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Selected Poetry.

heetic flush came to his face ; then a very ble Mosqueto creek-O, I would have given had been tacked down so as to take in one the spirit voice ceased speaking, and Mrs. done on the other side of the paper on which From Human Nature bad cough with slight hemorrhage of the lungs took up its abode with him; in every letter from Cincinnati Oscar's failing health The following beautiful poem, says the Portland letter from Cincinnati Oscar's failing health asked thee how thee felt with thy pockets even in that garret with its log walls and Evening Commercial, was written by the late Edward was a topic. By-and-by they learned that filled with water instead of gold !"

Pollock, the gifted California poet, on the 5th of he was unable to attend his school; week Not until quite late did Gavin remember Jessie was not asleep. "Whe is that from?" January, 1857, and has never before been published after week of anxiety to Jane and Jessie that he had received a letter from Oscar, and she asked as her eye fell on the letter in It was given by the poet to a friend who was about came and went. Their depleted purse would also one from Thomas Martindale for Jane. Jane's hand. to depart on a steamer for Oregon, Pollock saying, "Take this ; you may, perhaps, read and appreciate not admit of their going to him, and he was As he gave them to Jane he remarked, "Oscar's contains a rather curious document

the sentiment long after I have ceased to be among too ill to come to them. the living."

There's something in the "parting hour" Will chill the warmest heart-Yet kindred, comrades, lovers, friends, Are fated all to part ; But this I've seen-and many a pang Has pressed it on my mind-The one who goes is happier Than those he leaves behind.

No matter what the journey be, Adventurous, dangerous, far, To the wild deep or black frontier, To solitude, or war-Still something cheers the heart that dares In all of human kind, And they who go are happier Than those they leave behind.

The bride goes to the bridegroom's home, With doubtings and with tears, But does not Hope her rainbow spread Across her cloudy fears? Alas! the mother who remains What comfort can she find, But this-the gone is happier Than the one she leaves behind !

Have you a friend----a comrade dear ? An old and valued friend ? Be sure your term of sweet concourse At length will have an end ! And when you part----as part you will----O take it not unkind, If he who goes is happier Than you he leaves behind !

God wills it so----and so it be : The pilgrims on their way, Though weak and worn, more cheerful are Than all the rest who stay. And when, at last, poor man subdued. Lies down to death resigned, May he not still be happier far Than those he leaves behind

> (Copy right secured.) IS IT POSSIBLE!

A STORY FROM REAL LIFE. WRITTEN FOR THE PRESENT ASE BY ANNIE DENTON CRIDGE

The dark days had come; it was winter which has escaped the flood; I commenced with the Allston family, both in a literal and to read it, but, not understanding, left it for figurative sense. thee to explain. Oscar's was but a line or

"Lima, Peru !" "Charles Upland !" said received from Lima, Peru." Gavin to himself as he looked successively "Lima, Peru !" Jane repeated ; then she all thy life." at the superscription and signature of a let- turned to the conclusion of the letter, and as ter which Oscar had enclosed to him. For a her eyes fell on the signature she blushed and how wrongfully we judged him better understanding he read a few lines, but trembled perceptibly.

feeling yet in the dark, he put it in his pock-"What does it mean?" asked Gavin. et together with one received from Thomas Martindale for Jane, thinking that she could is from that gentleman thee heard me speak throw some light upon the subject, as the of, whom I supposed went to California." writer was probably an old friend of the fami- Jane then read the letter ; it was addressed

to Oscar as follows : Between the oil diggings and the log cabin "Yesterday I met a gentleman direct from Cincithe distance in a direct line was not quite mati, Ohio In the course of conversation he menthree miles ; but as it was necessary, either tioned your name as one with whom he had talked to cross a piece of swamp-land bordering on a on some particular points of Geology-Mr. Allston ! I caught at the name, when a series of questions -large stream (or succession of puddles, acor rather, the answers to them---proved to me that I cording to the weather,) or to make a cir- had found my long lost friends. I wrote to Virginia cuit of about four miles, Gavin usually took twice ; now I know why no answer came. about thirty feet in width, on a large rough log, or tree. Now, as he was not used to feats of balancing, and entirely unacquainted with both the theory and practice of tight. the nearer road crossing "Mosquet o Creek,"

unselfish, as I then supposed, it was really the most selfish act of my life. "Something tells me Jane is married; but 0, if she is not, and can forget all those years, then my life may glide blissfully and sweetly on. "I had one reason for being anxious for wealth of which I did not speak at the time: I wanted to provide for my aged parents, who are noor. I have with both the theory and practice of tight- selfish act of my life. rope dancing, or any other form of gymnastic exercise, his only mode of crossing the nar- she is not, and can forget all those years, then my Gavin." row bridge which intervened between him and his home paradise, was one not contemplated in the Mahommedan creed, relative to

the mode of approach to the heaven of the bought them a farm in Ohio and built them a house, so that they will henceforth be self-sustaining. faithful, his only resource being to straddle said unhewn tree (with or without sundry articles of provisions, etc.,) and gradually push his way, by successive leaps, to the fur-

Sometimes, however, the creek was so swollen by heavy rains that it was necessary to make the circuit. How often Jane would Gavin, and buried her face in her hands. open the door and peer through the darkness "Not very complimentary to me, Jane,

to observe his near approach, or walk to the he said as he remarked her tears. gate to listen for his footsteps. How her "O, Gavin-through all these years how heart beat with love and pity for her Gavin, have wronged him !" Then seeming to retired, sad and disheartened, whom she knew alize that her conduct was inexplicable to was on his lonely way home. As she leaned Gavin, she quietly added, "Gavin, dear Gav-against the gate at those times, who may in ! were I unmarried this moment, and were should also have the other ; this would be pleasant. know the sorrowing love of that womanly you and Charles Upland here, I would choo

"From Charles Upland."

thee missed him, even if thee should be poor

"I'm glad I missed him ; hu think Jessie,

"O, well, yes; I'm sorry or that," she surrounded by ten smaller ones. A spirit repited slowly, as if she har not looked at it placed one of the small stars on the head of "Charles Upland ! how strange ! Why it from that stand-point; "but then, he was each sitter, while the large star remained in such a simpleton; he was mad for gold, now space. Lights of different colors were seen to he has it, and I hope he will enjoy it." Here shere-opened the letter, which she had taken again ; "and now I have not love," she

read ; "O, well-his love would not have Mrs. Everitt, who was in her normal state, blessed thee, or thine have blessed him ; he'll exclaimed with others, "They are writing "I shall return in the spring to the United States ber all his kindness to me, and all he suffered written in pencil:

provide for my aged parents, who are poor. I have brighter day by day."

"I know it. A superior power-call it so that they will henceforth be self-sustaining. "Through all these years the memory of your sister Jane has been ever present to me and my love for her unshaken. Will Jane write me? Do let me hear from you, at your earliest convenience." Yours truly, CHARLES UPLAND. As a be need it the sterm enthance in her in the superior power wight smile on me some day." Jane, still at Jessie's bedside, opened and the same benign power might smile on me some day." Jane, still at Jessie's bedside, opened and the same server is bedside, opened and the same diversity of the Logides after his death, it passed to the Seloncides, whose persecu-tions gave occasion to one of the brightest periods of its history, the devotion of the Maccabees, who suc-ceeded in delivering their country, and gov-

As she read it the tears gathered in her eyes, and on finishing its perusal gave it to Gavin, and buried her face in her hands.

"Do you repent of what you have honestly done for man or woman ? You have kept fast your individualities, have been true to your consciences, have of Aristobulus, and the last of the Maccabees, was have your own self-respect ; and are all these so very much inferior to mere money ? But thee seems out seldom is so, life, or human nature, seems

dark, and scatter flowers on the circle, the the spiritual elements of paper and penci open rafters, a little spot of delicate beauty. Jessie was not asleep. "Who is that from ?" gratefully experienced by the sitters. This writing was accomplished in the spirit-world, was explained in spirit writing, seen by Mrs. and the sounds heard were not produced me Burns, to be a preparation of the room for chanically, but were electrical phenomena re further phenomena, and the seer now per- sembling the spirit-rap caused by the ultimaceived a white vapor shrouding the room, so tion of the writing into the physical sphere. "Charles Upland !" "Yes." Jessie read it. "Well, I'm glad he's rich at last, for his own sake," she said as she all," and observed three of the spirit children conceivable; and a careful study of these stand on each side of Mrs. Everitt, cross statements will impress the thoughtful mind two, but inclosed was a letter which he had folded and returned it to Jane. "I'm glad hands over her head, on which they placed a with the conviction that the means used in coronet of white flowers, edged with blue, and the evolution of these phenomena are in achaving silvery leaves. These matters were cordance with the invariable laws of Nature, not perceived by any present except Mrs. yet laws that we are altogether unacquainted Burns, though the spirit lights were seen by with, and belonging to a branch of science at

nearly all. Mrs. Burns then saw a large star, present far transcending human experience. The original writing may be seen at the Progressive Library. London, 22nd April, 1870.

arise from each star, which were gathered up From the Woman's Advocate.

Kansas Women in a Work Dress,

The Kansas women are some of them show marry, never tear, and be all right." Then she looked at Jane kneeling at her bed-side. "Ah, yes-I see ; thee is sorry we so fully computed to be about eight seconds of by uniting in the organization of an Associaagain ! " as a similar phenomenon had occurmisjudged him; well-l-l-y-e-s; it time. When it stopped the light was struck, tion, which is pledged to support and encouris a pity to misjudge any one, and I remem- and the following passage was found closely age it. These women of the West have had pared with the results of future years for the have learned to economize their strength in a lists.

Dress, ("Reform Dress," it is usually called,) experience.

thing we want; it is light and convenient; and facts. it covers all parts of the body equally warm." They accordingly adopted it, and Dr. Brice, of habitants were carried away into captivity; sixty years later Cyrus permitted its re-establishment, and a theocratic government took the place of its monarchy. While on his march to Persia, Alexan-Leavenworth, writes me that she is introduc ing the dress in other neighborhoods, as work dress.

But the most important step taken in the F. M. Brown. matter, is in the work of organizing. In this, the town of Tonganoxie, has taken the lead. It has formed a society, called the "Tonganxie Dress Reform Association;" brought to its walls the roman arches, again, the other persons of influence in the place. The store by J. G. Clark. Romans, under Cæsar, from whom Herod by suc-Romans, under Cæsar, from Whom Herod by su

Three Cheers For California

By a late legal decision in California, three

The ground taken by the court was this :

gave us a gentle rebuke, for our harsh lan-

decision under it is infamous."

Such was the law. To which we re-

guage.

cessful intrigue obtained authority to assume the (as a work dress at least,) for the space of one year, and longer, if they like it; while always tried to be wise as well as faithful; you scourged to death by Antony. It was in the reign of the husbands, brothers, and sons, pledge their have your own self-respect; and are all these so Herod the Great that Christ was born and in the reign of united support. The society meets from time of Herod the dreat intertomist was out and in the relief in the solution of th place a man of genuine integrity, and sterling &c., &c.

A work of considerable importance is in active preparation under the immediate co-operation of eminent Spiritualists in Europe and America. It is to constitute the first of a series of yearly publications giving an epitome of Spiritualism throughout the world as far as information may be obtainable. A vast supply of material from all parts is al-ready flowing in, and short but pithy articles from leading Spiritualists of all countries and

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of all shades of opinion. This new annual will not be in any respect a sectarian work. The opinion of contributors will not be "doctored" to a certain tint of theological or philosophical opinion, but each writer will appear in his or her true colors,-all the editing necessary being the condensation of papers that exceed the limits of space at disposal. This, then, will be a book for all, and a step towards the consolidation of the movents of Spiritualism all over the planet iritualists everywhere are respectfully so licited to reply to Mr. Peeble's circular pub-lished in last number of Human Nature; but that the work may be done more effectively, a form is issued with this month's number which Spiritualists are cordially invited to fill to the best of their knowledge, and return ing their appreciation of the practical, as well as soon as convenient. It may be mentioned as well as the healthful, by adopting a con-venient dress to work in; and their husbands the special permission of the persons bearing and brothers have seconded the movement, them-the sole object of this work being to get some approximate and authentic idea of the status of Spiritualism which may be com-

ASIATIC AND EUROPEAN SPIRITUALISM,by J. M. Peebles, who has made a tour of Europe and the east to ascertain suitable

BRITISH SPIRITUALISM AND LITERATURE is in the hands of J. Burns, whose connection with the movement enables him to give some useful information.

SPIRITUALISM IN CALIFORNIA, by Mrs. H.

SPIRITUALISM IN THE NORTH-WEST, by Col. D. M. Fox, with articles from Emma Hardinge, Prof. Denton, Epes Sargent; poems by Lizzie Doten, Emma Tuttle, &c., among its members are merchants, doctors, an original, inspired musical composition-a legislators, and their wives, together with song by the wonderful Felix Schelling, only other persons of influence in the place. The eleven years old, and an origional Progressive

> by Andrew Jackson Davis and Mary F. Davis. On " HEALING," by Dr. Newton.

"SPIRITISM," by Miss Anna Blackwell. A specimen of music after the performance

of Jesse B. H. Sheppard, the musical medium, Added to the above information, will b

CHAPTER XXV

speculator, who offered the proprietor of the the fence which bounded Gavin's lot; the ever present. offer was accepted, a well put down in three days, a fourteen horse power engine at once obtained and immediately put to work. Gavin found that from the time this adjoining well was dug, he would obtain no more oil of any consequence; moreover his engine was only a four horse power, and he deemed it almost useless to attempt pumping his well in competition with the superior force of the other engine, as there was evidently an intimate communication between the two wells.

This discouraged our friends more than anything which had yet occurred; fate seemed to be fighting against them. Gavin walked that day to his home on the "East ridge" with a sadder heart than he had felt since the commencement of his operations in the oil business. The well at Battleton went on, but slowly, averaging about six inches per diem, and he was almost a poor man, having only about two hundred dollars remaining ; another failure, he felt that he was ruined. "Poor Jane !" he reflected ; "are all her philanthropic schemes to melt in- he has gained the middle of the stream, as he to the air ?" His journey home was one of agony. That night from the log cabin the but in doing this he loses his balance and golden dreams of Jane began to glide into finds himself going into the water, which the distance. The reverse had come upon them so suddenly, at a time when the star of and heels around the log, under which he

blackest night they had ever seen.

and in delays resulting from inclement weath- around the top of the log. Poor Gavin! I this being the case, it was very evident that changed, making advances toward one side er and other causes, a large portion of the wonder if he thinks as he hangs there that there lived somewhere a lady better suited then toward the other and uniformly stoper and other causes, a large portion of the wonder if he thinks as he hangs there that there lived somewhere a lady better suited for him than I could have been; then I would say, that now I was a mother and had wonder if winding up, the lived somewhere a lady better suited of Jerusalem, while the children sang Hosannas to the Son of David. By this gate the Emperor Heroobtained; but its declining price and the in- tunes at the oil business, in which he has been would say, that now I was a mother and had when, from want of winding up, the creasing difficulty of effecting cash sales, oc- trying to get on the top of the log for two a babe of my own, I realized how much I had music stopped in the middle of a bar. casioned partly by the political crisis, and years! After repeated struggles and failures loved little Charley, and that there was very Then the fire was darkened, and the lamp expartly by defective transportation arrange- he succeeds in reaching-not the top of the little difference between the love I felt for tinguished, and the dark scance commenced. ments, resulting from bad roads, want of log-but the farther bank of the creek wrong him, and that I now feel for my own. But "John Watt," the spirit who speaks in the railroads and canals, etc., occasioned Gavin side uppermost, but groceries all right; and before all this, I would like to give him a the tube and commenced speaking. He then considerable embarrassment.

ed in B_____, that he had abandoned school on his face, "Cursed poverty !" Whether he saw that it would not do to ventures on the wooden horse, with many a friendship die ?" throw away a certainty for an uncertainty, laugh in which Jane and Jessie join ; and or had resolved to make all the money he could yet as Jane laughs there is the same aching I don't think he would come." so as to enable the oil enterprise to be con- pain at her heart which is just now intensi-

heart! Every hope that had been hers when you: I respect him, but I LOVE you." they had commenced this business was now Gavin took a chair and drew her to him

arose. The hitherto unprecedented quantity her being that threatened to shut out forever those tears," she said, "because I have so of oil pumped from the well, and the circum- all other hope or light. Her husband was misjudged him ; as I read, the intervening stance of its being but six feet from the brought to poverty, both of purse and of years were overleaped, and THEN and NOW part with a chill at her heart, and yet, for ing him then, and of the conviction I had that land a large sum of money for the privelege his sake she tried to wear a pleasant face, he loved gold better than he loved me. Now I of putting a well down, immediately outside saying nothing of the heart-ache which was know that he was sincere-that he was, or

ther bank.

On the particular day, however, on which doubted him, and all these years he has been he received the letter from Peru, he decided cherishing my memory. I am sorry, very to leave early so as to arrive home before sorry for him; he was good and true after dark. As it had not rained for several days, all. Had I heard that he was married I he concluded to go straight across the creek, should have been satisfied, but that he has but on arriving at the crossing found the wa- been thinking of me all these years grieves ter very high, being within a few inches of me exceedingly." the log. What was to be done? to go back

"1'm afraid," she continued, "thee won't and take the carriage road involved an addiunderstand me. Gavin ; I love thee better tional walk of three miles or more, through very muddy roads; yet an attempt to cross that narrow log might involve a species of hydropathic treatment not particularly pleasant under the circumstances; moreover he had with him a bag containing groceries. He endeavored to walk-not "the plank," but the log, which, after a few steps, commenced to vibrate to an extent seriously threatening be acquainted !'' his balance, so he plunged one foot into the "I can appreciate all this," said Gavin; water and then the other, and lo, he is again "and there is no reason why a woman should on his wooden horse! But as he needed the either dislike or disrespect a man whom she use of his hands, the bag must be held be tween his teeth. Now with some difficulty ascertains by looking behind and before him, movement he arrests by throwing his arms

involve wet clothes and perhaps a severe cold; now married to a man, in every way better sic in the most accurate and intelligent man-In making experiments on Gavin's well, so he repeatedly attempts to swing himself suited to me than he would have been; that ner, varying the movements as the tunes

Though Oscar had declared when he arriv- of breath looking at the log with a little grin left."

seldom to be capable of both. I know you would be contented with a little, but somehow when we

have only a little it is always becoming less. Yet it Only one week, and lo ! a new obstacle dying-dying, and a sadness was stealing into kissing her tenderly. "I could not help is not out of your power to have enough and to have it honestly. If we would be successful farmers. boundary line, had excited the cupidity of a spirit; every morning she watched him de- united. I thought of all my doubts concern- the unusual, the glittering, but the common, the always-performing that should be chosen. Psywas worth your while to have put such a faculty to the practical test. But now if Gavin can get emdesired to be, unselfish; all these years I loyment as a newspaper correspondent you will do well enough yet. I have taken a long time to say a little. * * * * But to notice another thing : I have never observed that wealth had so much power to refine us or to make us happy ; fine horses, fine dress, even fine manners and usages ; are not refinement. I do not think they even so much promote it as a more modest life. The poorest Span-

iard has all the manners of the noblest, and PURSE PRIDE is the most disgusting of all pride. * * I have always believed in psychometry, but would

than all the world besides ; I wish we could its application until I knew the limits of its power. read each others thoughts, then we would not * * * * I think you are too much discour so wrongfully misjudge as I have done. When aged and too severe on yourselves; don't give up psychometry on the one hand, or place an exclusive government under Herod ; but the successive revolt we have only the words and actions of perreliance on it on the other. * * * I hope Jessie sons by which to form our opinion of them, will never leave you unless married to some good how easy to make mistakes; could we but man, for the world is a cold place. Oscar and I read motives, how differently we would think leave to-morrow for New Orleans ; keep up heart of many with whom we suppose ourselves to I believe he will come home again quite well." (To be Continued.)

From the Human Nature. Direct Spirit Wgritin.

once thought of marrying, or who desired to marry her, and the least thee can do in this matter is to write Mr. Upland a friendly letter. What does thee say to that, my lit-tle wife? There is no reason why courtesy and politeness should be disregarded." I HAVE the pleasure of reporting one of the most interesting seances that I have ever had the privilege of witnessing or seeing recorded. It was at the house of Mr. Everitt, 26 Penton Street, Islington, on the evening of Monday, and politeness should be disregarded." I HAVE the pleasure of reporting one of the most interesting seances that I have ever had the privilege of witnessing or seeing recorded. It was at the house of Mr. Everitt, 26 Penton street, Islington, on the evening of Monday, at the table: the medium at one and myself I HAVE the pleasure of reporting one of the

"Well, yes; I would like to write; let me at the other, with Mr. Everitt on my right would like to write; let me at the other, with Mr. Everitt on my right Mount of Olives, of the Saviour-the Valley of Hi They were among strangers, their home a log cabin, their money would soon be gone aud then what? Aye, it was the darkest. swings barely above the water, a portion of tell thee, Gavin, what I would like to say to hand, and Mr. Haase on my left. Three sitaud then what? Aye, it was the darkest, be done-shall he swim accross? that would the love I had once for him, but that I was ed on the table, which kept time to the mu "John Watt," the spirit who speaks in the we hear him exclaim as he stands almost out very short sketch of my doings after he carried it up to the ceiling, on which it was heard to scrape and rub firmly. Mrs.

Burns acted as seeing medium, and described "Very good," said Gavin; "then give my a male spirit standing behind Mr. Everitt. teaching forever, yet, after the death of his However, arrived at home, dry shoes and kind respects and say we will be happy to see with the name "Robert" written on his arm. mother he resumed his position in Cincinnati. stockings and supper over, he tells his ad- him on his return to the States : why should She mentally asked the spirit whether he had any relationship or affinity to Mr. Everitt,

and immediately in response a white cord was projected from the head of the spirit to

Much conversation was carried on with "John spirits the means through which the writing live on the same continent to-day. The child mirror-heart. The best of all is that a kind tinued until success crowned their efforts, fied, for she realizes that it is akin to much man had such a dear little wife as thee; thee Watt," who was very jocular and cutting in was done in so short a space of time, with walks with her mother, -a pistol her only prowe cannot tell, though inclining to the lat- that has come to them lately. Jessie, how- is my life; every thing in life is poor com- his remarks. He endeavoured to make the no one holding the pencil; as Mrs. Everitt tection. ter opinion, as Jane had given him a peep at ever, is almost convulsed with laughter. "O, pared with thy love." She folded her arms sitters laugh, as he said he got power from was entirely passive during the whole of these Nor will the historian fail to record, that but he cannot shut up the world or confiscate their purse and its contents; whereat he had to think of that wonderful, rich-oil-merch- around his neck, and kissed him affection- the breath and nervous excitement of those proceedings, and the pencil and paper were the very parties and newspapers which used human life. As long as these are left, one opened his eyes in astonishment, saying no ant hanging from that log over a flood of wa- ately, then took a light and elimbed the lad- present. I felt very dull and drowsy, as I lying in the dark on the table before her, she every influence to give the negro the ballot, may defy poverty, neglect of friends, and even opened his eyes in astonishment, saying no more about abandoning school teaching, but returning to school and to duty. His bealth, howevery moment expecting to His bealth, howevery ho His health, however, began to fail; the be engulfed in the dark waters of that terri- mosqueto bars forming the walls. A carpet wake me up before I went home. After this ticable, as the second piece of writing was

At the foot was written, ' Do not touch influence in giving more writing.

we go, all of us, where the soil is rich and the crops arrangements were made to count the time do so, with such support. Many a woman always large. So in any other department; the if the writing should again occur, as it did in has said to me, in speaking of the Reform to make this noble effort successful. Take a route of the many, shows the true road. It is not a very short time. I counted to fifty as quick- Dress, "I wish all women wore it; I should few minutes of your precious time, to supply ly as I could, and Mr Bryant and Mr. Free- like to wear it if others did," man estimated the time in seconds, and they there are thousands of women in the United of your acquaintance subseribes for a copy. ways-performing that should be chosen. Psy-chometry may have caused delay and losses, but it agreed that fourteen seconds elapsed during States, (and I know not how many among the Orders for the Annual should be sent in at the time the sounds continued. The light peasantry of Scotland,) who have adopted a once, that arrangements may be made to was again struck, when I read the writings short dress to work in, to say nothing of print a suitable supply. The publisher for carefully over, the spirits correcting me by those who wear it altogether, there are twice the Eastern Hemisphere, including Australia affirmative and negative movements of the as many who are deterred from so doing, for and New Zealand, is J. Burns, 15 Southamptable; and as "John Watt" foretold, I was lack of co-operative action, and mutual en- ton Row, W. C. London.

quite wide awake then. Here is the matter couragement. Organization is what is needof the second communication, a fac-simile of ed, in this, as in every other reform. It which is given in lithography with this num- would give strength, character, and respectber. It was very difficult, however, to imi- ability. S. W. Dodds, M. D.

tate the quaint pencil-writing so as to repreresent the blurs and corrections which the From the Woman's Journal. spirits had introduced. The Latin sentence at the foot is of particular interest, and we shall be glad if some of our scholastic readers not like to risk large amounts of labor or money in will investigate the statement' made respec-

ting it : "Jerusalem next became apportioned for a time as one of the tetrarchies that replaced the unity of their own good, worthy mother. of the Jews brought upon it capture and destruction by Titus, then afterwards by Hadrian, who drove the Jews entirely away from it, gave it the name of Ælia Capitalina, and desecrated the Christian shrines, and even the revered sepulchre of Christ by introducing the filthy rites of the worst part o tate, and all the children, with the right to Eastern idolatry adopted into pagan pantheism, un-der the title of Adonis. The once Holy City preserved its Roman name until the time of Constan wife's property was concerned, and should be, whose mother, the Empress Helena, was the first to avail herself of her son's conversion to Chritianit would do well to follow the example of Caliand search for and restore the Christian monumer with a pious care. The subsequent capture by the Per sian king, Chascoes, the release of the Holy Shrino fornia in such cases.

Very recently, two small children were literally taken by force from the neck of their mother in the court-room in the city of Boston, the law. This JOURNAL called the decision infamous. Privately, an excellent gentleman, a lawyer,

at the table: the medium at one end, myself the Turks-the holy sepulchre, of Constantineand fear and trembling, beg to purchase permission to lay their bones there. "There is a gate of the city on the eastern side

of the Temple which is called the Golden, whence Joachim, the father of Mary, by the order of the angel of the Lord, met his wife Anne. By the same gate the Lord Jesus, coming from Bethany on the day of Olives sitting on an ass, also entered the city of Jerusalem, while the children sang Hosannas to from Persia with the cross of our Lord. Sir John Maundeville describes in his time (A. D. 1322) the marks of the ass's feet as being still seen in three gate in the bottom of the valley, was a broad, hard stone, discovering the prints made by our Saviour's feet, that was there to be a standing monument of the real existence and identity of the Lord Christ. "Jesum Nazarenum subversorem gentis contempt-em. . . . Cæsaris et falsum Messiam ut Majorum suæ gentis testimonio probatum est ducete ad com munis supolicii locum ut eum ludibriis regiæ magstatis in medio duorum latronum cruci affigite I lictor expedi crucis.

the Jews.

the front part of Mr. Everitt's brain, who at Gavin kissed her, saying : "I wish every once recognized the spirit as his brother. and the attempt was made to elicit from the you!"The three, father, mother, and child, lives. The whole world makes pictures for a

If the friends east and west, who are favor- a complete list of progressive Literature 'as handling the paper would disturb the able to this reform, would organize in the forming a goodly volume, for which it is same way, it would not only be pleasanter for hoped not more than 1s. 6d. or 2s. will be The light was again extinguished, and the those who are already wearing the dress, but charged, but it will be issued at 1s. if possipaper placed opposite to Mrs. Everitt, and it would encourage others who would like to

Now, friends of Spiritualism, do your best And while information, and see that every Spiritualist

The Art of Being Happy.

The art of being happy lies in the power of extracting happiness from common things. If we pitch our expectations high; if we are arrogant in our pretensions; if we will not be happy except when our self-love is gratified, our pride stimulated, our vanity fed, or a small children, who had been willed by their have but little satisfaction out of this life. fierce excitement kindled, then we shall father to his mother, have been restored to The whole globe is a museum to those who have eyes to see. Rare plays are unfolded before every man who can read the drama of the old law which gave to the husband all the life intelligently. Not go to the theaters? personal property which the wife had at the Wicked to see plays? Every street is a theatime of the marriage, all that she could earn ter. One cannot open his eyes without seeafter the marriage, the use of all her real es ing unconscious players. There are Othellos, and Hamlets, and Leahs, and Falstaffs, Orphwill or deed either or all, children and goods clias, Rosalinds and Juliets, all about us. alike, was outgrown so far as the claim on the Mid summer-night dreams are performing in wife's property was concerned, and should be, in regard to the children. The older States Fulton street in Brooklyn is as good as a play. The children, the nurses, the maidens, the mothers, the wealthy everybodies, the queer men, the unconscious buffoons, the drolls, the earnest nonsense and the whimsical earnestness of men, the shop-windows under a decision strictly in accordance with the cars, the horses, the carriages -- bless us, there is not half time enough to enjoy all that is to be seen in these things! Or, if the mood takes you, go in and talk with the people-choosing, of course, fitting times and seasons. Be cheerful yourself. and goodnatured and respectful, and every man has a plied : "The law itself is infamous, and every secret for you worth knowing. There is a schoolmaster waiting for you behind every An attempt was made, last winter, both in door. Every shopman has a look of life differ-Massachusetts and New Jersey, to change this ent from yours. Human nature puts on as law, so that the mother, equally with the fath- many kinds of folisge as trees do, and is far er, may own the children. It failed in each better worth studying, Anger is not alike in As soon as we are in possession of all any two men, nor pride, nor vanity nor love.

the facts, we shall give them to our readers, Every fool is a special fool, and there is no that they may know by what kind of law and duplicate. What are trades and all kinds of logic, the mother, whose very life is one with buisness but laboratories where the ethereal that of her child, has no legal claim to it. thought is transmuted into some visible shape Some day, the historian will record the "fu- of matter? What are workmen but translators gitive slave law, "which sent the hunted, fly- of mind into matter? Men are cutting, sawmarks of the ass's lete as being sint set in the of places at the Golden Gate, the steps of which are of very hard stone; and Maundrell says below this peer in infamy and cruelty, he will write the every article is so much mind condensed into statute, by which the hands of little children matter. Work is incarnation. Nobody knows were legally taken from the clinging clasp of a city who only drives along its streets. There the mother, whose heart broke, as the last are vaults under streets, cellars under houses, "This is another proof :-- Sæwulf, 1102 and 1103. wail of her lost darlings died on her ear. attics above, shops behind. At every step Each will be read with an instinctive shudder. men are found tucked away in some queer No one will then wonder, that the hunted nook, doing unexpected things, themselves negro sometimes turned on his pursuer, and, odd and full of entertaining knowledge.

by a worthy and well dealt blow, left him It is kindly sympathy with human life thas dead. Nor will it seem strange that a woman, enables one to secure happiness. Pride is "You will find this in the Ecclesiatical Books of made desperate by the circumstances, said to like an unsilvered glass, through which all her husband, who threatened to take their on- sights pass, leaving no impression. But sym-After supper the room was again darkened, ly child from her, "If you do, I will shoot pathy, like a mirror, catches everything that sheriff's reach. He may sequester your goods,

once thought of marrying, or who desired to

"I will, and I would like to see him; but

and politeness should be disregarded."

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For the Present Age NADIR EMIR. Once the sun of Orient shone

Over minaret and dome. As Nadir Emir walked alone. And he asked the "whence and why" ;--Is this spirit from the sky? Shall Nadir Emir ever die ?

And he heard the river's flow, Where the waters pulsed below In the Orient's golden glow ;-Then he looked towards the sky And he questioned : "What am I? From whence came I here ? and why ?

"Can the loved that once have flown, Return from Allah's golden throne To the loved their souls have known ?" But the sky its secret kept, On the wave the lotus slept : Nadir bowed his head and wept.

But his soul-thought upward went, With another being's blent, And her Allah earthward sent, (Zilpha, fairer than the flow'rs, Fairer than the dream-eyed Hours, Resting in the eastern bow'rs.)

There came a light to Nadir's heart That no sunshine could impart, And a voice that made him start : "Nadir, Nadir, I am here ! My form you laid upon the bier, Clad in cerements ; -- I am here.

"'Tis great Allah's law of life, That from wearying and strife, Soul shall rise with questions rife. Nadir, all the souls are blest That lean on Allah's sacred breast ; Eternal life is his behest.

"All are born, through untold years, To the shining heav'nly spheres From this world of pain and tears : Some come upward through the night, But all shall stand within the light. Allah il Allah ! He is right."

* * * * With orient morning overhead, Since then has Nadir upward sped, To bow'rs of light by Zilpha led. Now he returns once more to earth To tell you of this glorious birth. Allah il Allah ! Peace to earth. F. M. T.

The Comtean Philosophy.

We too often fall into the habit of criticising great men and their labors, because their works do not embrace principles and conclusions which we think essential to hu-

remain to us only the scientific, the investigation and classification of material facts. The logical faculty will undoubtedly take a leading position in the domain of mind, and those elements which have hitherto had a controlling influence, will pass under subordination to the intellect-""the first shall become last and the last shall become first," but still they will have a place and perform a function,

supplying data to the supreme elements of mind. Another great generalization wrought out by Comte, is the order in which the sciences

have been developed. It is true, he fell into some errors of detail which his critics have taken advantage of, yet the general truth remains unaffected. This order assumes that the sciences have been developed in the ratio of their increasing complexity-the simpler science, being developed first, and that which truth that lack of pure and true affection, involves the greatest number of elements abused or misguided love, want of pleasant and embraces the most widening ramifications, is latest to be elevated to the character of positive knowledge. Mathematics is the simplest science, and Sociology is the most com-

fering of earth. I learned that love, "Denied, degraded, and suppressed, plicated. The science of Number can be Had died beneath the heartless jest, studied independent of any other sciences; With such conditions, there could not be the science of Sociology cannot be studied One thought of his divinity." ent perfection in the Alexandrian period, the bitter waves of agony that must roll back coral jewelry, \$75 each. Valentine Schroder and officer. We are glad to have an association while the science of Sociology is yet in its upon the spirit when it awakes from a pleas- John Diedrich, Detroit; sets solid gold jewelry, in the West set the example of making a infancy. The science of Form precedes the ant dream to find the idol it worshiped as a F. G. Williamson, Detroit; Thomas Sines, Milford; science of Function. First the material, God, to be but clay. Then came the revul- Miss Nettie Fisher, Grand Rapids ; C. G. Howell,

of our investigations is toward the invisible. hatred, and revenge. In other cases, the M. H. Maltley, Fentonville, each drew a \$65 Wheel- ly to the benefit of woman, or intimate that The realm of matter was long since investiga- tide of life seemed to sweep out in another er and Wilson sewing machine. Miss Katie Haydon it should be conducted by women exclusively, ted; now we are ascending into the realm of direction, and wealth, fame, power. became London, Ont.; Sanford Clute, Warren; Newcomb McGraft, East Saginaw; Grover and Baker sewing motion, of spirit, and reclaiming its facts the idols of the soul that survived the wreck machines, \$65 each.

Hearts and Homes.

A SPIRIT COMMUNICATION.

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beneath satin robes and velvet wrappings,

Thus, day by day, with SILVER SPRAY

I moved up and down the earth,

Looking down from the kingly crown

To those of lowly birth.

from the grasp of superstition. Comte did not recognize, perhaps, to a suf- sacred shrines, and there sought, by worship- nolds, Detroit; Mrs. Annie Abel, Windsor, Ont.; to practically qualify themselves for these ficient extent, the mutual dependence of the ing the myths of antiquity, to bring peace Thomas Owen Norwalk, O.; B. T. Hall, Lansing ; places. We doubt not that having in view sciences, and especially the dependence of and joy to the troubled spirit. Great, noble- S. H. Heath Riehmond ; A. F. Willson, Waterloo, the simpler science on the later and more souled men and women had been saddened by Ont.; Abram D. Cudney, Moretown, Ont.; W. R. complex science. He often talks as though the sorrows of humanity: they had heard the simpler science had completed its stages the groans rising from the oppressed, the unof growth, before the advent of the science fortunate of earth, and had labored to relieve which follows next in order of complexity. the sufferings around them, but their efforts PRESENT AGE, can see that all will stand an This mistake lays him open to serious criti- had been directed to the effect; the pruning equal chance in the drawings. As we have cism, which Herbert Spencer has availed him- knife had not reached and removed the cause. before stated, we do not make one dollar self of. In an essay entitled "The Genesis Others, unable to discriminate between the by this plan; our object being solely and onof Science," Mr. Spencer makes serious ob- pure principle of love and its inverted ac- ly to increase our circulation. In the first jection to Comte's serial order of develop- tion, had looked upon it as the cause of the number of the PRESENT AGE, issued after ment. He maintains that instead of one sin and inharmony of the world. In order the drawings, we shall publish the numbers science being superposed upon another, they to remedy this it was necessary to withdraw drawings, we shall pushed article to have all had a cotemporary origin, a parallel from the influence of this power, and, by liv- which they are entitled. As all subscridevelopment, and a mutual dependence ; that ing the secluded life of a nun, scourging the bers have their numbers, they can see at a the simpler science is as much indebted to flesh and crushing out the attributes of the glance, the prize to which they may be entithe complex science for some of its discover- spirit, heaven and happiness were to be obies, as the latter is to the former, though he tained. From this myth, or belief in the in earnestness, during the next thirty days. admits the possibility of carrying the com- necessity of removing or destroying a part A twofold good may be accomplished-a plex science to a much higher stage, than of the spiritual nature, has come the faults larger circulation is obtained, our usefulness may be expected for the simple science. and inharmonious social relations, whose increased, and the cause advanced thereby. Stuart Mill thinks, in his review of Comte, blight is felt in almost every household in that Mr. Spencer has gone over the mark as the land. I saw that LOVE, instead of a far as Comte has fallen short, and notwith- demon, was an angel in disguise ; that through

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best of our ability, and our reward has been est apartments in the temple of happiness.

than any other class. It requires, even un- system of distribution as proposed, we

to establish a reformatory journal. This is Post, of the proceedings at the annual dis-

particularly applicable to our case, striving as tribution of Premiums by the Detroit Com-

Close of the Volume.

Many of our subscribers at the time of this

writing have not renewed. We shall send the

sons who have not paid, but whom from per-

sonal acquaintance we know to be responsible.

ments of the country, to sustain a Spiritual week.

We hope our friends who would have us

live, may duly consider our claims upon them

and aid us accordingly. Our readers know

of the past.

paper.

where they are ?"

may have pleasant HOMES and true LOVE.

of Premiums.

We have not obtained the number of sub-

THE COMMERCIAL ADVERTISER PRIZE DISTRI-

BUTION.

"The distribution of premiums to the subscribers

of the Detroit Commercial Advertiser took place in

was filled with persons interested in the drawing.

The wheel used upon this occasion was exposed in

standing Mr. Spencer's able criticism, Mr. its influence, the world was to be regenerated Mill concludes that Comte's leading doctrines and the kingdom of heaven, or the harmonial of Michigan, as a State Association themselves in readiness to speak and work stage. Fifty passengers at seven dollars the only authority is truth. The sayings of Jesus era, established upon earth. How was this hold their third Semi-Annual Meeting.

Prof. Fisk of Harvard University, in his to be accomplished? This was a question I The first was held at Paw Paw, the man progress, forgetting in the meantime, able lectures delivered in the institution last propounded to SILVER SPRAY. Her reply second at Adrian and this one at Niles. that though a system of philosophy is far winter, regards Comte with much favor, and was, "that darkness was but the absence of We are aware there is more anxiety mani-

committee to count them, and after reading the cer- Northwestern Woman Suffrage Astificate of Richmonds and Backus that the tickets sociation. were all correct, and with the consent of the audi-

At a convention held in Chicago last week, ence, the tickets were counted by packages of one hundred each, the wheel being closed and the tick- called for that purpose, an association was ets thoroughly mixed as each succeeding one thous- formed to be designated as above. We were in attendance and listened to speeches from

and were placed in the wheel. "The audience then voted that the smaller prizes Susan B. Anthony, Mrs. Hazlitt, Lillie should be drawn first, and a blind man named C. E. From city to city, in marble palaces, in Dumont was selected from the spectators to draw Peekham, Phebe Cozzens, Lizzie Boynton, the cottages of the poor, in hearts that beat the prizes, but at a request of the audience a hand- Miss Chapin and others. The speaking was kerchief was placed over his eyes. The drawing earnest, eloquent, and to the point. No random then commenced. The following are the names and shots, no indulging in talk for talk's sake. The in hearts whose pulsations were scarcely con- residences of those drawing prizes worth \$50 and question was presented fairly and discussed cealed by tattered garments, in the ball-room upwards :

blazing with light and beauty, in the work- George Mills, Deerfield, \$2,000 ; J. H. Willcox, with an ability rarely if ever equaled in any shop crowded with over-taxed laborers, in Howell, \$500 ; H. Harris, Metamora, \$250 ; Mrs. convention of the kind we have attended. the family circle and the public mart, in sa- J. Willis, Mount Morris; William H. McCready, Eight States were represented. No State Detroit ; Nicholas Kennedy, Brighton ; James ered temples, in the heart of the saint as Roberts, Chicago; Thomas Johnson, Detroit and array of talent than Michigan. We would well as the sinner, I found sorrow, wretched. John Kuhr, Detroit, \$100 each. Mrs. H. C. Buffingness, disappointment, and weariness of life. ton, Dewagiac ; Miss M. J. Law, Detroit, and Mrs. not speak disparagingly of any of the speech-In the lessons thus given, I read the great J. H. Mershon, East Saginaw, \$50 each.

D. W. Peabody, Detroit ; piano, \$500. H. P. litt of Hillsdale, Mrs. Spaulding of Sturgis, Wait, Romeo; cottage organ, \$225. Alexander and Mrs. Lathrop of Jackson were unequal-McKce, Detroit ; black walnut parlor suite, \$250. ed. homes and congenial surroundings, was the G. P. Booth, Milford ; chromometer watch, \$275. cause of much of the wretchedness and suf- John Johnson, Detroit ; gold lever watch \$200. George Foote, Detroit ; gold lever watch \$200. M. F. l'arrow, Pinckey ; ladies' gold watch and chain, Hazlitt, being unanimously elected to that \$200. E. Lawton, Berlin ; cluster diamond ring, position, which she filled with honor to her-\$200. Joseph Milburn, Detroit ; diamond pin, \$150. L. A. Sherman, Detroit; music box, \$125. A. E. with which she discharged the duties of the Milligan, Detroit ; silver tea set, \$100. Miss C.

woman its President.

then the spiritual. The constant tendency sion of feeling from which sprung bitterness, North Bun o, K James Chapman, Detroit, and that this is a movement that is to result solewe do think it eminently proper to elect women to serve as Presidents of National and

of disappointed hopes. Others flocked to "William Atwater, Bloomington, Ill.; W. B. Rey- State organizations. Let women begin now Jones, Buffalo, N. Y.; and A. W. Powley, Byron, each drew a silver American watch."

> Our Premiums will be distributed in similar manner. The subscribers to the tled. Will all our subscribers work with us

Semi-Annual Meeting.

whenever called upon.

The June

CONSTITUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN WO-MAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

State and county associations.

ART. 10. No distinction shall be made by this

ART. 11. This constitution may be amended at

After a brief discussion, the constitution was

Stearns, A. J. Chapin, Phœbe Cozzens, Mrs. E B

Corresponding Secretary-Mrs. J. W. Loomis. Treasurer-Fernando Jones.

Recording Secretary----Mrs. Brooks

Northwestern Suffrage Association. ART. 2. The object of this association shall be to obtain for woman the right of suffrage on terms

Gorresponding Editors.

DENVER, MAY 18th., 1870.

me last at Council Bluffs, at which time I says : promised to be more prompt; but I am thinking that they will begin to believe that promises are like pie-crust, made to be broken ; still I hope that neither you nor they will con-Colorado held at Golden City, May 13th., 14th., and 15th., and, deciding to attend, I was better represented or presented a finer I was obedient to the mandate of necessity,

and did not make the attempt. es, but we do think that those of Mrs, Hazening, then went to Orea and had a pleasant important subject :

visit with that staunch Spiritualist and noble ""A miracle is not possible. An event may occur The Association conferred upon Michigan the honor of holding the presidency, Mrs. self and the cause, by the marked ability While we would discountenance the idea making six out of thirteen almost wholly ing so much of myself, for as I am not accustomed to blowing my own trumpet, it might be thought that I am learning bad habits in this respect. the position to which Mrs. Hazlitt has been I stopped, the nights of May 9th. and 10th.,

exalted, five hundred women will at once at Brother Child's in Council Bluffs. Found give attention to the study of parliamentary things looking up and the friends feeling enrules and seek to become more generally concouraged. The blow the week previous had versant with the duties that will devolve upon laid the new Congregational church in ruins, them in the broadened sphere they are enterand the members were trying to collect funds

to re-erect it ;-had the impudence to ask When this subject of a N. W. Association these "emissaries of the devil," the Spirituwas first presented, we were inclined to doubt its expediency, but upon reflection think it is alists of the place to help them. The miniscalled for, and trust that it may prove a pow- ter had preached a sermon a short time pre- ble Providence. Through our reason only can a er to concentrate the energies of the North- vious upon special providences, and as I look- revelation from any source reach the understandwest and lead the public mind in the right ed upon the special prostration of the house ing. * * If miracles are of use in one age, they direction. We give below the constitution in which he preached that sermon, I thought are in another. * * Poor Judas has swung from and names of officers elected for the present of the Dutchman's reply when asked to conyear. It will be seen by the 6th article that tribute for the purpose of purchasing a lightit is the duty of the member of the executive ning rod for the church : "If de Lord wants possible use the crucifixion of a man or of a God committee of each State to encourage local to dunder down his own house, let him do it," organizations. To any calls in this direction and the Spiritualists of Council Bluffs have to say. * * As a sin can never be forgiven, but we will cheerfully respond. We may not be decided that if the Lord blows down his own must be outgrown, there is no possible use for a sacrifice. The whole conception is false from the able to go in person, but we will promise to house, it may lie there for all their helping beginning to its termination. Of what use is God's answer any application in that direction by to rebuild it. I left Omaha, May 11th., at one o'clock, notifying some one of our talented speakers

in the state who will cheerfully attend and P.M., and landed in Denver just thirty-six aid. Mrs. Hazlitt, Mrs. Lathrop, Mrs. The present week, the Spiritualists Spaulding, Mrs. Haznet, Mrs. Haznet, Mrs. hattrop, Mrs. hours afterward, and fifty miles of this by

> ARTICLE 1. This association shall be called the els ; all this on three coaches. Well, I sup-

believers. The religious fervor of the West is tame and insipid to that of the Ganges." After a painstaking "survey of the causes

BROTHER FOX :- Your readers heard from of the spread of Christianity," Mr. Tuttle

"We can see no Divine Providence, but rather the imperfect hand of man. Had an Infinite God revealed himself through Jesus, for the purpose of redeeming the world from sin, he would have needed no assistance from interpreters or priests; for his demn me unheard. Soon after sending you presence could no more have been doubtful than that article, I received information that there that of the sun in mid-heavens. He would have was to be a convention of the Spiritualists of given a revelation glowing with truth, and indisputable. We should be called on to receive no bungling record of men : a few great ideas absorbed from orientalism, bedecked with the ceremonials of had an amount of work to do within said time paganism ; translated one way in one age, and anthat forbade the writing of newspaper articles. other in the next; all uncertain, vexatious, obscure." Miracles "are nothing in their own time: their magnitude increases with the space of

1 left Council Bluffs on Monday, April 10th, time across which they are seen. What are gave a lecture in Des Moines the same even- called miracles are effects of higher and uning, spoke in Prairie City on Wednesday ev- known laws." We quote as follows on this

woman, Mrs. Adelaide Comstock. From by the action of unknown laws, and seem miracuthere to Mount Pleasant, in a course of nine lous. It is not, however. A miracle is a transgression of a law of nature by God, to compass some parlectures, to sow seed for future harvest ; then sind of a table intervent of miracles are evidence, then a flying trip back through Des Moines to Fort every religious belief ever introduced into the Dodge, and up to Charles City in the north- world is true ; for all rest on this foundation, and ern part of the state; then to Ohio, and the evidence they bring in proof of their miracles Mathematics was advanced nearly to its pres unworthily. Then came the awakening, and Detroit ; J. N. Eagerly, Peninoula, Ohio ; sets of be National, have selected men for their chief back to Des Moines on the 8th., of May, etc., wonderful works than Jesus : Pythagoras was a wonderful works than Jesus; Pythagoras was a etc. From leaving Mount Pleasant till my worker of miracles. The Catholic world has alreturn to Des Moines from my trip east, thir- ways retained this gift, a pillar of strength lost by teen days and nights. I rode two nights the Protestants by being cast aside, * * The nearly all night, and four, quite all night, positive views taken of all occurrences at present, banish miracles into the remotest and darkest corners of creation. They have followed witches and without sleep. Not so much for a strong Satan; and their mention, as recently occuring, man, but for a sick woman like myself, I brings a smile to the face of scholars. Fifty years think it is evidence that "a living dog is bet- ago, it was an object gravely to discuss and refute ter than a dead lion." Pardon me for say- their possibility ; that necessity is now passed The belief in the fixity of the laws of nature is now so firmly established, that the mind is suspicious of any event said to transcend them. * * The miracles of Jesus rest on historical evidence alone. The conclusions of reason are against all miracles. If they prove themselves true, it must be by histor-

ical proof. This they by no means produce." We have selected the following golden sentences from the rich mine of intellectual wealth, which are fair specimens of what is in store for those who peruse this volume :

"The house of David was no more sacred to God than that of an immigrant on the Western Prairie, and a son of that house no better than sons of ordinary families. * * Science knows no inscrutaworld's scorn, simply for doing what he was expected to do when accepted as a disciple. * * What can be for the salvation of mankind, it is impossible becoming man through Jesus ? Could he thereby take on himself the pain or punishment of others? Did he come to save the lost? There are none lost. Man cannot be lost from God. * * One man has no more authority from God to teach than another ; each, and several hundred pounds of extra have authority so far as they are true. If he was baggage at five cents a pound for all over God, or man, this proposition holds. * * The forty pounds, weighing even the hand-satch- right of reason pre-supposes the right of rejection ; if this is allowed, there is death to all authority.

The following will convey to the reader the thor :

from complete in its postulates, yet it con It is only after repeated trials and many fail- the times in which he wrote.

remain impregnable.

ures, that the desired goal is reached, and new ground and open up new paths for us He is simply partial and limited in his Ontol- in time they will be triumphant " ourselves up as carping critics, and try to are any others. When the race has conclu- thought is absorbed in the material? how we have met on similar occasions. belittle their labors. If the meed of praise ded a few more preliminaries to its develop- make the houseless and homeless comprehend belongs specially to any class, it is to those ment, the materialistic philosophy of Comte the glories of mansions in the skies? how who point out the way where new truths may will be complemented with its ideal counter- make the bread of life acceptable to those be found; those who invent new methods part. Spencer, Renan, and S. P. Andrews who are suffering for material bread? In a whereby more delicate tests may be employed are even now preparing the way for this high- word, how can we better the condition of in the solution of difficult problems. er philosophy. Comte does not exhaust man earth's children, as long as we have not the

M. Comte, the great Frenchman, belonged or the universe. We still turn with expec- power to change the conditions holding them to this class. He conceived and executed tant gaze toward the future. the boldest scheme of Philosophy which has been realized in many centuries. He laid the foundation for a Science of History: he generalized many of the laws of social progress, and however reluctant modern writers may be to acknowledge their indebtedness to him, he has really furnished them the key by which they have unraveled many hitherto insoluble problems. We should acknowledge the merit he is justly entitled to, not curse him for omissions that were unavoidable at the time he wrote.

Comte's scheme was limited to the objective first number of the new volume to many per- Postponement of time for Distribution world and visible phenomena. He recognizes no God, no spirit world, no immortality. The ideal faculties and their objects have no place in his system. He does not appeal to the religious sentiment, but wholly to the logical faculty. His great merit consists in marshaling the chaotic elements of the phenomenal realm into a coherent unity. He has delineated with a master hand the chief phases of race development, and shown the parallelism between its organic evolution and development of its institutions. He laid the foundation upon which Buckle and Draper have reared the superstructure of a Science of History. Though the epithet of "gross materialism" is often applied to Comte and his system, yet materialism has a legitimate place and function in the world's life, and most of us need a much better acquaintance with this realm than we now possess. If Comte was silent about the spiritual, yet he did great service in organizing the scattered facts of seience; he has thereby made us none too familiar with material phenomena. and we should cordially welcome him into our Pantheon.

we are not in the habit of making great Young Men's Hall yesterday afternoon. The hall Comte held that the growth of society promises, but we do say we desire to make may be classified into three stages, which he the AGE better and better. A new feature the body of the hall for nearly an hour previous to denominated the theological, the metaphysi- will be introduced next week. We have em- the drawing, that it might be inspected by all, and cal, and the scientific. The scientific or pos- ployed a competent phonographic reporter, everything done that could assure the holders of itive, he regarded as the last and highest who will favor us with the full report of a tickets that the drawing was to be conducted in a stage, the ultimate form of society. The lecture each week. In the next number will fair and honorable manner. theological and metaphysical phases, belong be found a lecture delivered in Chicago last to the childhood of the race; they are pro- Sunday, by Emma Hardinge. For two visional and temporary, destined at last to be months to come our readers will be favored dall, E. Holland, William Edick, Detroit ; Dr. Glasuperseded by the positive or scientific. each week, with the lecture delivered the cier, Royal Oak; S. R. Kinsley, Romulus; Henry That this alleged order of social evolution previous Sunday by this distinguished advo- Manasaw, Huron ; Alexander McIlhenny, Trenton; that the theological and the metaphysical are tom of some papers, will be worth more than as there were 12,000 tickets to be placed in the destined to be superseded, so that there will the price of the AGE for a year.

acknowledges the indebtedness of this gener- light; hatred and revenge, the absence of fested to attend the Annual Meetings, where tains invaluable hints which may be of great ation to his labors, while he charitably excus- the positive principle of love; wretchedness more business is transacted. service to present and future generations, in es him on account of errors which were inci- but the absence of that joy that is the birth- meetings, however, have usually been the their construction of a cosmpolitan scheme. dental to the large field he traversed, and right of every spirit. Our work is not to most interesting on this account; for, with deal with effect or to contend with the inhar- less business there is more opportunity for so-

Comte's scheme of philosophy is in no monies around us, but to bring to earth the cial intercourse, conference meetings and we should be lenient with those who break sense a disproof of the ideal and spiritual. positive, the good, the true conditions, and public lectures. We anticipate a good time and being in the west part of the state, we to walk in. If they do not bring to our ogy, yet supreme in his peculiar sphere. He "But how give love when the heart is filled expect to meet many persons we have never view all the glories which line the margin of deals with a single segment in the circle of with hate? how make man comprehend the seen, to whom editorially we make our weekthe new path, we should not therefore set life, and fails to recognize the fact that there glories of the spiritual state, when every ly visits, besides meeting many friends whom

Joan of Arc.

The beautiful shepherdess of France, in the 15th century, at the age of 20 years, following the direction of voices which she heard from on high, marched at the head of the French armies, drove the English from Orleans,

and crowned the king at Rheims. After she "Spirit can put eircumstances beneath its had announced her mission closed and defeet," replied my companion. "Conditions clared she no longer heard the voices, she

With this number we close the volume, and shape the course of the undeveloped soul, but was tried by a court of Inquisition for having shall next week enter upon our third year. the unfolded mind becomes God-like in its dealings with Satan; was condemned and equest of the Executive Committee. We have for two years devoted ourself to power, takes destiny in its hand and rises, in burned at the stake. At the close of her this work, have conducted the paper to the obedience to the laws of nature, to the high- trial she said in answer to the cruel judges, What God has revealed to me, neither bishor sex. the satisfaction of knowing that our labor has In our next communication we design to op nor pope can prevent my believing. any regular meeting of the association, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present. not been in vain. We hope to do better in show, how the cause of suffering and inhar- When the flames rose up around her, she the future, having learned by the experiences mony may be removed, so that in time all turned her eyes towards heaven and exclaimadopted. ed, " Yes my voices were from God ..

Twenty four years after her martyrdom, a papal bull proclaimed her innocence. W.

The Career of the Christ-Idea in History.

We have no doubt many would like to con- scribers necessary to justify a distribution of We call attention to the notice of the tinue the paper, who have not sold their wool Premiums at the time designated. We above work found in our columns this week, and other products of the farm, and for this therefore have concluded to postpone the time from the pen of one of our best contributors George William Wilson. Yes, Hudson Tuttle is indeed "a philosopher in the most comprehensive sense of the word," and we have been trying for weeks past to get time to read carefully this the last published work

Multiplicity of cares, have prevented and we therefore the more cordially welcome brother Wilson's most excellent article. We der favorable circumstances, a hard struggle annex the following account from the Detroit that this notice of the work is no more fa- Minnessota, also seems to have drunk in of the vorable than it should be, and we advise all excitement.

we are, amid the present financial embarrass- mercial Advertiser, which took place last our readers to send for it. It can be obtained from the office of the PRESENT AGE at publisher's retail price, 1,25-postage 16

> Himself?" will be read by every Spiritualist, and its leading ideas responded to by many who have given thought to the subject

"Mr. George S. Goodale, insurance agent, of this losophical writers upon Spiritualism none stand deservedly higher than does its author A. E. Newton. If we mistake not Spiritualists are indepted to Mr. N- for the very lucid and forcible presentation of Spiritualwheel, it would be a long and tedious job for the from the pen of this distinguished writer.

to obtain for woman the right of suffrage on terms of perfect equality with man. For the accomplish-ment of this purpose it stands unequivocally com-mitted to, and will use its power in favor of the adoption of the so-called Sixteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. ART. 3. Any person favoring this object may become a member by signing the constitution sun shines, for staging on this route will soon

pletion. ecome a member by signing the constitution. ART. 4. The officers of the association shall be

President, a Vice President from each of the Northwestern States and Territories, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer rial organization to co-operate with the and an Executive Committee of one from each of the Northwestern States and Territories, five of whom, National Association and all looks bright for with the Chairman, shall constitute a quorum. ART. 5. The Executive Committee may establish rules and determine their own mode of doing business. They may fill vacancies in their own body, or in any office occurring prior to the next annual ous summer.

meeting of the association, and may appoint any officers not elected at this convention. I do not find much sympathy here for the Indians; the people have suffered too much ART. 6. The members of the Executive Commit-tee from each State shall have charge of the organiation of that State, and shall superintend and asist, so far as may be desired, in the formation of Pacific route, and drove off their cattle ; and ART. 7. The annual meeting of this association.

for the election of officers and the transaction of it is said they have gone north toward the business, shall be held in the month of November Union Pacific. Yesterday there was a heavy at such place and on such day as the Executive ommittee shall determine. Arr. 8. Any State or local society formed to aid fire in the mountains south of us, burning a in securing suffrage for woman, may become auxili- saw.mill, ten thousand feet of lumber and one hundred cords of wood, and, whether ary to this association. ART. 9. A special meeting may be called at any time by the President, and shall be called at the guilty or not, the Indians got the credit of it.

It seems to be a settled fact, whether just, sociation on account of party, color, creed, race or unjust, that the race is doomed to extinction. More anon.

LOIS WAISBROOKER.

For the Present Age. The Career of the Christ Idea in

THE OFFICERS. President-Mrs. M. Adelia Hazlitt, Hillsdale, Mich-History. By Hudson Tuttle. igan. Vice Presidents-Giles B. Stebbins, Michigan

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HUDSON TUTTLE is a philosopher in the dom. most comprehensive sense of the word. For creeds and dogmas, miracles and myths, however ancient, he has no veneration. He is thoroughly in sympathy with nature and her unchanging laws. "Let us rise above all We conclude from the following extracts systems," says our author, "for our first duty from our exchanges that no discussion of Spir- is to gain the truth ; and, by the simple act rous friend."

est than this one conducted in behalf of our divine, than by all the genuflexions of a life-The volume before us bears unmistakable evidence of deep, critical study and laborious

> sentence is pregnant with thought. It is the of this remembered love the parents can exclaim. golden grain with all the chaff winnowed out. Our author carefully traces the history of the career of the Christ Idea, as exhibited in the mythologies of the heathen nations of old. The Christ Idea had its origin in the

born. "It is the fashion to regard the system of

true, it certainly would be miraculous. It is our task to gather the golden strands of truth that run through the pagan world, and show how they merge in Christianity. We are not the only favored people. Others have had mediators born of virgin mothers. The

"Jesus is to be estimated by the truth he taught. He is to be judged like other men. He did not atone for the sins of the world by his death any more than Socrates or Plato by theirs. His mission was simi-We had a very pleasant and profitable lar to that of all teachers. He is an example, an time at the Convention, perfected a Territo- ideal, as an all good and greatman. If a God-man, he is not an example for us, however good a model he may be for other God-men. If an incarnate divinity, he is entirely beyond our imitation. His exthe future. I find warm hearts and open ample is valueless unless he was a mortal like ourhands on every side, and anticipate a glori- selves. If God was incarnated in Jesus, so he was in Crishna and Buddha. The evidence of each are equally strong. * * Jesus was fallible like other men, and received the belief of his age. * * If man never fell, but is progressing from a barbarous. from them. Last week they scalped a party state, he needs no mediator between him and an ef eleven near Kit Carson, on the Kansas offended God. No being can take the burden from his shoulders. He must work out his own salvation and be his own redeemer."

> We have marked many other passages, equally good as those we have quoted, but the length of this article forbids our giving them to our readers.

The concluding chapter, in which the ultimate of the Christ Idea is presented, is worthy of the high reputation of our distinguished author. It should be read by every free-thinker in the land.

Mr. Tuttle deserves the sincere thanks of every liberalist for writing this book. It will do much to dispel the dark clouds of ignorance and superstition that, for long and weary ages, have bound the human mind in an almost Cimmerian darkness, and usher in the millennium of mental and spiritual free-

GEORGE WILLIAM WILSON. AUBURN, Ohio.

OBITUARY.

"BUCKHOUT .---- Mrs. Alvira, wife of Romine Buckher unchanging laws. "Let us rise above all prejudice whatever, and learn the truth of all Oshtemo, Kalamazoo Co., Mich., March 6th, aged twenty years. She was an affectionate daughter. loving sister, a faithful and devoted wife, and gene-

The above we quote from the Western Christian Advocate, which paper usually adds to obituary notices, "believed in Jesus and died happy." Not so in this case, probably for the reason that she did not belong to the church. Can there be a question about the happiness in this life, of such a one as historical research. The impress of a master described, and if happy here, certainly happy in the workman is stamped upon every page; every life beyond. "An affectionate daughter !" In view

> "She who is lost to outward sense. Has but flung off her robe of clay, And, clothed in heavenly radiance, Attend's us on our earthly way."

"A loving sister, a faithful and devoted daughter. wild and rude beliefs of the pagan world, wife and generous friend." Oh! how beautiful long centuries before Jesus of Nazareth was such a record ; and the blessed privilege of continuing this work, ends not with this life. There are mourning hearts left here to be comforted, and we doubt not, that in the life supernal the great Christianity as unique," says Mr. Tuttle, source of happiness will be found to consist in self-"springing up to golden harvest among the culture and active employments in efforts to ameliorank weeds of paganism, like a divine light rate the conditions of others, even those who yet in the surrounding darkness. If this were struggle amid the conflicts of earth-life. The friends of our sister whose death we record, with the revelations and light from beyond the tomb we now have, can say----

> "We do not weep and mourn. We do not sigh Thou art not distant go Thou art yet nigh ; Nearer to us thou art. Angel, above, Closer unto each heart Clasp we thy love."

The Journal says : modation.

READ IT.

in this direction. Among the many able phi-

city, was chosen chairman, and the audience elected E. C. Delevan clerk, John W. Dawson, John Ken-

reason have not the money ready to pay. Let of distribution to Wednesday, the 20th day all, thus situated and who can pay in thirty; of July, at two o'clock P. M. This will give

sixty, or ninety days write us to that effect, our friends and all interested, thirty days to and we will continue to send the AGE. Should obtain the requisite number. We feel quite we send to any who do not desire it, we hope sure that with earnestness on the part of all

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they will promptly notify us, for we are not interested, the number required may be obable to send to those who do not intend to tained. In order that all who are interested

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pay. The times are very hard, and publish- and especially those who are laboring for us,

from its distinguished author. ers of papers probably feel the effects more may know something of the workings of the

Jamieson and Pryse Debate.

Collins.

itualism has ever created more intense inter- of so doing, we pay a higher reverence to the philosophy by our Corresponding Editor. We time."

feel quite sure that our Editor of the PRES-ENT AGE has given Rev. Pryse of the past have glanced at the book enough to learn Age, some hard blows. The adjoining state,

largely attended. The opinions of the hearers as to "When, Where, and How does God reveal views. Christians are satisfied that Mr. Pryse made views. Christians are satisfied that Mr. Pryse made a noble defense of the Bible, conclusively proving its divinity, while Spiritualists, Liberalists, and free thinkers generally, are equally confident that Mr. Jamieson sustained his side with marked ability and proved his position with unmistakable clearnes

But certain it is, the discussion has disseminate good deal of valuable information ; put men hinking ; incited them to investigation, and caused an interchange and comparison of ideas among those attending the meetings, that must result in some good to the individual. Some minds need a prolonged and vigorous shaking to awaken them to serious and earnest thought, and debates, like the one just closed, afford an excellent means to arouse We are glad to say our readers will hereafter be favored quite frequently with emanations invoid to the more we have the better, be the invoid to the more we have the better we have subject morals, politics, or religion, Prescott, (Wis.,) Journal.

THE DEBATE CLOSED.

"Convince a man against his will And he's of the same opinion still."

A "goodlie companie" from Hastings are attending the Jamieson-Pryse debate in this city-the steamer *Prescott* making extra trips for their accom-The debate on the Bible between Messrs. Pryse and Jamieson closed last Tuesday evening. It has continued for eight evenings and each meeting was

more blindly devotional than our most ardent

Children's Department.

ANNIE D. CRIDGE, : : Editor.

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CHILDHOOD.

BY MRS. EMILY HUNTINGTON MILLER. Childhood ! happy childhood ! Once again I stand, In my silent dreaming. On thy sunny strand To mine eyes the laughter Comes in place of tears, To my lip the music Learned in cloudless years.

Once again the morning Rosy red is born, And the yellow sunshine Slants across the corn Clearly pipes the blackbird, In the orchard trees. In the ruddy clover Hum the drowsy bees.

On the sloping hillsides Daisies whitely blow, While above them softly Shade and sunshine go; Violets in the meadows Blossom all untold, And the cowslips cluster With their cups of gold.

Through the tender grasses Barefoot children run, Fanned by summer breezes, Kissed by summer sun ; All their pulses throbbing To one blissful tune ; All their days at dawning, All their months are June !

WILLIE AND JESSIE.

CHAPTER XVIII.

"What is the name of this seed?" asked Jessie as she stood in the garden watching her when we come to consider the application of mother, as she planted flower seed. these principles to human affairs we shall find

"These are candy-tufts, Jessie." "Candy-tufts ! Why, mamma, will they have candy ?" said Jessie in astonishment. "No, no, Jessie; they will not have candy;

candy is made of sugar." "So it is" said Jessie ; "but the sugar grows, does it not ?"

There are three classes of individuals "Sugar-cane grows, Jessie, and is full of 1 st., those who believe in retrogression, and sweet sap, which is pressed out of the sugar hold that nothing is so good as what the past cane, then boiled very much until it becomes sugar."

"So that is the way ?" exclaimed Jessie "but, mamma, do egg-plants have eggs ?" "No, Jessie, no; chickens lay eggs."

Just then Willie came bounding into the garden ; "planting seeds, ch !"

"Yes," replied his mother ; "and Jessie here wants to know if the seeds of candytufts will grow candy, and if egg-plants will grow eggs.

Then Willie laughed aloud ; so did Jessie. "Would not that be fine, Jessie," he said, "if sticks of candy would grow on the plants,

Immutability of Principles The following is the abstract of a lecture

distinct spiritual manifestations, both of

which were fulfilled in that day. Daniel had

besides a second vision in which it was de-

clared to him, -- "many shall go to and fro and

knowledge shall be increased." Here is a

prophecy fulfilled in the nineteenth century.

It is not related to that age, for man was then

regarded as a stationary, not a progressive,

being. The Hebrew scriptures were consid-

ered perfect, the ancient Hebrew did not be-

lieve it possible to add to or in any way

amend that revelation. In the world two

systems are at work: 1 st. abstract princi-

ples which never change, being perfect in

themselves; 2 nd., the human application of

these principles, differing from age to age,

according to the light of that time to com-

prehend them. To illustrate : the principles

set forth in the decalogue existed in the hu-

man soul before Moses recorded them in the

Pentateuch ; so was the golden rule a truth

before Jesus framed it in words. The deca-

logue and the golden rule have never been

questioned, never been changed, because

they are immutable, abstract principles, and

such only can stand the march of time. But

that as systems begin to lose their nucleus of

principle, their life, so do they sow the seeds

of their own disintegration : of every such is

written, like the hand writing on the wall,

delivered by A. B. Whiting, Sunday, May, tian systems,-all are stepping stones to one at Yorkville, reported for the PRESENT AGE by Miss Ellen M. Harris:

There came the fingers of an unseen hand In their day and generation they have done their work. All our experiences tend to our and wrote upon the wall of Belshazzar's palace : "Mene, mene, tekel upharsin!" Not advancement. As communion increases so

all the wise men of Babylon could interpret does knowledge increase, and vice versa. the writing, when the Prophet Daniel was Commerce is a great civilizer; nations ac quainted with each other have less tendency thought of, and from him the king received the interpretation ; that he, the mighty King to war. If you would be progressive receive of Babylon, was "weighed in the balance truth wherever it is found

and found wanting ;" that his kingdom should If aught appears to be a failure, it is because the right means of accomplishment be the spoil of the Medes and Persians. From authentic history we have the state- have not been discovered and seized upon. ment that at the same time a prophetess told Do not despair of organization, if you but that I could send it to all the poor that might be in- 'Tis not the coarser tie of human laws, Darius, the Median king, to send his spies take care to leave room for amendment. into Babylon and that he should suprise Bel- First, individualization ; next, combination ; shazzar and capture the city. Here were two then organization.

For the Present Age. The Drunkard on the Stairs.

BY MRS. L. E. DRAKE. Those memories, how they haunt me still, Like some low whispered prayer ! Is it his mother calling him, That drunkard on the stairs ? His limbs are trembling as with age, With bloodshot eyes he glares ; His words are low or black with rage. That drunkard on the stairs.

And though a stranger he, to me, I can but have a care For one so fair and young as he, That drunkard on the stairs.

O sure, it is his mother's voice, That floats upon the air ; She's waited long for him to come. That drunkard on the stairs. And now with bended heart and knee,

She cries in deep despair ; Have pity, O, for one like he, That drunkard on the stairs.

It seems I hear his sister come, As the night winds kiss her hair, And gently throw her arms around That drunkard on the stairs.

Come home, brother, mother waits For you to hear her prayer. She leads him through the homeward gate, That drunkard on the stairs. Now who's to blame for scenes like this ? Rum-sellers, O beware!

'mene. mene, tekel upharsin !''--- "thou art Else Heaven her gates will open first weighed in the balance and found wanting !' For the drunkard on the stairs. Plainwell, Mich., April 30, 1870.

Correspondence.

has produced ; 2 nd., those who claim that CHICAGO, May 30th, 1870. everything remains in the same position as COL. D. M. Fox .---- Dear Brother :---- I feel this formerly,---that nations rise, attain a certain orning fresh assurance that the advent of "the bringing me in rapport with disembodied living sculs, point in eivilization, disintegrate and die, givgood time coming is near at hand." Mrs. Spaulding ing place to others who move round the same of your state, lectured last evening, at the Park Avenue Methodist Church to a crowded audience. circle ; 3 rd., those represented by the Spirit-The Rev. Mr. Thomas, pastor of the church, introual philosophy, holding that everything is duced her in terms well calculated to engage for her subject to growth and developement, passing a respectful hearing. He said she was the mother the materialist who pauses on the shore of of four beautiful children, and no one could charge physical death and says there is no progress her with being derelict to them either through igno- is given to you, and proclaim the same in the love of rance or indifference ; that she could read Greek, God," to which I responded, I will, without the fear

beyond the grave. The doctrine of no repenor wash dishes ; she could translate Latin, or wash or favor of any one. And now when this our comtance after death, was unknown before the her children's clothes ; she could make bread, or mon cause has attained an identified status, having day of John Calvin : so eternal punishment, lve a problem in Euclid ; that she was not a frivo

heartily sick of me. She says I am full of inharmoknow : temporary failure never thwarts reny, and so I am, and I have taken Castor ile, and search. Trace the religions of the past from Ayer's Pills, but its no use, I can't get the in out. the earliest pagan forms to the modern Chris-But not so my wife, good soul, she is all harmony, she loves harmony, she loves melody too, and the 22nd., before the Kalamazoo County Circle true religion; hence we war not with old way she brings it out of our "home Organ" shows the land to which our friend Maria went a creeds, save when they claim to be finalities that her" five finger exercises " are more powerful little more than a year since, as we supposthan delicate, I repeat it, brother, she loves harmony, beyond whose boundaries we may not venture. therefore I fear if that man with the in knocked ed in search of gold, instead of which by

off his harmony should come here, I shall go under above we learn she has found a husband. Perfrom grief and despair. "Then old Sancho'll wail haps in the finding of one, she has obtained and droop his tail," But enough, send anything both. Weil, both are "good in their place," thing will be thankfully received, only in heaven's and if truly appreciated enhance the happiname, keep your Harmonical Man at Kalamazoo, and ness of earth life. That this may be true in greatly relieve your trembling _____J. C. BOWKER this instance is our earnest wish, which we cannot better express than by the following.

BIRMINGHAM, Oakland Co., Mich, May 3rd. 1870

EDITOR AGE :--But happy they ! the happiest of their kind ! Whom gentler stars unite, and in one fate The money I enclose to pay for the AGE for a poor brother who is not able to pay for it himself. Would Their hearts, their fortunes, and their beings blend. terested, and benefited by its contents. I have Unnatural oft, and foreign to the mind, done thus far, all that my health and circumstances That binds their peace, but harmony itself.

would permit, to get subscribers for the AGE. Ma- Attuning all their passions into love, ny seem to have plenty of money for tea and tobacco Where friendship full exerts her softest power to stimulate the physical, but feel it of minor impor Perfect esteem enlivened by desire tance, to provide food for the mind. I circulate the Ineffable, and sympathy of soul ; AGE, far and near, among my friends and acquaint- Thought meeting thought, and will preventing will, ance, hoping thereby to induce them to subscribe as | With boundless confidence : for nought but love well as help to disseminate the all important truth. | Can answer love, and render bliss secure. which it advocates. We like your paper very much Thomson's Seasons.

and are greatly in love with the high lone, charitable spirit and reformatory thoughts, that emanate from it to elevate and bless humanity. May angels bless you and all who work with you in your noble efforts and untiring zeal for the amelioration of the race and the extension of the spirit of brotherly love and harmony. I was much gratified in reading Judge Howe's letter in the AGE of April 30th, speaking of

eer life.

tion, to furnish most of the books advertised the Jury in Wyoming composed party of women. in our columns. All who want books will I am greatly in love with the true manhood and no- save postage and risk of money by mail, if bleness he manifested. Would there were more such prepared to buy at that time,-remembermen to extend to woman the hand of friendship, ing that we sell at Publishers prices. manifesting a true respect which is due her in her struggles for liberty in speech and action in all the BASKET MEETING. departments of life. Many a "God bless you" will well up from the womanly heart who has known the The First Religio Philosophical Society of Hillsjeers, scoffs and bitter opposition, attendant on a pion-

SARAH L. CURTIS.

vouchsafes to us, without a doubt, the whole phe-

nomenal existence of mankind, and with the first

awakening to consciousness of my spiritual senses,

dale county will hold their annual Festival at Clear Lake, Steuben Co., Indiana, on Saturday and Sun-I see, brother, that you are aware of the momenton day, June 18th and 19th. Mrs. M. J. Fowler, also times in which we live, and alive fo the great conflict, Dr. Brown of Kendleville, are engaged as speakers, which is just upon us. "Cry aloud, and spare not" assisted by as many others as choose to occupy our for the people need awaking, they are too heedless free platform. A cordial invitation is extended to and indifferent to the great questions of the day, and all, as ample provisions have been made to accommo-

the duties and obligations that should rest upon date our friends from a distance. Teams will be in them in view of the coming crisis. God bless and waiting at the State Line Station to convey all passpeed all true hearted and devoted souls in their arsengers to the hotel or grove luous labors of love for universal brotherhood, CLARA E. CONEY, Sec'y. is the prayer of my heart. Fraternally,

QUARTERLY MEETING.

Special Notices.

BOOKS.

We shall be prepared at the State Conven-

MARRIED.

son to Maria L. Forbes all of Butte Valley."

" In Chico, California, April 20th, Joel M. Nel-

This item of intelligence comes to us from

(Ed. Age.)

LEONIDAS, March 13th, 1870. The Spiritualists of Rockford, Kent County, Mich-BROTHER FOX .---- I sit down at this time, nerved | igan, will hold their Quarterly meeting, the second to the task of fulfilling a promise which I made you, Saturday and Sunday of June, 11th and 12th, in and which I would at this time most gladly the Grove east of the village. Mrs. L. A. Pearsall shirk for many reasons, but that the promise and others will be in attendance to address the has gone forth, and it is touching spirit- meeting. Those from a distance will be provided ual things and I dare not. Next to life, comes the for free of charge. Come one, come all, and have desire for its continuation and the knowledge which a good time. WM. HICKS, Clerk.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

Rockford, May 24th, 1870.

The Quartery meeting of Spiritualists of Nunica, I cried, not as one of old, "what shall I do to .be ttawa Co., Mich., will be held at the Bartholomew saved," but perhaps with a similar sense of a great school house the third Saturday and Sunday, 18th and grand work to be wrought out. To say the least I was under conviction of a mighty truth which was and 19th days of June, commencing at two o'clock, P. M. Mrs. L. A. Pearsall and Mrs. Sarah Graves struggling for a birth-place, and I said in a soul are engaged as speakers. A cordial invitation is prayer, "What is my mission through my mediumship ?'' to which was written : "Receive truth as it extended to all. ARZA BARTHOLOMEW.

Nunica, May 24th, 1870.

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and we could come and pull a stick of candy any time we liked ? I have been running after my goat. She was away, far away, going home with that female goat that has two pretty little white baby goats. I caught up with mistress Nanny, but I could not hold her : she would slip away from me. Then the lady that sold us our Nanny goat, called out to me, 'Here, little boy, is a piece of rope to tie round your goat's neck.' Was not that kind? I said, 'thank you, but I am afraid you will want the rope.' She said, 'oh no, you can have it, my boy ;' so I took the she lifted up her fore legs, bowed her head, and then came down so many times that I know she wanted to butt me. You see, mamshe can use them. Well, then I pretended was good fun ; then I caught her all at once, her home."

"And where is she now ?" asked Mrs. Martvn.

"She is fastened just outside of the back gate. I am going to let her in now," said in a certain stage of development, are able Willie, so he walked down the garden and let to comprehend. The constitution of the her in. Ba-a-a-a, ba-a-a-a! said Nanny as United States, of each several state, down She has evidently a just appreciation of true wo she bounded into her yard, which had a week to that of a little'school district Lyceum, each manhood, and an ardent desire and aspiration to before been divided from the garden by a high contains a provision admitting of amendment; lattice fence and gate, so that the goat might an acknowledgment of the fact that man's evidently discriminates closely between that which is worthful and deformities of fashionable spises the frivolities and deformities of fashionable the outer gate into the goat's yard and then the inner gate into the garden, and as he came up the garden walk said, "I am glad it tems : the Catholic church desiring to make is nearly dark, are not you, Jessie ? because changes, calls an Ecumenical Council whose it will not be long before mamma gives us decisions must be received by the masses as the next chapter of Rob and Bessie. "Yes, I am glad," said Jessie.

"And," said Mrs. Martyn with a smile, "I these contain therefore the elements of death. am glad too; so come up stairs; my seed because they allow no room for growth. But are all planted ; we will have the next chapter at once."

sitting-room : how they made the house ring in church, in state, in social systems. If with their laughter and merry voices. Soon man be a progressive being, his progress must they saw their mother at the head of the be eternal; hence he must have a perpetual stairs. "There is your rocking chair, you existence. Death is merely an incident esdear little mother," said Jessie ; "here are onr footstools ; we are all ready for-

ROB AND BESSIE. We shall have to ask our young readers to wait until next week for another chapter of the history of ROB and BESSIE. - (ED.)

FATHER.

Consider, thou who art a parent, the importance of thy trust; the being thou hast produced, it is thy duty to support.

Upon thee also it dependeth, whether the child of thy bosom shall be a blessing or a sus describes it ;" In my father's house are curse to thyself; an useful or a worthless member to the community.

Watch the bent of his inclination, set him an inherent right of our nature. Called into right in his youth, and let no evil habit gain earthly existence without our consent, we strength with his years.

tains ; his head shall be seen above the trees and to learn with which he has endowed us. of the forest.

justification by faith, total depravity, and other kindred dogmas were not extant in the that she came before the audience with the experidays of the early Christians, were never taught by the fathers of the church, but were the fitting offspring of the Dark Ages when men were oppressed, ignorant, sunk in degradation and semi-barbarism: such teachings of Christianty as have in themselves the elements did hearing. When the lecture was closed, the pastor arose of progress will always survive. The belief of immortality can be traced as far back as history records. The truth of spirit communion has been recognized all through the past : one hundred and forty-eight of the popes at difrope, told her she was very kind and off I ferent times issued bulls in denunciation of went after Nanny again, for she was some it, proving how strong must have been its distance ahead of me. When I got to her hold upon the minds of the people. Principles cannot die. Everything relating to external life not susceptible of improvement, must ultimately pass away, whether in the ma, her horns are growing and she thinks vegetable, the animal, or the human kingdom. The American Indian, disdaining civilization, to play with her ; I would bow my head and must disappear eventually off the face of the rear up and down whenever she did, and it earth; so with human institutions ; if they contain not within themselves the seeds of this republic, which ought to be a means of promottied the rope around her neck and brought progress. they must perish, for inexorable is the law that all things must unfold and grow

ing justice and disseminating truth, could descend such gross and scandalous misrepresentations This was said so sorrowfully, and with such a Chrisor they must die. There is no such thing as tian spirit, that if the responsible editor of the paa perfect human institution, for all such are per had been there to hear it, he would, unless more abandoned than a public prostitute, have hid but the result of so much of principle as men his face for shame. Mrs. Spaulding, if she shall continue to occupy

the platform, may yet become extensively useful. illustrate it in her own life and experience. She evidently discriminates closely between that which omanhood. Yours truly, in time be changed to suit new and more en-LAWRENCE, Mass., May 15th, 1870.

lightened conditions. Not so in religious sysfinal : the Protestant creeds admit no clause whatever for their future amendment. All the genius of Spiritual philosphy, comprehending the needs of humanity, proclaims a Then up stairs ran Willie and Jessie to the religion of progress, -- progress every where, need not stop to consider or reflect as to how I got this latter dollar. It is yours now, and the rest is

> ione of your-So long as you are ignorant, your sin will be winked at. Now, as to the budget of presents for us or me, it won't make much difference whether you send a "Rosewood Organ" or : sential to his devopement. In the rise, ma-"Common Sense Thought" providing they are equalturity, decay, and death of all past nations, ly and "illegantly polished." Or whether you send no part of their civilizations are lost, only a "Magic Staff " or a " Superb gold headed Ebony," the latter would be decidedly preferable, as I do not translated. Europe, with her American offunderstand but one kind of magic, that is "Magic spring, consolidates all the civilizations that

> Oil" for burns and sores. As to the "Three Voices. have preceded. So modern Spiritualism init's no use, I've got four good ones now. There's cludes the vitality of all religions that ancient my wife's, the baby's, the dog's and mine. I don't times have produced. The influence of its know which is the best. I flatter myself that they are all excellent for their kind. Indeed we are reportlife is felt everywhere; in church, state, ed by our neighbors, to be the most rowerful literature, and the social circle. The mind quartette in these parts. We are admirably adapted is the real man, and its destiny in the life or this style of music, and taken as a whole (that is) hereafter will be in keeping with the degree and character of its unfoldment here. As Je-

> screechings. So unless your three voices are much more telling than our four, you need not send except many mansions;"- and St Paul, " One star on special order. And now Bro. Dorus, as a friend differeth from another in glory." Progress is to henpecked humanity, and especially to one of your blessed household of faith, I beseech, and implore of you not to send, O! do not send that Harmonical have a claim upon the power that placed us Man you advertise, if you do, it will ruin me, and

So shall he rise like a cedar on the moun- here that shall answer the aspirations to live probably break up my happy family, my blessed The more we know, the more we would or pantod. So that she and the old dog are getting jury .-- Quarles.

The first society of Spiritualists of Farmington like childhood, been subjected to the purifying pro- Mich., will hold their second Annual Meeting, in cesses incident, and perhaps necessary, to that pe- the grove near the village of Farmington, the fourth ence of mature womanhood, the daughter of an emiriod of existence in the form of epidemics, it is a Saturday and following Sunday in June 1870. Mrs. ent clergyman, now dead, and the wife of another now fitting time, and a right which the future will de- Frank Knowles, and G. B. Stebbins, have been enliving : that he felt assured that there was nothing mand of us, to record its early days, and the gaged as speakers for the occasion. in the subject to be presented, or in the person who names of those who nursed and cared for it, during Friends from a distance will be provided with was to present it, unworthy of the place or the occa-the years of its minority and weakness, even for the homes. sion, he therefore bespoke for her an attentive, can-right and light in spiritual things.

HETTIE BISHOP

and said : It has seldom been my lot to have seen RICHMOND, CRAWFORD Co., PA., May 14th, 1870. o large an audience as this so silent, so wakeful MR. EDITOR .---- Please tell the people through and so deeply attentive as this has been this evenour paper, that we have a Spiritualist society of ing. Such a hearing is an honor to the audience forty members, legally organized and at work. We and to the speaker, and I think we can all go to our have built us a good house within the last year, omes consciously profited by our attention here. which is centrally situated in the midst of a farm-There are nearly fifty thousand male public speakers ing community, about half way between Meadville in this country, among them there are about a dozen and Titusville. Our Annual Meeting will be held listinguished for eloquence. There are little more the 10th, 11th, and 12th of June, at which time our than a dozen females who do public speaking, new house will be dedicated.

and among them, there are at least six eminent The speakers engaged for the occasion, are Mrs. orators? He referred to an article in the Sunday E. L. Watson, Mrs. S. M. Thompson, Mr. O. P. Tribune, of Chicago, where this same speaker and Kellogg and L. C. Howe. Nearest stations are Trythis same lecturer had been so grossly caricatured. anville, on the Oil Creek R. R., and Miller's Station that no right minded man or woman, who had heard on the A, and G, W. R. R. C. W. JUCHT, Sec.

IRA PORTER.

the lecturer and read the Tribune, could avoid feel-CASTLETON, ILL. May 12th, 1870. ing humiliation and regret, that a leading paper of DEAR BROTHER :- I herewith enclose \$3.00, and

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As it is I can only contribute my mite, my good wishes and sincere prayers for your success. Fra-H. M. LANPHEAR. ternally,

Brevities and Wit.

BRO. DORUS-Please hold on a moment, hold on . A good story was recently told at a temperand say. Don't make permanent entry of the two dollars meeting in New Hampshire. A stranger came up to sent you a few days since, till you have read this. a Good Templar with the inquiry, 'Can you tell me There's many a slip betwixt the cup and the lip.' where I can get something to drink?' 'Oh yes,' An idea has struck us, us, means my wife and mesaid the other fellow, 'follow me.' The man followed We have been looking over the "Supplement to the him through two or three streets, till he began to be PRESENT AGE," yes, and found some of the most discouraged. 'How much farther must I go ?' said promising things ever thought of-Magnificent pres- he. 'Only a few steps farther,' said the Good Tements to every body who comes down with a three plar, 'there's the pump ! The man turned about and dollar greenback. So I enclose another dollar in noved his boots.

rder to be numbered among that happy crew. You During the late Woman Suffrage excitement at Peoria, a boy appeared in the street with a basket of pups for sale. A gentleman proposing to buy, inquired whether they favored Woman Suffrage of

'They do not,' said the boy.

'Then I dont want them,' said the buyer. 'Oh,' said the boy, 'they'll favor Woman Suffrage as soon as they get their eyes open.'

Find fault only when you must, and then in private, if possible, and some time after the offense The blamed are less inclined to resist when they are chided without witnesses : and the accused may be impressed with the forbearance of the accuser, who, although noticing the fault, waited for a proper time to mention it.

which concerns mankind .- Terence

collectively, we can't be beat, I mean for power---and to be friendly to us; for some will hate us because that's very important you know, in these latter day others love us.

As odors crushed are sweeter still.

And 'tis remarkable that they Talk most that have the least to say.

Hath any wronged thee ? Be bravely revenged quartette. The fact is, I have been troubled for a slight it, and the work's begun ; forgive it, and 'tis long time with what my wife calls the inharmonics finished. He is below himself that is not above an inpostage.

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There is a pleasure in the pathless woods There is a rapture on the lonely shore ; There is society where none intrudes, By the deep sea, and music in its roar. I love not man the less, but Nature more, From these our interviews, in which I steal From all I may be, or have been before, To mingle with the universe, and feel What I can no er express, yet cannot all conceal.

Roll on, thou deep and dark blue ocean-roll ! Ten thousand fleets sweep over thee in vain ; Man marks the earth with ruin-his control Stops with the shore :--upon the watery plain, The wrecks are all thy deed, nor doth remain A shadow of man's ravage, save his own, When for a moment, like a drop of rain, He sinks into thy depths with bubbling groan, Without a grave, unknelled, uncoffined and un known.

Consistency of the Advocates of Woman's Suffrage.

It has always seemed to us that success in anything, was assured most speedily by an The Secret of Pulpit Success in San even, consistent course on the part of its advocates. We cannot accept the Woman Suffrage movement from this category. We do not now allude to the dissensions among the Rev. Dr. Scudder. If our memory serves those prominently engaged therein, but to us right, this is the Divine, who had an encertain things which seem to be common to all parts of the country. We will allude to and came off second best in the contest some of those seeming inconsistencies, in the hope that it may cause reflection and such action as shall advance the cause.

an orthodox church, and of course his sermons It is not at all probable that the suffrage and prayers will be of the most improved orwill be won at once. The most sanguine thodox stamp. In this same city is another may think it near, but sober minded women D. D., imported from "old brimstone corner," and men have no such expectation. In view in Boston expressly for his popularity. The of this, probable fact to most, and possible latter Dr., is A. L. Stone, who preached a For the Present Age. to all, it would seem to be a simple dictate of sermon, on the occasion of the great earthreason to be preparing for the use of the quake, declaring it was not a mere natural suffrage when secured. That the mass of phenomena, but specially intended by God women are not now fitted for the ballot is to arouse the wicked denizens of San Franself-evident. They have far less comprehencisco to a sense of his power and their depension of political questions than men. Famidence. But we are told that Dr. Stone can't ly economy, some of them are compelled to ompete with his brother Scudder. Stone can't study, in the stern school of poverty, but draw as Scudder does. What is the cause? this is poor qualification for judging of the Scudder is a horseman, and, to use the lanfinances of the nation ; and especially in the guage of the turf, has got the inside track. condition of the monetary system of the To show how this is done, and also how pulpresent day. The questions of internal improvement, the public lands, taxation, tariff, pit success is won here, we will tell our readers of Dr. Scudder's last Sunday sermon. etc, etc, are all involved, and but few women His theme was the unruly tongue. In the have paid any attention to these questions. course of his discourse, which at times elici-It seems to us that some attention paid to ted, we learn, great merriment, he announced these topics, and a capacity to discuss them himself as the owner of a horse. He inintelligently by women, are very desirable, and formed his hearers how this horse would we think it would tend more directly to the thread his way along Montgomery st, (the acquisition of the ballot than a vast deal of Wall street of San Francisco;) and then, afthe fiery declamation to which we are comter giving a very thorough description of the pelled to listen. Consistency would indicate animal, he told them he wished to sell the

Francisco.

Among the pulpit celebrities of this city, is

counter with the spirits through Mrs. Faye,

Well, the Dr. is a popular minister of a pop-

ular church. He is an orthodox minister of

The plea, put in oftentimes, is that woman are set forth, in several vital passages, with revelations of the qualities of the universal For the Present Age is so dependent on man that she cannot act more force and clearness than we recollect to spirit, we must look for them in the proper Henry Ward Beecher and the Chrisherself. Well, why not assert her indepen- have seen anywhere else. dence where she can. It is a custom of long Mr. Tuttle is as unsparing on the assumed Look again at ourselves. Something of

standing for men to take women to theaters, miracles as Renan himself, though he does not man is revealed even in his bones, his finger concerts, rides, balls, pienies, etc, and pay use so weak reasons for their rejection. Tak- nails, and the hairs that grow upon his cutiaddressed to the Editor, at 350 Jessie St San Fran- the bills, even though he might be much the en as a whole, it is a most valuable book, and cle: these are products or revelations of the spirpoorest of the two. We have never heard of will sustain our brother's well-earned reputa- itual forces that are combined in his being; but

a suffrage woman who was not as willing to tion as a student and a thinker. accept this condition of dependence as any of Our author considers this Christ-Idea as The highest and most characteristic part of her sisters, who have all the rights they want. "the culmination of a series of beliefs, grow- man is found in his intellect, and his social Here is a good chance to assert independence. ing out of the reception of the doctrine of the and moral impulses or affections. So long as women smile, and play sweet, inherent sinfulness of matter and the purity when the chains are so politely put on by of spirit." He thus states the formation of lations of God in the mineral world, nor in men, they ought not to complain of them the hypothesis:

when they wear them. And, if they invite "1st. God must be perfect, and hence man these may be in some sense a part of him, and the chains, when forged of gold and silver, must have been created perfect. let them not wonder that they turn to iron, "2nd. Man is now very imperfect, hence interest, and in time eat and rust into their very flesh. must have fallen. The advocates of suffrage must do one of "3rd. Between man's imperfection and two things. Either admit the position of God's perfection, man's finiteness and God's their opponents, that woman is naturally de- infiniteness, there must be a mediator. pendent on man; or else they must declare "4th. As man by his fall has committed for the highest and noblest revelations of

their independence where they can, and not an infinite sin, only the Infinite can atome for God. depend on men to pay their bills at all places, it. where they can induce them to wait upon "5th. Hence, the mediator must be the them. Consistency is a jewel, and we hope Infinite, incarnated in flesh ; must be a God- lovely. Others are refined, noble, grand in to see it worn proudly by those working in man partaking of a double nature." He conceives that in savage man, in and bless all around them. The latter we inthis great movement. We assure our sisters that there are many, who wish them great his crude feelings and imaginings, we are to tutively characterize as the most manly men success, yet are fearful, in view of these and find the origin of the Christ-Idea; and that

similar inconsistences marring this important if we attempt to deduce it from the condition of the cultured intellect, we shall most certhe Creator and the created, and reconcile the

ly, Christians. tions are from the Christian dogmas and his-

VISIONS.

BY. N. M. STRONG. Visions may rise to outward sight And lead us on life's rolling sea ; May seem to tinge each wave with light And wreathe our minds in joyous glee Yet storms may rise and billows roll And dash those fairy forms away May veil in night the laughing soul, And shroud in gloom the sun of day.

But there are visions, true as fair, That rise within the soul's deep founts : No storms of earth can reach them there. Nor mar their pure exalted birth. Tis these that make our lives serene, And guide to scenes of heavenly bliss,---That clothe our minds in living green,

When sorrow comes and friends depart For that sweet summer-land above ; When death, with his unerring dart, Takes home the souls we fondly love, Tis then these visions, pure and bright softly o'er our darkened way

And yield a joy in every wish.

sphere, or department.

they do not reveal the noblest and best of him.

So we must not look for the highest revethe vegetable world, nor in animal life; though are full of revelations of great and wonderful

The highest product of Matter and Force. or of the ALL OF THINGS, which we have the opportunity of inspecting, is man-ourselves. Here, then, in men and women must we look

But there are great differences in men and women. Some are gross, selfish, cruel, unintellect, and moved by an impulse to benefit - the most womanly women-the truest and worthiest types of manhood.

In such, then, and more especially in that tainly make grave mistakes. The idea of inward impulse or force which prompts to God was first. That of Christ and sacrifice love and bless mankind, and that wisdom naturally and necessarily followed. The which guides this impulse to the best results, Deity was angry and must be appeased. A do we find the highest and worthiest revelamiddle man, a God-man must stand between tion of the highest, noblest attributes of God. It follows that all Bibles or Scriptures in two by enduring the penalty due from the which are recorded man's history and experone to the other. Our author after elaborat- ience, his varying conceptions of God and his ing the above positions, illustrates them by struggles and yearnings for the true, the references to Brahmins, Buddhists, Egyptians, right and the good, are in their degree reve-Chinese, Persians, Aztecs and more especial- lations of God; and these revelations will continue to be made, with greater and great-As said above, the more abundant illustra- er clearness and fullness, so long as man shall continue to expand in knowledge, capacity, and goodness.

> I shall be asked, is your God a being outside of, and distinct from man? or do you mean that all men, considered collectively, constitute God?

> I answer I do not and cannot conceive of a God wholly outside of man, for the reason that I can draw no line of distinction between God and the spirit or force in man which prompts to do good.

That force is one and identical, wherever manifested and however modified in manifestation. It may seem to us to be a part of ourselves, yet for aught we know it may spring from a common cause above and beyond us. But I do not limit man to the human be-

ings now living in bodies on this earth. Countless beings have lived and passed to another and in some sense higher sphere of existence, as I have demonstrative evidence; and they now form a great world of spirits, still connected with us by the ties of a common nature, and to a great extent by the closer ties of tender relationships. In these be-

tian Union. MAY 14th, 1870. Vol. 1, No. 20. One thing thou lackest. This article refers to Mr. Sen, the Hindoo convert, who has been shown much attention n England, especially by the Unitarians.

It is alleged that he is a Deist who admires Christ or the "spirit of Christ," Beecher adds: "We hope the day will come when his moral perceptions will be keen enough to see that a Merciful Almighty would not leave a nelpless world to struggle in the slough of misery without stretching out the hand of revelation to save it. To expect his countrymen to accept the spirit of Christ without advanc- In Walnut Cases, ing beyond the position of David Hume, is to expect them to reach Heaven, without taking those final steps which bring man actually within the pale of Christianity. For those not far from the kingdom of God, the one thing lacking is the thing all important." In the foregoing sentences are embodied, expressed, or implied, the following ideas : 1st. That the moral perceptions of the Hindoo convert, Sen, are now dull. 2nd. That when they become keen, he will see that this God created world is a slough

He is commended for some progress.

of miserv. 3rd. That the world is helpless. 4th. That God is merciful.

5th. That if he is merciful he would nevr leave the world to struggle in the slough of misery which he has created for them, without stretching out his hand to lift them out. 6th. That the way he would do it, is by a

special revelation. 7th. That "to accept the spirit of Christ" s to do no more than Hume did. 8th. That it is absurd to expect men of such belief to reach Heaven. 9th. That lacking the thing all important, persons with such defective beliefs must expect to be damned.

10th. Logical sequence, -that they ought to be damned. 11th. That they are great criminals in the

sight of God. 12th. Logical sequence,-that they ought o be received and treated as such by his

saints. 13th. Christian Union does not mean union with such sinners. Mr.Beecher's meaning may be inferred from

what he has omitted as well as from what he has printed. He finds no fault with the life and conduct of Sen. He hints at no error in

the life and conduct of Hume. Hume was a Deist, Benjamin Franklin was also a Deist, but all such Deists, according to Beecher, are lacking in one all-important and essential BRONZES. thing, without which they can never reach PARIAN, Heaven, and that is, the belief which brings FORKS, them within the pale of Christianity. When they shall have attained this, they are all right, but without this, however honest they 49-1y.

may be in their opinions and however pure in their lives, they deserve to be damned,-they will be damned. They can never reach Heav-



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Again, the suffragists urge, that the false pulpit desceration. We think, it used to be conditions and relations of society render it thought a desecration of orthodox pulpits, to necessary that woman should have the ballot, allow Universalist ministers to officiate therein order to right them. We do not dispute in. We presume it is so now in many places. this position, but think it would be immense- But, we are certain, that it would be so conly stronger if the women would change those sidered to allow a Spiritualist to speak in conditions which are entirely in their power. Dr. Scudder's pulpit even now. It would be We will allude to but one fact for illustration. a profanation to which neither he nor his

It cannot be pretended that men compel church would consent. But to advertise his horse for sale, on the women to wear the horrid and unhealthy styles of dress, which tend so much to their " holy Sabbath," seems not to have provoked degradation. All sensible women admit that a comment of reproof. We have no especial these tashions are largely unhealthy and de- objection to make. We think it would be moralizing, and yet, searcely one dare step much better for the Dr. to turn auctioneer out from the enslaved condition which custom next Sunday, and strike off his nag to the requires. There is great clamor that women highest bidder, than to preach the abominaare shut out of so many employments. But ble doctrines of John Calvin and other great there are many, very many employments lights of his church. The Dr. has evidently which are open to them, but they could nev- come to that same conclusion, and is successer enter them with a long dress, to say noth- fully exerting himself to please his people. ing of hoops. A woman, dressed in the He succeeds, and does it by the same tricks American Costume, would be a most unwel- and arts as are practiced in the circus ! The come guest upon the suffrage platform in piety of San Francisco Christians is altogether most cases ; and the introduction of the ques- too humane to tolerate the roasting ideas of tion in a woman's meeting would be most a few years since. It is not quite popular ungraciously received ;--it would be deemed perhaps to go to theaters and similar institua side issue, and not germane to the main tions, and therefore, the grand desideratum topic. Consistency here would tell on the is to secure a first class performer in comedy progress of woman in independence, if it did and farce for the pulpit. When this is atnot secure at once the suffrage. tained, the church is well filled. But, if not,

Another oft urged complaint is the lack of the poor preacher may get his salary, but not own image. employments. We confess to the justice of the ears of the people. Dr. Stone must this assumption to a certain extent. But we preach to empty pews, while Dr. Scudder confess that it is by no means clear how the performs to tittering and delighted crowds. mere possession of the ballot will, or can Behold ! the glory of the pulpit in these last remedy this evil. Do the women propose to days.

tory, by Hudson Tuttle.

turn out all the male clerks, who retail hose The Career of the Christ-Idea in Hisand thread, tape and needles, and make it a penal offense for shopkeepers to employ male Boston : Adams & Co., No. 25 Bloomfield st. clerks, especially when nine women in ten This is a companion volume to "The Cawill trade with the dapper, little fellows, sooner than with one of their own sex? But reer of the God-Idea in History,"by the same the question arises, why do not women em- author. Our friend and brother is a very proploy themselves as men do? There is no law life writer, and we almost fear he is making against it. A woman may farm, trade, man- books too fast. Use gives facility in compoufacture, print, bank, or anything else she sition, still it requires time to properly archooses. Moreover, they can do it and not range and methodize thought and language lose caste with the great mass of people. in the best form. We are not, however, dis-We have seen women farm, and do many posed to apply this remark to this volume, exthings on the farm, and no one thought less eept in a single particular. The volume is of them on that account. Men certainly did professedly an exposition of the Christ-Idea not, and it is a huge mistake for young wom- in history. In reading the book we find sixen to think that incapacity is a recommenda- teen chapters, only two of which (the first tion to any man of average common sense. two) are devoted to the elucidation of the his-Let women make employments for themselves. toric career of the Idea, while the other four-Instead of devoting their lives to the sub- teen are devoted to Jesus of Nazareth. It lime occupation (!) of the toilette, dressing seems to us that the appropriate title would of the being, man, viewed as a totality, yet in several times in the day, let them put on a have been "A Life of Jesus." To be sure, common-sense garment, which is adapted to the evolution and progress of the Christ-Idea tinct from his body, in fact independent of it. forget this would make me an egotist and a earth; and that beyond the sea there must their work, and can usually be worn all day, are very succinctly set forth in the first and and we assure them, health, wealth and hap- second chapters. But these only form an ap- spirit, or soul. piness will result. A better preparation for propriate introduction to the body of the

is a move in the same direction. In no de- a life of Jesus, we have readit with great sat- and in endlessly varied ways. Who continues it but woman?

horse. We have heard, in years agone, o To guide our footsteps through the night Whence breaks the calm, unclouded day What care I for golden visions here ? For all that fame or power can yield ? But give me the vision pure and clear, That rises to life's brighter fields ;

tory.

That yields the soul its highest need And links it to a life eternal. Where opens wide the pearly gate To our home in worlds supernal

When, Where, and How, does God Reveal Himself?

Remarks by A. E. Newton at the Conference i Harmonial Hall, Washington, D. C., May 14th, 1870, reported for the PRESENT AGE.

may properly be considered out of place. It is, however, proper, that any one who self-love, must be that one universal Spirit of attempts to answer it should define his idea Good, that all-pervading Love, whose impulof God, or state what he means by the term. ses sometimes consciously throb in your bos-The claim of some speakers, that the term om and in mine. should be limited in significance to the nar-

Our conceptions of a Deity are necessarily modified and limited by our degree of mental expansion and our culture. We can form no conception of anything, except as it bears

our observation. The childish mind necessarily conceives of God as a being in the shape and with the attributes of a man, generally somewhat amplified. Perhaps some minds never outgrow this childish conception; but it does not follow that more expanded minds must confine themselves to it, when they use the term. My definition of God, as viewed in the broadest aspect, includes no less than the ALL OF THINGS, the totality of matter and the forces acting in and upon it, yet viewed in another aspect we may say, God is the Soul of Things.

struct and wield that body. This is one aspect consciousness. another aspect he may be considered as dis-

the ballot, or a surer way to gain it we can- work, which sets forth the outworking of that that God is the universal spirit, or life, em- possible mistakes and supplement the meager- menical Council, now sitting in Rome, in- will cure Diseases and Infirmaties of Man, Woman, not see. A very few women see this, and Idea in Jesus of Nazareth and the church orig- bodying the totality of all the forces that act ness of my own apprehensions, I would listen cludes the faith and works of Columbus and Child, FREE OF CHARGE (to all who are unable to pay). are acting accordingly. The women Doctors, inating with him But this matter of the in and upon the universe of matter, as distin- teachably to the voice of God through each the Western hemisphere. The woman ques-Lawyers, Bankers, Printers etc, are evidences name of a book is perhaps a more criticism of guished from matter itself. My answer to and all of you-through any and all other tion does not need the Bible to determine its merits and claims, and its friends will not on this point. So also the movement in Cam- taste, and we therefore pass it without other the question before us, then, must be, that souls, especially the best and noblest to whom act wisely in forcing it into the arena. bridge. Mass., for co-operation in housework, remark. But, taking the book in the light of God reveals himself at all times, everywhere, I can have access, in this or any past time,-

improved? Who shall do it but woman? seets them with the unsparing rigor of scien- higher and grander.

ings, or a vast body of them, surrounding us en. on every hand, the same universal spirit of good is the constant motive-power of a beneficent activity. It is in them a deathless LOVE, brooding over us and constituting a universal providence, capable, through angelic ministry, of adaptation to every individual of our

race, and to the minutest affairs of our life. More than this, all other worlds throughout the illimitable universe, may reasonably be supposed to be peopled with sentient beings, varying perhaps in external type, but possessed of the same essential nature as ourselves; and each world, by analogy, must have its corresponding spiritual realm, peopled, in some cases, mayhap, by beings older power of each and all, so far as born out of

The sum total of all such beings, in all row, anthropomorphic notions of one class of worlds, constitute MAN, in the large sense, the community, is unreasonable. There are or the "Grand Man," to use the phrase of almost as many different ideas of Deity as Swedenborg. And in so far as the inmost it is natural-in fact, almost inevitable-that can be discriminated from what pertains to men should create their ideal God in their the beings as individuals, that force may be called God. Yet in fact the two are so in-the "fundamental principles of religion as taught in the Bible." If the doctrine of "doing unto others terblended that the distinction is ideal rather

some relation to facts of our consciousness or small. A universal Spirit, dwelling in and exist

> God, then, dwells in man in a higher degree than in the outer world, and is literally "not far from every one of us." If we

in me, he reveals himself in others also. To when he insisted on the true form of the Thus viewed, we say the real man is the fool. My ability to receive and apprehend be another continent. The Church knew the divine revelations is bounded and modi- better than Columbus; and the church,

in this or any other world.

tific analysis. The anachronisms of the books If we would obtain the highest and noblest waiting to be revealed on every hand.

They are guilty of a capital offense a gainst God more unpardonable than theft, a dultery, or murder.

This is Mr.Beecher's logic ; this, his Christian liberality. On this basis is he seeking Christian Union. Poor man! He has had the theological bite; the virus is working in his veins; he can never be cured. He will probably grow more and more rabid until the world will wonder that a man who has been where he was, should be found where he is.

IRA PORTER Scripture and Woman Suffrage.

world

A writer asks, in the Waverly (N. Y. Advocate,) in regard to Woman Suffrage in years than our arithmetic can compute, and its advocates, the following questions, This question assumes that there is a God; and vaster in intelligence and power than our and accompanies them with not altogether hence any discussion of that proposition minds can conceive. Yet the inmost motive pertinent comments and answers of his own : What light do the agitators in this movement assume as it respects the authority of the Bible in its utterances upon the institutions of marriage and the family? Do they base their efforts for the elevation of "woman" to the enjoyment of her "rights" upon the fun-damental principles of religion as taught in the Bi-

> To which the Advocate replies, and very justly :

We do not understand that placing woman upon a perfect equality with man, so far as regards civil and litical rights, affects the "institutions of marriage and family," except, perhaps, to place those institu there are persons who entertain them, since and universal motive-force of Good, or Love tions the more squarely upon the basis of right and nature

As to the second question, it must depend, course, on their respective views of what con GO TO d'ARCAMBAL'S

it which is authority upon the point. A government where the people rule—make and execute their own acting through myriads of conscious individ- laws-was unknown to that early period of the ualities, in my present view, meets all the ex-igencies of the case. Whether the Deity exis-ted as a conscious being before the existence of man or other finite intelligences, or whether he "first came to consciousness in man," as some recent period that she was emancipated from that slavish condition, and acknowledged to have a known metaphysicians contend, seems to me a bar-ren subject for speculation, since we know of no time when individual intelligences did not of caste, which had their government, have always

been used as precedents against her. The supporters of slavery had an experience with their Bible argument with results not satisfactory to themselves, creditable to would receive the revelations of his wisdom the book (as they used it,) and certainly not To illustrate: I conceive man to be a being and the impulses of his will, we have but to to the advantage of the slave system they sought to defend. There are some questions on composed of tangible, visible, ponderable mat- which whispers in our inmost souls, and fol- which the Bibles, creeds, catechisms, and constitutions of men do not necessarily shed light. He would not be held a wise minister who ponderable forces, which are united to con- well up from the unfathomed depths of our to-day should frame an argument on the Bible in support of witchcraft or slavery. Co-

But I reflect that if God reveals himself lumbus had Bible by the avalanche poured on him from the infallible Fathers of the Church

moreover, was infallible, could not err. But In this latter sense it seems proper to say fied by my limitations. To correct, then, the infallibility to be voted on in the Ecu-

souls to a boundless universe of truth that is who ever knew Truth put to her worst in a free and

open encounter .-- Milton



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2 "	50	2 00	3 00	8 00	15 00	25 00
3 "	2 00	3 00	5 00	12 00	20 00	40 00
¥ col.	5 00	7 00	10 00	25 00	45 00	80 00
* "	8 00	10 00	15 00	40 00	75 00	150 00
1 "	15 00	20 00	30 00	75 00	150 00	250 00

consisting of a body and a spirit-a body listen reverently to the "still small voice" ter, and a spirit composed of invisible, im- low obediently the promptings of good which