

Is Spiritualism a Religion? It Is Comprehensively Answered

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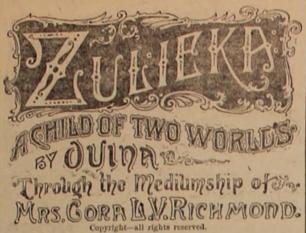
It is difficult for us, under the light of

May St. Michael, mythical monarch of the kingdom of blasoned on their armor—for both of souls, curse him we issued his treasonable mandates archangels, principal against the Creator of the universe, Christians and followers of the meek and from their caves and caverns in the armies, curse him. May St. John the precursor and St. John the Baptist, and St. Peter, and St. Paul, and St. Andrew, and all others of Christ's apostles, together, curse him. And may the rest of pether, curse him. And may the rest of defeat the divine will, and he might will for

was a prerogative derived from nature, that made obedience a duty unquestioned by lexicographers is defined by lexicographers and in a large sense includes of men, it was necessary for the welfare of our race that there should be a restrict of our race that there should be a restrict of and our neighbor. The was necessary for the spirit of our race that there should be a restrict of the faculties of his body. May be be cursed in his bair. May be be cursed in his brains. May be be cursed in his brains of the legions of advancing the religious freeze of his body. May be be cursed in his brains of the legions of the fagot and drove the satardy host bravely, and if they followed the precent taught by the watching or sitting, in lying down or working, min the strong. Back of the devil. As they did not win the bravely, and if they followed the precent taught by the case that they did not win the strong. Savior through the reason they fought most bravely, and if they followed the precent staught by the case of they di bows submissively to the power rancing thought. The sunlight of

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own hand the history of the world's since its creation, for



### PART I.

### CHAPTER L.-(CONTINUED.)

Rajahatti was a consistent and intelligent follower of Zoroaster as interpreted by the most liberal learning of the East, and possexed a mind and spirit wholly free from bigotry.

When Zelda came he shared in her education and aided Margaret in her efforts to allow Zelda the untrammeled choice of worship so rarely permitted in any land.

Zelda was carefully trained in the English language, in every department necessary for an enlightened understanding of the literature and society of England, and most carefully taught, in all from his seclusion. that could be taught, of the principles of Christianity, as set forth in the Church of England. She was also as carefully instructed in the religion of her father, and in other Oriental ideas.

Margaret had concluded quite early in life, as she said to her husband, Rajahatti, that the religions of India and the East, especially that of Zoroaster, divested of the idolatry that age and ignorance have thrown around them, hold most of the truths that are sacred to mankind enshrined in their wonderful depths, and "I can never quite persuade myself," she would say, musingly, "that Christianity, as I read it in the church service and in history, is wholly free from superstition. I think the history of Christian wars and persecutions most painful and revolting.'

nore and more confirmed as time wore on, and Zelda came into their lives, to receive their teaching.

Zelda's father taught her of Ormuzd, the divine principle of good, symbolized in the light, especially the sun. Of the immortality of the soul, of which the sacred fire (the flame or breath of life from Ormuzd) was the symbol. He did not fear Ahrimines, as many of the ignorant do, but held the shadow to be a portion of the light, or but the shadow of the light.

During all her young life Zelda heard and saw the service of the English church in Bombay. She had long conversations with Zelda, was not surprised, for he understood. bishops, rectors, missionaries, scholars; all people sent out by the mother church to convert the heathen, and bring the Christian sheep within the fold.

But Zelda's favorite place of conversation and instruction was on a low footstool by her father's side, where, clasping his knees in Hiejoh. her slender arms, and with hands intertwined, she would gaze into his face and listen for hours to his musical voice as he read and interpreted the sacred books of the Zend-Avesta and gave her the trate before his master, said: true mesning of the Zoroastrian lore, and his interpretation of the Eternal Light, the divine good.

"I will make me a religion out of all that has been taught, and all that I know from within," she said, "The Sermon on the Mount and the Golden Rule shall be my guide, and the Light of Ormuzd shall illumine my pathway to eternity.

Zelda wove for herself a beautiful garment of religion in her life, wove it from within the soul, and she ever wore it.

Zelda's religion was like herself, beautiful.

### CHAPTER II.

THE BIRTH OF ZULIEKA. "An infant crying in the night," An infant crying for the light." THE CYCLONE.

The tropic night was full of splendor. The southern cross

perfect

Zelda's apartments. His face was very pale, and an unusual anxiety a trace of him. Perhaps he was a choor or a spirit. overspread his countenance with a look of deepest solicitude. Love,

Armand was perplexed and a little annoyed, sympathy, tenderness, hope, all were concentrated in the quickly: "No; he was neither a robber nor a ghost."

expression of the fine features and luminous eyes.

He well knew that if the messenger bore any doc

Attendants passed to and fro on various errands with almost he w noiseless footsteps, conversing only in very low tones or whispers.

anxious state of mind. It was still early in the night when masses of clouds gathered

toward the south and east, and came rolling in large columns like the advance guard of a mighty army. The air was still, but Armand's accustomed senses detected left before sunrise.

the approach of a storm.

Hiejoh passed along the corridors and into the inner court whispering, with great clearness, this one word: "Toofan! Toofan!

Armand rushed to the protection of Zelda:
All the servants and dependents of the household fled to the inner court. This court, or inner room, was a stronghold, and was almost impregnable, unless the cyclone was absolutely desolating.

While Armand held Zelda in his arms, physician and nurse remained motionless, and Hiejoh firmly held his position in the small corridor, guarding the entrance to the rooms of his mistress, refusing to seek any other place of safety.

Not a moment too soon were the preparations made.

The storm was upon them with ever-increasing fury. The wind howled and shricked among the trees like a legion of lost souls.

The waves, lashed to a fury by the storm, seemed roaring like ten thousand demons, and—worst apprehension of all—they did not know but that the waters would be impelled by this vortex to the

very height of the cliff!

The habitation shook and creaked and swayed.

In ten minutes all was calm again, and the moon burst through the meridian as the shutters were thrown open to admit the air.

Armand saw that all was well with Zelda. "God bless you,

The nurse approached, placing in the arms of Armand his infant daughter, while the lips of Zelda, whispering, said: "Zulieka, Zulieka!" And Hiejoh, whose face grew absolutely radiant, repeated, "Zulieka, Zulieka! She has come at last."

He was too preoccupied with the great events of this night to note the effects of the storm. He sought a little shrine, reared for meditation and prayer, to which he and Zelda had been accustomed to repair for their personal

worship. The door yielded to his fairy touch, and, allowing the full moonlight to enter, he knelt on a sort of altar and thanked the

the manifold wonders of this night. Was he Christian? He did not know. Was he Parsee? More than half; but wholly he was reverent, full of praise to the All-them to the door of the room. bountiful, All-glorious, by whatever name declared.

Nor did he mourn, as is sometimes the case in the Orient; nor

He had no English pride for a "son and heir," nor the supposed Oriental disregard for woman.

Somewhere he had learned to prize woman as the equal, the true helpmeet of man. Somewhere he had found the true social ways and themes; his best beloved.

Next to Zelda was now enshrined this precious babe, this daughter, Zulieka.

above the Eastern sea and across the island did Armand withdraw apologies.

garden, he noted the effects of the storm—broken and twisted trees my knowledge. and branches of trees, leaves without number, and perfect drifts of blossoms; several poor birds caught in the storm and whirled from about this, and come to my room in five minutes. their repose, but all else was unscathed.

Armand hastened to Zelda, who was awake and asking for him. "Ah," she whispered, "there you are, my beloved!" eareful nurse placed a finger upon her lips to enjoin perfect quiet.

than ever.

ell how she looks, but she is most precious, next to you, Zelda. You men were sent without question. presence of her severely-devout English mother, and they became a gran head of Illians and the being, she is a dew-drop, a star-beam, a bud of lilies, a pearl; nay, she is our dove after the storm, our menat; she is our storm-bird, borne to us on the wings of the tempest. Isn't she the dearest, most precious being?"

And again Hiejoh bent to the ground, nearly touching Armand's sandal with his forehead.

"Well," said Armand, "speak it here and now." Will it please my master to come farther away? No one

'Come hither, then," and Armand led the way to the terrace arbor where he and Zelda had been sitting when we first beheld nor any matters pertaining to the scenes in the tower.

Hiejoh was delighted to be admitted to this place, and he gave the same strange sound of pleasure that he had uttered when he were there to receive orders or dispatches of an official nature. saw Armand and Zelda there together, as though his imprisoned and

stunted nature recognized the atmosphere of beauty and love. came?'

Armand motioned him to proceed.

gleamed and shone like a jeweled sceptre in Urania's hand.

Sirius had sunk to rest in his bed of waters, and Luna, with and while my lord was with the Lady Zelda, a messenger arrived. wonderful beauty, shone like a burnished shield-round, full and All was confusion, and he was glad to escape the storm. I motioned India," he said, aloud. him to pass into the inner court, and whispered that I would tell my The air was almost intoxicating, laden with most delightful master of his arrival when the storm passed away. My master, incense of the lime trees; of the rich cape jasmine, and the thousand other tropic flowers that ever exhale their breath in more perfect one has seen him; they were so full of fear that they did not even sweetness at night.

Zelda smiled most sweetly, and seemed more than beautiful. There was almost a halo around her as she spoke:

"And would you have our babe here for a sceress, for a distribution of the star-like when all was hushed again I sought the stranger everywhere, but I could not find him, and among all the people in the household no one has seen him; they were so full of fear that they did not even notice him among them. Again I have someth him. Armand paced the broad verandah that led to the entrance of morning, before and since the sun came forth, and I cannot find even

Armand was perplexed and a little annoyed, but he replied,

He well knew that if the messenger bore any document of State

ould soon hear of it, he said to Hiejoh assuringly. Search again. Perhaps he was assigned to some room by the had previously troubled her:

The sun had shone with unusual splendor all day, but at night a servants, and may have slept late." sense of heaviness was in the air, which Armand attributed to his Hiejoh made his usual saluto Hiejoh made his usual salutation, and hastened to fulfill his

naster's orders.

think so. He has slept late, or came in to escape the storm, and Armand could not shake off the anxiety he felt about Zelda and evasively, and to reassure Zelda:

Could it be a cyclone? The Lord of Light forbid! the babe. "If any harm should come now, when so great a danger Ceylon was rarely visited by these ravagers, but it might be has been safely passed, it would be dreadful," he murmured.

astic house was a tower rising to a height of thirty feet above the urrounding roofs, pagodas and turrets that ornamented the other portions of the dwelling The top of the tower was finished with a beautiful pagoda, and

fitted up as an observatory, the room beneath being used for a study by Armand, and for charts, telescopes and other scientific appa-

picture by day, a vision of enchantment at night.

Armand now recalled that on the previous night, when he was crossing the garden to visit the little shrine, he had seen a light in the upper room of the tower just beneath the observatory.

He knew that the rooms in the tower were rarely occupied nless there was an unusual number of guests. He thought he knew

among them about that portion of the building, he did not know.

Armand summoned Hiejoh, and asked, quite abruptly:

Have you searched the upper room in the tower for the miss-

Zelda sank into a sweet sleep. After Armand had returned the low: "My master, perhaps, knows that none of his people venture you I knew you were my love, and I meant to win you to be my babe to the arms of the nurse, he gently pressed Zelda's forehead with his lips, and passed out into and across the garden. "My master, perhaps, knows that none of his people venture you I knew you were my love, and I meant to win you to be my wife."

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to remove them by ridicule.

Hiejoh, although still trembling, obeyed. They passed out of Armand's apartments by an opposite door

to the one that opened near to Zelda's rooms. full moonlight to enter, he knelt on a sort of altar and thanked the Great Giver of all Good, the Eternal Lord of Life and Light," for After Armand had carefully locked the door behind them, they the new blessing that had come to him; for the safety of Zelda; for passed up a winding and rather narrow staircase that followed closely night of the storm. the outlines of the tower, until they came to the fourth landing

Here Armand paused, and motioned to Hiejoh not to fear.

We will now capture both the messenger and message," said Armand, smilingly.

ethics, the ethics of perfect love. Zelda was his companion in all against the door and burst it open, he desisted, murmuring, as if to himself, but really for Hiejoh's ears: "This is very strange and Probably the fellow was frightened at the storm, and fooligh Zulieka.

Not until the day broke and the sun shone round and golden suppose when he awakens we shall receive his message and his was suddenly flung wide open.

Armand thought, but did not speak: "I will have the tower ashen, and neither could speak at first. As he passed out and sgain traversed the winding path of the watched from the lower room, so no one can enter or leave without

Then he said to Hiejoh: "You can go now, but say nothing

Hiejoh leaped down the stairs like a frightened cat, only too glad to be away from the haunted room and the tower. Armand sought to avoid all excitement to Zelda, and did not

wish the fears and superstitions of his native servants to be aroused, of reproach. Armand kissed her tenderly and gently, saying: "My precious so he sent by his English messenger a request that the commandant wife, my more than all things or beings on earth, I love you more of the port kindly send him two strong men for especial duty.

Armand's relations were such with the commandant-indeed, And again he lifted the babe in his arms, saying: "I cannot with all officials, either native or of the Home Government, that he turbed—not even the small couch where one might sleep, if weary.

In less than an hour two rather burly-looking fellows, dressed as guardsmen, approached.

Armand went to meet them, taking them into the room on the first floor of the tower. This room formed the only approach to any

real reasons for the presence of the men. It was supposed that they On the second day of the watch Armand was by the side of

Zelda's couch, holding her beautiful hand in his, never wearying of "My master remembers the 'toofan' last night, when Zulieka the study of her lovely face, constantly thinking how more than perfect a picture she made, she and the babe.

"No wonder," he thought, that Christians worship the Madonna! "No wonder that the mother of Christ is most sacred and revered, and that in Egypt Isis is the symbol of all life, as Sarasvata is in

would have your picture thus, as I behold you.'

to pass to us.'

there was one coming.

Armand seldom gave way to excitement; he never yielded to fear; but now his solicitude for Zelda amounted to agony.

His face disclosed his great anguish and suffering in the huge drops of perspiration that Hiejoh had never seen there before.

Armand suddenly commanded Hiejoh to close all the shutters at once, and to bid the servants and the entire household to make ready for the storm.

As the day wore on and all with Hiejoh on the terrace. He tried to do some important writing, when he fell asleep.

THE TOWER.

Suddenly, however, Armand awoke with a start, and there flashed upon his mind an incident of the preceding night.

Preoccupied as he had been with the important events that had been crowded into a few moments of time, this incident had entirely needed from his mind.

As the day wore on and all with Hiejoh on the terrace. He will discover years and aid you to fathom his changed mood."

Well," replied Zelda, "he seems frightened at almost every sound. When he enters or leaves the room he cronches as if afraid, and he hovers near, looking at our babe with such a strange expression. She is so precious. I would not wish to harm Hiejoh, but he must not look at her with that wild expression in his eyes."

"Bravo," said Armand. "Nothing arouses her, except in touch the darling of our hearts; but concerning Hiejoh, perhaps he

sound. When he enters or leaves the room he crouches as if to have no power of spirit communion, and who wonders at this afraid, and he hovers near, looking at our babe with such a strange power that is manifested through the other individual.

that no one ever occupied that upper room.

A strange superstition pervaded the minds of his servants, and all the attendants about the place, concerning that room.

Whether the scientific apparatus and charts kept there aroused strains are all the scientific apparatus and charts kept there aroused strains are several times he has warned me of approaching events, and numan minds can no longer recent without injury, without too great credulity, or without, perhaps, an of a prophecy, now so sweetly fulfilled—"once he told me of on whom I who was coming to be my love, my lord, my husband; and when I then that manifestation will cease.—Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond

my beloved," he said, and he withdrew, to be recalled in a short their wonder, or whether there was some strange story or tradition laughed he said: 'It is true, my lady Zelda.' When you came, he said: 'This is he, my lady's lord.' Is he not gifted with proph-

> Armand tenderly kissed her, and said, most earnestly: "Whatmessenger?" ever or whomever he may be, I bless him for that prophecy. I, too, am a seer," he said with a smile; "for the first time I saw

> The eyes of Zelda were full of tears of tenderness, and Armand, kindly.
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> He knew too well the superstitions of these people to endeavor good evening and walked slowly away, pondering upon all that Zelda had told him.

Armand recalled how strangely Hiejoh seemed affected when he mentioned the light in the tower, and his terror when he proposed to solve the problem at once.

Then he wondered if there was any connection between Hiejoh and his visions, and the mysterious events that had occurred on the

### A BURPRISE.

Armand was immersed in a complication of affairs. Messengers bearing dispatches hurried to and from the government offices to him. He had many private matters to arrange, but occasionally, even in the midst of his papers and books, and concentra-Nor did he mourn, as is sometimes the case in the Orient; nor did he sigh, as is the fashion in England, that his first-born was not a son.

Armand tried the door, but it was fastened. Then he remembered that the key always hung on a hook at the righthand side of the door, out of sight, but within easy reach.

He was always pervaded by Zelda, a sort of double consciousness, that knew all that was necessary to know about his business, The key was not there!

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Fearing the noise would alarm Zelda if he threw his weight free to be possessed by her. He never thought of life without her. She seemed always to have been a part of him. He never contemporation of the seemed always to have been a part of him. plated a future that did not include her.

Thus occupied and prepossessed, the door opening into the I corridor that led to the room where the two guards were stationed

Both the men stood before Armand. The faces of both were In a low tone of command Armand said: "Speak! What has

happened? At last the smaller of the two men faltered:

'He has escaped! He has gone!'

"You allowed some one to escape? You should have stopped him, were he man, or devil or angel," said Armand excitedly. He collected himself, however, before uttering any more words

Rushing past the men, he almost flew along the corridor into

the deserted room, up the stairway to the upper room. The door was wide open. No instrument or chart was dis-

The key hung in its accustomed place by the door, Who had opened the door? Who had gone past the guards?

### Who had been there? The mystery was still unsolved NOTES TO CHAPTER L.

Zulieka, pronounced Zuleekah.

the tempest. Isn't she the dearest, most precious being?"

"Armand, she is our treasure, our blossom of love," and Zelda again was warned to be quiet.

"Armand left the room fall of a surpassing peace and joy.
Turning once again, he said to Zelda: "I gave thanks at the altar, dearest, for this precious gift that is ours."

"I knew you were there," said Zelda, "for I saw you."

"And Armand, who was accustomed to hear such sentences from Zelda, was not surprised, for he understood.

"THE MYSTERY.

As soon as Armand reached the garden he heard the peculiar shuffle and uncertain sound that always denoted the approach of Hiejoh.

Armand turned to ask what was his errand, when Hiejoh, with his usual very low salaam, that brought him close to the earth, prosting for my master's ears alone."

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"The was not surprised, for he understood.

As he left them he said:

"Your meals will be served here."

And he knew that his reward for their services would be such as the surprised that the gards could communicate with him is usual very low salaam, that brought him close to the earth, prossing for my master's ears alone."

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The men saluted him most reverently.

He said, to the guardsmen: "Do not make any noise." And pointing to the staircase, he said: "I suspect a large-sized rat is concealed altar, dearest, or talk who may actuate the surprised, domestic and travella bow.

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Ferally domes "We heed and obey the commands of his lordship."

They gave him the usual salute, and he left them, to attend to pressing official business, fully believing the matter would turn out an unimportant affair after all.

Although Armand passed as much of his time with Zelda as his duties would permit, he made no mention to her of the guard, nor any matters pertaining to the scenes in the tower.

He cautioned the servants to secresy, but did not tell them his real reasons for the presence of the men. It was supposed that they

Toofan: Storm, tempest, cyclone.
Ja-van nah: Pronounced Yah-van-nah, the Parsee priest. Cheor: Robber.

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## MEDIUMSHIP.

Mediumship is essential to the intercommunion of the two worlds at the present time. All forms of knowledge that the world "You are as beautiful as the Madonnas in Italy, my darling. I possesses to day upon the subject of the spirit-life have been received through mediumistic expression. Prophets, seers, sages and oracles of ancient times were the mediums of manifestation "And would you have our babe here for a sceress, for a di- then. Various forms of mediumship are to-day the methods of one has seen him; they were so full of fear that they did not even notice him among them. Again I have sought him everywhere this vinity, my love?"

"The mediums who are not aware of it, the distinct form of mediumship, "The mediums who are not aware of it, the distinct form of mediumship, or who can tell?" he said, reverently. manifesting the power of the spirit over man, and while many are Divine Life and Love may wear any form of earth; perhaps as presented in Modern Spiritualism, is that it announces itself, that hers is that of an Avater. She bears no common life, I am sure, the Spirit world proclaims its presence, that an individual, identified for it seems to me the gates of paradise have opened, to allow her intelligence manifests its power and capacity, and that this betrays a purpose and intention, the presence of an active and overruling Then Zelda said, suddenly changing the subject, as though it intelligence that intends this manifestation for the especial benefit, previously troubled her:

knowledge and uplifting of mankind—not discovered apparently, "Darling, I am greatly puzzled and not a little troubled about as geology has been, by man; not outwrought, as sciences have Hiejoh, his manner is so unusual, and there is a peculiar and been, through study and external culture. It has been a spontane-strange expression in his eyes. He seems reluctant to leave my ous overflowing or inflowing from the spiritual world unto humanity, "How very strange," thought Armand. "I do not like to feel that someone is secreted in the garden or house. "Tis absurd to ance all the while."

"How very strange," thought Armand. "I do not like to feel toom except when he must go, and he has a half-terrified appearance and there, and in various places, those who shall be the fitting instruments of its expression. No grade of life, no con-Armand had noticed the change in Hiejoh, ever since the inci- dition of mind, no form or expression of constitution, no particular dent of his accompanying him to the tower, but he replied hereditary tendency designates those who are mediums. There may be ten or one hundred in this room who are mediumistic; they Does he seem different to you, dearest? I always thought do not resemble each other in any degree. You could not pick him a strange, weird, half-wild creature, but have trusted you to them out from a mingled assemblage; there is nothing by which know him better than I could, and have believed that you under they betray any essential tendencies to mediumship. They are deot this little incident of his talk with Hiejoh on the terrace. He stood and could govern him. But tell me about him, and I will try signed; they are not the result of the organic process, because to all apparent view they do not differ essentially from their fellow being "Well," replied Zelda, "he seems frightened at almost every who sits by the side of them, yet who is not a medium, who seems

It is oftentimes asked by persons: "Why can not I be a me-dium, who so much desire it?" It is not the desire that creates the "Bravo," said Armand. "Nothing arouses her, except it mediumship; it is the adaptation, and you may desire it, but the touch the darling of our hearts; but concerning Hiejoh, perhaps he Spirit-world may perceive that you are not the one to be employed became alarmed on the night of the arrival of our storm bird, although he seemed courageous enough then. He would guard you
then, and kept watch outside even when all the people flew to the of selection. The selection is made with reference to the adaptation Zelda heard, but answered musingly: "I never saw the same to certain work, and that work is a distinct line of work for each by Armand, and for charts, telescopes and other scientific apparatus.

Zelda heard, but answered musingly: Thever saw the same of certain work is a distinct line of work for each medium so employed. With one medium it is a line of physical meanifestation, that goes on, apparently, in full tide of satisfaction and success to a certain point, then public attention is diverted and success to a certain point, then public attention is diverted either by what seems or claims to be an exposure, or by another pread out beneath them, or the starry heavens -- a most beautiful man. I know there must have been something unusual to affect form of manifestation taking its place. Yet no one pretends to him now."

"Darling, my love, do not let this disturb you," said Armand.

"He may be himself again in a day or two." Then he carefully asked: "Do you imagine he is a prophet, or sees visions?"

Zelda looked up with an expression of relief on her bright face as she replied: "I believe he does have visions, and I know he can foretell events, for several times he has warned me of approaching events, and once—"here Zelda flushed with joy at the recollection."

Iorm of manifestations taking its place. Yet no one pretents to doubt that the manifestations thus given up to a certain period, were manifestations of genuine mediumship. The reason of this is that the Spirit-world selected the instrument can not by any possibility, continue the work. When it is intended that such a line of manifestations of genuine mediumship. The reason of this is that the Spirit-world selected the instrument can not by any possibility, continue the work. When it is intended that such a line of manifestations of genuine mediumship. The reason of this is that the Spirit-world selected the instrument can not by any possibility, continue the work. When it is intended that such a line of manifestations of genuine mediumship.

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sound which wakes you. in a house in which no clock strikes the quarters, or even in a house in which there is no makes it more, instead of less, difficult to exstriking clock at all, and no church clock within a couple of miles, and yet not one person only, but a great many—we might perhaps say the majority of persons past middle—says—can wake themselves at the right had caught up the words of her last resolve and caught up the words of her last resolve. if on the previous night they go to bed with the resolve to do so strong on their minds. ing her own meaning; but a confused dream is certainly not what Mr. Meyers means by a It is a power which belongs to all sorts of perhabit of getting up at given hours, but to per. consciousness. sons who have not.

arrest your own attention and wake up at the the urgency of the case, so that it cannot be required time, you never seem to have the ascribed to the habit of waking exactly at the least assurance that it is the right time with same hour. It is a very curious power, for out consulting your watch. If you do really which we can assign no parallel. We cer-"divine" the time, you have no power to recognize that you have "divined" it. You feel as selves on a journey at any exact point in at present, I want a little space in your bright ing to their agreement in mind, which agreeif you had merely guessed it, and very proba- space on which we may previously determine. bly guessed it wrong, until your watch con- If we resolve to wake up at the moment the firms the guess.

first resolved to awake and you would meas- it would be well to find out. duration of your sleep, or of the length of any organic process which has gone on since the resolve was made. Yet it is extremely diffienable it to say at what hour A. M. or P. M. you the spirit.

have arrived. The mind measures duration chiefly by the succession of its own thoughts; but, as we have seen, it is not duration, but something quite different from duration, of which it appears to be conscious; thus it can first formed.

In the Journal of the Society of Psychologi-cal Research for August we are told of a lady, well-known to the editor," who chronicled her experiments in this manner during a part of last July, and for July 5 she makes the following entry:

"July 5 .- Order given, again casually, with none of the seriousness of intention which I should have associated with it had I been gong to act upon the sequence instead of merely experimenting upon it. This time I said: Wake me to take a journey at 4 o'clock,' meaning wake me at 4, but not saying so. was awakened with a struggle of consciousness, could not remember where I was, or his wife, who shares with him our esteem and anything; but seemed to be down in a deep kindest wishes for future successes in whatever you know I am a medium) that much of the are devils, and that the Lord draws them out place like a well, and I heard an inner voice direction duty calls. Mrs. Eva H. Potter. say, 'wake and get up, it's just 3 o'clock; you need an hour to prepare for a four at 4.' I was but half conscious when the words were repeated, 'it is 3, not 4. But you said, "wake me for a journey at 4." By that time I awoke completely, and the clock struck 3."

The editor regards this power of discerning the time as due to what he calls "the subliminal consciousness;" in other words, the consciousness which lies below all the acts of known lecturer. This charming little volume if so, I'll put it there. I found it wherever I mere superficial consciousness of our life, and is for sale at this office. Price \$1.00. connects them when they are at variance with

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How we are to explain our consciousness of Most nurses have it, most servants, most time as distinct from any knowledge of dura- his bones; and he'd have been beatified long laborers, most professional men. Yet it is knowledge of duration, we see no clear evi- to say: "I told you so." No matter what the contrary. They are altogether unactions and the contrary. They are altogether unactions are altogether unactions. laborers, most professional men. Yet it is very difficult to account for, for when you wake you have no distinct, nor, indeed, indistinct, recognition of the time on you. You only know what time you ought to have been on the time of the special years and source with hyprocrisy, and likewise with h only know what time you ought to have been awake, but are not in the least conscious this time has arrived, though when you look at your watch in a fright you find, as a matter of fact, that it has arrived, and only just arrived. We believe that the same power would apply to the daytime under the same would apply to the daytime under the same number of the your mind some hours, or at least some considerable time, earlier than you are to do something specific, and to be roused to a sense thing specific, and to be roused to a sense the person to be accidental. Indeed, notice this less, since there are so many things notice this less, since there are so many things present writer may assign the present article the angels shook their heads, and said: "I angelic spirits of Mars, and at their approach in the daytime which warn us, and thus put us on the watch as to how time is flying.

The curious thing is that, though you can hour which is often varied in accordance with Letter express train in which we are traveling passes the resolve on your mind-and this is often at the precise minute when the train was due on within you, by a general sense of the num- are multitudes of persons who appear to carry ber of pulsations of your heart, or the number some kind of clock about with them in their of breaths drawn, then you would require to inner mind; though whether it be the clock more. know accurately what the time was when you of the house or the clock of the neighborhood

ure only by the length of the thread subsequently drawn out. Not only would that be clock of the house which is kept fast, but, as a very complicated process, but it is almost near as he can judge, what he believes to be certainly not the actual process, for you may right time-i. e., railway time; though if he be quite unconscious at what hour exactly the were, say five minutes wrong in his impresresolve is formed. It seems to be a sense of sion of what right time is, it is probable that the present month. time, as quite distinct from a sense of the he would awaken by the time of his impres-

cult to imagine that the individual mind can factory. The impulse given to it by the mor-be so closely identified in feeling with the tal mind may be the incentive which awakens revolution of the earth on its axis as would one at a particular time. No one can ignore

### Wonewoc Spiritualists.

TO THE EDITOR:-Wonewoo Spiritualists, are again jubilant over a "feast of reason" furnished them by G. H. Brooks of Elgin, Ill. earnest worker, and as a speaker imbues his months to come. hearers with a share of his zeal and energy.

His afternoon lectures were given from sub-His afternoon lectures were given from subjects or questions proposed by the audience, and were highly entertaining. An interesting feature of his evening services were his psychometric readings acknowledged satisfactorily increase.

His afternoon lectures were given from subjects or questions proposed by the audience, itely until I have reached Fort Worth and investigated the various routes in the state.

They acquainted me further that on their inhabitants believe that with them of the lectures is that all strangers who hear the control of the lectures is the control of the lectures is the control of the lectures in the control of the lectures is the control of the lectures in the control of the l chometric readings acknowledged satisfactorily in every instance. He was accompanied by

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"Standing Up for Jesus;" or what the editor

There are voices of children away on the hill; There are bees through the flag-flowers hum-

ming;
The lighterman calls to the clock, and the mill
On the farther side is drumming;
And I sink to sleep in my dream of a dream,
In the grass by the brink of the river,
Where the voices blend and the lilles end And the elm-tree shadows quiver. Like a gift from the past is the kindly dream,

For the sorrow and passion and pain Are adrift, like the leaves on the breast of the stream, And the child-life comes back agai

Oh, the sweet, sweet pain of joy that died! Of a pain that is joy forever! Oh, the life that died in the stormy tide That was once my sunflecked river.

— John Boyle O'Riley.

was a better man than Elder Simon Jones. He reeked with goodness even to the marrow in his bones; and he'd have been beatified long years ago, I know, but for his fatal tendency to say: "I told you so." No matter what

Letter from Mattie E. Hull. TO THE EDITOR:-Letters and letters are coming to me, inquiring what I am doing, any forms of government, but that they live what are my arrangements for the winter, etc. arranged into greater and lesser societies, and As I have little time for social correspondence that they are associated witheach other accord- The Cause at Chattanooga, Tenn. journal to make a few statements. I would ment they discover instantly by the face and say to my friends, I have not been idle since speech, being seldom deceived in their judgmy return from the East, I have delivered united in friendship. They informed me fur-It is not by a keen sense of duration that you compute the hour, for that would imply that you knew of what time you made the retwo addresses nearly every Sunday, dividing ther that their consociations are delightful, have communion with higher intelligences was solve-at what time you went to sleep with that we could effect it by determining to waken city. By the way, never, since my acquaint- what passes in their societies, and especially The ice is broken and the ball has been set ance with Chicago, has Spiritualism had so about what passes in heaven, for several of to rolling. The Spiritualists of Chattanooga just what you do not know. If you measured time by the organic processes which go occasionally be effected. But there certainly so many excellent meetings and so the manifest communication with the angels of heaven. Such among them as begin so many excellent meetings, and active, wellto think perversely in their societies, and working societies, and there is room for thereby to incline to evil, are disassociated push the car of truth and progression to a

ings are ably conducted and largely attended. The meetings at Bricklayers' Hall, under the auspices of the State Association, are well at his own property, and every one with his own then heard the tests which so many recognized, tended. I occupied the rostrum two Sunday share of honor, accounting it enough to be reafternoons and one Sunday evening during

West Lake street, in the neat little hall fitted thoughts and dispositions were banished from which will hold about five hundred peo up over a year since by Mr. A. H. Williams, the rest, and unless a prudent but severe check ple. On Thanksgiving night the Ladies' Aid one of the oldest workers in our ranks. The meetings had hitherto been run mostly as con-love and the love of the world; for it was ow-ference meetings, and the majority of the at-ing to these loves that empires and kingdoms hall was finely decorated, but best of all was tendants had been more interested in 'read- were first established, under which establish- the polished, waxed floor, the lovely music OLD RELIABLE. ings" and "tests" than lectures, but the auments there are few but what desire to have and the elegant supper. dience steadily increased each Sunday night dominion, and to possess the property of during the month, so much so that I conothers, there being few who do what is just too into the "wee sma" hours." As the mornsented to lecture one Sunday night this month, on which occasion we were greeted by the larg- fewer who do good from a real principle of a number of the ladies still in the dining. est audience of the season. The last Sunday night of the present month I lectured before tives, such as the fear of the law, and a regard the North Side Society, and the first Sunday to gain, honor, reputation, and the like.

They then proposed that all the little news to gain, honor, reputation, and the like. wake the body at any given hour without even knowing (consciously, at least) how much time has elapsed since the resolve to wake was time has elapsed since the resolve to wake was edifying and instructive. He is a strong, which will be my last work in this city for

I have promised to spend several days in He has been with us but a short time, yet he Memphis, Tenn., en route to Texas. I shall work. He has organized a Ladies Union and established a Children's Lyceum, leaving them in good working order, and if they do.

The ladies were doubly paid when they that every good thing is from Him, and that witnessed the different expressions of enjoyment with the leads and directs them; also that He often appears among them on their earth. It was the ladies were doubly paid when they witnessed the different expressions of enjoyment with the different expressions of enjoyment with the leads and directs them; also that He often appears among them on their earth. It was the ladies were doubly paid when they witnessed the different expressions of enjoyment with the leads and directs them; also that He often appears among them on their earth. It was the ladies were doubly paid when they witnessed the different expressions of enjoyment with the ladies were doubly paid when they witnessed the different expressions of enjoyment with the ladies were doubly paid when they witnessed the different expressions of enjoyment with the ladies were doubly paid when they witnessed the different expressions of enjoyment with the ladies were doubly paid when they witnessed the different expressions of enjoyment with the ladies were doubly paid when they witnessed the different expressions of enjoyment with the ladies were doubly paid when they witnessed the different expressions of enjoyment with the ladies were doubly paid when they witnessed the different expressions of enjoyment with the ladies were doubly paid when they witnessed the different expressions of enjoyment with the ladies were doubly paid when they witnessed the different expressions of enjoyment with the ladies were doubly paid when they witnessed the different expressions of enjoyment with the ladies were doubly paid when they witnessed the different expressions of enjoyment with the ladies were doubly paid when they witnessed the different expressions of enjoyment with the ladies were doubly paid when they witnessed the ladies were doubly paid when they witne them in good working order, and if they de day of December. Shall probably spend the generate again into chaos, the fault lies not remainder of December and a portion of January there. Have numerous calls from different points in Texas, but cannot arrange defin-

ington. on behalf of Spiritualism, is due to your won- ing into it again. On a certain occasion Ingersoil. One of the best papers Colonel In- PROGRESSIVE THINKER. It is phenomenal; observed that those spirits humbled themgersoll ever wrote. In paper cover, with but, then, the Spirit-world is back of you. The selves in such inward and profound abasement likeness of author. Price, 10 cents; twelve work had to be done, and you must have been as no words can describe. the chosen instrument. Possibly, while I am went in the East.

### Swedenborg Visits the Planet gum which they have among them. Mars.

HE RELATES SOME CURIOUS EXPERIENCES.

To THE EDITOR:-As a good deal of discussion is going on nowadays in regard to the planet Mars, and, among other things, whether it is inhabited or not, and certain well-known astronomical authorities assert their belief that there is human life upon that planet, and that sometime men of this earth will be able to sometime men of this earth will be able to assure themselves of the fact, it might not be out of place to quote what was written over one hundred years ago upon Mars: "Its Spirits and Inhabitants." From the works of Emanuel Swedenborg these extracts are taken. Emanuel Swedenborg these extracts are taken, published in London, 1855, entitled: "The

Sad Story of Elder Jones.

The Somerville Journal says: There never thought the speech and the speech and likewise the affection and the face, with them act in unity.

They account it wicked to think one think.

the communication was closed, and thus the spirits of our earth retired.

The angelic spirits discoursed with me concerning the life of the inhabitants on their earth, informing us that they are not under ment herein, and that then they are instantly and left to themselves alone, in consequence I have addressed good audiences in the whereof they lead a most wretched life, out of longer regarded by the rest.

puted upright and a lover of his neighbor. and began to investigate for themselves, and This delightful and tranquil principle of mind since have become supporters of the cause. Every Sunday night in October I was at 681 would perish unless such an incline to evil We have a beautiful hall, all furnished, was given to the first encroachments of self- Society of the association gave a dance and and right out of real love thereto, and still ing sun dawned bright and clear it found charity, being rather influenced by other mo- room, with quite a lot of uncut food left.

> the inhabitants of that earth, they informed men went out upon the streets and gathered me that they acknowledge and adore our Lord, them in, while the ladies prepared the food saying that He is the only God, and that He and tables for the little ones-forty two in governs both heaven and the universe, and all. The ladies were doubly paid when they appears among them on their earth. It was then granted me to tell them that Christians also on our earth know that the Lord governs first and third Thursday of each month the heaven and earth, agreeably in His own words association will give some kind of an enter-

selves there is nothing but what is filthy and them linger behind, seeking an introduction I cannot drop my pen, Bro. Francis, with-out saying that it is my "impression" (and they added further, that of themselves they

Zela Longshore, Se 'revival spirit" now manifested in Chicago, of hell, and continually keeps them from fallderful success in connection with the glorious when the name of the Lord was mentioned I

There was presented before me an inhab-POEMS, by Edith Willis Linn, the gifted in "The Lone Star State," I may find one daughter of Dr. F. L. H. Willis the well spot where the Progressive Thinker is not; faces of the inhabitants of our earth, but the late the paper and act as missionary in the faces of the inhabitants of our earth, but the lower region of the face was black, not owing to his beard, for he had none, but to blackness instead of a beard; this blackness exwill enjoy its pages. It will be sent three Now and then I'll send a "jotting" after I to his beard, for he had none, but to black-ness instead of a beard; this blackness excach other, by its survey over all alike. We have never thought that Mr. Meyers has explained anything by this assumption, and in plained anything by this assumption, and in Matthe E. Hull. have never thought that Mr. Meyers has explained anything by this assumption, and in the present case he has, if he can fully trust his witness' accuracy, only invented a new difficulty for himself by it.

For it is quite evident that either the "subliminal consciousness" in this case was not which the lady had played upon the agency commissioned to awake her by speaking of a speaking of a shadow of your journal may never grow less. MATTIE E. Hull.

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lated further that they are acquainted with the art of making fluid fires, whereby they have light during evening and night.

### An Ode to the Roman Octopus!

A cursed blight spreads o'er the land, 'Tis scattered by the Jesuite' hand, Who rule with force an iron rod, 'To bow men first to them, then God. They'd tear our institutions down, A sword of flame to light the land. And put to rout the traitor band published in London, 1855, entitled: "The Earths in the Universe and Their Inhabitants," also "Their Spirits and Angels;" from "What Has Been Heard and Seen." The following extracts will be read with more than a passing interest:

It was granted me to know that the speech of the inhabitants of Mars was different from that of the inhabitants of our earth, in that it was not sonotous, but almost tacit, insinuating itself into the interior hearing and sight by a shorter way, and, consequently, that it was more perfect, fuller of ideas, and thereby approaching nearer to the speech of spirits and angels. The essential affection also of the speech is represented among them in the face, and the thought thereof is the arms for the control of the control of the speech is represented among them in the face, and the thought thereof is the arms for the control of the control of the control of the speech is represented among them in the face, and the thought thereof is the arms for the control of the control Our schools must stand, come weal or woe, in them we'll educate the foe, For while a spark of life remains To warm our hearts and light our brains, We'll never wear the popish chains. We'd better die within the hour Than give the cursed tyrant power.

—Cora W. W. Greenleaf.

> To THE EDITOR: - Only a few short weeks ago the Spiritualists of this city and vicinity were like the fabled myths of the "Children in the Wilderness" as far as a place to meet and

> owe it to Mr. Charles W. Peters and the

higher standard. Many people came at first to the meetings to beautiful hall on Thirty-first street. These meet- all society, in dens or other places, being no scoff and make fun, but before they were in

\* the hall a half-hour, and listened to the noble Every one on that earth lives content with words which fell from Mr. Peters' lips, and

In regard to divine worship as practiced by fast, and an appointed committee of gentle-

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TO THE EDITOR:—Did you think it needed a great big card to remind me that I should renew my subscription to THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER?—not THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER?—not much! So long as you keep up the battle with the enemy—or enemies. I should say, for they are legion—of Spiritualism, so long you shall have my support while here in the body, which will not be for long, as I have passed the seventy-four mile-stone, and of necessity must soon pass over, and what I may be able to do on the other side I cannot tell unred Letter. The street of th Emit by Postoffine Meany Order, Registered Letter, or draft an Calcage or New York. It costs from it to 13 cents to Calcage or New York. It costs from it to 13 cents be get arrate cashed on local banks, so don't send them unless you wish that amount deducted from the amount seat. Direct still letters to J. E. Francis, No. 80 Loomis St., Otheago, III.

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As there are thousands who will at 25% vestions of the human race, must cause the land lies; but if you receive help from the other side, and I surely believe you do, then shall my mitte be added thereto, for I am satisfied this nation has yet to pass through an ordeal to which in comparison the there were thousands who will at 25% vestions of the human race, must cause it if you receive help from the other side; and I surely believe you do, then shall my mitte be added thereto, for I am satisfied this nation has yet to pass through an ordeal that will nearly blot it out as a republic clently in Pennsylvania. As a natural consequence he feels interested in The late where the contract of the human race, must cause it ill I get there and get my bearings and it to ever hold the foremest position in the grand and stately march of human race, must cause it is to ever hold the foremest position in the grand and stately march of human race, must cause it ill I get there and get my bearings and it to ever hold the foremest position in the grand and stately march of human race, must cause it ill I get there and get my bearings and it to ever hold the foremest position in the grand and stately march of human race, must cause it ill ever hold the foremest position in the grand and stately march of human race, must cause it is to ever hold the foremest position in the grand and stately march of human race, must cause it ill ever hold the foremest position in the grand and stately march of human race, must cause it is to ever hold the foremest position in the grand and stately march of human race, must cause it is to ever hold the foremest position

marks of the many battles in which she has taken part, she is still, and always will be, attractive, interesting, fascinating. Wavy gray hair makes a far from unpleasing background to a most mobile face, and the most honest and intrepld of clear brown Irish eyes—eyes that can look at one both penetratingly and scarchingly, as well as sympathetically and kindly.

Those who have watched her career know well how bravely she has borne herself, always and everywhere. In the lace of a mob; before armed men; on the platform with a hostile audience before her; with voice and pen; by word and deed, she has not once failed to show unflinching courage. This is the fore ing in her tour across the Western con- own reward, and that every evil deed exist. tinent and back. She will speak in has a tendency to darken the spiritual Central Music Hall, this city, December nature. It believes, too, that to be good

Any one having a copy of The Production of the Catholics are awakening to the danger surrounding them. A bitter struggle is now going on at Morris, 1891, for sale, please send postal card, with price, to O. P. Hitchings, Winfield, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. F. Perkins will hold meetings in Lincoln, Nebraska, the first Sunday in December, on their way to Salt Lake. They have been visiting friends at Marshalltown, Iowa.

Jennie B. Hagan Jackson will lecture the two last Sundays of December at Grand Rapids, Mich., and Mrs. Foye the Sundays of January, 1893. They lecture at Elk's hall.

The Proceeding has its friends and admirers thero. They have been such that the combined in two hast in the East generally. Just think of it, we are sending over twelve bundred copies of our paper weekly to the large cities of the United States about three-fourths of all the officials are Catholics. In the higher offices of the National Government there are but few. The church, however, almost invalidation and trail information about Califernia, address A. Phillips & Co., Excursion Agents, 104 S. Clark st., Chicago, Ill.

### The Torch of Liberty.

Chicago will have the privilege of hear- lieves that every good deed brings its days of the week will eventually cease to

### Finds It Everywhere.

Further About Heaven and Hell. Reason for Opposing The Public

unflinching courage. This is the forement, no method of baptism by water, most woman orator of the age, whom and no hidebound creed. The paper beamong the native population, making vile representations in regard to Krishna assembled in great numbers in Thakord-war Temple recently, and denounced the

L. S. B. writes: "Dr. Juliet H. Severance spoke on last Sunday at Frateralty Hall, Milwaukee, Wis., to a packed house, on the subject of 'Orline and Vice, their Causes and Treatment.' Although Dr. Severance has so often for many years past lectured here, she never fails to draw a crowd to listen to her logical, radical and eloquent discourses."

Another Victory.

The University Museum, of Cambridge, Mass., is now to be open to visitors from 1 to 4 o'clock of each Sunday throughout the year. Thus the Agassiz Museum of Comparative Zoology, the minerals and the meteroites to her logical, radical and eloquent discourses."

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Like all other forces in nature, when common divines of variety and that thousand visitors to be hell, what more fitting than amme? We can well imagine aim of a Mediterranean steamer, ing the ancient port of Joppa, ing the ancient port of Joppa, ing and gentlemen: You will east the wharf, only three aim of a Mediterranean steamer, ing the ancient port of Joppa, ing the Joppa and Joppa ancient port of Joppa ancient port of Joppa ancient port of Joppa and Joppa ancient port of Joppa an the time Christianity became a state re- be formed nor pervaded by the thought

### Another Victory.

### Was it a Cross or a Tree?

The Torch of Liberty.

To the Editor.—I rise to congratulate the new and improved condition and appearance of The Product of the New Jerusalem were just reached by rail was so strange and novel like its name, you have quickened the spirit, and clothed upon and beautified the whole form! It now stands forth, as the "Torch of Liberty, Enlightening the World!" Its pearls of science, its gems of philosophy, and its sweet and beautified "Religion of Humanity," illuminating so many hearth-stones and radiating outwardly over the deserts and gardens of the human race, must cause it to ever hold the foremest position in the grand and stately march of human history!

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The world is now convulsed with the Schools.

The world is now convulsed with the guest of use the footing that the cross on which Jesus was crucified? Three of the proposition is their perilous return to Ithaca from the precious return to Ithaca from the brief advantures their perilous return to Ithaca from the proposition is the proposition and pleasant for the New Jerusalem were just reached by rail was so strange and novel list the great the ross on which Jesus was crucified? Three of the proposition is their perilous return to Ithaca from the proposition is the proposition of the whole form! It now stands forth, as the "Toro, the Liberty, Enlightening to a statements, is it not well to inquire whether a cross was employed? Acts statements is repeated Acts 10:30 says he was "hanged on a tree." This law went into effect February 22, 1892, as the result of twenty-branch them in his gorgeous palace. When about for a whole month entertained the firm of the God of Israel is in Jerusalem." Erra 7:15 said: "The hord the form of the God of Israel is in Jerusalem." Erra 7:15 said: "The world was to visit and and and coul-insight for the proposition in the proposition in the grand and stately march of human history!

Proposition of Humanity," illuminating so many hearth-stones and are adiating outwardly over the des

ligion under Constantine, A. D. 325, of a single mind, as is the case in a book, down to—when shall we close the period? but they will be the freshest, ripest—the same state of facts prevailed. It thoughts of the most advanced thinkers did not end with the reformation! Has of the age. In addition to this, will be Cantral Music Hail, this city, December 10, subject: "Theosophy and Recent notism, Mesmerism and Theosophy." It potism, Mesmerism and Theosophy." It likely to be both her first and last visit to the West. The rale of seats visit to the West. The rale of seats will commence at the ticket office, Mon-day, December 5.

Is Spiritualism a Religion?

This city, December 10, subject: "Theosophy and Recent not on the religion. How in the name of common sense you thought to find the first and last it fully ended to the fullest extent. How in the name of common sense you they claim that Victoria, the Empress of India, issued her proclamation in the future we succeed in getting The Progressive Thinker, it is splendid. India, issued her proclamation in the future we succeed in getting The Progressive Thinker, it is suplended. It fully ended yot? But to the quotations: will commence at the ticket office, Mon-day, December 5.

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nond, will prove of great value to every Spiritualist, and all advanced minds. Now comes the definition that the ... Make some progressive friend a present, of the paper for three months, and thus monster. And yet children are frightald in the good work.

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Is not, this a gift worthy of any one's friendship?

Which will you do, spend five dollars on some gaudy nothing for your friend, who hardly delighted at the reception, will deprecate your effort to please, as beyond your ability, or will you put this amount into subscriptions, which going north, east, west and south, shall by the search-light of The Progressive the standard the truth over the whole country? Try it for a year, and report to us, in the holidays of 1893.

W. H. Bach, who has achieved quite a reputation as a speaker and developing medium, has located in this city, at 20 York street, where he can be addressed for engagements. While here he will hold public developing classes every Tuesday and Friday, at 8 P. M. and ladies classes Wednesday and Saturday at 3 P. M. Will also hold a class at 3235 Calumet avenue, Thursday, at 8 P. M.

Zulieka.

This story, by Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond, will prove of great value to every

be familiar.

"Progressive Thinker" writes from Minneapolis, Minn: Your grand "Procretion, and increased in the cause is austended as a burst of sunshine on a stormy day, it was so full of bright thoughts and grand suggestions. I consider it the best Spiritualistic paper in the country to-day. Considerable interest in our noble cause is awakening in this city at present, and four societies are actively engaged in the work, all of whom are well attended. Our own society, The "Progressive Thinker," is in a flourishing condition. Our hall at 259 Zand ave. South, is being well filled every Sunday evening. W. H. Blair, of Chicago, has been with us for several weeks past and given us several highly interesting and instructive lectures, which were well received and appreciated. Mr. Blair is a very carnest worker, and bas made many warm friends here. Our test mediums, Mrs. Jacobs and Mrs. Seed, are also doing a grand work for the cause and awakening a keen interest among those who are investigating, by their carnestness and the accuracy of their tests, which are almost always reco

### A New Definition.

ened at shadows

### General Survey.

The Spiritualistic Field-Workers, Doings, Etc.

A. E writes: 'Oscar A. Edgerly having served the Spiritual Alliance, of St. Paul, Minn. stace the first Sunday in September, he will be retained by

under any circumstance or any opposi-tion. Prof. Colby, the slate-writer, is now here, and I hope he may do much good and prove himself a workman of whom we have no need to be ashamed. There is a good field for that kind of work for an honest and upright medium, but no charlatans need apply. If there is a good genuine materializing medium who reads this, we take this means of inviting such a one to visit Springfield. The Remember, everyone, that on account of our large edition, we go to press early Money morning. Short items only will be inserted if received on the previous Saturday. We take pleasure in publishing the movements of lecturers and mediums. Meetings, which are doing a grand work, are of local interest only, hence we cannot publish long reports with reference to them. They are too numerous for that. A few lines explanatory of the good work being done are always acceptable. A great deal can be said of a meeting in a dozen lines, giving a "general survey" only of the glorious work being done.

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dressed for engagements.

C. M. Searing, of Quenemo, Kansas, writes: "From the 15th to the 20th of November, Mrs. E. E. Hammon, of Topeka, Kansas, held lectures here in Quenemo, and gave tests and pyschometric readings to fair-sized audiences, giving, in the main, excellent satisfaction. Scelettes desiring a good, honest worker in the Spiritual vineyard would do well to give her a call. The work done here, first by Mrs. M. T. Allen, second by Prof. W. S. Gray, and lastly by Mrs. Hammon, has formed a little nucleus of the very best thinkers, which, with the fostering care of others to come, will grow, we think, to some importance. The Progressive Thinker is a great power in the bands of the Spirituverold for good. Long may it ware."

A. E. writes: "Oscar A. Edgerly bales of words and provided in "Nationalist Spiritualist" Hall, this city, Sunday evening, December 4. This was tionalist Spiritualist" Hall, this city, Sunday evening, December 4. This was to leaves for the South December 8. Her first point will be Memphis, Tenn., where she will spend several days, including Sunday, December 17. From Memphis she goes to Fort Worth, Texas, where she has been announced to to lecture December 18 and 25. She may spend a portion of January in that city. Mr. Hull lectured in "Nationalist Spiritualist" Hall, this city, Sunday evening, December 4. This was the relative work in Chicago for months, as she leaves for the South December 8. Her first point will be Memphis, Tenn., where she will spend several days, including Sunday, December 17. From Memphis she goes to Fort Worth, Texas, where she has been announced to too lecture December 18. Hor first point will be Memphis, Tenn., where she will be demphis, Tenn., where she wil Mrs. Mattle E. Hull lectured in "Na-

### IMPORTANT QUESTION. Continued from First Page.

of no avail before the throne of eterna justice. Their doom was fixed by pre-destination long before the foundation of the earth was laid; and since then the creator has breathed into the inanimate dust of countless millions of human forms the breath of life, endowed them with immortal souls, only that through his divine decrees they might suffer the torments of hell forever. This is the religion of orthodoxy, but thanks to the evolution of thought, it is not the religion of Spiritualism. In the name of logic and ethics how are we to believe unless from knowledge our reason is

We take pleasured in publishing the account of the content of the

camp-meeting work.

On the morning of the 16th of November, at 7 o'clock, E. C. Culver, of Madrid Iowa, a profound Spiritualist, passed to spirit life, in the 85th year of his age, and on the afternoon of the 17th his remains were laid to rest in the Hopkins cemetery.

He had a bright smile and a pleasant word for every one hegreeted. He was a diligent worker for The Progress. IVE THINKER. Alas! that form and smile has left us for a better and higher work.

G. W. Kates and wife have been regraged at Aspen, Col., where their adequates the standard of the eternal presence of the creator; a world wherein is a capacital word of the eternal presence of the creator; a world wherein is a capacital word of the eternal presence of the creator; a world wherein is a capacital word of the eternal presence of the creator; a world wherein is a capacital word of the eternal presence of the creator; a world wherein is a capacital word of the eternal presence of the creator; a world wherein is a capacital word of the eternal presence of the creator; a world wherein is a capacital word of the eternal presence of the creator; a world wherein is a capacital word of the eternal presence of the creator; a world wherein is a capacital word of the eternal presence of the creator; a world wherein is a capacital word of the eternal presence of the creator; a world wherein is a capacital word of the eternal presence of the creator; a world wherein is a capacital word of the eternal presence of the creator; a world wherein is a capacital word of the eternal presence of the creator; a world wherein is a capacital word of the eternal presence of the creator; a world wherein is a capacital word of the silent page of death there comes to its votaries words of a spiritual word of every individual personality. From the silent page of death there comes to its votaries words of a spiritual word of the eternal presence of a life within. They speak of a spiritual word of a life within. They speak of a spiritual universe; a real mod substantial to t

when he made man, and by cunning opinions on this subject of that cold blooded old bachelor, "the Apostle Paul," complishes more eyil than he did by his military prowess on the battlefield of unlist believes that wherever and when-

Spiritualism believes in wonderful phenomena it is true. Yet while it doubts the combustibility of the caudal appendages of foxes in the days of Samson, it will not ostracise or exclude from social fellowship those who do not so believe. But as to the story of the inferior maxillary of an Asiaus Domesticus being so formidable a weapon in the hand of the giant of Israel, we are more charitable.

future, while blind, unquestioning credulity is rewarded with a diadem of immortality. This is not the religion of Spiritualism! And ye who listen with credulity to the whispers of faith, and pursue with eagerness the phantom hope, expecting a reward for your belief, you may find in the mysterious future
"That the truths of the Lord Are more in the spirit and less in the word."

IS SPIRITUALISM A RELIGION?

"That the truths of the Lord Are more in the spirit and less in the word." IS SPIRITUALISM A RELIGION?

Is the interrogatory propounded in the announcement of our subject. Our answer most emphatically is, "Yes!" It is not only a religion, but it is the only rational religion of thought, reason and demonstration. It is all the religion I have, and the declining years of my weary life have been made better and happier by a belief in its beautiful philosophy.

As I have so often stated what Spiritualism does not believe, let me give a brief synopsis of the fundamental doctrines of its faith, hope and knowledge. First and foremost, it answers in the affirmative the walling interrogatory of poor old Job, who, beset with the afflictions of life, plaintively inquired: "If a man die, shall he live again?"

Spiritualism believes in good works and loving words, and never curses its enemies. Patiently it submits to the prejudice of creeds and the ostracism of bigotry. Conscious of the integrity of its convolctions and the truth of its theories and demonstrations, it waits denote them. It has no malice in its tenets, no hatred in its teachings, and only regrets that its consoling theories are rejected without investigation and condemned without a hearing, by so many bereaved hearts and mourning souls. Its true mission is to disarm death of its sting, the grave of its victory, and the hereafter of the terror of its mysteries. It is conquering secturiantian and its principles of love and amity. It harmonizes religion and science, and substitutes universal law for the teachings of the Nazarene.

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ever Eden was,

Verily Spiritualism is not only a religion, but the only true religion of earth. True in its demonstrations of the immortality of the soul. True in its teachings of the brotherhood of man, and the fatherhood of God. True in its moral teachings that punishment follows sin in obedience to nature's laws, and is not the act of a wrathful father. True sin in obedience to nature's laws, and is not the act of a wrathful father. True in its recognition of the precepts of the Golden Rule. True in its mediation as a friend to all the motirners of earth who, standing by the graves of their loved and lost, grieve without hope and find no comfort in the feeble support of faith alone. True in its mission of peace, it smooths the pillow of sickness and suffering, and gilds the darkening hours of the approaching night of death with the radiance of the morning rays of a coming day of immortality. Truthfully it interprets the end of life here after, in which the human soul may begin a new career, learning from the experience of the past how best to mould and form the future.

How often do the weary and careworn souls of the earthly travelers—full of

How often do the weary and careworn souls of the earthly travelers—full of regrets for past errors—wish that they could live life over again; that profiting by past experience they might alike avoid the rock of Scylla and the whirl-pool of Charybdis, which lie on the right and left of every voyage of human life.

Oh, vain regrets! The past is gone forever, while the future alone is left us to redeem our bygone errors and begin a new existence in a realm of endless evolution and progression. evolution and progression.

### Beginning Again.

"When sometimes our feet grow weary On the rugged hills of life, The path stretched iong and dreary, With trial and labor rife, With that and tasor ric,
We pause on the upward journey,
Glancing backward o'er valley and glen,
And sigh with an infinite longing,
To return and 'begin again.'

"Far behind is the dew of the morning,
With all its freshness and light,
And before are doubts and shadows,
And the chill and gloom of the night;
And we think of the sunny places
We passed so carelessly then,
And we sigh, 'O Father, permit me
To return and begin again,'

"We think of the many dear ones
Whose lives touched ours, at times,
Whose loving thoughts and smiles
Float back like vesper chimes;
And sadly remember burdens
We might have lightened then,—
Ah! gladly would we ease them
Could we 'begin again!'

"And yet, how vain the seeking!
Life's duties press all of us on,
And who would shriuk from the burden,
Or sigh for the sunshine that's gone!
For it may be, not far on before us,
Wait fairer places than then;
Our paths may lead by still waters,
Where we may 'begin again.'

"Yes, upward and onward forever
Be our path on the hills of life!
But erelong a radiant dawning
Will glorify trial and strife,
And Our Father's hand will lead us
Tenderly upward then,—
In the joy and psace of the better world
He'll let us 'begin again.'"



MESSAGES WRITTEN IN CLOSED ENVELOPES OR HEARD CLAIRAUDIENTLY.

## PHENOMENAL.

Throught he Mediumship of

Throught he Mediumship of Geo. Cole.

To the Editor:—The Charles Gotlieb Heyne communication was written in a glass jar through the process of independent spirit-writing. It makes no difference in what manner we imprison dependent spirit-writing. It makes no difference in what manner we imprison the paper, whether in an envelope, a locked box or in the glass jar, the result is the same. Ordinarily, and with only rare exceptions, the visiting spirits leave with us plainly-written manuscript, the handwriting being as varied as would be the same number of mortal writers or correspondents.

In the case of Henry Ward Beecher, Henry Kiddle, and others with whom in earth-life I was personally acquainted, and who are frequent visitors at the Carrie Miller circle, their signatures bear a very close resemblance to their normal handwriting.

My first duty as reporter to the circle is to write down the personal appearance, which is usually a full description of the visiting spirit, form, features and dress. In the majority of cases I do not send to THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER their preliminary or descriptive report; but I

THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER their pre-liminary or descriptive report; but I now, in response to repeated requests of the controlling spirits, report verbalim hosts along. CLAUDIUS APPIUS. Mr. Cole's description of all the manifesting spirits. As Mr. Cole's clairvoy- THE RAPID SPREAD OF SPIRITUAL INant powers are superior, all visiting spirits earnestly desire that I should

such manifestations, even when made under the best conditions.

However, as years roll on, the me-diums gather strength. Spiritualists are

ant powers are superior, all visiting spirits earnestly desire that I should report his descriptions, for the reason, I suppose, that their identification may be more complete with the mortal world. The Claudius Applus communication was spoken, and I desire especially to the spiritual life is divided into two distinct of the spiritual life is divided into two distinct the spiritual life is distinct the spiritual life is divided into two distinct the spiritua

was spoken, and I desire especially to call attention to the closing sentence of the fourth paragraph: "More, the reunion of such relatives and friends can be effected by the spiritual and the mortal, under certain prescribed conditions, in the seance-room almost as effectually as beyond the grave."

I can testify to the absolute truthfulness of the foregoing statement. The two worlds—the world of spirit and the world of matter—are meeting each other in a loving embrace, and Spiritual life is divided into two distinct phases, viz: mortal and spiritual existence; the former is brief, comparative in speaking, and filled with cares, anxieties and sorrows, yet it is significant as indicating a season for development, progress and acquirement of that knowledge necessary for the intelligent and comprehensive performance of those duties which are inseparable from the latter phase of existence. It is the mortal side of spiritual existence that I am to discuss at this seance—mortals who fill your streets, conduct your business affairs, cultivate your farms, fill your seminaries and churches—all mortals who fill your streets, conduct your business affairs, cultivate your farms, fill your seminaries and churches—all mortals who fill your streets, conduct your business affairs, cultivate your farms, fill your seminaries and churches—all mortals who fill your streets, conduct your business affairs, cultivate your farms, fill your streets, conduct your business affairs, cultivate your farms, fill your streets, conduct your business affairs, cultivate your farms, fill your streets, conduct your business affairs, cultivate your farms, fill your streets. Will glority trial and strife,
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Tenderly upward then.
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He'll let us 'begin again.'"

NOT IN THE USUAL LINE.

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Mediums Developed in the
Church.

Birds, Fish, Flowers, Pictures, etc.,
Materialized—Money Brought When
Hungry.

Mr. and Mrs. H. are both church people and refuse to be called Spiritualists.
Mr. H. is a veteran in the late war.

Will glority trial and strife,
And Our Father's hand will lead us
then in a loving embrace, and Spiritualists and your seminaries and churches—all inortals.—whether socially, politically, philosophically, or in any elements of industry—are spirits performing missions destined ere their advent in mortal life; thus the spirit in mortal is given him to accomplish—that and nothing more—hence it is found in mortal in the late war.

In surveying the field of the spiritual movement I see that much has arisen that is encouraging in its aspects.
There are now springing up in every direction new forms of phenomena, which have been eventuated by the necessities of the occasions of the several.

Who in alloving embrace, and Spiritualisa whether socially, politically, philosophically, or in any elements of industry—are spirits performing missions destined ere their advent in mortal life; thus the spirit in mortal is given him to accomplish—that and nothing more—hence it is found in mortal life that individuals follow various avocations that appear best suited to their peculiar abilities; therefore the mortal world has many avocations and professions, all contributing to the improvement and advancement of the mortal race, so called, and it is these various professions, and contributing to the improvement and advancement of the mortal who has a risen that is encouraging in every direction new forms of phenomena, which have been eventuated by the necessarian contributions and churches—all inortal life; thus the spirit in mortal life; thus the spirit in mortal life; thus the spirit in mortal life; th

existence.

The spirit in the mortal frame is no less a spirit by reason of its associated presence therein; on the contrary, its immortal characteristics are even associated to the contrary of the contrary

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experience in my further investigation of the theory. subject of research in the field of the psychical, although not as remarkable as some I have Parasites on the Body of Spirithad, contains sufficient facts and evidence for thought and consideration, on which I can synopsis of a lecture by Mrs. Adam sheeoffer no known explanation myself, unless upon the admission of the theory of spirit

production. passed away two years ago, and heard the name "Harvey Chase," and address "2550 a note of the name and address.

As Mr. Ripley once before in a "sitting" things done under the name of Spiritualism, gave me a test which resulted as predicted, I concluded to follow up this one. On a busi-I said I was directed by what purported to be mistakes, and consequently improve the cona spirit message through a medium. He told ditions for future experiment.

me he sometimes got spirit faces on the photothere was nothing whatever, but the others being taken out, within them I found a paint. ing of a bunch of white daisies in oil, and as to a wonderful degree, and insist on 'treat-

pitying criticisms,

about it and try to do so.

hers and read the heart's thoughts and re oduce them upon a slate. Virtue would supant vice in the world, and the "millennium alwn" would have come.

Excellent Results in Investigation. mountain in my way unexplainable to me on Cholera, Diphtheria and Cerminal The Famous Medium at Conser-TO THE EDITOR:—The result of a recent theory I may advance outside of the spirit theory. Who painted the daisy flowers? Pontiac, Mich. ALPHA AND OMEGA.

ualism.

HAN, BEFORE THE PSYCHIC RESEARCH SO-CIETY, CINCINNATI, OHIO,

Mrs. Sheehan began the exercises by read-

Broadway, Cleveland, Ohio;" and further, whom the lines will apply. The subject befor touching it at all; but there are so many

ness trip to Cleveland, last week, my wife ac- they were exposed. Too long have we rested companying me, we called at the number on our oars and allowed these parasites given me as above, and found there H. E. to work damage to the cause we love. Organ-Chase & Son, photographers. I asked the ization would, I think, aid us more than all senior member of the firm, Mr. Harvey Chase, else in lifting our cause to a higher plane, and if he could tell me why I came. He could not, then, with the record of work done, see our

graphs of sitters; also he could sometimes get personal intended in my remarks, and no true slate writing, and had got portraits in colors Spiritualist can take offense. If there are any on porcelain between slates, and showed me present who see a resemblance between themsome, but he did not know that he could get anything for me. I asked him to see if he are welcome to their conclusions. If I were could not ascertain if there was any course he could pursue in my case. Passing his hand I will certainly get, but that is not my lot, and could pursue in my case. Passing his hand I will certainly get, but that is not my lot, and oxide resulting from volcanic disturbances; over his eyes he said he saw that I wanted the I may add I am used to it, and if it does not that this gas is formed in large quantities in picture of a sweet little girl. She was showing him a large white chrysanthemum flower.

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the law. Mediumship is the bridge between
the carth's surface and permeates
the ballot test. To digress, I will state here this was the description of a flower given me through the mediumship of a lady in St. Paul last spring, as of modern Spiritualism is natural, therefore promised previously, through Mrs. Ehrhardt, demands conditions for its expression. The of your city, and later by Mr. Ripley, two slow freight train may get along on a poor days before I received it. Mr. Chase now roadbed with inferior iron rails. The limited said he was "impressed" to sit with me with slates, promising nothing, but we could try.

I prepared two pairs of slates and fastened a perfect roadbed, steel rails, and careful enthem together in pairs. We sat for twenty gineering. So with mediumship; the higher minutes with no result; and it looked like a the intelligence the finer the brain must be. failure. We then placed them in a boxrest sit- At once we see the necessity of education on ing on a table. The box and table were exam- the subject of psychic forces, by our would-be ined by myself, the box containing a few stubs teachers of the spiritual philosophy. Our of oil tubes in different colors, and nothing else whatever. I was then requested to place my hands upon the lid of the box. 1 heard mediums, is to sit and sit and sit—the spirits distinct light rappings within, on which Mr. will do it all! They do not need brains or Chase said, "They are working." We sat sense. The results of such opinions can be thus about one minute, when he requested me seen by the most superficial observer, and we to take out the slates. On the first pair opened need not leave our own city to find the exam-We have those who claim healing power

as from any mortal hands. Upon the same ing' everybody who dares to complain, while they themselves are scarcely able to stand. In slate was also written a communication to me many instances they are victims of one or more but in no instance have I reason to believe signed by our child. Now, if I am to at once diseases themselves, yet never thinking of the admit this letter was written by, dictated or absurdity of their position or claim. Others inspired by our spirit child, I may please a who have sat and sat, at last grow weary waitfew of my friends; but I would do so at the ing for the promised wonders and the dollars risk of offending the many, or incurring their they hoped to rake in, and they start what are call developing circles at so much per per-I have read with deep interest several papers son. People pay for the drivel they hear at by the Rev. M. J. Savage, of Boston, a mem-ber of the Psychical Research Society. He graduate in from three to six months, or as from which a great quantity of decaying angives results, with the details, but no theories, soon as their band is complete; in some of eaving the reader to solve the problem if he these circles the band must be a hundred, and can. A very good way, if the reader will go in others less; or they must be magnetized, and then you will be all right. Washington, In an article in the November Arena, under Lincoln, Henry Ward Beecher, Tom Paine, "Status and Theories," he says: "This, then, Franklin, and the inevitable Doctor are dished is a subject as fairly open to scientific investigation as is the germ theory of disease or the aforementioned must be very busy, as I meet present condition of the planet Mars," and so many mediums, in so many cities, whose further adds: "And I believe the present inchief control they are. The truth is the spirit produced; hence, every form of disease is conhad passed into the new life while asleep. restigation will not cease until all intelligent people shall have the means in their hands for intended and satisfactory decision." I am satisfactory decision. I am interest of science, but to solve, if possible, the question of spirit elumination, honestly seeking for facts only, and trying to establish the truth or falsity of this with my eyes open at all times. To not fall that away you have taken away the proof; with my eyes open at all times. To not fall that way you have taken away to have taken that been the character of these character of the character of these charac with my eyes open at all times. To not fall but there are laws for its production which if too easy a prey to deception I am ever ready to accept an explanation of the phenomenal ing ourselves, or being deceived by others. It features of my experiences. Taking my re- is necessary for us to be as careful in the cent one, it is possible the gentleman who gave me the test could communicate to the gentlest structure of the spiritual philosophy, as it is in men who gave the results the course of procedure, even to the chrysanthemum flower freight. We cannot expect to convert the cedure, even to the chrysanthemum flower description; yet Mr. Chase said he did not recall Mr. Ripley, unless he had heard him lecture in Cleveland several years ago. I asked this question after the result of the sitting. But how will we account for the letter on the slate? Telepathy? Possibly, for the subject matter has been often in the minds of my wife and myself. And now for the name of our child as signed, which had not been mentioned. child as signed, which had not been mentioned, and the phenomena of the writing on slates anipulated by myself. Mind-force upon datter? What a boon to mortals if this gift plane; but our course is not benefited, I assure plane; but our course is not benefited, I assure plane; but our course is not benefited, I assure plane; but our course is not benefited, I assure

## DR. M. J. KELLER.

The Cause at Denver, Col.

There has been organized, under the State Again, if Mr. Chase has a patent upon his laws, "The Colorado Institute of Spiritualism," thus taking the first step towards the building if the slates were prepared in advance, why not the portrait instead of the flowers, as predicted? He said to me "the conditions were not right" to produce the portrait.

The eminent divine above quoted, after giving an experience of his own, says: "Now that some must act in the capacity of the capaci will some one tell me what I am to do with the time of time of the time of tim will some one tell me what I am to do with etc., our society bars no one from its privi- that placid, intelligent face until in its last

Diseases Not Contagious.

A LETTER FROM AN EMINENT PHYSICIAN,

clearly established than that germinal diseases, over thirty-five years, was greeted by an overor diseases caused by specific germs, are not Bedford avenue and Fulton street, Brooklyn, contagious. My own experience with cholera N. Y., recently. She is a woman of perhaps and other persons attending cholera patients and is of somewhat corpulent build. In her Meeting Frank T. Ripley recently, the Boston medium, he in a conversation said he was shown a picture held out by my little girl, who sopher." Then she said:

Some people think I philosophize too much, sion a friend, a physician, was taken violently were no more liable to take the disease than audience were a number of prominent Brookthose not connected with it; as on one occa. lynites. "The Condition of New-Born Spirits and perhaps I do; but you may all think of ill with cholera, and I attended him, slept on some one in your circle of acquaintance to his bed, and nursed him until he was convalescent, and had no symptom of the disease ture, if conditions were right for it. I made in all probability I will be severely criticised was intiracte with hondreds of cases and took no precaution above the ordinary Mrs. Foye declared, was very much the same measures, and I neither took the disease myself nor knew of a single nurse or other person world. As a person had lived here, so did he who contracted the disease by contact.

most carefully, but failed to discover a single hell. According to their belief criminals case that was produced by a transfer of the were received with open arms in spirit land, duced by specific germs, why is it that a large land. proportion of the cases are always near the earth's surface and are never known to exist cholera I never knew of a single instance of a being attacked by the disease; hence, I inferred that Professor Mezzerhoff's theory of this malady was correct: that cholera is produced by the emanation from the earth of a carbonic and effects that are known in cholera.

It is well known that the toxical effects of the gas upon the system are just those observed in cholera patients. In Calcutta, during four epidemics of cholera, with one hundred and fifty four nurses in the military hospitals, only four nurses were known to have the disease; and in Scotland, where a most violent epidemic of cholera was raging and hundreds of nurses were employed, only one nurse out of the many hundreds succumbed, showing that there was less tendency to the disease among the nurses than there was among the people otherwise engaged. The fact that this carbonic oxide is known to be present in all districts visited by cholera is another evidence that it is the inhalation that induces it.

of cases of diphtheria in many hundreds of dience to-night?" families, and have never known of a single instance where all the members of a family were afflicted. It has occurred that several in out the full name?" that any one person imparted the disease to another. In Austin, Texas, in 1880, the worst epidemic of diphtheria prevailed that I ever witnessed. I treated the disease there for several months, and had a very large number of cases. In looking for the cause of the from which a great quantity of decaying anthe hame "Walter N. Campbell." imal matter was carried down through the city. Upon having this source removed the epidemic this nature during the evening. In some

No man who has carefully studied the cause and existence of bacteria could fail to observe his relatives in this world, and assured the inthe fact that the catalysis of organic matter contributes to the existence of many forms of their growth or development.

While cleanliness and proper habits are esthat the unhealthy, irrational and unscientific

### A Veteran Passed On.

of all who knew him, notwithstanding his pronounced opinions.

vatory Hall, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. Ada Foye, the spiritual medium who To THE EDITOR:-There is no fact more has been mystifying the American public for in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1849, was that nurses fifty-five years. She has prominent features Upon Entering Spirit Life" was the subject of her discourse. Subsequently for over an hour Mrs. Foye apparently called up promiscuously from the other world spirits of the deceased relatives and friends of the specta-

The condition of spirits in the other world, as their previous living representatives in this HELEN HARLOW'S VOW, OR SELF-JUStake up life in the Spirit world. Spiritualists I studied the theory and cause of cholera did not believe in the orthodox heaven and IMMORTALITY, A POEM IN FIVE CANTOS.
"If a man die, shall be live?" is fully answered. By W. 8
Barlow, author of Voices. Price 60 cents. disease from one person to another; and the and under the tuition of experienced guides question naturally arose, if cholera is pro- developed into desirable acquisitions to spirit

At the conclusion of Mrs. Foye's remarks every person who felt so inclined in the auin great altitudes? In all my experience with dience was requested to write the name of a deceased relative or friend on a piece of paper, person living in the third story of a house fold the paper closely and put it into a basket which was passed through the hall. When collected the papers or ballots were thrown in a heap upon a table near the medium. Before the collection was made Mrs. Foye abruptly announced that she was surrounded by spirits who wished to be heard and that she would announce their presence before undertaking

Sacred Heart, by Hudson Tuttle, author of "Arcana of Nature," "Ethics of Science," "Science of Man," etc. Hudson Tuttle was threatened with death for writing and publishing his "Convent," which has had a phenomenal run in Turk Progressate Titukker. Post paid anywhere, 50 cents. Paper dition, 25 cents. "Here is a spirit," she called out, "who SOLAR BIOLOGY, BY HIRAM E. BUTLER. seems to be that of James Otis; is there any one in the audience who recognizes that name?

"It is that of my father," a middle-aged man responded from the rear of the hall.

"The spirit of Mr. Taylor," Mrs. Foye ejaculated, "is also here. Does any one recognize the name?"

"My brother," a woman replied, standing up in the center of the audience.

"You may ask the spirit a question—ask it mentally if you prefer," Mrs. Foye remarked. "I have asked it," the acknowledged sister of the deceased member of the Taylor family replied.

"The answer," Mrs. Foye declared after a minute's hesitation, "is yes."

"Now," the medium remarked, "we have What is true of cholera is equally true of the spirit of a person named Campbell. Was diphtheria. I have treated many thousands that name written by any person in the au-

"It is among the papers on the table," a young woman called. "Will you please find

"Walter N.," Mrs. Foye replied. "Is that right?'

"Yes," was the response "it is my brother. There were certainly two hundred and fifty pieces of folded paper on the table in front of the medium. Guided, as she alleged, by the spirit mentioned, she selected one of the ballots indiscriminately from the pile and handed it to a gentleman in the audience to open and read. He called out, after unfolding the paper,

Mrs. Foye made possibly two dozen tests of cases the spirit communicated the fact that he was carefully watching over the interests of quirers that he, the spirit, was very happy in his new life. The spirit, in answer to a question from his son in the audience, declared that his death had been very happy; that he had passed into the new life while asleep.

Items from Oregon.

To the Editor:—McMinvill has had a feast of good things this last, weak through the formed this passed reading. You will be amply repaid. It is a remarkable picture—a page of well the formed the results of good things this last, weak through the fit will bear thorough examination, regardless of detrime the formed the validity of its contents. The fit of good things this last weak through the fit will bear thorough examination, regardless of detrime the fit of the fit of a Translation. The fit of a Translation and production, and the fit will bear thorough examination, regardless of detrime the fit of a Translation.

cause of the imperfect digestion that permits Hall, and decorated it with flowers for the occasion. Mrs. Brown took for her subject the LIFE AND LABOR IN THE SPIRIT WORLD.
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### A Worker in Washington.

I was very much pleased to peruse the ar ticle in The Progressive Thinker by Moses Hull, entitled "Our Cause in Anderson, Ind.," and I wish to add a word to his hints on the benefits of organization and unity of action on the part of those who believe that the angel world can and does have intercourse with this First I would ask, is this philosophy of any benefit to the world? Does it add to the en-joyment, improvement and benefit of humanity? Where is the Spiritualist that has held communion with the loved ones beyond that can answer this question in any other way than in the affirmative? Then what is our duty, our sacred obligation as Spiritualists, to the world, and to the powers that are trying to make their influence felt for good? I cannot see for my life why those who are so eloquent in talking of the "Harmonial Philosophy," can be so in harmonious, and so at variance with each other, personally, or collectively. Here in this grand country of the Sound, under the influence of the gentle zephyrs of the Pacific, amid the grandest scenery of the world, affirm that there is nothing to hinder the outpouring of the spiritual knowledge, the open ing of the floodgates of truth throughout this whole section, were those who know the truth now united, and determined to bring it before the people. Instead of this, they are either dormant or clashing with each other.

No place on this continent presents a more grand opportunity for a sweeping work of reformation and promulgation of our glorious cause, than Seattle, Wash.; but instead we have bitter denounciation of individual work, and a trying to block and tear to pieces the efforts of the few who are earnest, loyal to the strongest societies of Spiritualists in the United States. Simply because selfishness were found filled with calcined bones. does not allow unity, and discord supersede the true spirit of harmony and brotherly love.

Let me appeal to the better element which I know is indwelling in every individual. In

The three last Sundays of October, and the first one of November, I spoke at Brother Knights meeting at Masonic Hall, trying to do what I could to sustain his noble effort to keep afternoon meetings ru. at that place, I am intending to do somethmen the lecture eld this winter, and will make ngagements to speak in any part of Washingto. or Oregon on reasonable terms. Friends, let me hear

Box 5, Edmonds, Washington.

### The Cause at Toronto, Canada.

We had the privilege on Sunday, November 20, of listening to Geo. W. Walrond, trance speaker of Hamilton. We held two meetings, at 3 and 7 P. M., with good attendance. Those who have heard Mr. Walrond can understand the treat that was in store for us. Those present seemed highly delighted. It was the first time in the history of our society that such a feast had been presented to them, Mr. Walrond's chief control was very powerful and entertained us for one hour and a half with a most beautiful flow of language, on a very interesting subject, to which the audience stened with rapt attention.

Our society is very small, and we find it difficult to keep them together, owing to the want of good mediums and a regular speaker. We have a great amount of bigotry to contend with, and it almost amounts to ostracism to bear the name of Spiritualist in Toronto.

I am glad to see that we are getting a few more societies started in Canada.. I hope that more will follow. If we could get a number of societies founded, it would be an inducement for good mediums and speakers to come our way, and would help the cause con-siderably. I think it would be advisable for any Canadian society that anticipates bringing a good medium to lecture for it, to communicate with the other Canadian so arrangements might be made to have the locturer visit them. R. Stewart, Secretary.

### W. F. Peck in Colorado.

clety on the evening of his departure:

edness to you for benefits derived and good accomplished during your short sojourn among us. We can truthfully affirm that never have pleasure of meeting you in the home circle, must all redound to your credit, not only now but out beyond into life to come. Thanking the roofs were cells called "chambers of you sincerely and hoping that we may have trial.

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BROTHER JONATHAN'S WEEKLY DISCOURSE. [Continued from last week.]

There is an awfully solemn feature when, as double, according to her works; in the cup courts, which she hath filled, fill to her double. \* \* \* Alme eternal.

From the hall of torture they passed straight into another vaulted chamber, where two huge ovens had been erected-formed to the shape truth, and unselfish in their labor. Why of beehives, and so arranged as to be heated should this condition of things exist in a place from the back. These were the furnaces into clearly show (by what is disclosed in the which, bound hand and foot, the martyrs confessional) that the Romish Church, at its

From these dreadful places they descended by a stone staircase of about thirty steps to a second series of dungeons, each of which was about eight feet square, and with no access the name of the loved ones gone before; in the for air or light. It is difficult to understand name of truth; in the name of humanity, make how human beings could have lived in such the effort to come together, unite the forces, places of damp and stench and perpetual dark-

Indeed, one prisoner was more dead than alive when rescued in 1849 from the Inquisition at Rome.

A full and most interesting account of this man, whose name was Caschiur, you will find given in one of the chapters of the pamphlet to which I have called your attention.

thickness of the wall opened upon a passage which conducted to a higher part consecrated by inscriptions. These were written by the risoners in charcoal upon the walls. Amongst them were some of recent date, expressing in terms the most touching the sufferings of all kinds which the writers had endured.

In this second tier of dungeons were found imbedded in masonry the skeletons of martyrs who had been gradually, little by little, walled up alive, and who had died a lingering death, God alone knowing in what horrible agony. These were standing upright, and had been bound with cords, and fastened to the wall by

Not far from the "walled-up" were the bod-ies of prisoners who had had their hands and feet securely tied, and who were then buried as high as their breats in slackened lime mixed with moist earth. The marks of movements in this limey earth, and the convulsive died, in their frantic efforts to free themselves

that no bone could be moved without being application of the word in various directions

following testimonial tendered him by the so- upper story before the Inquisitor's Tribunal, was sometimes led to a passage close by in W. F. Peck, friend and investigator: We wish as a society to acknowledge our indebtThis opened under him and he fell downwards lowest vaults.

Each cell was lighted by a window with a outhern aspect and guarded by iron bars, preventing any approach either to breathe a ittle air or to open the glass.

In the excessive heat of the summer this

prison became literally a furnace. After sunset it was insufferable owing to the caloric the exhalations from a vessel which the jailor was permitted to cleanse only once in three days. A small quantity of water was given only once a day to the inmate by his Romish jail. Work for The Phogressive Thinker, and aid

tate of inanition that he knew not where he

And now, in conclusion, I would ask you in that part of the building where Rome's in lished. quisitors lived in regal style and luxury, "far-ing sumptuously every day." When the revo-lution took place in 1849, an official examination was ordered by the government of the documents found in this library. That ex-amination showed not only that aurticular confession (especially of women) was rendered subservient to political purposes and to the most abominable licentiousness, but also that it was made use of to obtain knowledge of state secrets, especially those of foreign courts.

we learn from scripture, God himself will In pigeon-holes, regularly docketed and make inquisition for blood, and when he will marked "confidential," were reports transsay, speaking of Rome: "Reward her even mitted to the Inquisition at Rome by papal as she rewarded you, and double unto her nuncios, the Pope's ambassadors to foreign

Almost invariably the secrets revealed in Torment and sorrow give her" (Rev. xviii, 6). these reports related to political and state And that "torment" and that "sorrow" will be affairs, no matter in what country; and what Roman Catholic bishops.

These are very startling facts. Their grav-Inquisition in Rome, becomes the storehouse of the most important secrets-alike of individuals and of governments-and not only a storehouse, but also a center from which a all classes, from the sovereign on the throne to the humblest soldier in the ranks.

The security of England is imperiled by the confessional; for men who declare themselves and awaken the people; make this a central ness, where horrid silence reigned, except to be "Catholics first and Englishmen after," when broken by the cries and groans and are largely on the increase amongst the upper

Now, these men are bound, if loyal to their church, to reveal everything to their confessors, and then to be directed in everything by those confessors. The salvation of their souls depend upon their so doing-so their church teaches. Thus the secrets of our cabinet, of our war office and our admiralty, are From these dreadful dungeons a door in the all, at the present moment, we unhesitatingly assert, in possession of the papacy, carefully treasured up at Rome-all in possession, that is to say, of a priestly, world-wide power which hates this Protestant country with the direst hatred, which rejoices at h.r defeats, which longs to see her humbled to the dust,

> other, and intends, in case of any conflict between the Queen and the Pope, to follow the Pope and let the Queen shift for herself."

of The Progressive Thinker, I was amused cers and noble men. The bodies were very many, and placed in lines opposite to each other. Some of the skulls had fallen from their trunks—these were heaped up in a corner.

The bodies were very many, and placed in lical science, which never had an existence. How can there be, or in the action of mind, our hearts have been so full as to run over the medium came out the flour was still in his with the waters of life, pure as crystal, prower heaped up in a corner.

The bodies were very many, and placed in lical science, which never had an existence. How can there be, or in the action of mind, when there are no two alike? Neither are there any two bodies alike, chemically or there any two bodies alike, chemically or seeding from the throne of God in man. We charge fraud on his part for any of those with the waters of life, pure as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God in man. We charge fraud on his part for any of those with the waters of life, pure as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God in man. We charge fraud on his part for any of those with the waters of life, pure as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God in man. We charge fraud on his part for any of those with the waters of life, pure as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God in man. We charge fraud on his part for any of those with the waters of life, pure as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God in man. We charge fraud on his part for any of those with the waters of life, pure as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God in man. We charge fraud on his part for any of those with the waters of life, pure as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God in man. We charge fraud on his part for any of those with the waters of life, pure as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God in man. pates bringing to communicate so that have the lectors were found, some of therwise. It may be owing to obtuseness in being the communication of the solution close together, and so amalgamated with lime, medicine. I have always thought that the was dishonestly made to mystify and exalt un From one of the vaults a funnel, some five duly (often at least) the calling in those lines Prof. W. F. Peck's work in Colorado feet square, ran straight upwards to the high-springs, during October and November, was attended with excellent results, as witness the after a prisoner had been examined in an action, for the purpose of money-getting. I do not believe that were all of the so-called scientists of the universe to sit in a congress, to deliberate and speculate indefin itely as to time, they could find out anything in regard to the nature and composition of mind: Only its action and endeavors, in this some seventy feet, till his body reached the or in any other sphere of existence, which any ordinary mortal might do. While not under Here, at the bottom, lay long tresses of valuing the importance and necessity of physi the conditions been more favorable, nor the signs of spiritual growth among us more propitious than now. The germs of truth you have sown in your public lectures—which all admit to be masterly efforts, show-which all admit to be masterly efforts. which all admit to be masterly efforts, showing a fairness, justice and depth of thought and research rarely to be found in an orator—and the wholesome, kindly and helpful influence experienced by all who have had the pleasure of meeting you in the home circle, pleasure of meeting you in the home circle, and the pleasure of meeting you in the home circle, and the pleasure of meeting you in the home circle, and the primary passing from life to corruption in the gloom of this infernal cavern, devised by the satanic cruelty of Rome.

Nor were dungeons confined to the lower for the lodgment of mental forces; and design for the lodgment of the phrenological development of the prain; and if anything can be called science in the phrenological development of the phr in locating them for special purposes, in the wisdom of the Almighty Designer? It would really seem that in the action and disposition resultant from the greater or less development of the organs of the brain, there is chemical difference in their composition. Of this only the loving Father knoweth. S. W. Tucker. Keokuk, Iowa.

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Notes from a Constant Worker. Soul and the Protoplastic Element.

vas.

To the Editor:—I have been reading Such is a very brief sketch of that part of he Inquisition which was devoted to the inarcgration and torturing of prisoners, and I add a few suggestions. Without doubt Mr. Ravlin is a true and talented man, much apropose on first thought, but, to my mind, provided in the rapks of Spiritual expounders. he Inquisition at Rome had been the Church needed in the ranks of Spiritual expounders; will not bear crucial analysis. Protoplasm is of Rome's only charnel house, yet would she but it is hard work and uphill business to the first form of organized matter, hence is sell have earned the title given her in God's come into Chicago and build up an independ-book of a "harlot drunken with the blood of the saints."

come into Chicago and build up an independ-ent society, and especially so when the attempt is made near another society, and at the same life principle. A grain of sand is, to itself, a is made near another society, and at the same o pass with me from the dungeons of the time of services; especially when the old soci-

> People become attached to their own work. We think Brother Raylin made a mistake in the latter is the germ-cell that gives opportulocating his meetings so near to No. 79 nity for unfoldment and development. Thirty-first street, and holding services at the cannot discover soul only as it is a life exsame hour. It served to divide a growing pression. Soul is the mode of expression, society, and if it had been continued would but not in any sense the form of force. Mathave broken up both societies.

how of it.

co-operation.

where all parts of the city could be accommo. dition nor be annihilated. dated with one fare, and the wish has been to take some hour that would not interfere with unfoldment thereof. All materiality has soul, take some hour that would not interfere with other meetings. Either have the meetings then, and is in the process soul, other meetings. Either have the meetings then, and is in the process soul, other meetings then, and is in the process soul, other meetings. Either have the meetings then, and is in the process soul, other meetings. Either have the meetings then, and is in the process soul, other meetings, then, and is in the process soul, other meetings, then, and is in the process, then, are the process, then are the process, then are the process, the process, the process, the process, then are the process, the proc be profitably used, and Spiritualists could be conscious soul-force and cannot be destroyed. organized and placed on a basis where the Spirit bodies and the Spirit world are the mapower of numbers would be felt. Why not terial evolutions of preceding forms of crude discuss this question in your paper?

> will use it. I feel very anxious to see the by compelling eternal expression in forms of good work go on. I have made sacrifices since force. living among you. For nearly two years I have occupied the rostrum every Sunday save three, and much of the time without any A Few Words as to Science.
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and interested in Brother Dennis' account of ministered to us, Mrs. Turbet, and many oth- had but one arm, as was the case in earthattitude of these skeletons, showed the terrible struggle which they underwent before they ing ding-dong, and application of the word ence, thanks to them all and all the members. died, in their frantic efforts to free themselves from the burning lime which gradually stiffened round their limbs and ate into their flesh and bones.

Science, in a pursuit of, and to search in, mental philosophy has become monotonous, if not sickening. Then there is the so called median existence which power had an existence.

I must not forget our Sister Munch, who leads the singing with both instrument and voice, the singing with both instrument and voi science, in a pursuit of, and to search in, men. I must not forget our Sister Munch, who leads frequently handed out with names written

GEO. W. CARPENTER, M. D.

The Cause at St. Louis, Mo. To the Editor:-Our new meetings are rogressing nicely at Garrison Hall, No. 3300 Easton avenue. We have meetings at 2:30 and 7:30 o'clock every Sunday. Last Sunday of Spiritualists, to be held at Rochester, Ind., our hall was crowded at both meetings. The meeting was opened by an impromptu poem by the Rev. Geo. V. Cordingley. Mrs. Eva Hall was then introduced, and as she is a trance musical medium, the rendition of some lovely vocal and instrumental music paved the way for Dr. H. T. Stanley, who lectured upon subjects given by the audience, closing the atternoon meeting with tasts. At the area afternoon meeting with tests. At the evening meeting Dr. Stanley had two questions handed him: "What Shall We Do with Our Children," and "Moral Courage." He handled these subjects in a masterly manner, and these subjects in a masterly manner, and cents. For sale at this office. blamed the Spiritualists for instilling into their children dogmas that they abhor by sending them to orthodox Sunday-schools, while they them to orthodox Sunday-schools, while they (the parents) attend some Spiritual meeting. His lecture ellicited much applause. After singing by Mrs. Eva Hill, Dr. Stanley gave some tests. He gave the name in full in every instance, and is the best platform test medium that has visited our eiter. There is a medium that has visited our city. There is a grand spiritual feast going on at the hall every Sunday, and as all the lectures will be followed by tests, investigators and Spiritualists should avail themselves of this grand opportunity to further investigate the phenomena.

MILTON LYLE.

macrocosm, while to us, and in relation to the world, is only a microcosm. Hence that nquisition to its library. This was situated ety has striven long and hard to become estab-grain of sand has soul-force or life-principle equal in proportion with the world-globe. Soul is the force that evolutes protoplasm, and ter cannot express itself in organized struc-He left one of the most narrow and bigoted ture without soul or life to cement and hold class of people to preach the doctrines of those most hated, and he must not calculate on many solved into an immaterial structure, then it coming from among the Baptists to honor can be said soul is a protoplastic element. him by visiting his meetings, however honest Perhaps the elements have structural form he may be; hence, if he obtains an audience before they become visible atoms to our crude it must come from those people who have sense of sight. Because we cannot see is no broken away from bigotry and its institutions, indication of non-existence. The blind perand are courageous enough to seek truth in unpopular paths; or from those who are curitable that he cannot see nor get within touching disosity-hunters and are seeking phenomena, tance. It is possible that we may not be able which he has none to give. Eloquence and to get within sensing condition of some forms philosophy alone will draw but few to study of force, hence are also in a measure blind. is of infinite importance to ourselves, many of the letters were written by Irish and English material evidence first, then the why and we would likely see in the spiritual realms the formation of ethereal substances from preced-We are sorry that our brother feels that a ing causes or force that warrants a supposicoldness greets him on the Spiritual rostrum, tion of eternal causation in the past epochs, We think, however, if he will so appoint the which are the only true premises to guarantee time of his meeting that it will not interfere eternal future evolution. Thus soul is the with established hours of other societies, he eternal principle that causes the external will have no reason to complain of lack of forms of force, and is the vital element to hold intact all material expression, which guaran-The Spiritualists in many parts of the city tees that organic structure is evoluting conmalignant influence is brought to bear upon have for some time been discussing the pro. stantly, and having reached conscious unfoldpriety of forming a society near the center, ment cannot recede into the protoplastic con-

> Life is soul, and materiality the spiritual force, whilst soul is only another name for life We have the numbers and intellect if we that asserts its continuity and indestructibility G. W. KATES.

> > A Seance with J. King.

To THE EDITOR:-The medium, J. King, recompense save enough to barely meet traveling expenses; yet I tire not in the good work. I have met with many choice minds, and all, so far as I know, have greeted me which longs to see her humbled to the dust, and which would keep her enemies well informed of everything in case of war.

Mr. Gladstone was once constrained to admit this when he said that a papist "renounces his moral and mental freedom, places his civil loyalty and duty at the mercy of another and intends, in case of any conflict best of the control of the contr Thirty-first street there meets from Sunday to opening the curtain, both hands raised and Sunday lovely minds of intelligence, and wide open; some came with white vests, white

recognized and some were not. One lady was Our little medium, who has so faithfully called to the cabinet to meet her husband,

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Mr. Brown's description of the seance which he attended. - Epiron.]

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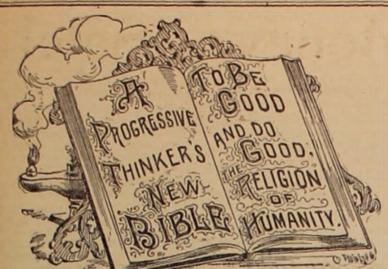
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But, alas! the noble fireman, who to his post stood true, and act the post of the lifeboat and know the whole feeling of death—not part of it only, but the actual end of dying. I did not stop half way; I died and was done with, and when I came back to life again it was no mere case of awakening from what is foolishly called 'supended animation,' but a genuine revival, a restoration of vitality to a man as dead as he ever can be or will be.

To think that they had blamed him, this faithful engineer.

So staunch and true to duty, watching for dangers near.

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And first that, the first he knew, he was safe on the halb above, with soldiers bending o'er him, their eyes brimfull of love,

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So staunch and true to duty, watching for dangers near.

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And as they swarmed around him, they'd for forgotten dear old Jack;

But Frothy, he remembered, and with a cry was on the track.

"Jack, oh! Jack, where are you, pard? Come, you can't be dead!"

And a soldier on his ready arm bore the poor, tired, fainting head;

As the soldiers bent above him, their hearts be at warm and true,

For they, too, were men, my children, those loyal "boys in blue."

I'th appened in this wise; and, though it was a good many years since, I have still a most vivid recollection of every moment of it. I had been skating on a lake in a very cold country. I am intentionally vague because I do not desire to disclose my personality. The surface was smooth as glass, and perfectly free from snow and ridges. But not far from cutting out great blocks of ice the day before, for summer use, and had neglected to mark the spot by a danger signal, as compelled by law, so as to prevent accident.

"During night this open spot of blue water had frozen over slightly—perhaps an inch these had in the plane of the standard in the plane is the standard to beat, his hold upon the murderer's throat. The conditions are always changing, but the New York Tribune holds that the loyal habit of living as

He Was Stone Dead.

To the Editor: It has often been said that it is delightful to die. The experiences of a person are given in the Pall Mall Budget, and they are not without deep interest. He says:

"All my life long I have been singularly destitute, I believe, of that physical shrinking from death which so many human beings feel so accutely. I do not mean to say I am in any hurry to die; as long as things go tolerably well with me in the world I have no insupportable objection to living, but whenever I stand face to face with death, as happened to me several times in the course of my career, I regard the prospect of annihilation with perfect equanimity. I can honestly declare that on all such occasions my doubts and fears have been for the safety and pecuniary position of the survivors, especially those more immediately dependent upon me.

"For myself, I have never felt one moment's disquiet. And I attribute this entire absence of fear of death to the unusual fact that I have already tried dying, and found it by no means a painful or terrifying experience. I mean what I say quite literally. I have not the slightest hesitation in asserting that once in my life I really and truly died—died as dead as it is possible for a human being to die; and that afterward I was resurrected. I have felt and know the whole feeling of death—not part of it Sending back a piercing shrick, like a human soul taking its flight. While the ten well-loaded coaches on the track above them stood, Into the seething waters was swept the brave and true and good! Frothy heard the rush of the torrent, as into the cab it came;
He turned to look for the fireman—he called
him by his name;
But, alas! the noble fireman, who to his post was dead! So, little children, he was a hero,

Well, the soldiers to "our hero" a fine memorial sent, the regiment all seated round in the regiment all seated round in the soldiers to "our hero" a fine memorial sent, the regiment all seated round in the regiment all seated roun Anntle's breast!

Well, the soldiers to "our hero" afine memorial sent, and the thick—forming a continuous sheet with the other and much thicker is good mingled with the evil as the merry world spins round. Story there may be none. Faithful men recognize their responsibilities, and in an emergency do their full duty in a methodical way as a matter of business. They make no system of heroics of it. They are surprised that what they do should cause any stir, or that anybody should want to talk about it. The engines when they break down must be repaired, and the ship carried into port in the best way possible. They say:

"That is all." But there is something more, and it is what makes life worth living. The following poem, the manure of the true hero:

"Auntle's breast!

Well, the soldiers to "our hero" afine memorial sent, the story, all about that their tent, on one side told the story, all about that the other and much thicker count in the story afine swork, well as the story, all about that the difference. I skated incautiously from moralig's work,

When Frothy did his duty, and never thought to shirk. On the side told the story, all about that the solid lee on to this thinner piece, and, moving with considerable impetus, we have the solid lee on to this thinner piece, and, moving with considerable impetus, which showed that each good soldier had proudly 'scribed his name.

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Our Hero.

Tell you a story—shall I! Let's-see, what shall it be!

Of Indians, trappers or robbers, or some wild tale of the sea!

Little Alice says: "Tell us, Auntie, of some one brave and good, Who did some great, good deed; who did his duty as he should."

Well, if you sit quite still and listen, I'll tell you one, Of a man, one of the bravest under the sun.

It's a story that I love to tell, for it always seems to me

If we had more such men, what a brave world in the last 'switch' at Eternity's 'Round-house fing him to a 'Deept of Endless Rest.''
Here was an instance of heroism worthy of emulation, done by one in rendering a service to his fellowmen, that he might save them from a terrible disaster, in which many might have been mangled and crushed to death or drowned. Such was the heroism of one who could expect to gain no great renown, like a brave General at the head of an army on the battle-field. Hence, all the more should the stalwart engineer, because not looking for future honors and destruction, be honored and his deeds lauded. And yet there is a bravery harder to realize in actual life—special to the reasons for one's under the sun.

It's a story that I love to tell, for it always stand of line worthy of emulation, done by one in worthy of emulation, done by one in rendering a service to his fellowmen, that he might save them from a terrible death or death or drowned. Such was the heroism of one who could expect to gain no great rendering a service to his fellowmen, that he might save them from a terrible death or death or drowned. Such was the heroism of one who could expect to gain no great rendering a service to his fellowmen, that he might save them from a terrible death or de

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to the place was drawn:

The fireman shouted: "Great God! we're lost, the track is gone!"

"Not all lost," our Frothy answered, as he grasped the whistle-rod,
And "down brakes" sounded just in time, for which the soldiers thanked their God. But the engine, with the brayest man on whom the sun shone down,
To save the lives behind, one man must surely drown;
For down the roaring chasm bounded the engine with all its might,

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Now is the time to renew your subscriptions for The Progressive sense of its approach—that is at all uncomfortable. Even this is much less at machine to all reflective minds. It is a story founded on facts, and given to her by those high in spirit-life.

HOW IT FEELS TO DIE.

gasping and choking. Whenever I have stood within measurable distance of death ever since my feeling has been always the same—I have been there already, and see no cause to dread it. Of course, one might strongly object to a painful end, on account of its painful end, on account of its painful end, on account of its painful.

painful end, on account of its painfulness; and one might shrink, and
ought to shrink, from leaving
one's family—especially if young or insufficiently provided for; but death itself,
as death, it seems to me, need have absolutely no terror for a sensible person."
And now comes the word that the

guillotine has recently been introduced by the French into their colony of Ton-quin. The French, as all the world is aware, have had and still have plenty of aware, have had and still have plenty of work to do in the way of exterminating piracy in that vast and as yet unremunerative possession. And the method by which they endeavor to exterminate the pirate (when they catch him, which, as a rule, they do not) is that of decapitation. That ceremony has hitherto been performed in the primitive and rather barbarous native way. The culprit being placed in a convenient position, used to light a cigarette and wait for the executioner to take a shot at his for the executioner to take a shot at his neck with a big sword. Sometimes the headsman aimed straight and sometimes he did not, and a feeling had long existed among the gentlemen of the piratical profession that an execution thus executed was distinctively an unpleasant cuted was distinctively an unpleasant process for the patient. Consequently the introduction of the "word of justice" has by no means produced the effect which the French authorities desired and expected. Instead of being impressed with the horror of this mode of execution and expected. Instead of being impressed with the horror of this mode of execution the natives of Tonquin are said to be highly delighted with it. In fact, they regard the guillotine as a most ingenious article de Paris, and they have already witnessed one execution with every demonstration of enthusiasm. Dying, they say, is made so delightfully easy by this admirable invention of the superior European intelligence. The result is that considerable satisfaction is expressed in piratical circles, and it is confidently anticipated that piracy will shortly increase very considerably as nobody in Tonquin would mind being abbreviated instaneously by the guillotine. Death, in short, has lost

the guillotine. Death, in short, has lost most of its terror because the process of most of its terror because the process of dying has been rendered so simple.

"Dying, as a process of nature, cannot well be otherwise than easy. One whose life has been well spent has nothing to fear when the trying ordeal comes. The vile, the licentious, those whose whole life has been steeped in crime, will not find that 'to die' is gain. It is said that nothing is more uncertain in literature than the reported last words of the dy. than the reported last words of the dying. From what we have seen and known of the tendency to improve a phrase or take only part of it, or take a sentence that was not the last words, or unite parts of sentences separated by long intervals and many inconsequential remarks, we doubt the correctness of any that were published in former times, unless the occasion was practically pub-lic and the words were uttered in the presence of a considerable number," says the New York Christian Advocate.
Phrases, too, that related to temporal

matters have been given a spiritual significance for good or evil. A few years ago we had to expose an attempt to prove that a distinguished agnostic physician and author, of this city, made religious utterance on his death-"Another instance is alleged to hav taken place in connection with Mr. Spurgeon. On his coffin were inscribed

Spurgeon. On his coffin were inscribed:

'I have fought a good fight; I have finished my course; I have kept my faith, purporting to be his last words. His private secretary, Mr. Harrild, says that he did not use them, that they would not have been in accordance with Mr. Spurgeon's Christian humility. At the beginning of his filmess he said to Mr. Harrild one day: 'My work is done;' but in the latter part of his sickness he was nearly always unconscious and was unable to give words of farewell.

The tendency herein spoken of does not result from any intention to deceive, but the minds of mourning friends long for consolatory words, and where public funerals are to be had and eulogies delivered it must be confessed that many delight to hear such phrases repeated.

It's a story that I love to tell, for it always seems to me

If we had more such men, what a brave world this would be!

It was the morning after the Fourth of July, was yet alive;

When an engine wearily plodded o'er the dark and stormy road,

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If we had more such men, what a brave world the mistrust and condemnation to deceive, for I am psychologic by nature—that my whole past life did not come up, as I had been given to understand it would, in a single flash before me. On the contrary, I felt only a sense of cold and damp and breathlessness, a fierce, wild struggle, a horrible choking sensation, and then all was over.

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