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Selected Loetry. Voice of a Pebble. BY WARREN SUMNER BARLOW. A pebble in my hand I hold, From yonder limpid brook, And read its lesson manifold, As one might read a book. It says, Throughout this wondrous sphere, Where'er our thoughts may bound, To distant worlds, though far or near, No one like me is found. I am myself, will ever be, And can not be another My sphere is fixed eternally, And Nature is my brother While this great truth relates to me, A part is only told ; For every thing in land or sea, Is cast in diff'rent mold. The pebbles round the ocean deep, Which every wave doth wear, The shining leaves the ocean keep, No two alike are there. Of all the grains composing earth, And vegetation fair, All forms of life of every birth, In water, earth, or air, The rule holds good, no two are found Whose pattern is the same ; And could we trace creation round, We would this truth proclaim. The forms of life that meet the eye, Wherever we may gaze, With varied robes from Nature's dye, In every form and phase, Are but the outward signs that mark Their features to the world, Their nature yet is in the dark, Their motives not unfurled. Some kick, some bite, some lick your hands, And some will prance and play, Some meekly bow at your commands, While others flee away. Some climb the trees, some bore the ground, Some gnash their teeth and growl : Some only through the day are found. All night some whoop and howl. All must reveal the pent-up fires Of animated force, Portraying ever God's desires. From which there's no divorce. Thus Ætna heaves his foaming crest. And belches fire and smoke ; Expels the moaning of his breast, The obstacles that choke, And gains relief and acts his part, Like waves that beat the shore ; Or throbbings in the lion's heart. That stimulate his roar. A chain of varied links we see Wherever God is found : If two alike will ever be, Infinitude is bound. In earth, in air, in sea, or space, Through worlds and suns that roll, A God in endless forms we trace, Whose wisdom guides the whole Jehovah speaks in all we see, Whose countless tongues rehearse Harmonious strains of melody. Throughout the universe. All have their proper spheres to fill, With settled rule in view ; Each must perform its Maker's will. With nothing else to do. The waters from the distant hill, Or cascade in the lawn, The mighty river or the rill, All to the ocean borne, No more to Nature's path inclined, Or follow God's decree, No more fulfill His wise design. Than every thing we see. No hand can injure or deface One particle or grain ; Each occupies and fills the place, That wisdom did ordain. As well assail the storms that blow, Or proud Niag'ra's roar. Or ocean tides that come and go, Or waves that lash the shore, Or blazing comets in their flight, Or worlds that roll on high, Or dim the shining orbs of light, Or God himself defy ; For all obey with cheerful zeal tion." The mandate God hath given ; And each alike His laws reveal. Throughout the vault of heaven. All worlds have their appointed spheres, Distinctively their own : Their length of days and rolling years ; Their longitude and zone. Could aught suspend these potent laws, This equipoise of power, And intercept the Great First Cause, But for a single hour , Should but one star impede its flight, Or lose its time and place, Or seek another's trail of light Throughout the realms of space, Death's dark convulsive waves would lash, Creation's boundless shore, And worlds with universal crash Would sink to rise no more. Thus Nature, with united voice, Proclaims its Maker's praise ; Though laws propel, it seems of choice, That every thing obeys.

A STORY FROM REAL LIFE. WRITTEN FOR THE PRESENT AGE BY ANNIE DENTON CRIDGE CHAPTER XXVII CENTRIPETAL. With all his natural proclivities for air, ex- them that I have seen you." ercise, and sunshine, Gavin was city bred; when away from railroad, river, bay, or lake; like, feel anxious about me." as he approached the depot at Warren his former life revived, and as the stage rolled among the Pennsylvania hills between the railroads, he felt as if awakening from a long nightmare. To him the iron city was welcom, in spite of its smut, and he had the good fortune to travel by daylight the magnificent mountain region of Central Pennsylvania. A fortunate misconnection at the banks of the beautiful Susquehanna and stone State. He left at midnight. the railroad, appropriately clad in grey denot-

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night of slavery to the blue sky of freedom, whereof the subsequent uniform of the Union ly alarmed ; he added: "Come and see me ; army became an appropriate type. Henceforth in unmistakable characters at every step-WAR. In due time he reached Washington, then and now the focus of the political world, for wherever might be the material struggle, the arena of moral and intellectual conflict was-and is-there. In a few days after his arrival Gavin commenced his duties as army correspondent by visiting the months in the service. encampments in the vicinity of Bladensburg, where he mixed intimately among the rank

to adorn any society, however refined or in- safety; but we prefer to pass over all these ness, Oscar, and Gavin's failures would have telligent ; and-unlike upper ten-dom-to and come at once to his visit. that real refinement was added a sturdy mor- Jessie had not seen him since the sudden Oscar did not speak ; he loved his mother he cause of freedom, utterly strange and towas about." them) novel ideas which he propounded. and whisky have so far demoralized the white rush on like mad bulls to certain destrucof un-carbonized air to the lungs, was much caused by a recent fall from his horse. encountered Dr. Perly, whilom of the Per- minutes. Jones is described as a young girl of about twenty ley Water Cure, seated on two camp stools, said regiment. He instantly recognized Gav-

"Some mischief or other, no doubt," Gavin ; "I've had my head quarters here for He found the oil diggings almost deserted,

week past." on the river." "Why did you not go as surgeon ?"

off arms and legs but to fight." "Well, what about your mother and sister? for I must tell Jane and Jessie when I write

"I intend to have my family in Washing- Jane should be present on Te occasion, and on very soon." "Well, let me know when they come, as I ton together. No time would thus be lost intend to see them if possible."

after the battle, when, as he was making in- ton via Philadelphia. quiries for Lieutenant Perley he met the driing the transition period from the black mid- ately for his mother and sister, but was forbidden, as he did not wish them unnecessari-

> come and see me whenever you can." Events now rapidly succeeded each other in the history of our friends, but we will try

to record them in chronological order. First, then, is a visit by Thomas Martinourse, to Jessie, after having been several

and file of the army, and became well ac- out all his letters to Jessie and read them, Jessie to friend Martindale as freely as I gave quainted with the nature of the private sol- also hers to him, or we might have noted all Jane to Gavin," which seemed to them like dier's every day life. Among the privates of the various emotions of Jessie's soul as she a voice from the dead. "Oh ! could mother the Second New Hampshire Infantry, then followed the movements of her betrothed ; Allston bave seen Jessie married !" said Hanstationed there, he found (as he did subse. the pride she felt in his battling for his coun- nah, after a few moments of stillness : "but. quently among the regiments) men qualified try, and yet the over-present anxiety for his then, she has escaped much sorrow ; thy sick-

oin after their Texan tour, had not looked In a Pennsylvania Cavalry Regiment, then she would see him again. It does not seem which belongs to the inmost of our being. rection, where the Sugar-Loaf Mountain could had no objections, to be so kind as to leave self and on Jessie, his beloved. be seen in the far distance, he unexpectedly the room when she saw the stage coming. "I form of a cavalry private, busily engaged in she said, her poor little heart fluttering as "and visit our friends there at the same time cleaning his horse and discoursing on "na- she gave her wish utterance, for it was full of that friend Martindale and our Jessie are ture's laws" to an audience of his comrades diverse emotions which we need not analyze, married? then we can be present at the cerewho appeared much interested in the (to as it is enough to know that they all related mony." to, or were centering on, her beloved friend "Nature's laws ! nature's laws, my friends; Martindale. Jane, of course, readily acquithere is nothing like nature's laws in war or esced, and so it was all arranged that when peace ; we are here to avenge their persistent the stage stopped on the top of the hill Jane violation by the slave-holders and their allies, and her baby would visit the residents in the northern and southern. Too much fat pork other portion of the house. The wheels of many a rumbling wagon were men of the South, buried their brains in fat heard, and many a time Jessie went to the and inflamed them with liquid fire, that they window to look for the stage; very silent was she during all these waiting moments. Jane looked at her thoughtful face almost He was agreeably surprised to recognize wonderingly; there was the don't-care, Gavin, in answer to whose inquiries he said laughing, independent Jessie feeling all the that he had become satisfied that the scriptu- reality, responsibility and bliss of a divine thine eyes." ral incident of "Jonadab the son of Rechab," relationship-love, the more especially beembodied a great natural truth, and that liv- cause under these circumstances she was ing in tents, admitting as it did abundance about to behold the object of that love. more in harmony with nature's laws than un- the child made her exit. Very soon the veventilated or half-ventilated houses; enough hicle stopped in front of the house, when hundred dollars for them. so to compensate for a somewhat inferior diet, Thomas Martindale alighted ; Jessie was in which, however, all temptation to excess watching from one of the front windows ; she non being afterwards ascertained to have been have loved thee ! No more loneliness, no they had learned by letter, would be there My friend proceeds on the supposition that becomes of all the religions of the earth? be honest, but they are deceived. What is a Among the regiments distinguished by the spring dress ; never ceasingly the birds will tend Quaker meeting on Sunday. boarding-school in New Jersey for five years past, intelligence and urbanity of its members and sing. Come, my Jessie, speak to me !" years of age, amiable, intelligent and well educated. This sad story gives serious argument in favor of the reforms which your paper advocates. Had this un-fortunate young person belonged to the other sex, neither herself in reforms would have felt it to be said regiment. He instantly recognized Gave

"But why didn't I see you before?" asked all their golden dreams there with connected. man." Hour after hour those three chatted to-

houses taken down and the materials carried gether; finally their conversation turned to he saw a world as natural as this, in which --immortal souls. "I've just returned from ten day's picket off some to Titusville, some to Warren, and the varied experiences of Gavin, Jane, and we live, and concluded that there was no

would be a dog's life, for I don't want to cut wells, pumps and engines, than had ever been of either for themselves or the world; life itualists; let him show that a belief in one golden mean, freedom. returned in the shape of oil.

Jessie and her dear friend of course took long walks and rides and had many talks towas broken by Jane saying : "Never more gether; finally it was decided that they should "Oh ! they are in Cincinnati, and I should be married in two weeks, the ceremony to be he felt out of the world and out of himself be happy now, but that I know they, woman- performed in Philadelphia by their highly es-

teemed friend, the Rev. Dr. Meredith; that that afterwards they would all go to Washing

all their previous arrangements being carried Just then the signal was given for dress with the exception of the slight detour from parade, and Gavin saw him no more until the direct route caused by going to Washing-

One evening, while the subject was being ver of the ambulance in which he lay severe- discussed, Thomas Martindale said he had the faculty of intuitiveness." Harrisburg enabled him to loiter awhile on ly wounded, a ball having shattered his leg brought a present for Jessie ; then he opened above the knee, the wound being made worse a small case, took out a gold watch and chain perambulate the hill-girt capital of the Key- by reason of the time it had been neglected and hung it around her neck : she kissed him lusion next ?" at which they all laughed. and the difficulties which, under the circum- as spentaneously as a child would have done, At day-break, soldiers were seen guarding stances, attended his removal to a place of saying it was "beautiful, very beautiful." safety. Gavin offered to telegraph immedi- This spontaneity was the crown of Jessie's all that will occur in a person's life are within confidence and support. character, combined as it was with that men- that person; the ball, on which is wound the tal strength and stability so desirable in a thread representing in sequence of time all Spiritualism, and I may show the good ; and things."-Isaiah 45 : 7. If God is not the

yet an independence which was as freely ac- tuitiveness takes up the unwound thread and good in Spiritualism, and demands to know MR. H. They expect us to drink in these orded to others as exercised by herself. Thomas Martindale had intended to remain if there is any truth in fortune telling it must says it has stolen its principles. Who claims a week; but as he and Jessie were so soon to I think be done in this way." be married, he left her on the third day for Cincinnati, where he informed the family of dale to Jessie and Jane, but especially, of the course of events. Oscar expressed his happiness at the prospect of his sister becom

ing the wife of his best friend. Then Hannah We might have followed him through those related her conversation with Mrs. Allston months of soldier life ; we might have brought on the evening of her death : "I could give been a heavy cross : it is all well."

al sense and a spirit of heroic endurance for appearance of himself and Oscar at the log as only a good, affectionate son, could, and been trying to devise some method by which she and her sister might make a beginning in Hannah's remarks had awakened a long train tally incomprehensible to straddle-the-fence into his face since he had told her of his love of memories, an attempt at the verbal expres- their efforts to help working-women. As generals who "did not know what the war for her; but now they were going to meet ; sion of which would hav." only revealed the in- may have been supposed, Thomas Martinthe stage was momentarily expected, and then adequacy of human language to express that dale had means; for besides about twent thousand dollars left him by his father, he encamped in the vicinity of Tenallytown, on exactly fitting to tell every particular, espe- Thomas Martindale, as he slowly paced the had accumulated something himself. Witha hight of land commanding a magnificent cially as Jessie was so nervous about it; floor reflecting on the words of that mother, out saying a word to any one, he had resolved view to the extent of forty miles in one di- even to the extent of requesting Jane, if she felt that her blessing had descended on him- after his marriage to Jessie to give them a pleasant surprise. "Five thousand dollars they shall have ; their plans are good, and "Can't we go to Philadelphia, William ?" met our old friend Timothy Cuff, in the uni- so want us to be alone when we do meet," asked Hannah, an hour or two afterwards, they have a faculty for business ; they shall if they will, make a trial." As his marriage drew near, and Washington loomed in the distance ; an idea had found its way into his cranium, whether by impression or otherwise does not matter; all we know is that it had "I was just thinking about the same thing," William replied. "Perhaps we can." made its lodgment there, and when he and "Then we will go, I am sure; now, friend our friends should arrive in Washington, he Martindale, do say thee is very glad." intended to act.

among the camps-don't know what he's Washington, for which place they expected to when we made our arrangements ; though Are you obliged to believe it? The chances MR. J. Davis has been misunderstood start in two weeks, making it henceforth ladies can travel alone, it is much more con- are that it was some believer in a personal Still, if it were the case, it would be nothing their home, deserting Meeca, its oil wells and venient to have the services of a gentle- God, who, after crossing the mystic river, ex- against Spiritualism, according to a Christpected to see Deity seated upon a throne, ian standard. There are thousands of "high and lifted up," but instead of which, Christians who believe people have no souls

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MR. H. Catholicism is one extreme, Spiritothers to the various homes of the builders. Jessie for the past two years; now they God. Let my friend meet the issue; let ualism is the other, and Protestantism is be-The glory of Mecca had departed. More were about to leave all behind, all their phi- him attack the fundamental principles of tween. Catholicism represents authority, "O, I've had enough of that; to me it money, it was said, had been sunk there in la thropic hopes, all they had ever dreamed Spiritualism as accepted by the body of Spir- Spiritualism, license, and Protestantism the

must begin again, for all they possessed was God and no more, an Infinite Spirit, pervad-Mr. J. Am glad the comparison is instigone. By-and-by they fell into silence, which ing boundless nature, an Infinite Being, that tuted. Protestantism is neither authority can never be comprehended more than infin- nor liberty, it is half man, half beast ; it is will poverty sit at my hearth-stone ! this ite space can be fathomed, called by whatso- a compromise system being ground between ever name, let him show if he can, that that Catholicism and Spiritualism, the upper and teaching is unworthy of the confidence and nether millstones of God's mills. Catholisupport of the people. It is self-evident that cism signifying authority, faith; Spiritualism my friend is inadequate to the task he has un- reason, knowledge. Come on with your dertaken when he complains that I have se- grist, Brother Haddock.

MR. II. In a communication from the "sperrits" they say, "there is no such thing Spiritualism. Well, sir, that principle of as sin to us, the spirits. Our God is the au-"electicism" is one of the cardinal features of thor of sin." Such is the tendency of the Spiritualism. It is an element infusing its system, to obliterate all distinction between life-giving powers throughout the Spiritualis- right and wrong, virtue and vice.

tic body. Any Spiritualist guided by its MR. J. What spirits say constitutes Spirclear light seeks for truth and accepts it from itualism, does it? Does my friend pretend to "Fortune-telling !" said Jessie ; "what de- any source, a principle, too, that will in time affirm that Spiritualists believe all that spirits correct all wrongs and annihilate every spe- may say? He knows better. He thinks the "As the acorn contains within itself the cies of error. But according to the position spirits that advocated the idea that God is germ of the oak, so the principal causes for of my friend here, it is not worthy of your the author of sin were gross, undeveloped. What does he think of this: "I make peace, He says he will show the bad features of and create evil: I, the Lord, do all these

communications.

MR. J. Spiritualists receive messages for that Spiritualism ever invented a truth ? their intrinsic value, whatever is reasonable is greater. If Spiritualism is entitled to those or God Almighty, is rejected.

MR. H. According to their own leading What have you invented ? Mention even that there is no way to establish the identity

MR. J. If that is an argument against Go back in history and tell us what the found- the possibility of identification, then Moses was not taught by Pagans ages before Jesus see Jesus, because you believe the devil can man principle, the golden rule, which has Spiritualists identify their spirit friends by elicited the praise of millions, and you find the same tests they had while on earth ; that promulgated by Yao and Chun in China handwriting, narration of incidents known two thousand years before the time of Christ, only to the parties themselves, peculiarities

comes to me like a prophecy." "Whence-how came such impressions?" inquired Jessie quietly. "These impressions," replied Jane, "like others we have tested, must have a natural lected the good principles, here and there, origin. There are moments when individuals from this and that system, and called them -or some individuals-can perceive the thread of their own, or perhaps another's,

destiny, take up that thread and follow its course, and I am satisfied that this is done by

"How?" asked Thomas Martindale.

true woman, with unbounded independence, that has come to him, is within himself. In- in the next breath declares there is nothing author of sin, who is ?

fortune-telling business !"

"Thee and Jessie," said Thomas Martindale, "may never do the one thousandth part known, then I would inquire by what rule minds, there is indefiniteness. An evil spirdo something I am quite sure."

"Another prophecy ?" asked Jessie archly. "No he replied ; "I am neither a prophet nor the son of a prophet, and even impressions do not get through my cranium ; but we will see when we arrive in Washington what will come to pass."

He had, ever since his engagement to Jessie-and, indeed, for some time previously-

steps outward to perceive whither it will lead; what new truth it had given to the world;

"Suppose," said Jessie jocosely, "that, as Truth is eternal, there are no new truths. they accept, that which is false, though it all other schemes have failed, we go into the Through Spiritualism our knowledge of truth may purport to come from the Angel Gabriel, truths only which before its advent were un-

of what you have desired, but that you will you Protestant Christians claim any truth. It can come in and personify your friend so one truth which you have given to the world of spirits.

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of Chicago, Ill., at Prescott, Wisconsin, on the Morgan, a distinguished mathematician-in-

that was not previously known? Speak out! er of your system ever gave to the race which never saw the Lord; the disciples did not Christ was born? Take the love to God and transform himself into an Angel of Light.

dences in favor of spirit communications;

the loss of the Niagara as given by a spirit,

and confirmed by news received the following

day. Narrated by Hon. N. P. Tallmadge.

Bullard, a clergyman, and several others,

numerous cases of speaking in languages ut-

terly unknown to the mediums; trance

speaking, many cases, to one of which, par-

ticular reference was made, that of Miss Fan-

nie Davis, who lay motionless and uncon-

scious for forty-five days; called attention to

numerous well authenticated instances of see-

ing spirits; spirit voices having been heard,

Men of the rarest genius, such as Prof.

Hare, Prof. Mapes, Dr. Dodds, Prof. A. De

deed, a very large number of scientific men,

and others from all walks and callings in life,

after careful investigation, have considered

Spiritualism worthy of their confidence and

From the Revolution. A Sad Story.

Miss Carrie Jones, who has been a pupil at a attempted to commit suicide at Oak Hill Seminary a few days since, by taking corrosive sublimate; at last accounts she was sinking rapidly and no hopes depend on her own exertions for support. Miss ters with such dependent natures ;--we unfit them so sedulously for that battle of life, which Nature cabin ?" and Heaven design for all souls, that such a message to the daughter is like the doom of fate. This un-happy one succumbed, and rushed to another exist-

warmly. "All moved to Washington or under "Nay, nay, I demand a new title now, even arm's length; "beautiful, my while the fact is, that they sift them as they MR. J. Consequently, Spiritualism is not Luke 24, 23: "And when they found not marching orders," was the reply; "I suppose that of brother Martindale; you mustn't Jessie," he said; "I came just in time." do the communications of spirits in the flesh. worthy of confidence. How logical! Davis his body, they came, saying, that they had

soon come, when stronger training, and better views of woman's rights and duties, shall make tragedies like this impossible ? Washington, June 12, 1870. H. C. I. Washington, June 12, 1870. H. C. I. C. I. H. C. Commodore the other day figuring around the programme of Jessie and Jane was "Yes, I wonder I did not think of that a spirit in the other life says there is no God. had no souls.

"I shall be more than glad," he replied, "I am sure ; and so will Jessie ; so will we all, if thee and William can be with us."

"And I am delighted at the thought of see-Of a Discussion on Spiritualism between Rev. ing our Jessie married."

"Not so fast, little woman," interposed sober William; "I am not sure about the visit yet."

"Ah, well! we will go; I can see it in

By the next mail, Oscar sent a letter to Jessie, a dear, good letter, full of loving, brotherly words, engaging to meet her and

At last the stage appeared, and Jane with Jane in Philadelphia to act as bridegroom on the occasion, and enclosing one

How busily occupied were the sisters dur- to attack two of the propositions, "spirit com- system, and support of it. However, I am in respect to it as we do in distinguishing was removed by the plainness of the food. did not want to meet him in the sight of ing the time which intervened between friend munications" and "individualism." In his willing that the issue should be made upon He assigned as a special reason for preferring passengers ; should she let him come to the Martindale's departure for Cincinnati and the argument against individualism, he has com- the intrinsic merits and demerits of Spiritualthe cavalry service the greater space allowed door, she thought, or meet him? In an in- day fixed for their own to Philadelphia! The mitted himself squarely against the central ism. Is a system worthy of confidence which to man, the wholesomeness of the sphere of stant she decided, met him at the gate, shook last day and the last evening came; trunks idea of the Protestant Reformation. In op- demonstrates that spirits do communicate? Andrew Jackson Davis never saw spirits, E. the larger animals and the development of hands and accompanied him to the house. were packed and nearly everything was ready posing spirit manifestations he denies his own and that such communication is in accordance V. Wilson never saw spirits. Cora Hatch the organ of weight resulting from equestrian Thomas Martindale closed the door, and then for their journey on the following morning. Bible. This is the last resort. In order to with natural law, not miracle ! Spiritualism says spirits never have been seen. It is all exercise, as a proof of which Gavin perceiv- kissed her tenderly while he said : "Mine, "Friend Martindale" (as they still persisted wage a warfare against Spiritualism, the cler- is based upon fact, the fact that man has a subjective. The mediums may think they ed that the organ of weight on one side was Jessie ! mine in my soul of souls ! thee's a in calling him) and Oscar were to meet them gy find themselves compelled to impeach their spirit that survives the death of its carthly see spirits; but they do not. It is deception. much larger than on the other, said phenome- dear little girl! how long, how ardently I in Philadelphia. Hannah and William, as own chief witness.

more winter ; the earth will always wear her two days before them, as they wished to at- Spiritualists in some mysterious manner, Spiritualism proves that the spirit communi- vision ? A subjective impression, not reality.

subsequently by their bravery, was the Fif- She looked up and smiled, but her lips day preceding from Warren where they had withous question, just as orthodox people re- peering into the mysterious beyond, answer; visions are shown to be subjective impressions, teenth Massachusetts, then stationed at trembled and she burst into tears. He was been made, Jessie now had leisure to examine ceive the declarations of the writers of the let the dead, leaden, feeble faith of the mass not reality. There may be cases that are were entertained of her recovery. The cause of this Poolesville. The camp of this regiment, be- now silent; he laid her head against his man- them. "Suppose Jane," she said, gaily, "I Bible as the word of the Deity himself. He of Christians, in the reality of another life, different, but I have not found them. rash act was a notification from her father, instiga- ing close to head quarters, was frequently re- ly chest, smoothed with his hand her glossy put on my bridal robes; "I wish thee would quotes a large number of opinions from differ- speak; let doubt and despair, in view of the MR. J. Brother Haddock, if you had studted thereto by her step-mother, that he would no sorted to by Gavin, and a day or two before hair, letting the curls pass slowly through dress, too, and then we can realize how we ent spiritualistic writers, including the comlonger be responsible for her board, and that he did the battle of Ball's Bluff, he unexpectedly his fingers and thus waited in silence several shall appear," which was accordingly done. munications of spirits. If we accepted those their wail beside the grave of the body of such a statement. Although you are not "Oh ! how pretty it is !" exclaimed Jessie writings and communications as orthodox one near and dear, reply. This system that quite sure that the Bible in every instance

When Jane returned about an hour after- was heard to pass, but they heeded it not, for calls himself a "Christian" as a definition of nature in its perverted form) notwithstand. Suppose the Bible writers did bear you out

and how are the oil diggings and the log dale," she replied, as they shook hands claimed. "Delightful ! Oh ! I'm so glad !" world for spirit-life, their revelations are ac- Haddock : Davis saw spirits in the other you-you have my sympathy ! "it is hard was folded in his arms; then he held her at cepted by Spiritualists as unmixed truth, world that had bodies like monkeys.

"And thee is going to accompany us !" Let spirits in or out of the flesh express saw ancient spirits.

expression, and personal appearance. A!about five hundred years before the time of Moses. "New truths !" that objection most anything can be counterfeited, but who against Spiritualism is too much for you ; it disbelieves his senses, or ignores his judgfalls with crushing weight upon your own sys_ ment on that account.

MR. H. I do not permit any brother ministers to decide for me as to what is true. [The speaker then passed to notice the evi-

MR. J. But you want every Spiritualist to abide by the opinion of every other Spiritualist. After squarely opposing "individualism" you claim the right of exercising it. Gave an account of the conversion of Gen. If you are your own judge of what is right and wrong, why is a Spiritualist a criminal through the mediumship of a little girl ; cited who exercises the same right?

MR. H. Every man is to use his own judgment, of course, but in accordance with certain well-defined principles.

MR. J. Who is to define the principles, n accordance with which you must exercise your judgment? Are you going back to the Catholic church?

MR. H. We accept the Bible as the lawyers do Kent and Blackstone. We are to use our judgment under this standard ; I accept the Word of God.

MR. J. That is, you use your reason to convince your reason that your reason cannot be trusted ! The Bible without reason is of no value. Reason without the Bible would distinguish man from the brute, just as it now does.

MR. H. Spiritualists accept that portion of the Bible which they like.

MR J. That is true. You all do the same thing. The difference is, you believe it all to be the Word of God, we believe it to be the words of men. We exercise our reason between truth and falsehood in modern spirit communications.

MR. H. Mediums never saw spirits, body. Take away that basic fact, and what I do not say the mediums deceive ; they may which he has failed to point out, are obligated cates after the earthly body dies. Is that of I have been looking over the cases in the Bi-The wedding dresses having arrived on the to accept the statements of spirits and men no consequence? Let the hungering souls ble, and in every instance that I have found.

> for thee to kick against the pricks. Read also seen a vision of angels which said that themselves as they will, what of it? Suppose MR. H. Davis saw people in Buffalo that that he was alive." That vision talked.

For reply of Mr. H. see second ; age.

and 3, 1870. SECOND EVENING. MR. JAMIESON.

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SYNOPSIS REPORT

Geo. C. Haddock, (Methodist) of Appleton,

Wisconsin, and W. F. Jamieson, (Spiritualist)

evenings of May 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, June I. 2,

support ; although we are free to admit that the mere fact of immense numbers professing LADIES AND GENTLEMEN : any religion, or system of philosophy, is no Brother Haddock seems to have been a litproof that it is true; neither do we affirm tle nonplussed with my platform of princi- that because great men have adopted a parples. He hesitated whether to have anything ticular theory or system, therefore it is true,

to do with them or not. He finally concluded but they have shown their confidence in the

SECOND EVENING-Continued.

MR. HADDOCK. Mr. Chairman, Gentlemen of the Commit-

tee, Ladies and Gentlemen :

I will now proceed to read a number of extracts from spiritist sources showing the general drift of Spiritism. Each one is to be his in the constitution of things, to growth and progress, * Nor do I deny that the road through hell own judge of right and wrong. Hear what the "snerits" say .

the "sperits" say :

by that along they are to be judged. That is to be never stained even by contact with the vite. To be no other tribunal. If by the law of self he is come before demned, he must suffer according to the condemnation; if acquitted by self, he is indeed acquitted." Mr. H. F. Gardener said :--

The Educator says :--

"Each man and each woman has a perfect right, under all circumstances, in all conditions, and in whatever locations, to do as he or she pleases. Government is but a temporary arrangment, to be bighest possible human government is interior, and may at all times, in all places, and under all circum-stances, be safely obeyed.²⁷

The Healing of the Nations has the following:

"Thus thy body needs no laws, having been in its creation supplied with all that could be necessary for its government. Thy spirit is above all laws, and above all essences which flow therein. Good men need no laws, and laws will do bad or ignorant men no good. If a man be above the law, he should never be governed by it. If he be below, what good will dead, dry words do him."

I now give another class of extracts. The following are spirit messages, as given in the Healing of the Nations :---

"God doth not condemn. A God of perfect love and wisdom can never condemn those himself hath created, and who are not equally perfect and wise unto himself. Unto God there is no error; all is comparative good; God views error as undeveloped good. We say, just as we have said a thousand times before, there is no such thing as sin, no such thing as evil. Spiritually and divinely considered, there is no sin. Full well we know the book you call the Bible teaches of sin. Full well we know the whole Christian would recomprise work a condition: whole Christian world recognizes such a condition; but to us there is no sin All men are equally rightbut to us there is no sin All men are equally right-eous, because all are good. No matter where we find them, or under what condition they exist, they are good. Every thought, word and deed is of God. The religion of the heathen is no less divine than yours. God approves of it as well as yours. It is vain for man to talk about disobeying the law of God; he can at no time disobey it. You may curse the author of your being ; do you sin ? No, you are but casting off the gross in your nature, obeying your God. The highest archangel was once the lower spirit on earth. What, says the self-righteous man, is God controlling the murderer when he lifts his hand against his brother ? Yes, we answer, he is. Our God is the author of sin as of good. If we give him his due, we give him this." It strikes me that their God is the devil, and in ascribing all sin to him, the devil for

and in ascribing all sin to him, the devil for once gets his due. A. J. Davis, in the 4th volume of his Great Harmonia, page 14, says :

"The theological idea is a transgression of the moral laws as given by God to man. Now it is of the utmost importance that reformers comprehend the error of this idea. It will be found impossible for man to transgress the law of God, impossible to break the minutest principle of nature." Several extracts—fair specimens of the entire took. "Good is everything that exists— the whole pict-ure of life. Evil is the shading of the picture—ex-

This, as every intelligent reader will see, is a mere quibble and evasion, after the spiritist fashion, The "theological idea" never embraced the setting aside of God's law, or the annihilation of the "minutest principle in nature." But that men disregard the lawrefuse to act in harmony with it-is the theological idea; and that men do transgress the law in this sense, is so evident that even Mr. Dayis cannot fail to see it Hence Mr. Davis cannot fail to see it. Hence he speaks shortly of "conditions to be changed." Yet on page 20 he says: I not only down the origination of a natural cause. Thus every opinion is

elon there is no merit ; in Herod there is no demer The Present Age. it. There are no laudations for Fenelon, no con-demnation for Herod. Fenelon is a child of God Herod is the same-each heirs of eternal life and o the blessings of God that await them in the future Fenelon is no nearer to God than Herod is.' DORUS M. FOX, : : Editor. Mr. Newton said :--

"I shall not deny that evils and sins of the des MISS NETTIE M. PEASE. ription mentioned, are for the most part necessary MRS. S. A. HORTON,

PROF. E. WHIPPLE.

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Evidences of Spirit-Intercourse.

TESTIMONY OF LIVING WITNESSES.

Spiritualists do not hesitate to meet oppo-

A. B. FRENCH, DR. F. L. WADSWORTH. LOIS WAISBROOKER, elestial city at last through misery and crimes and "Within the bosom of every man and woman there is a judgment seat, a throne of God, and before that and that alone, should men bow down and worship. By that alone they are to be judged. Man is to be indext he binedified for the passively good, whose robes were never stained even by contact with the vile. None W F. JAMIESON, S. LOVELAND : . : Editor Pacific Department INNIE D. CRIDGE, : : Editor Children's Department

"Dr. Child has got more philosophy in his ideas o good and evil than most people ever thought of. The world ought to know and feel the necessity, the blessing of sin. Jesus and Judas both had the experience they needed, and neither were made

Why does Dr. Child present such views? thought in their advocacy of Spiritualism. It is because his large heart wants to take all They also unhesitatingly appeal to sacred humanity to heaven, the wicked and the sufhistory, so called, as well as to the historic fering, as well as the good and the happy. records and traditions of all nations, in proof He would take even the devil himself to heaven, and it may be that the devil will have a of intercourse between the inhabitants of the seat in heaven-that God will say, 'Take, two worlds. Lucifer, thy place ; this day art thou redeem-We think, however, we have another and ed to archangelic state.' yet more certain kind of proof in the testimo-

And this same Lizzie said on another occany of living witnesses, persons whose eviion, as reported in the Banner :--dence would be unquestioned before any

"Heaven, hell and earth are three indissoluble court in the land. Instance the testimony degrees, contiguous to each other. We must go through hell to reach heaven. We cannot leave earth without going to hell first, for that is the an-te-chamber of heaven.²⁹ court in the Mumler case. Here we have a man of experience in all that relates to this life, of as

Lizzie's position is the inevitable sequence general information upon all subjects, perof the Spiritist doctrine of the seven spheres, haps, as can anywhere be found ; one who enveloping the earth. The lower spheres are filled with vile and ignorant spirits, and has filled, for many years, a high judicial poconstitute hell. Consequently, no spirit can sition, with honor, wisdom, and integrity reach the higher spheres without passing never questioned. Such a man calmly testifies that he sees and converses with spirits, to earth through the mediumship of the in- once the inhabitants of this earth, not spirits habitants of hell! O delectable philosophy ! who say they were, but persons he has known This is from the Religio Philosophical in life and whom he now recognizes as dis-

tinctly as before they laid aside their earthly hodies.

We have been led into this train of thought by an incident which occurred in Niles at the time of our recent State Semi-annual Meet-

owing no allegiance but to the God element of his nature, and worshiping no God except by obeying the promptings within." Saturday morning the conference was opened by Mrs. S. A. Horton with an inspiration-We now come to the CREAM of Spiritist al invocation. After taking her seat on the

ethics-a book written by Dr. A. B. Child, entitled, "Whatever is is Right." I give rostrum, almost the first person who rose to speak was Mr. — of — As he commenced speaking, Mrs. H. turn-

"Good is everything that exists— the whole pict-ure of life. Evil is the shading of the picture—ex-isting only in material life. And so evil in the pict-ure necessarily is good." "Vice is sand-paper to the earthly covering of the soul. It wears off the material garments that clothe our souls in our earthly existence, and by its agen-cy the soul gets free from earthly matter sooner. Vice and virtue too are beautiful to the eve of the ed to us and asked in a whisper : "Who is that gentleman ?" We replied, giving his name and residence.

She continued : "He has lost a companion, and she stands beside him." At the time he had made no allusion to it,

but before closing, perhaps five minutes after, he announced that he had a companion in the other life, whose presence he often felt, which to him was a great consolation during

I not only deny the existence of positive evil, but right." also of essential falschood." The test was so clear and unquestionable

ands of instances occurring every week, prov- am; I have no wish to advance, and as for ing by the most positive testimony to use this circle, I don't care for it, but I will have the language of the good old Methodist hymn Fannie; as soon as I can control conditions, that: I'll have her."

following evening.

The Work in Michigan.

EAST SAGINAW.

PLAINWELL

LYONS.

"But a narrow vale divides, The heavenly land from ours." The evidence given by thousands of per-

plied our guide. sons of experience, culture, and scientific attain-"I swear in the presence of heaven and ments, in the United States and the most enearth that she shall not live a month." replied lightened countries of the old world, ought the enraged spirit, as he moved away and to assure the most skeptical that often-times joined some dark forms that stood at a dis-

"With rapturous eyes behold The white-robed angel band, And drink the flowing landscape in The sweet and dewy land."

Hearts and Homes. A SPIRIT COMMUNICATION.

NO. 21

The first circle we attended was in the ty in our cause. We hope our friends will nents on philosophic and scientific planes of city of-----, in the family of Judge B-----. The circle consisted of six persons, three la- particularly of all new organizations. We dies and three gentlemen. I was told that give below a few items we have gathered. one of the young ladies, Miss Fannie Brown,

also one of the gentlemen present, were mediums. This private circle had met every week for several months. Varied and wonder- marked success, that the society is in a con

ful were the physical manifestations, received dition of prosperity, financially and otherwise through the mediumship of Alfred Brown, brother of the lady medium. Loud and distinet raps had been heard upon the floor and marked in East Saginaw from the fact that a made to float in mid-air, without visible sup- nearly all the time.

port. A guitar, tambourine, and other musical instruments, had been played upon, and at the same time, carried about the room without the apparent aid of any one in the circle. Spirit hands had been materialized, cal contact. Names had been called and com- immediately effected, efficient and active offi- Spiritualists) and submit to their examination munications given in a clear and distinct cers elected, and the result has been, a grow- any article published in the AGE during the sleep !" voice, audible to all in the room, and this too ing interest and continually increasing last year, and if they decide with you that without using the medium's organs of speech strength.

and without the aid of trumpet or horn. It is not, therefore, a matter of surprise that day evenings, but arrangements have been worth of any books you may order. If they the members of this circle were deeply inter- made for her to lecture the second Sunday of do not decide with you, you shall purchase ested in these manifestations, but previous to July, morning and evening. Friends in the such as we select for us to the same amount.

the time of our uniting with the circle, the vicinity have requested us to call attention to Further, we will appear before said committee, mediums had not seen spirits nor had they been the lectures, Sunday July 10th, 10-1-2 A. M. and prove to their satisfaction the immoral entranced; yet as these phases of medium- and 8 o'clock P. M. ship had been promised, the circle was anx-

iously looking for their appearance. Poems, with music, produced by the spirits upon instruments, and communications of a more philosophical character than had yet been The meetings are well attended and a general the Bible, claimed by Christians to be the received, were also expected.

As we drew near the circle, 1 saw that it interest manifest. We regretted that we did book. If we do not hear from you, we shall was surrounded by some twenty-five spirits, not happen to be there the Sunday of the come to the conclusion, as will your neighbors, becupying different planes of development. public lecture, but with the families of Dr's. that you have made a charge you cannot sub-I had learned to decide the true position of Jewett and Hampton, Charles E. Lewis, stantiate. spirits by the texture and color of the eman- Simeon Mortimer, Mrs. C. Isham, and some ations surrounding them. Some of the spir- others, we had pleasant interviews, and from its belonging to this band were bright and them learned of the progress of our cause. guide addressed me, saying :

"Not a Good Work."

We have published a very few of the many letters received commending the PRESENT AGE. We now have the only one ever "She will live many years and become very received on the other side of the question, useful in the hands of a higher power," rcand as our columns are free to all, we propose to give the writer the benefit of a hearing. MR. EDITOR :- I received from you a circular in which you say : "The question is, will you aid us

in this good work, and help to send the AGE as a missionary into the remotest part of the country.' tance. This scene had completely broken up I have read the AGE with considerable attention and care, and also some other tracts and publicathe circle, while our guide conversed with,

tions emanating from the same fountain during the and advised those spirits that had been in past year, and I fail to see that the work is a "good the habit of attending, SILVER SPRAY and work," but it does appear to me to be an evil work, I departed to meet with them again on the exceedingly pernicious and demoralizing. You ready to tell us our story." will perhaps regard my stupidity and ignorance with wonder and pity, while I cannot but wish that your efforts, your zeal and your abilities were put forth in a different and far better cause.

N. M. P.

All over the state we hear of renewed activi-Entertaining these views and opinions, I cannot aid you in the way you desire. You kindly inform favor us with brief accounts of meetings, and me that my time is not out until the 52d number. That number is received and 'tis plenty long as I going to have another chapter of want the AGE. I shall not renew. Respectfully, DARIUS MONROE.

BRONSON, Mich., June 8th, 1870.

From this locality we hear that the labors We have not the pleasure of a personal acof Mrs. Horton have been attended with quaintance with Mr. Darius Monroe, but we shall appeal to him in all candor and earnestness, and in fairness ask him not to thus make This too may be said of several societies in that part of the state. This is probably more a general charge of our "doing an evil work" through the AGE, and also in "tracts and othwalls, furniture removed from one part of more thorough organization, and with efficient er publications" issued from this office, withthe room to another, the heavy dining table officers, has enabled them to maintain lectures out particularizing so as to permit a defense. IN OBOGY, however, admired his music but lit-the Viney. She would take her seat beside Now, brother, you say you have read the AGE, him on the steps, or climb on a chair which

with "considerable attention ;" if so, you she would pull right in front of Rob ; and In the month of March last, Miss Pease can readily indicate to us and the public the very quietly she would sit and look at Rob was invited to lecture in Plainwell. The in- "exceedingly pernicious and demoralizing" ar- moving his fingers up and down, while he

dications were so favorable that it was deter- ticles to which you seem to allude, We now whistled away on his flute. mined by the friends to organize a society in offer you a hearing, and further, will make "Bootiful, Rob," she would say; "I yike

and writing produced by spirit hands without accordance with the plan recommended by the this proposition. You select three men of a fute, Rob." Every night when she was aid from the medium, at least by any physi- State Association. A legal organization was your own town (neither church members nor put to bed she would say :

"Rob, fute me too sleep, Rob ! fute me to

Then Rob would take his seat at the foot such article is "pernicious and demoralizing," of the bed and whistle away on his flute until Miss Pease has lectured heretofore on week we will purchase for you twenty five dollars little Viney was sound asleep.

Little Viney liked Rob's music, though everybody else thought it a nuisance.

"I don't think you will ever learn to play your flute," his mother would sometimes say, with a pleasant smile on her face.

Children's Department.

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In the baby constitution we recognize the holy plans of bivine Goodness—the immortal impartations of Divine Visdom—the image and likeness of the Supreme Spirit— he possibilities of the greatest manhood, womanhood, or

WILLIE AND JESSIE.

CHAPTER XX.

"Willie, Willie;" shouted Jessie from the

window, "come into the house ; mamma is

"Is she? then I'll come," replied Willie;

"Here you are, my boy ; you see I am

"Go on, mamma; I am very glad we are

"I ought to have told you that Rob's fath-

er bought him a flute, just as soon as he was

well. Rob had often wished he had a flute.

Oh! what fine tunes he would play, he

thought, if he only had a flute ! Very well ;

Mr. Rob had a flute of his own; and for

hours every day Rob would sit on a chair, or

on the front steps, piping away at his flute.

Nobody, however, admired his music but lit-

"ROB AND BESSIE."

and it did not take him long to run into the

house and up stairs.

ready before you, to-night.

"Oh, yes I will !" Rob would say ; "only tendency of three chapters in the Bible for every one you can find in the PRESENT AGE, wait awhile, mother, and you will see what a We spent last Sunday in Lyons, our old forfeiture same as above. Now, friend Mon- fine player I will be; I will be able to play any tune you like, by-and-by. You will see home, where we find the cause fully as pros- roe, you have opportunity to satisfy your perous as ever before. Charles Andrus has neighbors of the demoralizing teachings of our what a grand musician I shall be some day. been lecturing very acceptably for the society. paper, and its influence as contrasted with Viney likes my music now."

I believe Rob felt very proud every evening when Viney called out : "Now, Rob ; fute me to sleep !"

One day when it was raining fast, the children were playing hide-and-seek.

"Pa pay !" said Viney. Oh ! she was de-

"It is Viney's turn to hide," said Bessie. "Very, well," replied their father; "you

As soon as they were gone, her father lifted Viney to the top of the wardrobe. "Don't ak one word," he said to her ; "be ver dium? He has come since I left the circle. quainted with the facts, with the consent of worth its entire cost, but besides this, the I fear his object is no good. His presence. the parties interested, would favor the readers axioms are invaluable. We give below a few still and we will see if Rob and Bessie can "Ready !" called out their father ; and in circle." "What brought him here ?" I lady visiting a family in Lyons, was favored ularly to the last, (number 100) for the ran Rob and Bessie ; under tables and chairs asked. "Why was he permitted to come here? by the opening of her spiritual sight and dis- reason that the great majority of Christians they looked; under the bed; under the pilcould he not have been kept away?" "Good tinctly saw the former occupant, (now in the believe Jesus to have been the author of lows. "Where is Viney? where is she ?" is more powerful than evil; if we can bring spirit world,) of the house in which she is the "Golden Rule." It is true Jesus they said many times; and there, on the top influence sufficient to overcome his evil de- visiting : that she has publicly stated the enunciated this beautiful rule for life and of the wardrobe, was Viney's pretty curly signs, he will leave us, otherwise we can have facts, none of the parties referred to (except practice, and upon it built the superstructure head and bright blue eyes, watching Rob and of his moral philosopy. We advise all our Bessie all the time. Into every corner they has disturbed the manifestations made by We invite our friends, in this and other friends to obtain this little work, and also the looked; but they never thought of looking on the TOP of the wardrobe, though they had other spirits. As we are to him invisible, states, to notify us of the formation of new Koran. With these they will be able to show looked intc it several times.

Confucius.

beautiful; but I noticed a disturbance in the Wewere informed of one incident of a char- the third page of the "Life and Moral electric currents surrounding the circle, and acter well calculated to excite interest, but as Axioms" of the great Chinese Philosopher .-

send it free of postage :

strongly objects to vice.

the pursuit of virtue.

CONFUCIAN MORAL PRECEPTS.

rents should take essential care to properly quality

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forgetting their imperfections, endeavor, by render-ing them aid and encouragement, to prompt them to

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It is our duty to constantly bear in mind the im-

der from the righteous way, we should not be too much disheartened, but endeavor to rise again above

en us for publication, we refrain from giving most valuable additions to our spiritualistic "Do you see that thick-set low-browed all the particulars, or the names of parties. literature. The life of Confucius, as we have spirit, standing by the side of the lady me- We should be glad, however, if some one ac- it correctly published in this pamphlet, is

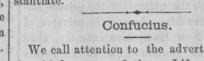
"Let me play with you," said their father. "Oh ! do !" exclaimed Rob and Bessie.

ighted.

go out of the room, then."

We call attention to the advertisement on

was not long in perceiving the cause. My we are not sure that the information was giv- We are glad to notice this book as one of the



Shall I call him a demon? Is not his spirit natural to his condition? War is not evil or repulsive ex-cept to the man of peace. Who made the warrio? Who made the non-resistant? * *Polygany* is as natural to one stage of development as oran-ges are to the South. * The doctrine of blame and of praise is not natural to a philosophi-cal condition of mind. * The spirit of complaint of attributing evil to this or that conductors. of society, is natural; but it is natural only to un-developed minds. It is a profanation of which I "The man we call a free moral agent kills anothwould not be guilty.

those foolish ones who have denounced and opposed some things as being wrong, and have anything that is natural in the moral world, new truth." any more than he would criticize the "oranges But read farther, "War, slavery, money, scores of commendatory letters from such perwill at last come into friendship with univer- sons as A. J. Davis, Emma Hardinge, J. S. sal interests." And then, as if in despair Loveland, and others (I do not know but Mr. quotes from another :---

"The divine effort is never relaxed. The carrion in the sun will convert itself into grass and flowers; and man, though in brothels, or jails, or on gibbets, itism are blasphemous, atheistic, and immoral is on his way to all that is good and true. * seem to say one thing, and say the reverse. Appearance is immoral, the result is moral. Things pearance is immoral, the result is moral. Things seem to tend downward, to justify despondency, to promote rogues, to defeat the just; and yet by knaves as by martyrs, the just cause is carried for-ward "

the words of the Son of God :-- "Do men God unto himself. Men are not to hold their gather grapes of thorns, or figs or thistles? A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit," loose rein; for their souls will thereby develneither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. op all the sooner and more powerfully. Truth, Lord! To my mind it seems clear that not until briar bushes bear grapes, and they are, even though the manifestations are readers mark the particulars of the test. The Canada thistles produce figs, will the just not produced by spirits-are received by milcause be carried forward by knaves as by lions of the people of our country ! What martyrs, and men in brothels and jails, and wonder that wickedness abounds, that crime on gibbets, be on their way to all that is of every description is alarmingly prevalent. good and true. Once more I quote from this This is the natural result of the efforts in to the seer, that his mother is in the other philosopher :--

"We will not go forth to conquer error, to fight denons, to cultivate combative habits in our fellow men; but instead to do the positive work of life-normibilite all distinctions between mod and to construct Harmonial temples of thought, and welcome the world hospitably to our happy homes." annihilate all distinctions between good and evil.

What is this but the language of an idle, shallow-pated dreamer, who finds it more ful pestilence, what has the pulpit and the reagreeable to spend his time in constructing ligious press been doing to arrest its steps? theories that are contradicted by all the experience and common sense of mankind, than beneath ministerial dignity to assail Spiritto awake from his visions, strip himself for ism. Out upon the that dignity which conthe contest, and enter the battle field of life sists of starch and stupidity! God help the with strong hand and resolute heart. Why, to conquer error and fight demons is the positive work of life, and combativeness was given us for this very purpose. The construction of Harmonial temples of thought is the work of drones and dreamers, who hear not the Master's voice, "Go ye into my vineyard and labor." As for Mr. Davis' reluctance to fighting with demons, that is easily understood. It would not be natural for him to fight with his friends.

In the R. P. Journal, Oct. 29, 1859, we Convention, on the following question :--"Are the manifestations of human life that we call evil, or sinful, a necessity of the conditions of the soul's progress?" Said Dr. Pit. Child :-

"From the deepest and most sincere convictions of my soul, I answer to the question, that what we call sin and evil in human actions is a necessity, and therefore lawful and right. * Judas, the and therefore lawful and right. * Judas, the traitor, was as faithful to the conditions of his being, as was St. John, the divine. Each performed the mission assigned to each, lawfully and truly. tion because four days before he had a dream Behind the holy deeds of Fenelon, there existed which left no doubt on his mind that an accinatural causes which produced them; he could not help the manifestations of good. Behind the dark deeds of king Herod, there existed natural causes to produce them; he could not help them. In Fen. In Fen.

And this on page 23: "Reformers need to understand that war is as natural to one stage of development as peace to Shall I call him a demon? Is not his spirit of revence. Shall I call him a demon? Is not his spirit natural to his condition? War is not evil or repulsive error.

Vice and virtue too are beautiful to the eye of the soul. Both are right and in place."

cal condition of mind. * The spirit of life, that does not lead to neaven. A lach one complaint, of attributing evil to this or that condition goes in the way the soul directs, and every way

whence are they From God direct and immediate.' "The excellencies of a virtuous life, when scanned, this time they were holding a "love feast" so praised and maintained other things as being right. He blames nothing—praises nothing: only the vapors of life. * What we call virtue, befor nothing is wrong—nothing is right. Ev-erything is simply "natural," and he is so life, produced by soul growth, and thereby soften if winute before turning to us he remarked : longs to the material world, not the spiritual." well developed as not to pass judgment upon and prepare the soul sooner for the development of minute before turning to us he remarked :

Such are the teachings I find on almost of the South !" Truly, the egotism and every leaf of a book of two hundred pages. I feel sure it is his mother." impudence of this man is unbounded, and And this work is cordially endorsed by lead- At the same time he asked if we knew whethwould be surprising were he not a Spiritist. ing spiritists generally. Its author publishes er his mother was in the other life, -- of which of doing justice to the subject himself, he Jamieson has endorsed it.) besides very personal experience, remarked, that years many of the lesser lights of Spiritism, and fa- previous, on an occasion like this,

vorable notices from the Spiritist press. Said I not truly that the teachings of Spir-Things - calculated to rob man of all incentives to the exaltation of the moment Mr. Sprague sent the cold chills to the hearts of all who meeting, were not published. We give them virtuous living, and surrender him to the un- added : Spiritism. There is no standard-no author-

In reply to all this stuff, we need only give ity. Every one is law and gospel, Bible and and bless me in the journey of life." passions in check, but rather to give them And these "doctrines of devils"-for such

And while this awful moral contagion has been sweeping on, like the march of some dread- ments of exaltation as above, will admit that people, when the watchmen on the walls fail to sound the alarm, when danger is near : and

A Strange Dream Fulfilled.

Believers in the significance of dreams will Sunday morning he said : be confirmed in their faith by a singular piece of evidence which was given at an inquest at Coleford, in Somerset, on Monday, have the report of a discussion at a Spiritist April 11. The inquiry related to the death of a collier, who was buried by a fall of several tons of rubbish in the Vobster Breach

> Among the witnesses were Richard Edgell, cribed her as she appeared. underground bailiff, who said that he had examined the roofing and the timbering twice anniversary Mrs. Slade and Miss Pease were one and the excited and irritable appearance Judas, the on the day of the accident, and found every- the women speakers engaged. Miss P., being of the other. To the efforts of our spiritthing secure. He made the second examina- the one left in earth-life and the only woman guide to induce him to seek happiness upon that he took extra precaution .- Liverpool manifest herself to her associate of the previ- truths it sought, he replied :

gregation except Charles who remained be-A h, what a philosopher? He is wiser than the desires of men and the inclinations of men-the desires of mental desires of men hind to attend to the careful hitching of the J. A. Sprague was speaking from the preach-

"There is a woman standing by Mr. Sprague

fact we were not aware until a few moments afterward, when Mr. Sprague, in giving his his mother led him to the altar of prayer, where he was happily converted, and in icy hand upon Fannie's, and in a voice that

listened, he said : "That mother has since gone home to glory; I doubt not her spirit is now hovering over me as a ministering angel to guide

This circumstance in all its particulars, we subsequently related to Mr. Sprague, and if we mistake not, he expressed the opinion that Charles saw his mother as related. Let our spirit is described, and the opinion expressed that it was the mother of the speaker, at least five minutes before he states the fact unknown which the leading Spiritists of our country life. He declares that he feels her influence,

as no doubt he did, thus giving evidence that cannot be doubted by any candid person of the power of spirits to return to friends on earth. Our orthodox friends, in their mo-

> "With blessings to each earthly home, These messengers of heaven come, Inspiring thoughts of higher life, Free from all sorrow, fear and strife."

At the anniversary meeting of the Sturgis the spirit who had caused this disturbance, society two weeks since, among the many who wearing a look of malicious satisfaction. testified to spirit presence was Mr. J. A. Fox, When he became conscious of the presence when moral instructors act upon the fatal a merchant of that place, a man of unques-policy that evils will die out, if let alone. a merchant of that place, a man of unques-tioned veracity, whose word would, upon any shining robes and sweet saintly face of SILVER tioned veracity, whose word would, upon any shining robes and sweet saintly face of SILVER other subject, be proof positive to any man SPRAY, he seemed abashed, dropped his eyes, in Sturgis. In the conference meeting of and appeared as though he would like to hide

"I know that I see spirits, just as certain- of hatred and defiance came back, and he ly as that I see you, my friends and neigh- said: bors, here to-day."

In the evening, while A. B. Whiting was speaking, Miss Pease saw Mrs. Slade accompanied by other spirits. After Mr. Whiting from me." Then followed a long conversa- fluence shall meet to make a more perfect whole. had closed she testified to the fact and des- tion between our guide and this poor unfor-

It will be recollected that at last year's great between the dignified composure of the

ous year. These are but a few of the thous- "I do not desire to be any happier than I Chicago.

his heavy, course at hosphere, and positive of the AGE with the particulars. We can extracts for the purpose of indicating their find our little Viney." will has disturbed this hitherto harmonious probably say this much : that it is said that a general character. We call attention partie-

no power over him, it is his strong will that the spirit) being Spiritualists. we will watch him for a time and ascertain societies which we shall be glad to publish. their Christian neighbors that the Christian Again, we ask every society in Michigan, In- Bible, does not by any means contain the all

At this moment, the spirit to whom we diana, Illinois, and all the western states, to of truth, and with the writings of Confucius have alluded, having materalized his hands forward us the name of every society and its as found in this work, they will learn, if never looked up, and there she was ! How they did and vocal organs from the emanations thrown officers. If we have, in any one locality, before that no new truth was enunciated by laugh to see her perched up there !

he seemed to pour forth all the depths of his

nature. After he had finished, he laid his

his purpose."

off by the circle, he knelt by the side of the half a dozen Spiritualists, where no organiza- Jesus. We shall keep the work constantly lady medium and sang in a loud clear voice tion yet exists, we urge organization as the on hand. Send us fifty cents and we will the song known as the "Phantom Ship." most important work to be attended to. This was followed by a love song, in which

Sturgis Meeting.

For want of room last week the resolutions passed by a unanimous vote at the Sturgis themselves in their habits and manners, and so har-

below, and wish we were able to give a full they in any way allow themselves to become inedify. "Fannie Brown, you won my affections on-report of the remarks made in their advocacy in order to attain to this exemplary condition of ly to trample upon them ; you made me wor- by the many men and women who spoke earn- perfection, we must strive to purify our thoughts, ship you, then despised me for it; you made estly upon the several subjects referred to. this life unbearable, caused me to enter the We are glad to say of the Spiritualists of contention, vice, misery, mischief, and crime. other world uncalled and unprepared; now Michigan that in all their conventions, quesby the Gods you shall suffer for it. I now tions of a practical character are growing in hate you, as much as I once loved you; I favor and assuming the preponderance over to withdraw from the presence of persons of rude and will haunt you day and night; every cup of the too visionary and rhapsodical.

happiness you raise to your lips shall be We attribute this favorable change to the mind which unreservedly endorses goodness, and as dashed to the ground untasted; every flower efforts made to organize and systematize our

that blooms along your path shall wither; forces. As this work progresses, we shall not your days shall be passed in dread and your only gain strength for the practical duties of nights in fear ; but you will not stay here this life, by obtaining a greater influence, but long, I have the power to take you to the we shall find that gradually, impostors, fanatother world and I will do it. You shall share ical visionaries, and vagrants will slough off. the unhappiness and darkness you prepared From such, in common with all new religious

for me." He had proceeded thus far when movements, we have suffered.

the spirit guide who had accompanied us beck-Resolved. That the continual and increasing inter oned to SILVER SPRAY and me to advance. st and value of our yearly meetings, up to this Eleventh Anniversary of the opening of the Free The members of the circle were in a state of Church, give cheering evidence of increasing desire the mischief into which we have fallen, and securexcitement. Miss Brown had fainted; her for religious liberty, for spiritual life, for wise rebrother and other friends were making efforts forms, and for freedom of thought and speech, and dual peace and happiness. to restore her. Standing near her chair was that we pledge ourselves to such efforts as shall make our future meetings of still larger influence and benefit, and also to new efforts for local meetings at our homes.

Resolved, That immortality and supremacy of the spirit should teach us purity of physiological habits, emperance in all good things, total abstinence from all that degrades or defiles, and that obedience to the laws of body and soul, which shall help to a sound mind and a pure spirit, and a pure and sound N. Y., of this ever active, worthy brother .--himself from our sight. But soon the look ody, and to a long and useful life on earth. Resolved, That as men and women interested in all reforms and progressive changes, based on jus-tice, and therefore on benefit, we favor suffrage for "Why do you come here? I have control of this circle: that medium is mine and no that it will help to a higher and better manhood and the eggs, that it will help to a higher and better manhood and womanhood, and thus to a truer state and church, us in Michigan Brother Peoples has probably heard the birds sing, saw the lark fly up, up women equal and impartial as for men, believing power on earth or in heaven shall take her and domestic life, wherein manly and womanly in

Mrs. Hardinge Lectures.

Our reporter being obliged to leave Chicago account of his reception in London, and we last week, deprives us of the report of last shall soon favor our readers with an account flowers, all the time talking to their father. Sunday's lectures. We therefore publish of friendly manifestations prior to his depart- Of course they called at a great many farm in this number the two lectures delivered ure. We cordially welcome the return of this houses. At one they had some nice butter speaker present, how reasonable to believe that a higher plane, to leave the little circle to the second Sunday of June, sent us by our earnest worker among us, having no doubt of milk; at another some honey in the honey-Mrs. S. would if possible, be present and the perception and comprehension of the own reporter. We hear the most satisfactory his greater usefulness in the future, aided by honey-comb before, and they looked at it with accounts of the great success of Mrs. H. in the new observations and experiences gained astonishment. in the old world.

At last Viney's lips came together, and a sound escaped. Ah ! then in an instant they

"We never would have found you, Viney, up there, never, never! Oh ! that is a nice hiding place !"

Whenever they played hide-and-seek after that, Viney always wanted to be put on the For the improvement of the family circle the pa- top of the wardrobe ; but Rob and Bessie always looked up there the very first, and so it monize their words and actions, as to neither offend came to be a very poor hiding place.

good sense, or worthy complaisance. Neither should "But now I am going to tell you about a journey made by our friends in the donkey wagon. Their father took Rob and Bessie subduing our passions and unholy inclinations ; and endeavor to fashion our conduct in the avoidance of going on one of his journeys; and they did not return until Thursday. This journey If a man teels the sting of shame when he listens had been promised to Rob and Bessie for some time; the children in the school had unpolished manners, it may be safely concluded that he is not far from that condition or resolution of been told about it, and very many of them did wish their father was a licensed hawker, and had a donkey and wagon to take them riding too. We should be ever courteous and kind, even to

"You should see the copper pennies, and those who offend us, and especially when they exhib-it signs of sincere repentance. We should regard them as if they were innocent of any offense; and, father brings from the country ; we are rich father brings from the country ; we are rich -very rich now," Bessie often said to them : and she really thought so.

Rob and Bessie had fine times with their portant fact that we are frail, and are easily led-from the path of duty. Hence, should it be our mis-fortune to over-step the bounds of propriety, or wanespecially Bessie ; and now how she did wish she could gather enough to fill the donkey ourselves from further offending against our indivi- wagon! "O father," she would often say, "I do want to take some flowers home for

unto you; and do not unto another what you would not should be done unto you. Thou needest only this law alone; it is the foundation and principal of Bessie got out of the wagon and walked;

then they gathered all the flowers they could. There are no snake fences in England ; all the fields are divided by pretty green hedges We are glad to announce the safe arrival in of hawthorn and other bushes. These hedges were covered with white blossoms that filled the air with their sweet perfume. Rob jumped We received a private letter from him, written over many a ditch, that separated the road three days before sailing, from which we learn from the hedge, to break off branches of hawthat after a delay of a very few days in the thorn that were white with flowers. They us in Michigan. Brother Peebles has probably towards the sky, and they would follow with made a more marked impression in England their eyes until the bird had gone so high

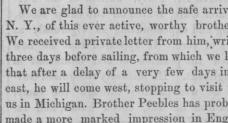
When they were tired, into the donkey wagon they would go again, and so riding along ; there they would make up boquets of comb Rob and Bessie had never seen any

(To be Continued.)

100. Do unto another what you would he should do the little girls."

all the rest.

J. M. Peebles.



than any American Spiritualist who has ever that they could see it no more, visited that country. We gave an extended

tunately organized spirit. The contrast was

ing, June 12th., 1870.

The speaker announced her subject as the "GIFT OF THE SPIRIT."

The resources discovered to them by Spiritualism it was their purpose to explore. The human spirit, in the human form, is limited to material things. The avenues of the senses are the limitations of the spirit .---This has been the doctrine taught, but Spiritualism has shown us that both are untrue.-The occult forces of nature, we have never heretofore explained, are now yielding up their mysteries. Grander possibilities are opening up to man. Spiritualism teaches us that the souls of good, great, wise men, are as much with us now as ever, that they are now more conscious of the powers which they possess than ever before, and are ever using their grand gifts for the benefit of those in the form. More than this, Spiritualism teaches us that the soul, liberated from the body, acquires functions and powers of which we had not dreamed. We are entering on a new era, and the best I can do, is to reflect

some fragments of this glorious dawn. It is my purpose to show some of the "Gifts of the Spirit;" through what means elements of the mineral are in man, in fact, shall follow us into the hereafter spirit operates on matter, what Spiritualism has disclosed, the phenomenal gifts, the physi- ed in him. cal force, mental impressions. Spirit can preduce sounds, operate on matter, lift and move bodies, galvanize parts of the human body its manipulatory power. It is this wonderful Our words, our motives, our thoughts, shall and produce writing, produce mental impressions, visions, dreams, trances, psychology and clairvoyance. The occult force of the spirit, known as mental force, is that power which produces health instead of disease, which reads the future, and discloses character by touch. This power belongs to the embodied spirit, and is unexplained by science, and undefined by religion. There are certain individuals termed mediums, who are the footprints on ing, of executing. the bounderies of the two worlds. In the past ages they were known as the magi, were exalted as apostles, or persecuted as witches. All that there is in a compendious conception of the human structure, is matter, life and and miles of tubing, much of it so attenuat- ged forth, thrown into your furnaces, and its spirit. Matter is not life. Matter is a sen- ed that it may well be called capillary, dying breath imprisoned, made to flow into the suous element which none can describe but through which the life currents flow, carry- pipes, and furnish these suns, transmuting by its effects, as solids, liquids and gases. Matter is moved upon by life. Life is that elements fitted to build it up; all this is so lives shall never perish, if the dust or grass mystic force, gravitation, repulsion, attraction, nicely adjusted that a single grain of poison which by this wonderful power of the spirit which signifies that power which we see mani- will travel through, and permeate all the venous shall be as surely traced after ten thousand fested in the living organism, so incomprehen- and arterial circulation in a few moments of years as now, must it not be still more manisible to us. Life is not attraction, nor magnet- time, and disturb the throbbings of life. fest that the soul, this creative power, shall ism, nor electricity. It is the power by Here is the model of hydrostatics. which the crust of the earth has been composed. Life is the ever restless cause of mo- system of pneumatics we can conceive of. more, yet you shall live on forever. The astion. Life is the element by which power, The pure balmy breath of heaven is inhaled, tronomer shall direct his telescope to where heat, vitality, inheres in the human form. decomposed, giving out its life principles, nebulous worlds exist, yet they shall fade out, Life is not spirit ; the attributes of spirit which traverse all the fluids. Beautiful ar- perish and you shall still exist. There will

are will, thought. Everything crumbles and rangement, so admirably constructed. We come a time when you will bid farewell to decays when life passes out. The cranial prom- receive the pure breath, and expire poison. your beautiful world, when you shall open inences correspond to the exhibitions of Here we find the model of pneumatics. character; a large development in a certain. The science of acoustics is fully developed in time. All this shall perish, but the effects direction, produces the musician, the mechan- the ear. If the sounds were permitted to shall live on with you forever and forever. ic, a bent for some particular calling or pro- strike on the tympanum of the ear without Not a single grain of intention is lost. fession. The exhibition of this power is seen being obstructed, it would be destroyed. But In Spiritualism is a solution for all probin attraction and repulsion, or the positive by a most curious arrangement, an admirable lems. Though we may suffer from those we and negative forces of nature. This positive contrivance, just so much of all the sounds of have not weenged, there is compensation. force of life in excess produces the Napoleons, the atmosphere is gathered as is necessary. Though our backs may be weary with their the Cesars, the great statesmen and great Harmony throughout, adaptation of means to burdens, there is rest. This is what gives men who make themselves felt in the world. ends. They are strong, positive, and abundant in resources. Their spheres are comprehended when they comprehend the reserve forces of their body. Those who possess the negative so compact, not more than half an inch in is only a formating sphere for the spirit. power, are the subjects, They attract the size, yet it enables us to behold all the wonpositive elements, are susceptible to all the derful beauties of nature, comprehending influences which flow to them. These persons their relative size and situation. As we gaze through the telescope, we behold the field of are the spirit mediums. This result is produced by the distribution of life's forces. the shining heaven, filled with its suns of gi-Do not mistake this gift of mediumship as gantic proportions, trouping up on the object simply a physical attribute. Do you under- glass. What wonder ! Who can comprehend stand the working of the telegraph? The its power? It approaches the infinite. Wonsimplest battery is constructed by plates of derful science of optics, no where else so fulcopper and zine, one decomposing more ly exemplified as in the human eye.

Abstract of a Lecture delivered by ously in a preparatory state for spirit. Ge- enjoy the beauties of the landscape and have Mrs. Emma Hardinge, in Crosby's ology proves that incalculable periods of time not the means nor power to journey to it, this Music Hall, Chicago, Sunday Morn- elapsed before animated existences appeared, power gathers up the sunbeams, and by this and these were of the lowliest types, but all means procures these works, these beauties

prophetic of man. We can read in the stone for me. If I cannot traverse the land, geobook how stratum after stratum was laid down. graphy furnishes a description of the coun-We observe that there was from the first a tries, history an account of its people, and

> plan, developing from lowest to highest. The brings me into communion with all that man chemist finds this yast mass and resolves it in- has ever done, and I am thus enabled to ento sixty-four primates, which evolve and de- joy these rich treasures. By means of this velop into the thousands of beautiful forms power, the printing press shall repeat, to the which we behold everywhere around us, but most distant ages, this history for me. The this result was only effectual when matter mud-sills now read, and the beggar on the was so far developed as to produce it. The door-step may rehearse the history of creation, highest and most sublimated forms are re- and recall the history of all people, and is quired to produce higher. The lowest crea. equal to the monarch on his throne. Those untures were preparatory, and every creature is known builders who erected the ancient cities prophecy of man. Man is a microcosm of and pyramids of the east, still live by this the universe, and let us never mistake his power. Notwithstanding the crumbling hand origin. The scientist may tell you that he is of decay is laid on the "eternal hills," that the result of the chemistry of atoms, but in Niagara shall cease to be, the world shall be no this he mistakes, for he may as well tell you more, and the stars shall melt away, we shall that matter wronght itself, he may as well live on forever. This is what Spiritualism tell you that life is spirit, that matter is has taught us. But it tells us more. It tells truly love." spirit. Matter prepared, formed all until fin- that no work of life however shadowy, shall

ally the last, best, noblest creation arrives, as perish. The books we have written, the he appears the embodiment of all before him. houses we have built, all the work we have Observe his structure ; herein we find a com- performed, are means for growth of soul, and pendium of matter. We know that all the are the formation process of character, that

that the sixty-four elements are all represent- Our eyes, reason, judgment, reverence, all everything, demands an explanation of these The whole system of mechanics is exhibit- great activities of life : what shall become of

ed in his body. Observe his hand; witness what we have made? But all is gathered up. manipulatory power of the hand which man be there. Nothing is lost.

possesses, which enables him to govern all The spirit within has conjured up living animated creation, to be the sovereign of the suns, has conquered the powers of darkness. world. In the mechanism of the joints are Man has become like a God himself. Thousdisclosed the principles of all mechanics. ands and thousands of years ago a fern leaf There is not a motion produced in the starry- fell upon the ground. The sun baked it, the heavens nor found on the earth, but that can rocks fell upon it. Deeper and deeper sank be executed in its fullest perfection by the this forest fern leaf, and was entombed in the human frame. By this wonderful power of tomb of ages. Another upheaval of the movement, man becomes capable of govern crust of the earth comes, it is tossed up into the form of a mountain. By the aid of the Again, the whole science of hydrostatics lightnings, of the mechanical forces of na-

is developed in the human body. All the ture a tunnel is made in the mountain, an iron possible movements of fluids are there. Miles rod is laid down, this ancient fern leaf is draging to every part of the system the peculiar darkness into light, night into day. If our live on forever ? There will come a time when

In the lungs we have the most complete the sun shall cease to shine, will return no your eyes and behold its glories for the last

THE GOLDEN KEY: - OR --

MYSTERIES BEYOND THE VEIL.

BY MISS NETTIE M. PEASE. CHAPTER VII. THE DEAD SECRET.

"Well, Forest, you do live in princely style. May I ask how long you have been leading of the lake, are to be compared to the burnsuch a life ?"

"I have been monarch of this estate for one will bless, the other curse." the last fifteen years.' "Fifteen years! Whew !" and Harry

Young tossed his cigar out of the open win- Clara Gordon fled from the room, and paused a face aglow with anger. dow and settled back in his chair, repeating, not till she found Mrs. Spaulding, whom she 'fifteen years you have lived this independent told she had fallen asleep and dreamed a has been watching me, has she? and thinks life. What a fortunate man you have been. frightful dream.

But tell me, Forest, why is it that you have no queen here to rule your heart and home. Why have you never married ?"

"For two reasons : first, because I have never yet met with a woman that I could

"Ah? you must be hard to please; but now for your second reason."

"That is a dead secret, buried so deep that the prying eye of man can never reach

"Ah ! some old love affair I suppose. Well, content with the present, and hope that the announced. secret was so completely de d. that even its ghost could not return to disturb you." Harry Young made this remark with his

keen, dark eyes fixed on Forest as if to read alone. On entering the well lighted parlor, Clara his very soul, but Forest either had nothing to conceal, or else his knowledge of human nature and his self control enabled him to pied and an icy chill ran through her frame as onceal it. He had much experience in life, she thought of the voice that had called to and was at the time we introduce him to our her from the air, but the animated conversaeaders, a wealthy bachelor some forty years tion of the brilliant Forest, soon put to flight f age. A man of great intellectual endow- all unpleasant thoughts. She was not long in nent, but small of stature, and somewhat in- perceiving that she had made a favorable imferior as regarded personal appearance. He pression upon the accomplished and talented Daisy.

was of a nervous, excitable temperament, Forest, and the old love of power came back and had a few chosen friends, who prized him with all its force. Here was a heart worth be the shadows you see," replied the Dr. for his intellectual and moral worth. His gaining; it would indeed be a triumph to see home was some five miles from the city of the proud, cold, intellectual Forest, her slave. Forest had made a few weeks previous to the and Harry arose to leave, they found to their time of the conversation we have related, was surprise that the call, designed for a few mogenial, full of life, and gay even to thought- ments only, had lengthened to two hours. "Have you quite recovered from your lessness. Seeing that he was not likely to unravel the mystery of Forest's past life, he fright?" asked Mrs. Spaulding of Clara, out upon the porch.

when they were once more alone. said : "Yes; such fancies could not remain long "By the by, Forest, a new star has apin the presence of such good company. peared above the horizon, a star of the first believe Mr. Forest is one of the gentlemen magnitude, and more than half the gentlemen whose name you mentioned to me soon after I

in our set are revolving about her." "Indeed ?" responded Forest carelessly, he is far superior to Mr. Aldrich." manifesting but little interest in what had been said.

"Why, bless me, how indifferent you are ! I suppose you would like to have me believe that beauty has no attraction for you ?" "Not so, Harry, I have ever worshiped at into the society of each other, you would be the shrine of beauty, but beauty of the mind mutually attracted, but the sentiments you

the flesh." "Well, one glimpse of Mrs. Spaulding's nature so high and noble as his. I will talk shock, Mrs. Loomis sprang to her feet, threw charming friend would convince you that to you frankly, Clara, that you may fully one glance at the frightened group before her, becauty of the flesh,' as you term it, holds understand my present and future towards you. You have said that towards you. You have said that a At the mention of Mrs. Spaulding's name, and love of power were the influence controlled you. I have found you to h an expression of awakened interest passed proud, fond of flattery ; your grea over Forest's face as he said :

read my thoughts ?" She ran from one part one I have promised to love and cherish. of the room to another, searching in the dark Clara, you have an impulsive nature, but you shadows for the form she imagined con- have convinced me that at heart you are good; cealed from her sight. Having become con- you are fond of admiration but do not intend vinced that she was alone she smiled and said to injure others in order to attain it. I will mentally : "It was a fancy, I am nervous. trust you in the future, so think no more of It will not kill her," she continued, "she is leaving me. And now, good night; go to is weak and negative ; her love is no more to your room and in sweet dreams forget this be compared to mine, than the calm waters unpleasant scene."

Clara left the room, her face concealed with her handkerchief, and to all appearance trembing, seething lava of the volcano." "The ling with emotion. No sooner had she reached her own room than, removing the handker-These words were said as from the air imchief, she revealed eyes undimmed by tears and THE PRESENT AGE, mediately over her bead. With a wild scream

"The old fool !" she exclaimed. "So she to bring me to her terms. Had it not been The good Mrs. Spaulding tried to soothe for the fear of losing my position here, I would have given her a piece of my mind ! her, but Clara would not be left alone, saying

Twas hard to curb my temper, but I am she felt that something was near her. glad I did, for a quarrel now would spoil all. I suppose she thinks because she has given CHAPTER VIII. me a home, she has a right to control my ac-

THE PLOT THICKENS.

light seems to be in gaining the love

who come within your reach, only to

changes during Mrs. Spaulding's re

At first her eyes flashed and her face

contempt could have annihilated any o

Before Clara had recovered from the psycare of their hearts, they ought to have them chological condition into which she had been broken. As for Forest, I will make him idolthrown, by those mysterious voices, that had ize me, if for no other reason than to be reseemed to have power to read her very venged on her, but I must be more cautious Subscription Price with Premium, Three Forest, if I were in your place, I should be thoughts, Forest and his friend Harry were in my future movements. I wonder if she

mistrusts anything about the Dr. I guess A shade of anxiety passed over the face of not, or she would have spoken of it." Mrs. Spaulding, as she descended to the par-While these events were occurring at Mrs. lor followed by Clara, who refused to remain Spaulding's, Dr. Bradwell, his wife and little Daisy were sitting upon the vine clad

porch enjoying the cool breeze of evening. glanced at the sofa she had so recently occu- Suddenly little Daisy said : "See there, papa, there is Mrs. Loomis standing in the arbor." "I suppose she has been out for a walk," remarked Mrs. Bradwell.

> man and little girl were not with her," said "I see no one but Mrs. Loomis ; it must

"Daisy, are you dreaming?" said Mrs. Bradwell, "what is the matter with you ?" Before little Daisy could answer, Mrs. Loomis passed through the hall and stepped

"See !" exclaimed Daisy, "there are two of them, a Mrs. Loomis on the porch and a

Mrs. Loomis in the arbor." Mrs Bradwell screamed in affright and sought her husband's side. The Dr. was came here. Why has he not called before ? speechless with astonishment, for there in the bright moonlight stood the two figures. "Clara," replied Mrs. Spaulding, "Mr. Mrs. L. stood facing the arbor, and as she Forest is an old friend of mine; an honest, looked upon her counterpart, she murmured : "The curse of my life !" and sank down in noble, pure minded man. Before you came an unconscious condition. As she fell little

here I had thought that if you were thrown Daisy cried : "See, Mrs. Loomis has gone out of the arbor, but the big man with the golden key has far more influence over me than beauty of uttered soon after your arrival, convinced me has come, and is holding it over her head. that you were not capable of appreciating a Quickly, and with what seemed an electric

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rapidly than the other produces the electric Within the human cranium is a large gancurrent. It is on the principle of the simple glia conveying motion to every part of the battery that spirits operate through and on system. Nothing can touch us, however mimedia. It requires no special development of nute, which is not immediately telegraphed to

mind or morals to constitute a medium. We the brain through the medium of these nerves. find them in all classes, if the power inheres, All is vitalized by the nervous system; and which it does. You well know that if there the whole covered with fair proportions. The be inharmonious elements in the telegraphic whole has been finished with beauty,-beaubattery it will not produce the accustomed ty, the last, best gift which has been vouch- Of toilsome strugglings through the night and fever results. If then there be elements which safed to man.

Such is the temple of the spirit. Nothing will affect this in so direct a manner, destroying all the conditions to produce the required without the germ of life is found attenuated and sublimated enough to attract spirit. results, how much more does that delicate human battery through which the spirit oper- Spirit is attracted to and precipitated into ates require that there shall be no disturbing matter. Spirit and matter grow together. element. We require that there shall be the Life is the motor force which sets the whole most exact adaptation. These media stand into motion.

It is said that the human mind is inferior And as I gazed and listened came a mother wildly disturbed by the acquaintance." as the footprints on the bounderies of the two worlds, full of errors, but reservoirs of divine to the instinct of the lower animals, that reaweeping, force. Spirit is the Alpha and Omega of exson fails to apprehend with the same preciswent away istence. Mental impressions, electrobiology, ion as instinct. Every creature performs clairvoyance, trances, are merely the phenomthat for which it is fitted. We behold the keeping, When the body sleeps, the spirit ena. mathematical ant, the geometrical bee, the Life is one long lamentation, I know nor night nor wakes. The spirit is no longer confined ; mechanical skill of the beaver and muskrat. day!" the swallow winging its flight across the Then the angel softly speaking, "Stay sister, stay clairvoyance is produced. The age of denial thy shrieking, is past. We cannot longer deny the help-givocean, generalissimo powers of the buffalo and ing power of spirit. Trance speaking by this deer, the eagle rising to the sun, the leviagolden door !" phenomena is to be accounted for. We are than sinking to the depths of the ocean, and Then I heard the chorus swelling, grand beyond a all spirits in germ, as much so as we shall be find that man possesses in fragments some of mortal's telling. in eternity. It is through this power that we all. He is a microcosm of all. Subject to are permitted to obtain glimpses of the sun- the power of judgment and reason, how weak Evermore !"

lit skies of eternity. By psychometry we obtain the power to tures of earth. Can these feeble hands raise read character. The secrets of character are the ponderous blocks of which this building disclosed by a touch. If we could only real- we are in is composed? Can they tunnel ize this power we could restore the diseased mountains, and build the iron roads over their mind, and the sick, and the afflicted to health tops? With their boasted strength they Her home had been the roofless street, her day had and happiness. When we realize this sub- cannot. How would my weary feet traverse lime power we shall no longer remain satisfied the vast distance? The power of man is fet- First wept the angel sadly, then smiled the angel with our present self-teaching. We have obtain- tered. He cannot ascend into the etherial ed glimpses of the grand unfoldment. The mi- blue like the eagle, sink to the depths of the crocosm of the infinite world is within. Of ocean like the leviathan, emulate the speed of Then I heard the chorus swelling, grand beyond all the great revealments of the ages none is the Arab steed of the desert, nor the powers so great as the gift of the spirit.

EVENING LECTURE.

Life is the active principle of growth, spirit of this wonderful organizing power he has The weary-hearted exile there found his native land; is the active principle of mind, and these are brought for his comfort, and ease the tea from The beggar there could greet the king as equal and the evidences of motion. These are the ele- China, coffee from Java, carpets from Turments as they exist in all animate life ; but key, lays the whole world under tribute, emas to the origin of life and of spirit we are ploying vast fleets to fetch them, and count- And the gate forever swinging, made no grating no left in ignorance, since we cannot step behind less armies of men in their production, and harsh ringing, infinity, cannot grasp eternity. This brings all for his use and benefit at the smallest pos- Melodious as the singing of one that we adore, us he the presence of these elements, life sible cost. It can do more, this power of the And the chorus still was swelling, grand beyond a and spirit. This planet has been constantly spirit. If I would enjoy art, and am too poor While the vision faded from me, with the glad word

us consolation in the darkest hours of

No where do we find the science of optics affliction. This is what gives us an so fully illustrated, and developed as in the explanation of the varieties of change curious lenses of the human eye. So small, on the earth. The whole theory of creation I beheld a golden portal in the vision of my slumber

And through it streamed the radiance of never-setting day, While angels, tall and beautiful, and countless with out number.

Were giving gladsome greeting to all who come that way. And the gate forever swinging, made no grating, no

harsh ringing, Melodious as the singing of one that we adore And I heard a chorus swelling, grand beyond mortal's telling,

And the burden of that chorus was hope's glad word, "Evermore !"

And as I gazed and listened, came a slave all worn and weary ; His fetter-links blood-crusted, his dark brow cold

and damp His sunken eyes gleamed wildly, telling tales of hor-

ror dreary,swamp

Ere the eye had time for winking, ere the mind had time for thinking, A bright angel raised the sinking wretch and off his fetters tore :

Then I heard the chorus swelling, grand beyond a mortal's telling, 'Pass, brother, through our portal, thou'rt a freeman

Evermore.'

'I have lost my hopes forever ; one by one they My children and their father the cold grave hath in

Thou shalt find those thou art seeking, beyond that

"Thy children and their father shall be with thee

and feeble in comparison with the huge crea- And as I gazed and listened, came a cold, blue-footed maiden. With cheeks of ashen whiteness, eyes filled with lurid light ; Her body bent with sickness, her lone heart heavy laden :

> impulsive throbbing. been the night ; gladly, And caught the maiden madly rushing from the

golden door, mortal's telling. of the humble worm : but by the power of the "Enter, sister, thou art pure, and thou art sinless

Evermore !? spirit he can se organize the forces of the universe as to become its soverign. By means I saw the toiler enter to rest for aye from labor,

> as neighbor The crown had left the kingly brow, the staff the beggar's hand.

mortal's telling,

"Is it possible ? has she arrived ?" "Oh ! Forest ! how is this? have you met her? and are you acquainted with her? do away again as worthless, or to wear

your girdle as a trophy of the hearts yo you know----broken. Clara, I have studied you "Hold on Harry, one question at a time, if for the last two months, and this ev you please. I have never seen the lady you saw the attempt you were making to fa refer to, but Mrs. Spaulding is a particular my friend. I have invited you to ma friend ; she told me last winter, that she exhouse your home; I have done and w pected a young lady to spend the summer tinue to do all I can to make it agrees with her and was anxious that I should make her acquaintance. She extolled her so high- you, but coquetry I despise, and I w permit you to weave your chains arou ly, that I must admit some curiosity was heart of one of my best friends. Yo aroused to see the person who could thus captivate my friend. Mrs. Spaulding promised replace the poisoned arrow and prom that you will not attempt to triffe to send me word immediately after her arrivthe affections of Forest, or we of

al. Do you know how long she has been in friends no longer." the city ?" Clara's countenance underwent a van

"Two months, I believe, although I had not the pleasure of meeting her until last week, and then it was purely accidental." with anger; her fine form was drawn "I think it strange that Mrs. Spaulding its full hight, and if a look of scot does not introduce her into society and to her friends. It is unaccountable," said Forest,

good little woman who had been talk speaking more to himself than to his companearnestly would have vanished existence. When Mrs. Spaulding s

"Well," said Harry, "I can think of but the termination of their friendship, one excuse for Mrs. Spaulding, and that is, turned pale as death, and a terrible fear that the lady is engaged, and Mrs. Spaulding to settle over her heart, but when she knowing your susceptible nature, was doubtspeaking, a sweet smile lingered on less fearful that your peace of mind might be face and a look of reproach in her brilliant eyes.

"My dear friend !" she exclaimed throwing "Nonsense, Harry ; the woman does not exist who can destroy my happiness." her arms around Mrs. Spaulding's neck, "how "Are you very sure of that? remember little you understand my nature; true I love you have not seen this one. What say you wealth, position and power, but I am not to to returning to the city with me this evening? | blame for that; I am unfortunately organizwe will call upon Mrs. Spaulding." To this ed, but why should I be despised for that? I suggestion Forest made some objection, but have never yet found anybody who could unfinally Harry prevailed and the two started derstand me, people have said they loved me, out to make a call never to be forgotten by but I have felt it was my beauty, not myself ; hence I have hated them and loved to cast either.

Clara Gordon reclined upon a sofa in Mrs. back the admiration which pertained only to Spaulding's richly furnished parlor. To the su- externals. I know that you think me superperficial observer, she would have appeared cold ficial and vain, but when you come to look and calm as a marble statue, but there was a deeper, yon will find as true a heart as ever manifest restlessness in the large black eyes, beat. Mrs. Spaulding, I solemnly declare a bright scarlet spot on the usually pale cheek that I never attempted to destroy the happithat spoke of perturbation of soul. The ness of any one by gaining their love, only to

small hands were clasped tightly together over cast it from me; and if you desire it, I will the bosom as though to still the proud heart's never meet Mr. Forest again, though I will confess to you that I never met one with "O God, I wish I were as heartless as the whom I was so well pleased upon so short an

world believes me to be! This strange sen- acquaintance. But you will not believe me, sation, what does it mean? Two months ago because you cannot understand me, there is I commenced, what I thought would be, on not one in the wide world who will." Here my part, simply a flirtation, or-or-if cir- Clara commenced weeping and sobbing as

cumstances _____ oh ! go away !" putting out though her heart would break. her hand as if to thrust away some demon | "I will go, Mrs. Spaulding, I will take my near her, "go away, with your poisonous, shadow out of your house, I will go back to

murderous thoughts! God knows, I never the weary monotonous life I have lived the last meant that, but his wealth dazzled me; now few years, but the hardest blow I have ever I do not care for it; I love him? I am angry received will be the thought that I have lost with myself to think that my pride must make your love and respect."

this humiliating confession. Yes, I love him | Clara's voice became so choked with sobs, as woman never loved before, and to that one that she could say no more, when Mrs. controlling power, my pride must bow, my Spaulding, whose heart had been completely pride, that never bent to aught before." "It softened by Clara's apparent suffering, threw

pride, that never bent to aught before." "It softened by Clara's apparent suffering, threw will kill her." "Who speaks?" and Clara sprang to her feet. "Who is here? who has "Forgive me; I have been unjust, cruel to"." N.B.-In the July number will be republished the important essay by the distinguished Robert Dale Owen, o "Divorce Laws East and West," written for the "Universe isst Winter, the numbers containing it being exhausted.

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can Association of Spiritualists, remarked : "Our organization has failed." This is true. It has failed to answer the end of its creation; ly down, but the great future will bring the it has failed to become a power in the world : but it is equally true that all other organizations, with few exceptions, have also failed, and those which have not as yet gone down, will in time follow those that have gone before them. It is an important question, what is to be the future of Spiritualism in view of it will be well ; and the assurance thereof its past experience? One thing is cert a notwithstanding the fact that persons and constantly becoming convinced of the fact of spirit manifestations, the number of public

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for truth, have thrown all possible impedi- eous sticklers for strict observance; and "certain men who came down from Judea," ments in the way of those struggling in that when taken to task for these acts, he justified taught a different doctrine. Out of this natdirection, thus giving aid and comfort to the them by an appeal to the common sense of urally arose "a great dissension," and at last companion in exile of M. Victor Hugo, enemies of truth, by weakening and embar-rassing its friends. This class of persons have he, "that shall have one sheep, and if it fall ren was convened at Jerusalem to determine the people is the rendered all our organizations weak and in- into a pit on the sabbath day, will he not lay what should be required of the gentile coneffectual. But if the church absorbs the hold on it and lift it out? How much then verts. The conclusion of this council is fully spiritual movement, what then? Modifica-is a man better than a sheep? Wherefore, it tion of old notions and practices. But still, is lawful to do well [or to do good] on the Christians, and recorded in the fifteenth chap-been proscribed. M. Victor Hugo delivered the old dogmas will hold their place to some sabbath days."-MATH. XII. 11. 12. "And ter of Acts Let us read and see what light a funeral oration, in the course of which he extent, and the old forms last on for genera- when he had said these things, all his it throws on our subject :

avoiding such a result. There is a certain were done by him."-LU. XIII. 17.

labor of shelling it out by rubbing in their ye shall do well. Fare ye well." hands, constituted a double violation of the That is the whole of it. There is not one

the hallowed show-bread of the holy sanctuary. preferences, as before. He concluded his defense on this occasion

> NOT MAN FOR THE SABBATH." teacher, one sabbath day, found a poor suf- pears to have sprung up among them, one par- Death does not sleep. Death lives. Death fering man, who had lain helpless for thirty- ty censuring another for not engaging in cer- is a splendid realization. Death touches man

ool of Bethsaida for some one to help him selves. Rumors of these dissensions reached told him to take up his bed and walk. The matter in this extremly liberal fashion : man was immediately made whole, and bore "One believeth that he may eat all things ; anothaway his bed through the streets of Jerusa- er, who is weak, eateth herbs. Let not him that

ted by the prophets and priests positively for- every man be fully persuaded in his own mind. He bade any burden to be borne on that day! And Jesus, when called to answer for his part in the impious affair, did not mend the matter

at all by uttering these (to their ears) blasis, "My Father always works on the sab- guage :

things to come : but the body is of Christ." -Col.

It thus appears that Paul, under the promer words and his constant example, this dec- ised guidance of the spirit of truth, had come intrepid legion fights more ardently than evlaration of Jesus would seem to show that to regard the Jewish observances and holy- er, and that away from France we, the vol-

was, that it was never intended to prohibit works of mercy and kindness, or labors for "shadows" or symbols of things to come, of is called exile, never to surrender, with our

Funeral Oration by Victor Hugo.

The remains of M. Hennett de Kesler, the member of the Republican party in France, and was one of those who refused the amnes-

"Let me honor this talented author and

Antioch and Syria and Cilicia. For as much as we bat even to the slow courage of endurancehave heard that certain which went out from us from the bravery which faces the cannon to NEWLY INVENTED KNEE LEVER, kind of sectarian feeling among Spiritualists On one occasion, we read that Jesus and have troubled you with words, subverting your the heroism which accepts the loss of home. of a particular class, but it does not lead to his disciples were traveling on the sabbath- souls, saying, Ye must be circumcised and keep the He was a champion and a sufferer. Like any organic unity of action. On the contra- day, and their path lay through a corn field, law: to whom we gave no such commandment : it many men in this country-like myself who ry, they are among the most bitter opponents (Not our Indian corn but doubtless, wheat or seemed good unto us, being assembled with one ac- now addresses you-he had been a Royalist cord, to send chosen men unto you, with our be- and a Catholic. No one is responsible for of organic work. Truth can never fail, but barley, which grew in that country.) Being loved Barnabas and Paul, men that have hazarded the beginning. The error of the beginning. its progress may be helped or hindered by hungry, they plucked some of the ears of their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, renders more meritorious the truth of seend. the conduct of those who profess to be its ad- grain-as hungry travelers were allowed to we have sent therefore Judas and Silas, who shall Kesler had been the victim of that nateful the conduct of those who profess to be its ad-herents; or its form of influence may be es-sentially modified. We fear that the Spirit-bing them in their hands to shell out the ker-bing them in their hands to s ualism of to-day, through lack of wisdom in its friends will only prove a modifier of press seeing this, were greatly shocked. The gath- and from blood, and from things strangled, and ations. Let a despot come, and he will be ering of food on the sabbath day, and the from fornication ; from which if ye keep yourselves able to cheat an ignorant nation out of everything, even their consent. He can cheat them even with universal suffrage ; and then

hands, constituted a double violation of the letter of the Mosaic law. But Jesus, on be-word in regard to the observance of the sab-by extorted signatures, which is called a *pleb*ing appealed to, justified it by the example of bath, either Jewish or Christian ! from which iscite. Kesler had, like many of us, educat-David, their greatest king and a man "after it is evident that up to that time it did not ed himself over and over again. Matured in God's own heart," who, once, when on a "seem good" to either the holy spirit or the years and warned by reality, and set right by logic, from being a Royalist he became a Rewarlike expedition with a small band of fol- apostles to make any requirement in relation publican. Once he had seen the truth, he de lowers, became hungry on the sabbath, broke to the matter. All were left to exercise their voted himself to it. Never was there more into the sacred tabernacle, and ate even of own judgments, and follow their individual profound and tenacious devotion than his Although affected with love of home, he refused the amnesty; he ratified his faith by

This seems to have settled the question his death. The degradation of France opwith that memorable, golden sentiment, for a time, or for that part of the church. pressed his heart. He had his eye fixed on worthy of the study of formalists through all But at a later day, a church having been that lie which is called the Empire. He was time-"THE SABBATH WAS MADE FOR MAN, gathered in the city of Rome, composed indignant; he groaned with shame; he suffered. His exile and his anger have lasted doubtless of both Jewish and Gentile confor nineteen years. Behold him here at last, asleep. Asleep! No. I withdraw that word And again we are told that this divine verts, a spirit of pharisaic censoriousness ap-

in two ways, it freezes him, then it resus-citates him. His breath is extinct. Yes, but it again revives. We see the eyes which in, that he might be healed. Jesus at once Paul, and in a letter to them he treats the it closes; we do not see these which it opens. "Adieu, my old companion ! Thou art now going to live in the true life. Thou art

going to find justice, truth, brotherhood, harmony, and love in the sphere of immense se renity. Behold ! thou art taking wing to that eateth not judge him that eateth: for God hath the light. Thou art going to live the sacred received him. Who art thou that judgeth another and eternal life of the stars. Thou art going where live all the bright spirits which have enlightened and lived-where dwell thinkers, martyrs, apostles, prophets, and liberators. that regardeth the day, regardeth it unto the Lord ; Thou art going to see all these great souls COIN, shining in the radiant form which death has and he that regardeth not the day, to the Lord he given them. Listen! say to Jean Jacques

(Rousseau) that human reason is beaten Again ; a similar state of things seems to have arisen in the church at Colosse, and with rods ; tell Peccaria that law has arrived HITHERTO, AND I WORK," (JOHN V. 17.) that Paul, writing to them, uses this pointed lanto the pillory; tell Danton that the land is CLOCKS. "Let no man therefore judge you in meat or in invaded by a horde worse than the stranger;

drink, or in respect of an holy day, or of the new tell Saint Just that the people has not the BRONZES, moon, or of the sabbath-days, which are a shadow of right to speak; Morceau, that the army has PARIAN, not the right to think ; tell Robespierre that FORKS, the Republic has been stabbed, and Camille

Desmoulins that Justice is dead. And tell them that all is well; and that in France an 49-1y.

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bath and so do I,"-a declaration seemingly in direct conflict with the ancient affirmation, which was made the basis of the sabbath law, namely, that "God rested from his la-

11. 16, 17. bors on the seventh day." Taken with oth-

his construction of the Jewish sabbath law days (as from his other writings he evidently untary sacrifices-we, the handful of the pro-

eight years, waiting in the porches of the tain observances highly esteemed by them-

em, probably to his home. The devout sab- eateth despise him that eateth not; and let not him batarians of the holy city were horrified at the spectacle ! What a glaring violation of man's servant ? One man esteemeth one day above the law of the sabbath, which, as interpre- another : another esteemeth every day alike. Let

doth not regard it."-Rom. xIV.

meetings, the ability to sustain them, and the number attending them, is constantly decreasing, as a general rule, as the new places do not keep pace with the old ones that are giving up. We think the reason for the failure of all organizations is, because they do not conform to nature's method of organization. What that method is we showed in the

ago, we presented, to the first National Convention at Chicago, a plan of organization, which, with slight modification, would have been adopted, but for a filibustering move on the part of a few who were opposed to any thorough plan of organic effort. The plan, adopted the next year at Philadelphia, was improved at Providence, so that there was good promise of future success. But the next year at Cleveland, dashed our hopes to the ground, and instituted the reign of anarchy, and overthrew all the plans so earefully devised at Providence the preceding year. The writer, to whom we alluded above, says: "The Cleveland Convention was the best

we have ever had." The reason therefor, was because preparation had been made to have the meeting a success. But we were saying that our modes of or-

ganization were radically defective. That the question was treated from the Christian they did not harmonize with nature's method. Of course, they must fail sooner or later. As nature organizes from a central germ of life or force to an outward form of action, so must we. We must base our organization on a vital principle, one which shall dominate our whole life course, or else we shall most surely Testament, the address proceeds as follows :] fail. Thus far, we have not done it. We have deprecated a declaration of principles, or if we have professed them, it has been lip bath to be found in the Old Testament scripprofession only, for we have not manifested tures. To sum up their testimony, we have the power of them in any living form of ef- found that the Jews were at first required to fort. Hence, we are to-day, without school, keep the seventh day, or Saturday, "holy," college, or any institution, as an exponent of simply by abstaining from ordinary avocaour zeal and power. And so far as the world tions, from servile labor of any kind, from learns anything of Spiritualism, save in a few gathering or cooking food, from making fires rare instances, it is indebted to the prompt- in their dwellings, from picking up sticks, ings of our individual selfishness for the oppor- from bearing of burdens by man or beast, tunities it at times possesses. We do not and from traffic of any description. After a wish to intimate that spiritualistic writers and time a "holy convocation" around the taberspeakers are any man solash than others, but to suggest that L argw, very few, would other rites there performed, was ordered .be forward in that field but for the pecuniary compensation afforded; and that few stay there, when more money can be secured else-

where. It cannot be denied, that the refusal and neglect of Spiritualists to thoroughly organ- the four gospels, the biographies of Jesus, ize, results from an insane egotism, manifest- several references to the seventh-day sabbath, ing itself in a disintegrating individualism. and its mode of observance by the great Some think this the true wisdom, and the teacher and founder of Christianity. It is they conceive to be for the greatest go i of disregard of this sabbath, nor as requiring a been educated, including of course the law the world. They wish for no organization of more rigid external observance of it than was requiring abstinence from servile labor on Spiritualism, but desire to have it act as a then prevalent, On the contrary, both his the seventh-day sabbath. And they soon fell future of what we have been wont to term favor of a relaxation of pharisaic rigidity, and of observing the first day of the week (Suna New Dispensation ? Appearances certain- he gained the reputation of being a sabbath- day) as a festival in honor of the resurrecof oppression, and in favor of freedom, will be He healed blind men, and dropsical men, and discarded the Jewish institutes entirely, found to have been the most efficient agents paralytics, and those suffering with various claiming that these had been abrogated wholin securing the triumph of the church, They maladies, sending them on their ways rejoic- ly by the new dispensation and were in no bodily exercise in the open air .- Herald of it."-EDITOR'S DRAWER, in Harper's Magahave refused to help the needed organization ing, to the great scandal of the over-right- way binding upon gentile Christians. But Health.

The Sabbath and its Observance.

possible. Many fond hopes may perish as a

result, and many a promise be toned immense-

fruition of the one, and the fulfillment of the

other. The slowly rolling centuries will ac-

complish, what the fleeting years cannot per-

form. Our sure support is in the certainty

that right will triumph in the end, and if we

may share therein in our homes of life above,

should make us resolute and joyous in the

discharge of present duty.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 13, 1870. BRO. Fox :-- I have been requested to send you for publication, if you see fit, some same spirit. passages from an address on the sabbath and

its observance, given by myself, first before a temperance organization in this city, of which I am a member, and repeated before the Sun-Age some months since. Nearly seven years day Conference. That you may understand the circum

stances which called forth the address, I will state-though perhaps you will hardly credit the assertion-that a proposition made in the temperance organization referred to, to hold a series of meetings on Sundays for the inculcation of the virtue of temperance, and to endeavor to rescue young men from the sabbath.

ruin of intoxicating drinks, was met with a strenuous opposition on the ground that such meetings, even though held in churches and conducted by clergymen, would be a desecration of the holy day !

I regard this as pretty conclusive evidence that there are "benighted people" nearer at hand than "Borrioboola Gha." Possibly the publication of the following extracts may enlighten some such. For obvious reasons. bath is entirely a distinct institution, having

standpoint, only. Yours truly, A. E. NEWTON.

THE JEWISH SABBATH. [After tracing the history of the Jewish Sabbath and the mode of its observance through the Old command is concerned

JESUS SAID NOTHING ABOUT IT. I have thus referred to every important pas-In the first place, it is worthy of note, that sage relating to the observance of the sab-Jesus himself is nowhere reported as having said a word with reference either to the perpetuation of the Jewish sabbath, or its transfer to another day in the week, or even the observance of the first day in commemoration of his resurrection. On these topics he appears so far as the record goes to have been entirely silent. He, however, is reported to have said to his disciples, in one of his last conferences with them before his crucifixion : "I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit, when nacle, probably to witness the sacrifices and he, the spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth." (Jn. xvi, 12, 13.) But from first to last there is nothing whatev-We may look then with some confidence to er that looks like a prohibition of meetings the teachings and examples of the apostles of the class which we have proposed to hold

and the primitive Christians to ascertain what TEACHINGS AND EXAMPLE OF JESUS was the mind of Jesus in regard to this mat-Coming to the New Testament we find in

WHAT THE APOSTLES AND FIRST CHRISTIANS TAUGHT.

the good of mankind. Such works his Fath- which the Christ was the substance or "boer was ever doing, and so was he. And such dy ;" and the Christ having come, the shadworks will all do who are moved by the ows were no longer of importance. He goes elful of earth on the coffin, and the ceremony on to speak of the Colossian Christians as was concluded.

Thus far our inquiries have related solely having risen with Christ to a new life, which dren's Progressive Lyceums, and the spread to the Jewish seventh-day sabbath, corres- was "hid with Christ in God,"-in which all of true Spiritualism is the retrospect of Vicponding to our Saturday; and this exposition their time and all their deeds and all their tor Hugo, and how eloquent with the truths of the scriptural laws relating to that day words were to be holy: "Whatsoever ye do, of our beautiful faith are his closing sentences.

has been given for the benefit of such as sup- in word or deed, do all in the name of the pose that the obligations of the Jewish insti- Lord Jesus."

In the letter to the Hebrews, Paul (or Daybreak. tution have in some way been transferred to our Sunday, and extended to all mankind. whoever was the writer) states that those Even were this the case, they furnish no brwho have believed the gospel of Christ have sis whatever for the extreme views of score already entered into the sabbath-rest-a rest classes of sabbatarians, certainly none for the from seeking to be justified by the ceremoniprohibition of temperance meetings on the al observances of the Jewish law.

Let us therefore fear lest a promise being left us THE TRUE CHRISTIAN SABBATH. of entering into its rest(sabbath,) any of you should But I now propose to go farther, and show seem to (or evidently) come short of it. For we which by incontestible proofs that there is no have believed do enter into rest(the sabbath) ground for this supposition of a transfer; There remaineth therefore a rest(sabbath) to the people of God. For he that is entered into his rest, that the Jewish or seventh-day sabbath was (sabbath)he also hath ceased from his own work, as never, by any scriptural or divine authority, God did from his."-Heb. 1V.

changed to the first day of the week, or our This plainly makes it the privilege and the Sunday : that its observance has expired duty of every Christian, when he becomes a by limitation, at least so far as Chris- believer in Christ, to enter upon an eternal

tians are concerned ; that the Christian sab- sabbath of rest from all ceremonial observances and burdensome rites, and to consecrate that Portsmouth, New Hampshire, people

and purpose, and is to be observed in a dif- and his labors, to the perpetual service of print. ferent spirit; and that the observance of the God, in blessing, saving and uplifting humanfirst day of the week, or Sunday, is wholly ity. This I believe to be the true idea of the er named Judkins doing business in the town, voluntary, so far as any scriptural or divine Christian sabbath. Instead of one holy day who was a very well informed as well as amin seven, it makes all days holy days. If, however, the public convenience and welfare have been found to require the appropriation of special days to special purposes,that is, certain days to business and labor, and certain others others to recreation and patriotic observances, and others still to public moral and religious instruction and wor- tempts were made at various times to collect ded it does not generate in the popular mind kins determined to go to Boston and see Mr. (as seems to have been very extensively the a long and fatiguing stage-ride, and making case) the idea that only certain days belong a Sunday toilet, proceeded to the large house to the Lord, and all the rest to ourselves or on the corner of High and Summer streets. stand this setting apart to be done solely by who answered the bell. "Yes, but he can not possibly be seen." human authority and convenience, and not, as

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mand.

OCCUPATION .- The choice of trade or pro- ed below stairs, decided to take the importufession is of great importance. A man may, nate stranger's name to his master. Fancy in general, follow almost any occupation with It appears, that in the absence of any di- comparative safety by taking proper precau- the poor man's joining his friends at the dinrect instructions in the subject, the converts tions, and by strict attention to hygiene. But ner-table ! He would take no denial, and the entire movement into themselves, which is Jesus reported as rebuking the people for observe the Mosaic law in which they had with a tendency to consumption. Any of as "my old and dear friend, Mr. Judkins, of those practiced in places where fine dust is Portsmouth," and seating him between a disfloating in the air, as machinist, knife and tinguished Bostonian and the Secretary of the scissors-grinder, etc. ; the dust clogs up the Navy ; and, to use the words of the worthy small air-cells of the lungs, and hastens the cabinet-maker, "I was for four mortal hours leaven of old institutions. Will this be the words and his acts, so far as reported, are in into the custom, without any direct command, advent of the dreadful disease. All trades just as good as any body; my opinion was that cramp the chest should be avoided, such asked on a good many subjects, and they all as that of shoemaker and seamstress. These seemed to think I knew a good deal. I was not only hinder the free expansion of the invited to visit them, and to go to Washingly indicate this as a more than probable re- breaker. He seems to have taken special tion of Jesus. It also appears, that the lungs, but being from their nature sedentary, ton, and everybody asked me to drink wine sult. Should it ever be an enacted reality, occasion on that day to do works of mercy gentile converts, in foreign nations, under they become doubly injurious. The consump- with them ; and, by George ! I made up my those, who have been loudest in denunciation and kindness to the needy and the suffering. the instruction of Paul, Barnabus, and others tive youth should avoid all sedentary occupa- mind never to ask for my bill again. I was literary employment, and should choose the been treated as I never expected to be treated more active occupations, which will call for in this world, and I was willing to pay for I zine for July.

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