

# Progress, the Universal Law of Nature: Thought, the Solvent of Her Problems.

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something would surely be said to of-

many, and the various expressions of a broad, liberal, and tolerant spirit, makes

hope that whatever I have to say will be

taken in the same spirit of good will that it is offered. The topic is well

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may be used in giving testimony of things seen and heard, it is the subject

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st and also very much upon what such search discloses when entered upon

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Moreover, he declared that they that is vindicated in all of its power and believed on him should do the works that he did and even greater. This was But the main question is: What will and where was all this changed? Where there any facts? The field is fertile-

THE RELATION our idea of God changes. We read the record of the rocks, older than any of the Church to Psychical Research. Research. Infinite upon enduring granite, before man had being, and again we learn more of God. Men saw the flash of lightning, He got into trouble: they scattered and within the natural and knowable. Briefly

So also what happened Paul? He was struck down; saw the light; was made blind: heard the voice of Jesus saying: gated, and gives an account of itself. "Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?" What is the exegesis for all these things?

Their truth can be experimentally these marvels, and see what you have left. Are we never to have any light is not a secret; nor a patented thing: left. vainly strive to set up a lot of little on these problems; never to be popes in the place of one big one. Now the structure begins to crumble. Once important part of the book? Now be-years I was familiar with these facts assert the Protestant idea of the right ware of a new popery of liberal Chrisof private judgment, and then true re- tianity. Do not try to draw the line between the so-called natural and super-

as the wedge of research is driven into farther shall research go." Romanism the cement of authority the fabric could not fence in the human reason proper conditions you can be satisfied, breaks into numberless sects and sub- and prevent research. Orthodoxy can my friend. Meet a photographer in the

ganization to invite an outsider to pre- search begins.

sent something which the church as Authority is the mortar that coments of a network, or what? such does not believe, and which he thinks they ought to know. I feared it The priesthood are our contempora-ries and their weakness and fallibility most apparent. We reverence the prophet, seer and patriarch, because distance lends enchantment to the

denied, and destruction begins where construction ended. The church divides, the church of Romanism, and the Protest-ant church of the reformation; but like Cut from Pandora, Protestants opened a box they gladly would shut again, and now they

search becomes possible. The authority

sects. Once commence the process, there is no half-way house between Rome and reason. We have denied the divine right of kings to rule over our bodies, and now are denying a like right of priests to rule over our minds. At first Protestantism denied only the authority of the priest, and with strange inconsistency affirmed the in-tallibility of the box made by the

ism declares: "Each may read and in-terpret; may make research for himself, but must read and interpret as the church does, or be damned," and so a ner stone of the church. The theory of protest against Protestantism becomes broad grin at the Bible miracles to-day; orthodoxy or Rome, where he belongs. she died, and made use of those very him as such. in the church arises. Not along the beneath the dignity of science. It school. I could not comprehend the line of denomination so much as along sneer\* at a miraculous religion, and scheme presented, and grew up a skepthe rule of interpretation, the limita- challenges the church to erect a prayer- tic, a materialist. tion upon research, and the results flow-ing therefrom. Now liberal Protestant-demonstrate something. ism appears. The infallibility of the ism appears. The infanibility of the book is questioned, and research is again brought to bear on an ever-widen-ing field. The question now is: When there is a discrepancy between the book of Nature, as we read it, and the bible as we understand it, which shall yield? Which interpretation shall be modified? Orthodoxy says: "The old interpre-what answer can you make? It has Which interpretation shall be modified? be tested in the crucible of science. Orthodoxy says: "The old interpre-tation of the bible shall stand, and science shall yield." Liberalism de-clares: "Our reading of nature's bible shall prevail over old interpretations of the book," and bringing the lights of teaches men to demand proof before violating credered and be couch in the crucible of science. What answer can you make? It has been well said here to-day: "The church needs to mass all her forces against the coming tide of skepticism and infidelity." The liberal church teaches men to demand proof before violating credered and be couch in the crucible of science. State of the book, and also the truth of many strange stories in that book, the Bible, that unbelievers scoff at and learned theologians are unable to explain. I found what Moses saw like things in my presence. Later on, our little girls astronomy, geology, chemistry and natural philosophy to shine upon the sacred page, it reads a new meaning demands for evidence of immortality learned what it was that he heard when sacred page, it reads a new meaning and the after-life. It needs to and must he ran to Eli. I have seen messages mognomy results. We dig up from beneath the drifting sands of Egypt the glittering generalization if it is to avoid not away up in the thick darkness, on a buried records of an ancient civilization. drifting into blank agnosticism and ma- mountain for forty days, but openly, in and reading the hieroglyphics thereon, terialism. It will not suffice to argue: the light, on the open platform. a new history of the race appears. Every where that the psychical sciences or discoveries can shed light upon the pages of the bible, liberal Christianity inds a new meaning—a new interpreta-tion. He will not suffice to argost interpreta-tions is love; God is good; man has aspirations, hopes, infinite possibilities, unsatisfied by this life. Hence another must follow." Science answers: "Na-tions here the tight, on the open platorial, interpreta-tions where the tight, on the open platorial, interpreta-tions here the tight open tight, on the open platorial, interpreta-tions here the tight open tight, on the open platorial, interpreta-tions here the tight open tight open tight, on the open platorial, interpreta-tions here the tight open tig tion. Here the battle rages flercely to-day in the Protestant camps, which bible, which revelation, which interpre-us evidence!" What answer will you any of the partles touching the slates. tation shall prevail? Nature or the book? make to such demands? Science must Science or tradition? But there is a be met on its own ground. Psychic re-was doing up in the mountain, and I vast field yet untouched. From Moses search must be brought to bear upon might duplicate from my own experiat the burning bush to the visions of this question. Facts, facts, are what ence many of the marvels related in the John the Revelator, on page after page, are recorded stories of marvel and won-ders, psychic phenomena, visions of the The church deals with the souls of tians, too, and I would be declared to be tion for these? What the liberal exeurally and necessarily requires an in-spired interpreter. So the priest is according to the revolution of science. ordained, and the hierarchy established. are pointed to the revelation of science, ordained, and the hierarchy established. This completes the church, and,like the arch, it all stands or falls together. In the dark ages it reigned supreme: re-erarch of any kind was then out of the and researches of science for answer, there is no doubt to be removed, no and the bible is construed accordingly. Now what was the actual transaction when Moses saw the burning bush, heard the voice, and talked with I AM? What was he doing up in the mount with the Lord, in thick darkness forty days, and coming down with writing be-tween the tablets of stone? Independent slate-writing. What occurred at the days, and coming down with writing bestate-writing. What occurred at the house of the woman of Endor? She was a good, kind soul, and killed her last calf to feed her enemy. What was the real nature of that transaction? Adam Clarke says that Samuel was there, that the story is literally true. What says the liberal church? And so on all through the Old Testament? What all daalague these strikes arguitable? Suppose the Old Testament? What ailed Baalam make these stories available? Suppose providence, there is the response to this arise. God's works are on every side. Nature's divine revelations are on every hand; in the starry heavens over our heads we read the expression of His will. Once men thought this earth the principal created thing, a flat plain, with sun, moon, and stars to dance at-terdance all being.

In conclusion, allow me to express my cordial sympathy with that disposition so manifest here to subordinate creeds, bibles, forms and ceremonies, to the nobler work of elevating humanity to a

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shiped. Now we have tamed the light-ning and made it our messenger-boy: aye, have harnessed it to our cars as a beast of burden. Turning to our bible, a discrepancy now appears, a doubt arises; a question is to be settled: Is there conflict be-tween the revelation in the book and

Note is interpreted aright? Which had heard the doctrines, doctres, doctrines, doctrines, doctrines spirits not only live right here, but sometimes they permit the living to see them, and also they attend public meet-ings and listen to what the speaker has This is not all; this apparent independence might not be real, and the whole matter be the result of the intelli to say about the things of this world. persons present, and not only manifest

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she disappeared as quick as a flash. noticed that her hair hung loose, and was quite dark, and her dress was dark and of a small figure. At first I thought I would say nothing about it, but finally concluded to tell my wife what I had seen. August 12th, at noon, I arrived at the Haslett Park camp meeting. The next day, while waiting at the Titus house to be called to dinner, Bert Wood-worth a medium and a stranger from worth, a medium and a stranger from one of the Eastern States, in the presence of my wife and many others, took hold of my hand and said: "I see a spirit standing by you. She isn't a high-toned She says she was a poor servantpriest. The slave only changed masters; the pagan his idolatry: from man to ism declares: "Each may read and in-the priest and his interpretation of the girl, took strychnine and died at the St.

THE SIZE OF GOD. A Vivid Picture of the Gods

of the Past and Present.

The Birth of a New God Idea.

MAN'S CONCEPTION OF GOD-SPLITTING GOD IN TWO-THE BRUTAL JEHOVAH-THE DEVIL GOD RETAINED-A MIXED

ing who could injure him or do him good. We may feel assured that this God, and a HOLY GHOST God. belief was founded on "clairvoyance." even his brain could not be used to We have abundant proof that animals have in many cases a developed spirit sight, and the animal man would cer-tainly be as highly endowed as the dog, the horse, and the bird. to be retained as an important factor o the new religion. And glorious and good as he was, he retained enough o the old Jew spirit to rail at Herod

monstars might stand to typify emo-tions of love, anger or justice; but every time man was trying to picture his Deity in the form of his own experi-Deity in the form of his own experi-

fool; and he would not continue to wor- blood. ship and beseech any idol God, unless he had every now and then striking proofs of power and answers to his prayer. We know now how often spirit August 3d, 5 o'clock A. M., I was sur-prised to see a girl in broad daylight tip-toeing through the open door into my room, laughing, and all the while shaking her hand at me until it was within a few inches of my face, and then be date every now and then striking room, laughing, and all the while shaking her hand at me until it was within a few inches of my face, and then the basect them, and what wondrous proofs of power they can sometimes that reach them, and what wondrous that we are member our furproofs of power they can sometimes give. And when we remember our fur-ther discovery, that there can be no such precious in his sight, so delightful to ther discovery, that there can be no such thing as a miracle, or suspension of nathing as a miracle, or suspension of na-tural law, we see that belief in a "supe-rior" must have grown out of proofs that there was such a power, known by his works: and next, that he could be induced by prayer and worship to grant favors to his children on earth. This natural explanation of the origin of "re-ligion" lats in a flood of light that de-ligion " lats in a flood of light that de-rior " as a soon as the just as evolution shows us the com- it was adapted for use by almost mencement of the earth-made man, so nation.

add it to the size of the old God.

to make the most of this. They needed a God who would rob for them, and mur der for them, and fight for them, and hold them together as a nation by lear of punishment; and they got him; they made him, and his name was Jehovah. And the national history recorded in "sacred writ" is a long account of glori-

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At last a man was born in whom t spirit was almost supreme. He w nearly an infidel to the old God, so proceeded to make him over, and him with a new suit of clothes. He w a medium of a centle loving. femini THE DEVIL GOD RETAINED—A MIXED GOD—THE DEMANDS OF THEODORE PARKER—THE THOUGHT OF FATHER-HOOD AND MOTHERHOOD, ETC. There was an hour in the remote past when savage man first caught the thought that there was an invisible be-ing who could jajure him or do him lieved in a FATHER God, an even his brain could not be used to give a true idea of evil; so the Devil God would see a form or hear a voice, and become the seer of that family or tribe; whilst the spirit so seen would stand as God. Even the church member of the

God. Even the church member of to-ay thinks of God as a large man; and the worshiped "superior" was always pictured either in the form of man or in some grotesque mixture of forms with which man was familiar. A man's face might be on a lion's work of the sourced apostles. But a nor some grotesque mixture of sourced apostles. But a nor some grotesque mixture of sourced apostles. But a nor sourced apostles apostles apostles apostles apostles apostles apostles apostles apostl might be on a lion's body; or serpents new convert, who had never come unde might writhe around a human form; or the personal influence of Jesus, graspe presently made it so strong that the new religion was bound to be a success. "You have ma serious mistake. You have forgotten to But even the lowest savage is not a stain the Christian God with human The world will never respect a his soul, that all you have to do, is ligion" lets in a flood of light that de-stroys many a theological mystery. For

clairvoyance points to us the creation of The one remarkable peculiarity of the the man-made God. So the spirit form Christian God-idea is, that it covers so seen by clairvoyant eye and received as God by the ignorant, was only the man race—an unselfish toiler for others "She confessed to me just before agined spirit man as God, and worshiped agonize before Jesus; but when you destroyed the army of your foe, and A man's conception of God is limited burnt his towns and villages, you chant by his brain power and his experience. burnt his towns and villages, you chant Richard Hodgson, of Boston, Secretary of the Society for Psychical Research, sends me this item taken from the Chi-or let his family starve; and under those sends me this item taken from the Chi-cago R, P, J of August 29th: "Bert Woodworth, a trickster, who was thoroughly exposed by Spiritualists in Brooklyn several years ago, was lately denounced as a fraud as he stood upon have been a bright advanced spirit, but The mixed feelings of human nature simply compel men to make a mixed God. We steal from our Indians. We would follow the example of this lady out any danger of mistake. He was a lie to them, and murder them; but the President proclaims a thanksgiving to Jehovah every year, which, of cours Now, if a professed medium is a fraud, the sooner he is exposed the better we ought to like it. As one medium de-savages were hungry; and even warn meekness of Jesus. It led to his crucinounced another medium, I concluded them of coming danger, if his medium fixion between two thieves. So, nowto see what the planchette would have to say about it. So I called for the spirit of Jennie Hawkins, and when the plan-but as an enlarged savage; we find him chette began to move I asked: "Did I this size because man mortal, in that ever see a spirit?" "Yes, you saw me," was the reply. But this same rule being founded on law, one of our towns. Turn your cheek to era, could not make him any olgger. But this same rule being founded on law, must apply just as long as man contin-ues to manufacture God; for of necessity Deity can only be conceived as a being of the same nature as man, but of giant size and power. At every step in man's history we find him with a God who grows as fast and "Yes." "What for?" "To see you." "To see you." "Did you know the medium you talked o?" "No. I found him an easy subject to "No. I found him an easy subject to would have destroyed it, without one act dreams; who catch a spirit thought, and add it to the size of the old God. So of vengeance, or one drop of blood. there must always be growth to man be- And in our midst to-day are noble men there must always be growth to man be-fore there is growth to God. When a nation becomes intellectual, its God must become intelligent, or he will be left behind. An inidel only means a man or woman who has outgrown the old God. The conception of God always includes at your own home, and if so, in what
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r was it a figure, an allegory? His disciples after him did do these ready light is breaking through in un-

Has the liberal church anything new to renounce them all, relegate them

indiscriminately to the region of myth intelligence, but give evidence of knowlmother and fable-fairy tales to please the edge not possessed by any living being in the body. These are startling facts Cut from your Bible, page by page, all

of others to search for us is denied, and natural and declare: "Thus far and no Show it here."

sects. Once commence the process, not do it. Already psychical research is street and demand a picture. You would

At Lapeer. MR. CHAIRMAN, AND FRIENDS:--It was with many misgivings that I ac-cepted the invitation of your chairman to address you to-day. It seemed such interpretation must yield? Then re-to address (a dust arises; a question in the book and nature? Can it be construed away? Which is interpreted aright? Which interpretation must yield? Then re-

view," and so the infallibility of the offer? Or will you fall in with gence of the experimenters; but it will pope and priest is disputed, his authority the skeptic and the materialist, and go beyond the knowledge of all living

before I ever saw a professional medium, so-called

(A voice: "Let's see you do it now! This is not the time or place.

and where was all this changed? Where is the new rule by which his followers are to be known to-day? Surely not by that rule. They now build fine churches, persecute heresy, and so forth. He did none of these things. He was busy casting out devils much of the time. What was the nature of that operation? Can you tell? Shall we read it literally, or was it a figure, an allegory?

If after death the spirit continues to live, it must live somewhere, and as I have found no one who could tell me where the spirits are now living, I concluded to try the planchette, and the more I try it the better I like it. I find that, according to the planchette, many spirits are living right here among their friends and continue for a time to take

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A STATEMENT OF FACTS THAT CAN BE

kins, and she says she is very sorry and wants to be forgiven." I have no recol-lection of such an occurrence, but the who return to earth, all tell us they wants to steal the property of your landlord who at the time kept the house, some nine years ago, said: "The medi-um's statement is true," and the landlady the face, that man mortal must have im-some than humanity: so the fact stares us in the face, that man mortal must have im-source that humanity for the house, the face that man mortal must have im-source that humanity is the face that man mortal must have im-

God the Creator made the universe and established its laws: a maxim of law is that no lesser power can repeal or suspend the law of the greater. A miracle is the act of suspending a natural law. God is therefore present. and the message a revelation of his will. Moses saw the burning bush; it was not consumed: the law of combustion was suspended: the voice that spoke was therefore the voice of God, and the signs, the miracles, proof to all the people of the divine commission of Moses. "And Moses told Aaron all the words of the Lord who had sent him and all the

signs which he had commanded him. "And Moses and Aaron wen; and gathered together all of the elders of the children of Israel." . . "And Aaron spake all the words which the the children of Israel." "And Lord had spoken unto Moses, and did the signs in the sight of the people.

"And the people believed, and when they had heard the Lord had visited the children of Israel, and that He had looked upon their affliction, then their heads and worbowed shiped."-ExoDUS, vi., 28-31.

This is the foundation of every church the world has ever seen; this the base upon which is erected the superstruc-ture of forms, ceremonies, bibles and creeds.

But the revelation, be it ever so divine, ever so perfect, in the realm of spirit, must be embodied in outward, tangible form; must have expression that man may grasp it and apply it to his conditions; so bibles and holy books are made. These came through human hands, are written in human language, and the alleged truth divine is expressed in simile, allegory, parable, figures and other forms requiring interpretation or explanation, and capable of alteration and misapprehension by finite intelligence. And so an inspired revelation, when embodied in a written book, natthe dark ages it reigned supreme; re-search of any kind was then out of the question; to doubt was a crime; and if question at issue to be decided, no power to choose, and to reject, there can be no research. An infallible revelation embodied in an infallible book, and interpreted by an infallible priesthood, is perfection, and you can change it only to mar and deform; it cannot possibly be improved. Only one kind of research was possible-all too common even nowa foregone conclusion was assumed, and, like a hired advocate, search made for evidence to bolster the assumption regardless of contrary evidence or the truth. But this is useless if there is no question at issue. But questions will arise. God's works are on every side. tendance, all being lesser objects at moderate distances, with the earth upon

space, the magnitude of the stars, their touching the hem of his garment cured the ancient truth stands out stripped of stand still is to be left behind as the of law and order in all this vast expanse, the woman. What were the facts? the mists and cobwebs of the ages, and procession moves on.

these things, we tested the matter in cago R.-P. J. of August 29th: Twenty-five years ago, hearing of Science says: "Here is the telescope, our home, all alone, wife and I, and had

ders, psychic phenomenal, whole of the power, miracles, so-called. What do these mean? Where is the new interpreta interpreta whole the liberation of the physical solution the body; but if there are any facts re- church needs this evidence to meet the lated to the soul of man that research scoffer. If such proofs are not brought can find, the church should be the first to the rescue, our faith in any hereafter to find them, and to use them, too. for man is sure to be swept away by the Many learned and good men doubt the existence of a soul in man, independent This research is needed also to dis-

cern the facts and sift out the fiction. The physical sciences lead directly by logical processes to the conclusion that all consciousness is the result of physical be so wherever the physical sciences organism, and when that perishes, con-sciousness ends forever. Physical sci-ence denies the existence of any matter liberal church has in the past led the in the universe capable of organization, van in liberal interpretation of scripture

dispensation is ushered in with the reverence upon the record of the words the liberal church position. Is there no usual signs and wonders. Christ laid spoken over the holy telephone? Yes, higher ground? Is liberal Christianity moderate distances, with the earth upon an elephant; the elephant upon a turtle: the turtle upon a rock; and then rock all the way down. As we learn the immense distances of space, the magnitude of the stars, their space, the magnitude of the stars, their space and certain motions, and the rock is and estate signs and wonders. Christ faid is hands on the sick and they were healed; the lame walked: the blind saw: the deaf heard, and the dumb spoke. What did he do to them? Were they hypnotized, mesmerized, or what? Even head estate and certain motions, and the refersion to be block of the stars, their the deaf heard, and the dumb spoke. What did he do to them? Were they hypnotized, mesmerized, or what? Even

same words: '1 am very sorry, and I want to be forgiven.'

the platform at Haslett Park camp by must have been a man on his own plane Mrs. M. A. Hawley, a medium from Westfield, N. Y. If all honest mediums We know the size of that God, with-God.

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"Yes, you saw me," was the reply. "What color was your hair?" "Dress was dark, hair hung loose and

was dark brown." 'Were you at Haslett Park?"

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to? work, and I could only talk to you through

a medium." "Did you ever hear me lecture?"

Yes, at Newton hall."

"But why did you want to talk to me?" "Because you were ready to believe

when I appeared to you." "I understand that you were abused at your own home, and if so, in what old God.

and they say that Mr. W. nor any one asked them anything about Jennie Haw-kins. It is a little singular that after waiting almost ten years after the death kins. It is a little singular that after waiting almost ten years after the death of that poor girl, a stranger from another State should come to me and repeat to me her very last words which she said to the landlady just before she died. These are the very words: "I took strychnine. I am very sorry and I want to be forgiven."

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One fact is worth more than a thou- many followers all through eternity. sand theories, and if the skeptics can give one fact going to show that Bert Woodworth was posted before he saw

It is ludicrous to watch how one na-tion tries to make the God-idea of anme, I would like to hear from them. St. Johns, Mich. M. BABCOO M. BABCOCK. other nation fit into its own conception of what a Deity should be. Christianity, Interest Unabated.

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### THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER.

# TWILIGHT MUSINGS. The Man the Hogs Ate Up.

### BY JUDGE M. P. ROSECRANS.

shucked us up to a higher and nobler station in life. What noble lessons we have learned from them all! Whenever we sit in our quiet room for thoughts and impressions to come to us as food for the coult of east upon some one of these the soul to least upon, some one of these little incidents will piesent itself before the mind and beg us to give it expression. We can't sit and think over the scenes that have taken place under our observa-tion during the many years past of a busy life, without calling to mind some of the companions of our youth-the ones who started with us on the great journey toward the future that appeared to us all so grand and inspiring-those that shared with us the sports of our boyish days. So, at this twilight hour think-where are those companions. Where are the ones who in our now? youth were more fresh and vigorous than we-those whose conditions and surlife than ours? Can we call to mind an incident in the life of some one of these that we can weave into a good moral sermon-one that will be instructive in character, moral in tone and tendency. and true as a matter of fact? Yes, we can! It is all about

THE NAN THE HOGS ATE UP. For a lew weeks he would remain sober and earn a few dollars; then he would after playing all night at one of these country parties, he called at the house of a farmer on his way home and asked that he might lie down and sleep awhile, which request was granted. He had with him a jug of liquor, from which he requested the lady of the house to bring him to the bed a glass of the poison, which she refused to do. Then, in a drunken passion, he arose and, taking his jug, started on his way home through a heavy body of timber. Some days after this, his body (or at least his bones) was found lying on the ground in the woods. The flesh and bowels had been devoured by the hogs that ran at large in the tim-ber. He had, in his communication and state and rational communication of the passion of the poison, which she refused to do. Then, in a heavy body of timber. Some days after this, his body (or at least his bones) was found lying on the ground in the woods. The flesh and bowels had been devoured by the hogs that ran at large in the tim-

by the hogs that ran at large in the tim-ber. He had, in his crazy condition. taken off his coat and vest and hung them on the limb of a tree near by, while his shoes were placed underneath. When the poor victim of a drunken stupor lay down on the cold ground for his last earthly slumber, little did he think that death, the grim monster, was so near, and that his awakening would be across the river on the shore of the so near, and that his awakening would be across the river on the shore of the rast eternity. Near by him was the jug, but it was empty—the poison had done its work, and the soul of Jackson Welch had gone on out into the great beyond, not as a bright and shining light, a beautiful angel, but as a poor, weak, haggard dwarf, whose nature and growth had sent thousands before him to the same sad ending. The coroner was called, a hole was dug in the ground, and all that remained that was mortal of Jackson Welch was

earth and benefit from its lessons. That it is good to be in the great school of life, where we can fit ourselves for the work-shop of thought over the river. We can't help contrasting the clean, manly, temperate life, with the life of the poor victim of bad habits, and the sail ending of thous two constances like that of Jack-

To-night we are passive, waiting for reidents. Every one of these little in-idents or circumstances that has come his soul went out into darkness, and he under our observation in the years agone. thus became noted as " the man the hogs as preached to us a grand sermon-has ate up."

### RUSSIAN FAMINE. A Dismal Picture of that Country.

Is the Russian famine providential, or man-made? Evidently it is man-made; the logical result of the Church-and-State system that prevails in Europe, and has culminated in Russia.

The same result will be reached in other nations successively. The Greek church is a pile of superstitions; it is imprac-ticable: it is neither law nor gospel; yet it dominates the State and pursues a regular system of religious persecution: on one hand towards the 5,000,000 of its Jowish subjects, who represent the law of Moses: on the other hand, towards millions of dissenters, like Mennonites and Moravians, who represent the gospel, being "witnesses" for the truths of primitive Christianity, as concentrated in the pentecostal church. Neither of in these classes, nor any persons who do not join the Greek church, are allowed the rights and privileges of citizenship. Liberty of conscience does not exist in Russia. Those 5,000,000 Jews who had

been allowed to form families, and to multiply for a long term of years, had established themselves in business, and We knew him well; he was a good me-chanic and a splendid musician: a man possessing more than ordinary ability. As this is no fiction, we will give his true name—Jackson Welch: his home, burdened: and many of them had ac-As this is no fiction, we will give his true name—Jackson Welch: his home, Delaware county, Ohio. He had no wife or children. People said he had been disappointed in love. Of this we know not. He was a fine-looking man, and when sober was in every respect a gen-viewen. But he was distingted with the state to the church or deningted and the said been sober was in every respect a gen-tiewen to the state. Thus being not. He was a fine-looking man, and when sober was in every respect a gen-tleman. But he was dissipated—was what the world called a drunkard. deprived of citizenship, they have no what the world called a drunkard. They have no protection from either Church or State: When sober his wages were good, such they have no utlaws in person and property, and and rebels to the state. Thus being deprived of citizenship, they have no protection from either Church or State: and of the state of the ignorant, fanatical people rob plunder and despoil them of their food spend every cent in drunkenness and dissipation: would lose his senses and often act like a raving maniac. As he was a good musician, he was often em-ployed to play for country dances, which at that time were primitive in character. This is a good musician of the sense and takes possession of their land and revenues. The consequent suffering from the induced starration and nakedness, and the want of funds to and nakedness, and the want of funds to and nakedness. at that time were primitive in character. While at these parties, he always drank more or less, and many times would be-ome completely drunken. One morning, where to go. Thousands having raised

wholesale murder? When to these millions of Jews, who

that was mortal of Jackson Welch was hat was mortal of Jackson Welch was placed therein. The grave was unmarked, causes, in the State, creating a lack of The sad story, and pity the poor victim of a misspent life. Then all was forgot-the sad story. The sall was forgot-The poison was still sold: men eat the bread of idleness, having sub it. Brothels, mad houses, bride-stituted land-monopoly for the land land wells and prisons were filled, and the distribution and the land-cultivation of wells and prisons were filed, and the soul of victim after victim went on to the sad home in the great beyond, while their histories, like that of poor Jackson Welch, stand out as guide-posts that mark the road to ruin. Tonight, we say: Poor Jackson Welch, the man we once knew, the man the hogs ate up, where is he now, as we write these lines? In what condition is is spirit, and what are his thoughts and

### The Story of the Bells.

### POE WAS A GIFTED MEDIUM.

It was in the winter of 1840 that a young lawyer, who had recently been admitted to the bar in Baltimore, was sitting late one evening before his cheer-ful fire in his office indulging in a royerie, when he was suddenly aroused from dreamland by a loud knock at his front door. The lawyer arose and went to the door. As he opened it and looked out he observed a gentleman wildly ges-ticulating, who appeared to be talking to himself. "Did you knock?" inquired

the lawyer. "Yes, sir," was the roply in a pleas-ant tone, "and I trust you will pardon me for disturbing you at so late an hour. I should not have done so had not some thoughts come to me as I was passing along which I very much desired to put upon paper. Seeing your light. I ven-tured to obtain permission to enter your where I might, through your kindness, be allowed some paper on which to jot them down." "Certainly: you are quite at liberty to walk in and make yourself at home,"

said the lawyer.

The stranger followed, and the law-yer, placing some writing material at his disposal, at the same time offering him a sent at the table, remarked that, him a soat at the table, remarked that, if he would not deem it impolito, he would retire to his private apartment for the night, since, being a bachelor, he kept bachelor's quarters adjoining. "But you are very welcome to remain as long as you want to," added the law-yer, and bade him good-night. Fact, the post morning the lawyer

Early the next morning the lawyer awoke and his first thought being of the stranger, he hastly dressed himself and opened the door which led to his office. There, to his great astonishment, he bu-held his guest of the provious night still sitting where he had left him hours before, his head resting on the table and he fast asleep. But the slight noise awakened the stranger, who, quickly rising, apologized most profusely for re-

chirography. "Oh, no, sir," replied the stranger, smiling. "I have left that for you in token of your great kindness to me. I have a copy of what I have written. Good morning." The larger examined the manuscript Good morning." The lawyer examined the manuscript and found it to be a lyric of captivating beauty, entitled simply "The Bells." But his surprise was deepened when, at

But his surprise was deepened when, at the end of the singular poem, he read the author's name—Edgar Allan Poe. Poe was at this time on his way from Richmond to Philadelphia, where his wedding was soon to take place, and while stopping in Baltimore he fell into the company of convivial spirits, which resulted in his indulging in a terrible and prolonged debauch. Recovering from his spree, with nerves unstrung, the pangs of remorse fixed upon his con-science, and the thought of his lady love haunting him, this weird, beautiful inspiration came to him, and the follow-ing stanzas are the original poem as ing stanzas are the original poein as written on that occasion, he having subsequently changed and added to it.

The bells! hear the bells!

The bells! hear the bells! The merry welding bells! How fairy-like a melody that swells From the alivery tinkling cells Of the bells—bells. Of the bells=bells! The bells! Oh, the bells! Hear the tolling of the bells! Hear the brells!

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# ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

### Was He a Spiritualist?

A Work Replete with Valuable

A few days later found us the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Somes. Mrs. Somes sel-dom went into society, owing to the loss of her eldest son and her preference for home life. She was a lady of re-markable ability, refined and gentle manners, a devoted wife and mother, and a sincere Christian. My friend, Miss Hannum, and I soon called at the White Hannum, and I soon called at the White House, to pay our respects to the Presi-dent and his wife, and were received with the greatest cordiality. We remained but a short time, but were both particu-larly struck by Mr. Lincoln's careworn appearance. His old genial smile was the same, as he expressed the hope that he had come to spend the winter. A few days later Mrs. Somes received a note cordially later Mrs. Somes received a note cordially inviting herself and husband to spend an evening at the White House, and requesting her to bring the young ladies, meaning Miss Hannum and myself. At first Mrs. S. was inclined to refuse, but ielding to her husband's solicitations and our wishes, she consented. In her note Mrs. Lincoln said she desired her to meet a friend, and wished to see if she (Miss Pinkie) would be able to tell who

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But sgain ply the oar, give the sail to the breeze,
And see our prow dance o'er the billow,
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Of the glorified mountains of Fromise and Love,
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And they call forth a tribute of tears.
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the general of whom she had often spoken in former circles, when relating events that were taking place on distant sattle-fields. While she was talking in her childish way, Mr. Lincoln excused himself, returning to his Cabinet meet-ing. When I awoke a haif hour later, I member from his district, begging him and intergion produced to the stranger series difference with the most beautifut chrography.
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reliable particulars were received. Of he never bored him, nor wasted his this I was assured on more than one oc- valuable time, as too many others did.

turn as we passed from their presence. I vividly recall the scene; the bright fire in the open grate, sending a genial warmth through the room; a large pyra-mid of flowers and palms in the centre of the apartment, giving a look of richness to the scene; while a marble bust of Mr. Lincoln, just received, and to which Mrs. Lincoln had called our attention earlier in the evening, stood in front of the large pler-glass, seeming almost life-like in the shifting shadows made by the gaslight and waving palms. The scene was one never to be forgotten. A STRANGE INCIDENT.

As the errand that had taken me to

Cock Robin?" Our amagement may be And in the midst, with faitering step, and imagined by those who have met this

ulet and dignified gentleman. We talked for some moments regard-ing the matter. He explained that he had valuely tried to put into words what we desired to say in the dispatch; saying that every time he attempted to concen-trate his thoughts upon the subject his mind was confused, and he found him-self repeating the ridiculous lines quoted above. As he finished his explanation he glanced at the clock. It was ten minutes of eight. Mrs. Somes remarked: "You will have to hurry to get it off to-night." Instantly his pencil flew over the paper as he said: "It is perfectly clear to me now." and the message was ready. The telegraph office was but a few steps away, and putting on a light overcost he hastened out, leaving us to discuss the curious incident that had delayed us nearly an hour, caused by a person always so clear and decisive in person always so clear and decisive in mind and manner as Mr. Somes. It was a few minutes past \* when he re-turned, indicating suppressed excite-ment in his manner, and with his usual grave smile said to his wife: "Please get me my heavy overcoat. I have found out who killed Cock Robin, or who is going to kill him." While he hastly donned his heavy overcoat and over-shoes, he informed us that as he entered the telegraph office a young man had followed, who brushed past him hur-riedly, and going to the counter, said,

riedly, and going to the counter, said, excitedly: "I cannot find him, and J have been to his hotel, and to every other place I can think of." The oper-ator took the telegram from the young man's hand, and, looking very anxious, aid: "This is very important and tuined that "Pinkie" recognized him as know not what to do." Mr. Somes at

once asked the operator what trouble was. The man answered: "1 the "Here

generals were often mentioned in com-munications that were made by me to the President and his wife, while giving them tidings of the true state of affairs called him, or when Mr. Lincoln sent for at the front, which communications him. Never presuming upon Mr. Lin-were afterwards fully confirmed when coln's well-known friendship for himself.

casion by Mrs. Lincoln. It was after 11 o'clock when our carriage was announced, and as we de-parted the general stood by the side of Mrs. Lincoln, shaking hands with us in sending up his card with the words upon it. "A matter of life and death of the was

sending up his card with the words upon it, "A matter of life and death." he was in "A matter of file and death." He was immediately shown to Mr. Lincoln's bed-side. The President listened to his story, and, as he expressed a desire to know all the particulars, Mr. Somes re-lated the laughable incident of the evan-ing, which had delayed his going to the telegraph office nearly an hour, and how it was the cause of bringing him in di-rect contact with the messenger who entered the office at the moment of his arrival there. Mr. Lincoln himself noted the incident, and remarked upon bolog the incident, and remarked upon its being somewhat singular, to say the least. Sitting up in bed, Mr. Lincoln wrote an order for a reprieve for the young soldier, which Mr. Somes took immediately to the War Department, and had it trapenitted at once in head

- And in the midst, with infering step, and paie and anxious face. In manacles, between two guards, a soldier had his place. A youth, led out to die; and yet, it was not death, but shame. That smote his gallant heart with dread, and shook his manly frame.
- Still on, before the marshaled ranks, the train pursued its way Up to the designated spot, whereon a collin
- His coffin! And, with a reeling brain, des-pairing, desolate, He took his station by its side, abandoned to bls fate.

- Then came across his wavering sight strange pictures in the air. He new his distant mountain home; he saw his parents there. He naw them howed with hopeless grief, through fast declining years. He naw a nameless grave; and then the vision closed, in tears.
- Yet, once again, in double file, advancing, then he naw Twelve comrades, sternly set spart to execute the law, But saw no more: his senses swam, deep dark-ness settled round, And, shuddering, he awaited now the fatal volley's sound.

- Then suddenly was heard the noise of steels and wheels approach, And, rolling through a cloud of dust, appeared a stately coach. On, past the guards, and through the field, its rapid course was bent, Till, haiting, 'mid the lines was seen the Na-tion's President.
- He came to save that stricken soul, now wak
- In the came to save that surface work, now wak-ing from despair. And from a thousand voices ruse a shout which rent the air. The pardoned soldier understood the tones of jubilee. And, bounding from his fetters, blessed the hand that made him free.

- 'Twas enviring. Within a verdant vale, where Warwick's crystal tide Reflected, o'er its peaceful breast, fair fields on either side, Where birds and flowers combined to cheer a

- A sudden shock which shook the earth, 'mid vspor, dense and dim, Proclaimed, along the echoing hills, the con-flict had begun: While shot and shell, athwart the stream, with dendiab fury sped, To strew among the living lines the dying and the dead.
- Then, louder than the roaring storm, peaked
- forth the stern command, "Charge: Forward, charge!" and, at the word, with about, a learless band, Two hundred heroes from Vermont, rushed onward through the flood, And upward o'er the rising ground they marked their way in blood.
- The smitten for before them fied, in terror, from his post, While, unsustained, two hundred stood, to
- buttle with a host. Then, turning, as the railying ranks, with murderous fire, replied, They bore the failen o'er the field, and through the purple tide.
- The failen, and the first who fell in that un-equal atrife. Was he whom mere y sped to save when jus-tice claimed his life. The pardoned soldier. And, while yet the confict arged around. While yet his life blood about away through every gaping wound.

- Heaven was sent. That God, with His unfailing grace, would bless our President.



THE MYSTIC TEMPLE.

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his spirit, and what are his thoughts and surroundings? Can be realize the fact surroundings? Can be realize the fact we are telling his sad story to the hun-dreds that are making for themselver similar histories to night? Little did Jackson Weich think in his

dreds that are making for themselves inilar histories to-night? Little did Jackson Welch think in his youth that he would become a vile and loathsome drunkard! Little did he think his firsh would be eaten by swine, and his bones lie in an unhonored, unknown and unmarked grave! Little did he think work, neither shall they eat." Is not that a law which has been persistently broken by all parties, and is not the penalty therefor being fulfilled in his bones lie in an unhonored, unknown and unmarked grave! Little did he whink that the mind that could call forth such beautiful and soul-inspiring strains of music, would be driven out while in a drunken stupor, into the great ocean of ternity, without a word of warning! Little did he think that his death would be addiffered for almost as much as their defrauded Christian brothers and sisters, whom they see dying by inches frunken stupor, into the great occur in their defrauded Christian brothers and their defrauded Christian brothers and Little did he think that his death would be a dishonored one: that not one loving the a dishonored one: that not one loving the a dishonored one: the set of the set of the set of the the set of the set

tear over his bones, or plant a single flower over the place to mark the spot where they lie! Little did he think that in the years to come the boy that worked by his side when he was sobor, the one he gave instruction to in many things that were of great use to him, would one day write up the story of his cal fate as a warning to the ones that were making for themselves like histories; person and press, and liberty of con-the one that were that were in Russia. and fate as a warning to the one- that were making for themselves like histories: the ones that were dwarfing their souls and thus making ready to step out into the great beyond in like mannor as did ho-would toll the s.d story of his fate to a new and rising generation, and thus induce those coming after to shun bad habits, and lead good, pure, temperate lives, so that when comes the last, said hour and they must bid all on earth fare-well, they may approach their grave. hour and they must bid all on earth fare-well, they may approach their grave, not as does the degraded one dying in a drunken stupor, but sustained and southed by an unfaltering trust in a life of purity, honesty and true nobility of aoul, they may lie down to their final rest like one who wraps around him the beautiful dranewr of hiersuch and to reit. Mt. Lebanom, Col. Co., N. Y. peautiful drapery of his couch and awaits pleasant dreams

So at this solemn hour! we think of our so a the section in life, and contrast our inistory with that of many of our youth-ful companions. The poor orphan boy then, is now a mas with gray hairs, but, thanks to the loving guardian angels, his power has not been wasted, and this companions that has the the section of the section o same principle that has guarded him all through life is now directing him huw

through life is now directing him how to use this power for good, and not for evil. The poor boy whose life has been spent waking over thorns and hot ashes is now waking in lanes of roses, and what is better than all, is growing near to, and not away from, a great principle: "Love thy neighbor as thyself." Then, bow much better it is to save good gifts than to waste them; to save bodily and mental strength than to spend it in use-less and destructive dissipation. Yes, are feel that it is good to be here on

are feel that it is good to be here on paper 16 weeks.

THE REMEDY

In the overige pools of Russia would take to homely their right-ful power (as did the Americans) and expel the monarchy, nobles and aris-torracy, and the Greek church, with all its occlesiastics, from the Czar, the head of the church down to the destreamers

Few are aware of the fact that the great bell of Cologne Cathedral, known

There is much anxiety expressed in India as to whether the hamboos will lossom. It is a curious fact in that

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There's a beautiful ide in the River of Time Where it flows from the fountain of years; Its skies are more fair than Italy's clime, And it knows neither sorrow nor tears. There the birds ever carol, the cloudlet floats o'er, And the dewdrops are pearls to the eye,

While the waves sing a song on its pebbly As they toss their white arms to the sky

Tis the Island of Youth, that opulent isle Whose roses all bloom without thorns : Where the sunsets depart with an envious

smile At the glorious hues of its morns. O, fairest of isles in the liver of Time' O, ever green isle of our youth! We leave thy blest shores, while our matia

Furl the sail to the mast, let the keel grate the

where we gazed in our visions of yore. The an island of pleasure, an island of tears, Suns of pleace and the raindrops of sorrow; bough the stormy clouds lower, be silent ou There's a rainbow of hope for to-morrow.

There are mountains of joy in this Island of Life

Life; There are saileys of allser between: We strive for the summits, but failut in or strife And sink to the darksome ravine. The white clouds of summerland fight

this isle; It trembles with thunder's wild jar;

While the loges of the loge vanished years, and set in once addressed him as "General," as in once addressed him as "General," as in once addressed him as "General," as in once addressed him as "General," and the log addressed him as a tolegraph black

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# THE SLEEPING SENTINEL.

Twas in the sultry summer time, as War's red (Chicago, 1018 Washington Bird.) It has come to our knowledge that

records above When patriot armies rose to meet a fratricidal When, from the North, and East, and West, like the upheaving seas, Swept forth Columbia's sons, to make our

country free. Within a prison's dismal walls, where shadows relied decay. In fetters, on a heap of straw, a youthful sol

In fetters, on a heap of straw, a youthful soldier lay:
I heartbroken, hopeless, and foriorn, with short and feverish breath.
I He waited but the appointed hour to die a culprit's death.
I he waited but the appointed hour to die a culprit's death.
I yes, but a few brief weeks before, untroubled with a care, incomtain air,
Where sparkling streams lean mossy rocks. from many a woodland font, And waving elms and grassy slopes give beauty ty to Vermont.
Where, dwelling in a humble cot, a tiller of the soil.
Fired bis young heart with fervent seal, for her to live or die.
Then left he all, a few food tears, by firmness

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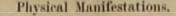
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The field,
The field, of strife, whose dews are blood, whose breases War's hot breath.
Whose fruits are garnered in the grave, whose husbandman is Death.
Without a murmur he endured a service new and hard;
But, wearled with tollsome march, it chanced out before New Yoar's day.
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one night, on guard, He sank, exhausted, at his post, and the gray morning found His prostrate form -a sentinel, askeep, upon the ground

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# THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER.



THEIR PLACE AND VALUE IN ESTAB-LISHING THE TRUTH OF A FUTURE LIFE PHILOSOPHICALLY CONSIDERED.

**CONVENT** of the SACRED HEART! in a previous paper bearing the above caption I mentioned several cases of nat-ural phenomena, showing their relation to and importance as the prelude to the In a previous paper bearing the above grand science of life; in other words, I grand science of life; in other words, i claimed that physical manifestations, given through sensitives by decarnated spirits, constitute the key to a correct knowledge of individual, conscious life beyond the mundane plane. I also promknowledge of Individual, conscious in beyond the mundane plane. I also prom-ised in that paper to narrate in the near future some facts that have come under Mencie, Ind.

my own observation in my wide experi-ence with spirit manifestations. I think I am within the bounds of truth when I assert that I have been a witness, per-haps, to every phase of spirit manifesta-tion, from that of the tiny rap to full-

of the personelle of the narrative, which rests on facts, and can be vouched for by living witnesses. Mr. Joslyn had been among the earliest pioneers in the Gold-en State, coming over the plains with an otoman and taken up her farp. Her ingers glided, though unconsciously, getting something ahead, and then in-rested in hydraulic mining, where he gained more, and later he changed his getting. "You make a pretty picture, my enon known as spirit materializing, to- strument being enclosed in a box, and

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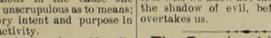


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