with us what we find. It can- ing, and to supply our wants just as we do true merits of the subject become apparent, perance. I was somewhat surprised, therenot go away from ourselves. If we have here. For instance, you will want knowledge, and the importance of a knowledge of the fore, when I stood before my large audience, heaven in our hearts, we shall find it wherever but you must study to learn. There are gems same, as connected with all reform imperative. to-night, composed principally of conservawe go. I am sick of the twaddle about an of beauty and splendor in this earth that we To purify and adorn the temple of the soul tives, in and out of the church. Conservaabstract idea of heaven away off somewhere dream not of. We shall study all the sci- is certainly a laudible enterprise. And the tives, I supposed they were; but the hearty PRICE, as low as First Class Instruments can be offered anywhere. ences. The center of our life is this earth; way must be prepared for the coming man hand-shaking, and endorsement of my views, We carry with us both our physical and it is my mother; in her bosom I was devel- and woman. Surely many of us realize sadly received from both ladies and gentleman, to-

relation will I bear to the loved ones left bepleasant, correct habits that he is not asham- hind; Will my present relations cease? soul. The husband will love his wife, and that our spirit friends come and visit us.

Reflections on Life and Education.

BY MARY A. STRAUB.

We may with much propriety repeat at the present day the following significant declaration, uttered in the early days of our national prosperity. We must educate, we must educate, or we perish by our own pros-

creasing interest in matters of education; it is painful to realize that it is but partial and confined chiefly to the intellect.

While it is gratifying to witness the in-That system of education, which, though based upon the principles of human nature. does not aim at the cultivation and improvement of the entire individual is imperfect, and alone, can never correct and purify the morals of community, or elevate the standard of spiritual excellence among mankind. Would we realize the wishes of every true, wakeful heart. we must have a system of ducation that is thorough, converting both soul and body into the beautiful creature so happily defined by the genius of the human spirit, to be chisseled out by the hand of devotion and perseverance. True we have aimed high, but not having employed the ject. It is impossible to bring about great and good results without proper and adequate means. Would we rear a structure that not what they seem. One that can separate The Power of Education to Mould PARIAN. certainly strive to make it substantial as well of life, and that will render caste and vanity ment. What would we wish, what would we be. The immortality of the soul has been the certainly we would be happy, and we would is held, by those who at present fashion and cessful Horticulturalist loves his avocation, the workshop, the Factory and the Kitchen. My consciousness tells me that I exist, but and prides himself in presenting to the eyes and the result of his genius a systematic and supply all the necessities of life-not merely beautiful garden as well as the choicest physical sustenance, but spiritual, and mental fruits of the land. In order to do this, it is also. When labor finds its true level, there he be familiar with those sciences which his considered respectable. Less resorting to business necessarily involves, not merely vice, trickery and prostitution, to keep up an verse God has not created a longing theoretically, but practically. And thus with appearance that will insure acceptance in the the individual who realizes fully the purpose ist. I have had communion with the of life. Glancing with one comprehensive the truth, the consequences of our own acts spirits of dear friends, but this did not view at the plan of creation, he beholds it is stare us in the face with every fresh revelaconvince me of their immortality, for I all good; but reflecting upon himself he can tion of crime. It is a fact which none can knew it before. Belief ends where knowledge but contemplate with astonished admiration, deny who are familiar with our present society begins. As I love to commune with earth the wonderful mechanism of the human orfriends, and learn of their experience in the ganization, the body and the mind, its vari- honorable, who give time and strength at rugged journey of life, so I love to hold com- ous, continually unfolding capacities, and two dellars per week in some kitchen, laundry, munion with the "loved ones gone before." power to conceive and accomplish; and above or nursery-The young men, who, still cling and holding intelligent converse with the ual laborers, rank as inferiors in society, to Our bodies must die; this fact we cannot universe. Is there ought too great and good those men and women who are reveling in believe that the death of the body is the The principle by which the problem of life must be solved, is a lofty aspiration, a yearn- that to subsist in this world we must have

there as here, only we shall have better op- principles of life and health should be taught however much they may be "conservative" is madness to defer.

For the Present Age.

Social Wrongs.

Honor is at discount! Virtue in home. spun is stared down and annihilated by the more highly appreciated gaud and glitter of tender of the traffic of intoxicating liquors as vice? True merit, and modesty are utterly Northern people were of slavery during the upon crime is multiplying, and wave after wave of wretchedness goes circling out, as every few days, some fresh development of crime stirs up the slimy dregs, in the pool of society. When those every in high places are societies and the branches of this deadly nightshade of Intemperance. The consequences we see; an increase of the evil; thousands of the best lives sacrificed; Temperance societies dissociety. When those every in high places are shown multiplied and the protected it, lopped the branches of this deadly nightshade of Intemperance. The consequences we see; an increase of the evil; thousands of the best lives sacrificed; Temperance societies dissociety. When those every in high places are lived in the branches of this deadly nightshade of Intemperance. The consequences we see; an increase of the evil; thousands of the best lives sacrificed; Temperance societies dissociety. When those every in high places are lived in the branches of this deadly nightshade of Intemperance. The consequences we see; and increase of the evil; thousands of the best lives according to the branches of this deadly nightshade of Intemperance. The consequences we see; and increase of the evil; thousands of the best lives according to the branches of this deadly nightshade of Intemperance. The consequences we see; and increase of the evil; thousands of the best lives a discourse by America's most gifted preacher. Harrier March Henry Ward Beecher. Harrier March Henry Ward Beechers. Harrier in America Correspondence, Young People's writers in America Correspondence, Young People's writers in America in a discourse by America's most gifted preacher. Harrier Beecher Stowe, Robert Colliver, Ward Henry Ward Ward H poor. People should earn their own living are with you, the same as before they passed every few days, some fresh development of increase of the evil; thousands of the best beyond the river. Do not associate them crime stirs up the slimy dregs, in the pool of lives sacrificed; Temperance societies diswith the graveyard, but with your daily lives society. When those even in high places are banded; grog-shops multiplied and flourishand duties. I know from facts and experience fallen, how can we wonder, that the poor, the unfortunately organized, and circum-There as here, good for evil is the principle stanced, the unjustly ostracized of society, that will save and bless men and women, while those to whom she assigns the lower seats and ized; so long as druggists are allowed to sell evil for evil will curse them. Keep your merely tolerates, because, forsooth, according it (on the mistaken supposition that alcohol with our feelings and actions towards our felhearts bright and clean, and everything will to an ancient myth, they are laboring under is a medicine); so long as it is recommended low-beings. It is a wise law to those who look beautiful—you will hear the music of the law: "By the sweat of thy brow shalt by physicians. The use of intoxicating liquors thou earn bread?" How can we wonder that must be banished from the sick-room, their such as these sometimes fall, overcome by the last lurking-place. I then advanced the storms of temptation which beset them, and atrocious idea that if in a case of sickness we if they seek refuge in the ever open and en- could be morally certain that a life could be ticing paths of crime?

" Alas! for the rarity Of christian charity Under the sun!

cause, would, we opine, like our noble broth- INTOXICATING LIQUORS !! It was for the exer Jesus, in but few cases, find but the one pression of that sentence that my good gentle judgment-"Neither do I condemn thee.") When such, who stand out as the a fool in a Chicago Convention two years the poor victim to "the bitter end," we ask greeted the declaration with a hearty round in sorrow, is "there no physician?" no hu- of applause. manity, broad enough, and deep enough to I advised that while we should be unsparsearch out the cause and apply the remedy ing in in our denunciations of the rum traffic, which not only heals, but uproots? We have we should treat the rum-seller kindly. Too condemned, and doctored, and bewailed effects many Temperance advocates had overlooked too long. Why is it that so many women the remedy for the traffic, and berated the daily and hourly go floating out upon the trafficker. I ventured the remark that men great ocean of sin branded by the world as are seldom abused into reformation. Ballots STERLING. Lost. Prostitute? Why that so many men in the hands of women will make the manu- COIN. in the glow and prime of manhood are stamp- facture of liquor as great a crime (greater) ed with those terrible words of shame. Burglar, Counterfeiter, Murderer?

This, is my answer, WANT. Want, first. of a purer toned society, one that will estimate a man and a woman for what they are, we wonder at the enormity of vice when we consider the estimation in which manual labor must elicit royal recognition. And the remuneration for such will, must be sufficient to fashionable world. Shrink as we may from -the girl, or woman, however virtuous and

Common Sense and experience teach us cept, that pretty is, who pretty does. And images wearing chains in our jails and prisons. to the production of such characters. about our believing in the Bible, church, or We shall exist in the future life as men that wealth and display are not vehicles to Lima, March 1870. RENA L. MINER.

Spiritualism in Minnesota.

BY W. F. JAMIESON.

We have been holding a Spiritual revival nervous system, the mind, the relations ex- men on this very subject of Temperance, and In the future life we must work for a liv- isting between the mind and the body, the the proper mode to treat the evil of Intemthe misfortune of an imperfect early educa- tal strangers to me; most of them, I sup-We shall live naturally; we shall exist tion. We should have schools where the pose, church-members, convinced me, that portunities to grow in knowledge and good- as well those of chemistry and mathematics, on religious questions, they are even less where physical and mental culture should be a timid and more radical on some of the practi-When I lay aside my mortal body what characteristic feature. Let us be wise to- cal questions of the day, than many Spiritualwill be my relations to this planet? What day; surely, at the present rate of living, it ists. I am happy to say for Minnesota, and especially for Lake City, that I have not met a timid Spiritualist since I entered the State. Just think! I advanced the idea that the reason why the efforts of the friends of Temperance had met thus far with ignominious failure is because they have been as Rebellion. They have protected it, lopped ing; four-fifths of the young men rapidly reeling to early graves. All of these terrible results must follow so long as the traffic is legalsaved by administering a few drops of intoxicating liquor, and the choice could be permitted to banish it forever, my vote would be given for its banishment. If people cannot When reformers and philanthropists, those live without alcoholic drinks let them die! who are expected, and who profess to look Success for the cause of Temperance will be deeper than externals to judge, (who by so found, I said, in these few words: Total Abo- No Capital Required. Not One Cent to doing, having traced the effect back to its LITION OF THE SALE AND MANUFACTURE OF friend, Judge Hhead-lights of reform, grasp merely at effects, ago. He was a Spiritualist; yet this audiand thirst, like the blood-hound, to pursue ence, composed largely of church-members,

as counterfeiting money. When women vote the balance of power will be in the hands of the friends of Temperance Reform.

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For the Present Age. Human Character.

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There is no superstition so monstrous, no political sentiment so mischievious, no usages or customs so intolerable, but entire nationalities can be made to accept and welcome them through the influence of a persistation course of education. A conviction of this fact ought to be so engraven or customs so intolerable, but entire nationupon the public mind as never to be forgotten. It should pervade the thought of legislators, of religious teachers, of parents, and especially of all who are seeking to promote the progress and reform of the world. Green Seeds, with directions for one year, the Western Home, a monthly It is true that long periods of time are de- culture, prepaid by mail. The magazine published in Chicage. See advermanded to produce such wonderful results. Ideas and habits start with one generation, ecome stronger in the next, and still stronger in the next, until they form intrinsic elements of character, and are transmitted from parents to children. It is thus national measures and habits, characteristics in physical and mental conformations, are established. Let those who seek the improvement of the world sieze hold of this idea, cling to it, act upon it never lose sight of it, and it will guide them to the attainment of results in the improvement of the world, in the accelleration of the "good time coming," The grand idea of life is to find out what our ing for the good, the true and the beautiful. money, and some means of procuring it, and which the "eye hath not seen, the ear heard,

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