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# MEDLEY OF MARVELS.

#### Not Electricity.

A few months since, a little girl ten years old was developed as a remarkable medium, in the family of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Willard, Louisville Landing, St. Lawrence co., N. Y. Numerous witnesses testified to us the fact that large tables were rapidly lifted and moved across the room, while nothing was in contact except the fingers of the medium .-So powerful was the influence sometimes attending her, she seemed almost transfigured, and wore the appearance of a spirit. Her health failing, she was confined to the bed for some time. The bed was placed in the centre of the sitting room. At intervals it was lifted entirely from the floor, with none near except the little girl, who lay on top almost helpless. An old uncle, belonging to the family, had repeatedly witnessed the tables move, but persisted, in his ignorance, in attributing the phenomena to electricity. One. day while the bedstead was being lifted up and let down with the most startling sounds, the old man was called in to pronounce his opinion. He stood gazing for a moment with awe and wonder, and then exclaimed, " I'll be hanged if that's electricity!

#### Spirits in a Crowd.

While A. M. Convis, the medium of Bridgewater, N. Y., was recently on his way to Watertown, with Dr. Beals, he was compelled to wait a season at the Railroad Station at Rome While sitting in the passengers' room with a company of ladies and gentlemen, all entire strangers, he was suddenly entranced and controlled by his Indian chief doctor, to go towards a lady and reach out his hands with outspread palms over the lady's head. Remaining in this attitude but a moment, he was then suddenly brought back to his normal state, and to his chagrin and alarm found himself standing before the strange lady .-

cured through the agency of Mr. Convis .-On coming into conversation with Mr. C. and healing.

#### Man lifted by Spirits.

Mr. J. Lawton of Sackett's Harbor, N. Y. on the morning of August 4th, related to us a singular experience. For several weeks he had been, at times, subject to some powerful invisible influence which occasionally seemed to move his entire system. Or the evening previous, while on his way home from our lecture, the influence came on him in the most exhilarating manner, and he declared he was lifted up entirely off the ground and carried several feet. Mr. Lawton is one of the reliable citizens of Sacketts Harbor, and his testimony on any other subject beside the Spiritual phenomena, would be readily credited by his neighbors. The author of the Acts of the Apostles tells us that Phillip was spirited away to the distance of thirty miles from his interview with the Ethiopian Eunich, to Azotus. Many, however, will eredit the testimony of men living eighteen hundred years ago, and scoff at that of their next door neighbors!

#### Gov. Marcy's Daughter a Medium

The daughter of the late Gov. Marcy spent the 4th of July in Troy, N. Y. Though in the company of congenial friends, she appeared deeply depressed; and during the ship, and placed all their hopes of salvation day had strong premonitions of impending in faith and flagellation. News came to the house announcing Gov. Marcy's death, and some gentlemen were about to break the intelligence to Miss M., when, before she could have possibly heard anything, she suddenly threw her handkerchief over her face, and in deep grief retired alone up stairs.

# Rheumatism cured Instantly.

Dana Hawes, aged eighteen, of Potsdam, N. Y., in March last, for several days had been suffering under an inflammatory rheumatism of the severest character. His limbs were swollen in a frightful manner; his pains ing, I have to ask the publication of the folwere constantly intense, and he was confined lowing manifesto: to his bed. Dr. A. G. Fellows, of Albion, N. Before he was able to recover from his fright Y., was then on a visit in St. Lawrence Co., handsome acknowledgments. She declared ship on Mr. Hawes. In fifteen minutes after

violent headache, and that it was instantly bed, on the floor, and from that hour relieved of all pain.

In publishing these sudden and remarkable Dr. Beals, the lady confessed herself a Spir-cures, we would have the reader remember, itualist, and familiar with the fact of spirit- these cases are usually exceptions. Not more than one out of ten or twenty diseased persons are constituted in a manner to be susceptible to the spiritual healing influence to that degree which would warrant immediate remarkable results.

#### The "Whippers."

A Christian order called "Whippers" sprang up in Italy in the thirteenth century, and was thence propagated through almost all the countries of Europe, The society that embraced this new doctrine, ran in multitudes, composed of persons of both sexes, and all ranks and ages, through the public streets, with whips in their hands, lashing their naked bodies with great severity, with a view to obtain the Divine mercy for themselves and others, by their voluntary mortification and penance. This sect made their appearance anew in the 14th century, and taught among other things, that flagellation was of equal value with baptism and other sacraments; that the forgiveness of all sins was to be obtained by it from God, without the merits of Christ; that the old law of Christ was soon to be abolished, and that a new law, enjoining the baptism of blood, to be administered by whipping, was to be substituted in its place. A new denomination of "Whippers" arose in the 15th century, who rejected the sacrament and every branch of external wor-

# Position of a Pioneer Spiritualist.

The late Rev. T. J. Smith was known as among the earliest pioneers of Spiritualism in Central and Western New-York. He was a member of the Universalist ministry, and many of his brethren in that denomination felt somewhat agrieved at his course, calling out from Br. Smith the subjoined letter published in the Christian Ambassador,

BR. AUSTIN:-In consideration of the many and conflicting speculations with the Universalist public in regard to my views and stand-

It has been a matter of surprise to me that those professing much anxiety for my welthe lady relieved him by rendering the most and was sent for to test his healing medium fare, and friendship towards me, should have declined even to inquire of me what opinions moment before she was suffering from a his arrival, the Doctor had his patient off the I entertained, and the position I occupied.

Common courtesy would lead to this, and cording to the eternal laws of the Creator, inquiry of this nature is yet to be made .-Alas! for professions found in company with such practices! An article in the Ambassador some time last Spring stated in substance "there were two preachers in the Otsego Association that must be attended to, if they lacked the manliness to withdraw from the "they were above the Bible." Rumor with its many tongues, shaped and fashioned the to a giant's size. In consequence of the opinions of others thus formed, I consider it due to myself and the public to be rightly apprehended in my position, and especially is this the vapory speculations that ignorance and faith, and least of all to hide my light, howwhatever may be the honesty of friends while did inquirer after truth and heaven.

In brief but plain language the result of my investigations of the new phenomena here follow. I believe in spiritual intercourse with my whole soul-believe that departed mortal (now immortalized) beings come to usare around us and influence us day by day. That when our condition is favorable, an influx of celestial knowledge may reach the mind-the hand may be moved to write, and the tongue to speak the intelligence of higher spheres. Every individual, when born to immortality, or as men express it, when he dies, enters at once upon that range of being, for which he is prepared, and enters with a spiritual form corresponding in its outlines to the material body left with mother earth. Death. so called, changes none of the attributes of mind, nor alters in the least, the moral condition of the individual soul. Ignorance and moral obliquity still attend it, until it grows in grace and in a knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. Surrounding conditions may no longer feed the sinful desires, still there remains before it new channels of thought and duty yet to be opened and passed, leading on to higher scenes of joy. Immortal, like mortal, beings are subject to that order, ordained by the great Creator and adapted to the varied range of being, in the successive advances and developments of man, from his low estate up to an angel of light in celestial worlds. The law of affinity sways man and angel, and holds congenial beings in groups and series by its subtle power. All beings so in the spirit world. Not, however, as men giveth life." judge of high and low, but as man and spirit are perfected in a true life. Holiness of life, not according to man's standard, but ac-

of harmony and joy

Below these, imperfection dwells in each

state of existence, and undeveloped and ignorant spirits in the body and out of the body, mingle in spontaneous companionship. As these know not the truth, beyond the denomination," and more than intimating it, though often the attempt may be made .-What man expects a truthful answer from his ignorant, undeveloped fellow, on any substatement; nay, enlarged the imaginary evil ject beyond the sphere of his observation ?-In ignorance of his true condition and knowledge, man might ask, and feel disappointed at the answer. Ignorant spirits, like ignorant mortals, will ever impart according to what required, when grave men turn from the true they have, and not according to what they sources of knowledge, and seem satisfied with have not. Spirits in their attempts to communicate with mortals, do the best they can prejudice beget and cherish. I have no dis- under the circumstances, and men in trying position to shrink from the avowal of my to profit by such communications, do the best they can; and by the imperfections common ever dim, under a bushel. Neither am I dis- to each, misunderstandings and contradictions posed to father the views attributed to me, often occur. These are not chargeable to spirits, nor mortals, but a hybrid from both, ignorant of their true parentage. I will not varying at all times by the altered conditions trespass on your space by offering arguments of their production. A careful and continued in support of the opinions and faith which I investigation of this great subject for the cherish. There will be time enough for that past ten months, has led me to believe fully when they are called in question by the can- in the views above set forth. Daily, in my own family and elsewhere during that time, I have calmly looked the facts of spiritual intercourse in the face, and given an attentive ear to the varied teachings of the spirit-world Facts have multiplied around me, and demonstrations of such a character been given, that not one doubt remains. I have seen them, heard them, felt them, and have knowledge of their intercourse with mortals. Here then, is my position on Spiritualism. I have knowledge of spiritual nearness and intercourse—I have a living faith in their teachings and philosophy, and am a constant inquirer and laborer for their higher life. And yet I believe no less in the Bible, but more. Spirits have enlightened me in regard to its teachings, and made many dark passages clear and instructive to my mind. In the light that has shone around me, I am satisfied that Sage and Prophet, Evangelist and Apostle wrote by influx or influence from the spirit-world, as mortals now write, and then as now, some were more perfect media than others, and hence the seeming discrepancy between them. The same chain that anciently bound the two worlds together, remains unbroken, albeit rust may have gathered on its links; and the same channels of intercourse are yet open, though the cold formalism of profession, has held the pilgrim away from that shining that leadeth up to celestial realms; and angel voices freighted with heavenly wisdom flowing down these channels awakened no response from the lower world. Priest, and elder, and laymen alike find their proper associates in harmony with immured themselves "in the letter that killit. As there are the high and low on earth, eth, and hasteth away from the spirit that

"Oh! backward looking sons of time. The new is old, the old is new, The cycle of a change sublime Still sweeping through."

Thousands of years seem to have hallowed friendship grieve without it. Still the first alone adapts man and spirit to high spheres the teachings of spirits recorded in the Bible, and men pretend to believe on the evidence furnished therein, in its sacred truths, but the same teachings repeated now, in the same way, among neighbors and friends even. are unworthy of faith or attention. Alas! for man, when the far reaching shadows of range of their experience, so they cannot tell the past, shut out the rising dawn of the living present! Faith that leans so heavily on the distant and old, that the glowing present has no claims upon it, may lean to its fall .-If living testimony which is all around us, even at our doors, is unworthy of credence, who shall rest his faith on the records of the past? Consistency will receive or reject both. The bible and spirits are my guides to duty and heaven. The latter bring the truths of the former, in living nearness to my soul. I aspire to the plane of life where their teachings converge to immortal glory. If for these things I am thought worthy of condemnation by the denomination, I shall not parry the blow. "Whether I ought to hearken unto men more than unto God, judge ye."-Pardon me this one claim upon your columns, and believe me your brother in the light of a higher life. THOMAS J. SMITH.

Morris, N. Y.

To this the Ambassador made the following reply

In another column will be found a letter from Br. T. J. Smith. We can have no objection that he should define his position, and jection that he should define his position, and cheerfully yield the opportunity for that purpose. His letter abounds with sentiments which suggest criticism: but we have little time or space to devote to the subject. Br. time or space to devote to the subject. Br. Smith is very confident he has seen spirits, and also heard and felt them. But he speaks with no more assurance, and we think with no more reason, in regard to this seeing and feeling spirits, than scores of people in the Asylums at Utica and Worcester.

There is one thing in Br. Smith's letter which should not be overlooked. He takes the ground that the Prophets, Evangelists and Apostles wrote the Scriptures by the instrumentality of spirits, in the same way and

and Apostles wrote the Scriptures by the instrumentality of spirits, in the same way and manner that "mediums" now write, and speak and knock; and that in the fact that some of the Prophets and Apostles were not as perfect "mediums" as others, may be found the reason for the discrepancies between their different testimonies. What seeming tound the reason for the discrepancies between their different testimonies. What seeming "discrepancies," or contradictions Br. S. finds in the Bible, which he desires to "smooth over" in this manner, we have no means of surmising. Moreover he expresses his sur-prise that people can believe the Scriptures, written thousands of years ago, and refuse to believe the utterances that come through the "rannings" and "mediums" of the assent rappings" and "mediums" of the present day. He thinks there is no consistency in rejecting belief in the "spiritual manifestations," which are made through "Tom, Dick and Harry" now-a-days, and still receive as divine the sublime truths declared by Isaiah, Christ and Paul! And finally, placing the "knockings" and "other "spiritual manifestations," on the same footing as the word of tations," on the same footing as the word of God, and attaching an equal value to them, declares they should both be received or rejected together.

We confess this yoking the Bible with the jargon which comes through "mediums," and attaching equal value to them, is rather a higher or lower reach than we are capable of making. We are dubious of its propriety.— Nay, more, we utterly reject and denounce it as unworthy any one who has proper respect for the Scriptures. It is casting a stig-ma and reproach upon the inspired volume, which cannot be too plainly rebuked. The assumption that the Bible, the Beacon-light of Nations, the Fountain of civilization, the Hope of a world, is to be brought down to an equality with the mutterings of "spiritual knockers," or to be condemned or approved the condemned or a by their crudities, is one of the most wretched affronts that could well be given to the common sense of mankind!

As to "condemnation," we think it has been thus far altogether on the side of Br. S. The denunciations and condemnations of the Universalist denomination in which he indulged in his sermon at Oxford, if he has been correctly reported, would denote anything but a disposition to tarry among a people as faulty as he represented us to be.

Perhaps Br. Austin may not desire to be he is now less disposed to intimate that all spiritual witnesses are subjects for Lunatic Asylums. We can see nothing profane in contending that the means God used centuries since, to communicate through the prophets, apostles, etc., are the same now recognized by Spiritualism. The same sun that shone then shines now, and the humanity of to-day is just as precious in the sight of God and angels. The "Toms, Dicks and Harrys" of to-day need saving as much as the Mary Magdalenes, Peters, Judases, publicans, sinners and harlots Christ sought out as witnesses eighteen hundred years ago. God speaks in every thing, and his "Word" is written on the meanest of his works. What objection can be adduced against having the Bible confirmed, elucidated, explained and rendered practical by the light of to-day? The Lord knows the people have long needed light to enable them to believe and understand the Bible aright, and hundreds of thousands have received it through Spiritualism. We cannot speak in regard to the particular "condemnation" to which Br. Smith refers: neither have we any personal complaints to offer here; but we do know that some of our Universalist brethren, in times past, were wont to be somewhat severe on Spiritualists.

### Divinity of Truth.

BY MISS C. M. BEEBE.

Miss Beebe on her visit last winter.]-Ed.

an unbounded everlasting mystery, opening man with a ray of fellow feeling for his shall never endeavor to shake.

to the seeker only little by little; and because struggling race will be found out of this by the pure light of heaven.

Prophets and Poets had proclaimed the waiting, yearning, groaning, for more light. Its very crime and the wail of its immortal held responsible to-day for the precise lan-guage he used some time since. We trust clear glimpses of its light, and died in pangs clear glimpses of its light, and died in pangs of insatiable aspiration, struggling to take in a fuller measure of its beatific effluence, and its perilous beauty. Perilous I say, not less taught Carpenter. for this age than for that; for never since the wrestle with night and sin began, has the divine truth, newly announced, but everlasting in its essence, been out of the shadow of the cross and gibbet, save when it stood in the broad glare of the faggot, and the more fearful glare of angry eyes, walling its solitary

To demit its "mortal coil"—

To demit its "mortal coil" ful glare of angry eyes, walling its solitary champion round, as with the flashing points of myriad daggers.

> Two thousand years ago the world had hope again—the world that crucifies its Gods and deifies its own immolated victims.-Again in the awful judgment hall of Pilate where timid truth could find no sympathising softness, in the stern faces that frowned around the culprit's bar-the question was re-uttered "What is Truth "" Unanswered hitherto through all the ages; in the wild outbursts of poetic frenzy, and prophet, and bard, and Sybil.

The unconscious heart of humanity must have felt an inexplicable yearning, as it waited for an answer from those lips that spake as never man spake—but they answered not a word. And yet the perplexed questioner went forth to plead for the speechless and betrayed. Two thousand years that prophet's name has blazoned on the banners of the world, and his symbol cross-the cruel cross of his ignominious death—has glittered [We present this extract from the lecture in gold on the spires of princely temples, and on the above theme, delivered in Auburn by flashed from the purple robes of priests, arrayed in kingly power and splendor; but If for six thousand years—as they tell us the deep aching heart of humanity still -since with its living freight of throbbing yearns for that answer, and the lips of the clay, and aspiring soul, this world of ours was great silence have never parted. An array launched into the abyss of space; the deep of eager disciples throng round each one of heart within us-organic hope and fear, joy many thousand teachers, all crying, "Lo! and sorrow, and the yet deeper, soul-intangi- here! lo there! I have truth. Here it rests ble essence; touching God with its right hand and can be found nowhere else," till the conand hugging earth with its left-have wres- fused heart and soul, thrice confounded in child, let it be granted at the first word, withtled with the darkness, and struggled into the sweltering chaos of opinions; could say out entreaty or prayer, and above all, withlight: how shall we now need preachers and of any teacher, first Nazarene, or last New teachers to exalt the name of Truth? Why Englander, let him be thrice deified, so he pleasure, refuse with reluctance; but let should we now be standing on the threshold but bursts the locks of this silence and tell your refusal be irrevocable-let not imporof another era of the unwinding mysteries of us verily, What is Truth. No man believes tunity shake your resolution: let the posilife; and still be seekers of new light and the question was ever clearly solved, who ascatechumen in the broad temple of "The dissists in this age to maintain the innumeration of brass, which a child, when he has tried vinity of TRUTH ?" Ah, because it is divine, ble preachers and seekers of truth, and no his strength against it half a dozen times,

the darkness is clinging and dense, and of the helpful brotherhood. But though the lips of material blood and kin of our lower nature, the great teacher were mute, which he might which must be conquered and subordinated have crowned his mission with a triumphant to the higher, before our souls are permeable everlasting announcement of the law, had he seen it as we believe he did, and been pleased to utter it with compelling clearness highest revelations of the advancing soul, as we deem he might have done; it seems and for four thousand years, along the river that with a deeper knowledge than appears of time, had launched their glowing thoughts to us, he chose not to reiterate the eloquence like guiding fire-ships starring the darkness of his whole life, in words, which could add with their flames: and yet the world stood no emphasis to that living gospel. If Pilate, deep as its heart, in black night and in crime and the thousands of yearning hearts, that look longingly to Jesus for the answer, which no words could utter more clearly, could agony were eloquent appeals from restless not, or would not read the divine reply in error to the heavens of truth. And true that wonderful life, of lowly greatness, and unpretending pride, soft womanly strength and all pervading fidelity, neither could they receive it in the most studied pages of the scholar, or the grand simplicity of the un-

#### Life Weariness.

BY JENNIE LINDEN.

Panting for that home more blest. Where the weary-worn find rest?

Not that labor is degrading-Not that poverty ignores All those noble, bright revealing Of the heart and mind's deep stores, Would I seek a home more blest— Would I crave enduring rest.

But when daylight slowly deepens Into twilight's leaden gloom; And the golden lights of memory Ling'ring in the distance, loom Up before my tear dimmed eye, Prompting the unbidden sigh,

And the weary frame, o'er taxed
By the pressing hand of care,
Sinks beneath the weight dishearten'd—
Shun'd by friends I once thought rare—
Friends whose friendship proved a boon
When the light of Fortus shope: When the light of Fortue shone:

Then I feel that life hath shadows. Deeper that the shades of night,
Length'ning on my pathway ever,
Clouding every vision bright,
And my spirit weary cries,
Give me rest beyond the skies.

Rest-where hopes no more are blighted-Where no trusting heart's betrayed, But its longings fully sated (All earth's sorrows far outweighed) By those joys yet undefined, Flowing from the Eternal Mind.

Whatever you think proper to grant a out making any conditions. Grant with

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# OUR HOME CORNER.

-The full glory of closing summer gleams serene and solemn over all the landscape, and the waning noon-tide sun shines with a more sombre shimmer in premonition of coming autumn. Memories fraught with the sad and joyous treasures of years, rush over the soul, and the scenes and associations of the past are born and dying anew in the passing breezes ruffling the foliage of declining summer. God speaks in the rolling seasons, and his ministering angels make record in Heaven of the summer harvests we have garnered on life's field, and the fruits and flowers we have cultured for the perennial gardens of Paradise. We would muse more amid the memories thronging around, but the field, the battle of real life rings out its call, and our ideal visions vanish.

-When Universalists first began, they were thought capable of all sorts of wicked things. In a town down East they built a church and crowned its steeple with the figure of an angel blowing a trumpet. A pious opposing lady, . on first seeing it, exclaimed, "wal, if that are aint jest like 'em. They're a dreadful set. They've got a man on top of their steeple drinking out of a bottle!" The "dreadfulness," however, of now having such a figure, might be apprehended by some of our Universalist brethren themselves, since it would suggest something pointing towards Spiritualism; for they are growing reluctant ship of a quiet, loving heart, affects them like to admit that angels can any longer either blow trumpets or give any other signs of yelping and stamping, singing and groaning, communication with mortals.

If our readers would know why we pubof the time due,-all we can say is,-the throne of love. mails were at fault away off up in Jefferson mails were at fault away off up in Jefferson

—The most disagreeable situation for a
and St. Lawrence Counties where we found man is, to be unable to reconcile his heart ourself itinerating with the will and work of and conduct. a John the Baptist; though we are happy to have returned with our head and something.

Nothing elevates us so much as the presence of a spirit familiar, yet superior to our have returned with our head, and something own. else equally material with which we shall hereafter make the mails and our press go left worth keeping. off without any delay. We are sure those of off without any delay. We are sure those of our good Spiritual friends and patrons who twice, listen at once to what it teaches.

truly appreciate, and sympathize with us in, our manifold pioneer labors, will pardon all ing on a basis to warrant punctuality in the

-We have heard a great many acute reasons why spirits were unable to commu-nicate and manifest themselves in certain places and on certain occasions. But an anecdote related us by Bro. E. A. Holbrook of Watertown, Jeff. co., N. Y., affords us a reason probably quite applicable to many local-Whitesville, Jeff. co., is a small neighborhood which seems to have enjoyed the reputation of a hard, dull, unattractive place. A number of individuals proposed to relieve the monotony of Whitesville by forming a circle and attempting the induction of Spiritual manifestations. A company met and persevered several times in succession, but no spirits were able to make manifest their presence. One spirit after another was evoked, until the catalogue of all the spirits who had ever left Whitesville was entirely exhausted, and none of the departed were able to indicate their coming back. circle was completely non-plussed, and one member after another gave reasons for the non-appearance of their spirit-friends, yet without feeling entirely satisfied that they had hit the true mystery. At last, a waggish member drew himself up and settled the difficulty by exclaiming, "No wonder the spirits dont come back here; who ever heard of any body's coming back to Whitesville, after they fairly left it once!"

-A clergyman in Watertown, N. Y., lately invited a friend to join the church. The friend objected, stating that he was a spiritualist and did not need a church to take care of him. Whereupon the clergyman remarked that there were but few Spiritualists! This clerical argument against Spiritualism was so overpowering that our spiritual friend has not yet sufficiently recovered to make up his mind to join the church.

-Miss Dix, the philanthropist, states that among the hundreds of crazy people with whom her sacred mission has brought her into companionship, she has not found one individual, however fierce and turbulent, that could not be calmed by appeals to their religious natures uttered in low and gentle tones. The power of religious sentiments over those shattered souls seems miraculous. The wora voice from Heaven. Tearing and rending, gradually subside into silence, and they fall on their knees, or gaze upwards with clasped lished No. 33 and 34 of the Clarion in one hands, as if they saw through the opening double number, and that, too, not far ahead darkness a golden gleam from the Father's

He that loses his conscience has nothing

-Our noble Bro. Joseph of Mount Vernon, N. Y. will accept our fraternal response to past delays, on our assurance of now stand- the kind wishes he and our dear kindred send us from the "Old Folks at Home!" Memories rich with blessings gather around all the hallowed ones of an early home!-Friend Weston of Maine will hear from us soon .-God bless you, Bro. O. Barnes; but we are unable to answer now.-We have a batch of all sorts of poetry, etc, which we shall overhaul in time.-We cannot return communications, unless they are accompanied by stampped envelopes.—Thank you, old Lowell chum"; take our hand on the track of Progress

"Sentinel" of Albany writes:

A singular indication that old times and old lines are passed away, is found in the fact that several memorials were presented to-day from residents, town authorities of Canada, asking for the International Bridge over the asking for the International Bridge over the Niagra. The day has been when the community of interest, this brotherhood unmarked, undistingnished by lines or boundaries, would not have been known, but now, the Candas, practically free, and only theoretically crownruled, are hastening on the time when commerce and education shall weave bonds even war cannot totally saver. war cannot totally sever.

So old Sectarian lines are passing away, and angel-bands are opening communication between all the spheres of earth and heaven.

### How We Spend our Leisure.

We left Auburn July 4th and returned August 25th; visiting Syracuse, Oneida, Wampsville, Canastota, Rome, Utica, Clinton, Oriskany Falls, Solsville, Earlville, Smyrna, Norwich, Oxford, Morris, Bridgewater, West Winfield, Willowvale, Watertown, Sacketts Harbor, Potsdam, Ogdensburg, Madrid, Louisville, Massena, West Potsdam, Cape Vincent, La Fargeville, Brownville, Governeur and Richville. We delivered over sixty extempore lectures, averaging one hour and a half in length; gave about eighty public psychometric or clairvoyant examinatins, and three hundred in private; made the personal acquaintance of about five hundred Spiritualists; traveled one hundred miles by steamer, two hundred by stage coach and private vehicle, and four hundred by Railroad: wrote one hundred and seventy-five private letters, and prepared all the matter every week for the Clarion; raised and remitted funds to meet home expenses; increased the circulation of the Spiriturl Clarion among about fifteen hundred new readers, and kept moderately cool during the "heated term.' After a little more exercise in these various branches of experience, we hope to begin our work in earnest!

### Mr. and Mrs. U. Clark, West.

In response to our intended trip West, we have received cordial invitations from Fulton, Bellvidere, Peru, Mount Carrall, Aurora, Illinois; La Porte, Elkhart, Indiana; Geneva, Ohio; Adrian, Coldwater, Ann Harbor, Upsilanti, Michigan; Racine, Wis., and many other places on the route. We wait to hear from a few other prominent points, and shall report within a few days.

#### Itinerant Etchings.

Glories of Morning—Willowvale Memories
The Free Love Problem—Watertown—
Trance Speaking—Rev. E. A. Holbrook—
The Stampede from Sectarism—Convis, the
Medium—Sacketts Harbor.

Willowvale, Saturday, Aug. 1. The rosy morning smiles like a maiden weeping tears of joy and love over fresh memorials from the idol of her being. What glory, what beau. ty beams beneath the rising sun, while floweretts drip with honied sweets, grasses and foliage sparkle with myriad chrystal dewdrops, the landscape is dressed in virgin vesture; while streams murmur to the melody of the thousand warblers hailing the morn whose golden chariot is rolling out with a grandeur as fresh as when the stars first raised their song over a new born creation. We tical than many of the popular trance effuarose and walked the winding paths of Wil- sions. The people need to understand that lowvale, till we stood upon a summit where glory crowns a scene of unsurpassed loveli- ing through the abnormal form of closing the ness. With Amos Rodgers, the Cincinnatus of this domain, by our side, it was like sitting and walking in "heavenly places.'

Mr. Rodgers is a model Spiritualist, with a mind highly cultivated, a heart warm, a home open, abundant means at his command, a love of art and nature blending, and a spiritual experience rich with lessons of practical wisdom. In company with L. L. Curtis and others, he was among the first to investigate Spiritualism in Utica. Three or four years since they received a variety of teachings through their own mediumship, covering over nearly all the ground of our phenomena and philosophy. Of late Mr. R. has been deeply exercised in relation to certain radical tendencies among a class of Spiritualists who undertake to bring down "kingdom of heaven" ideas of liberty and love, and make them applicable to the social and material plane of life. Like many other clear seeing Spiritualists, he regards these tendencies reckless, rapacious, and in danger of running into extremes of licence more deplorable than the evils existing in the present state of society. Whatever evils exist under our present institutions, may be attributed more to inharmony than to institutions; and no "new order of society" can force a reform unless individuals first reform themselves. No class of men and women, by taking them out of the world and becoming isolated, can regenerate humanity. The good, the noble, the heroic, the pure, the Christ-likemen and women are needed as workers out among the people; and to undertake an organization outside and away from the world, to build up a cozy litheaven all tricked out for the accommodation of a few self-selected saints, who fancy themselves the only free and elect, looks exceed\_ ingly like shrinking from the great conflict of life and the demand made on all heroic souls to go out seeking and saving the lost of humanity. But we are speculating off of our ride we had. Monarch of the vehicle, we itinerant track, and must return to take the cars from Utica to Rome and from thence seventy miles North to

1, 2, 3. The cars fly at a fearful rate, and -Dr. Kimball greeted our arrival just at dark, we land to take the hand of Br. E. A. Hol- and the Academy bell soon made a loud noise

thern New York, previous to our advent, son and Wm. Hume. We found the field open and inviting. Regular meetings have been held in Watertown for several months. sing himself to the wants of those who were prepared to understand the philosophy of trance-speaking. In most places, however, there is a wide need for something more pracmortals can speak by inspiration without goeyes and passing into spasms, though these must inevitably have their day, and should be encouraged in cases where they seem indispensable to the development of a normal mediumship. The tendency, however, of trancemediumship is now generally towards a natural unfolding, and all mediums will doubtless at last come out on the normal plan, in possession of all their senses, material and spiritual.-This is the residence of E. A. Holbrook, who for many years was an officient clergyman, but now stands out an advocate of Spiritualism. He found the sect to which he belonged fast waning and its limits too narrow for his expanding soul. He dropped out of the ministry gradually, and recently returned his letter of fellowship, though it came hard for the Association to receive it without thrusting at his new faith. Something was said about cutting off Spiritualists, when one member of the Association suggested, if such an attempt were made, the cutting off would become rather more extensive than was imagined, as there were many members of the denomination, clerical and lay, highly tinetured with Spiritualism. Br. Holbrook carries on a thriving dentistry business, and works ardently in the Spiritual Apollo Hall Sunday afternoon, and on Sunday, Monday and Wednesday evenings. On Wednesday evening, A. M. Convis, the medium, was present, and his Indian spirit closed with striking detections of disease among strangers in the audience.-Watertown is awake with a large number of intelligent friends and citizens. Our thanks are due Brs. Holbrook, Turner and others for a large club for the Clarion.

Sacketts Harbor, Aug. 4 .- This place is ten miles west of Watertown on a magnificent bay of Lake Ontario. We took stage, and found ourself the only passenger. A glorious stretched out our weary limbs, and were jolted into a comfortable nap, while musing on the clouds which floated away like angel-Watertown, St. Lawrence co., N. Y., Aug. bands bearing the burdens of departed souls.

brook. Watertown is a fine little city of announcing us. We spoke to a fair, an attenabout nine thousand inhabitants, situated on tive audience, closing with examinations. A Black River, twenty miles from the St. Law- Presbyterian clergyman, on our giving liberty, broke in on our lecture with some ques-The only prominent spiritual speakers vis-tions in regard to inspiration, and then very iting Watertown and this vast region in Nor- soon broke down when he found where we were and what weapons we had on hand .were Mrs. Peck, H. P. Fairfield, G. M. Jack- We enjoyed a grand stroll along the Lake shore the next day. Our interview with Dr. Kimball was exceedingly agreeable and instructive. We called on "Father Jones," an Henry Stodard, an unpretending trance aged Universalist minister, and he gave us a speaker of considerable promise, has spoken genial parting benediction; and a pleasant nearly every Sunday, for some time, addres- ride with his son-in-law returned us to Wa-

For the Clarion.

#### Vale of Shadows.

On the earth I'm dark and weary Where my footsteps chance to roam, Till the spirit voices cheer me In the valley where I moan.

Silent shadows fall around me As I stray among the tombs, Till the sweetest anthems greet me From the world where beauty blooms.

Whispering softly, hope comes smiling, In the purest accent clear, Every thought of woe beguiling, Murmuring gently, heaven is near.

Up the plane of life ascending Where the rays of light are warm, Are the joyous hearts now blending O'er the vale of sin and harm.

See the misty shadow fleeing, While the breeze of love speeds on And the rosy morn is shining Through the vale of life begun.

Hail, ye messengers of glory ! Bear me swiftly far away From the vale of shadows dreary To the realms of endless day. Smyrna, N. Y.

#### LATEST SPIRITUAL ITEMS.

-Mr. and Mrs. U. Clark will lecture in field in his own earnest way.—We spoke in Markham Hall, Auburn, next Sunday at 3 and 71/2 P. M. Seats free. Messrs. Convis, Hobbs and some other mediums will be in attendance.

> -A. M. Convis, the remarkable examining and healing medium of Bridgewater, N. Y., is now in Auburn for a few days, and may be seen at our residence on Hoffman-st., orbe addressed in our care. We have never met a medium who examines so rapidly, giving so many accurate and reliable tests of positive spirit-control. We know Br. Convis well, and as a man and a medium can confidently commend him as eminently qualified to do great good, and convince all honest seekers.

-Rev. B. S. Hobbs, the minister whom the spirits recently stopped from preaching, is on a visit at Auburn

-The Socialists hold a Convention at Berlin Heights, O., Sept. 26th, 27th.

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Little Edward began,
Like a nice little man,
To play with his new little drum;
But Dick with a pout,
Only turned his about In his hands, and looked sulky and glum.

"What's the matter, dear Dick? You look sad; are you sick? Come, march like a soldier with me— The enemy comes, Let us beat on our drums, And mama will our merriment see."

No; I don't like my toy," Said the ill-humored boy "And yours is the best and most new; If you'll give me yours, Then I'll go out of doors; But if not I'll kick mine in two."

"O, no! brother, no-Pray, do not say so
Of a trifle, in anger and haste;
Though they are equally new,
Yet my drum I'd give you,
But I've tied it in knots 'round my waist.'

Then quarrelsome Dick Gave his brother a kick; But he did not give him another, But saying no more, Edward walked to the door, Only giving on look at his brother.

Then, bursting with spite, With his utmost of might, Master Dick trod his drum on the floor; The parchment did crack, When, lo! Edward comes back, And his drum in his hands then he bore.

"The string is untied,
Dearest brother," he cried—
"So now, I with pleasure will change;"
But, when Dick's drum he found
Lying broke on the ground,
O, how did his countenance change!

"I am really ashamed," Dick, sobbing, exclaimed,

"At the difference between you and me;
But continue my friend,
And I'll try to amend,
And a good-tempered fellow to be."

# The Proud Boy Humbled.

Lawrence Green was proud and conceited. and his uncle Thomas thouhgt it well, on this account, to hamble him a little. One day he went up to him, and asked him to take a walk. Before they had walked an hour they saw a bird, a fish, a squirrel, a rabbit, a spider and a goose.

"Can you fly like a bird?" asked uncle

"No," replied little Lawrence.

"Can you swim like a fish?"

"No, uncle."

"Can you climb a tree like a squirrel?"

"No, I cannot."

"Can you run like a rabbit?"

"No, uncle; you know I cannot."

"Well, then can you spin like a spi-

"I cannot," said Lawrence, not a little mortified that he had to say no so many times

"What can you do, then ?" inquired his uncle Thomas. "Can you hiss like a goose!"

"Yes, I can," cried Lawrence, brightning

"Then," replied uncle Thomas, "if you can neither fly like a bird, swim like a fish, climb like a squirrel, run like a rabbit nor spin like a spider, and can do nothing better than hise like a goose, I would advese you to be very humble; for it seems that the bird the fish, the squirrel, the rabbit, and the spider, are."-Lawrence profited by that walk, and was not so conceited afterward.

### Joe Morgan's little Daughter.

She was wont to run over to the tavern in the evening to lead home her drunken father. Just as she was entering the door on, night, Slade hurled a tumble r at her father but it struck her on the head, and resulted in her death. Morgan bent down his ear.

"You will only have mother left," Mary said, "and she cries so much when you are

away."

"I won't leave her, Mary, only when I go to my work," he whispered back to the child, "and I'll never go out at night any more."

"Yes, you promise me that."

"And I'll promise more."

"What, father ?"

"Never to go into the tavern again."

"Never?"

"No, never I'll promise still more."

"Father ?"

"Never to take a drop of liquor as long as I live."

"Oh, father! dear father!" and with a cry of joy Mary started up and threw herself

Morgan drew his arm tightly around her, and sat for a long time with his lips pressed to her cheek-while she lay against his bosom as still as death. As death! Yes; for when the father unclasped his arms, the fpirit of his shild was with the angel of the resurrec-

When a man has just religion enough to hate those of a different faith, he hasn't much.

-E. S. Tyler and others hold a grovemeeting near Mr. Hatch's, in Skaneateles next Sunday.

-Joel Tiffany is about taking a trip through Michigan.

-H. H. Tator is lecturing in the vicinity of Chicago, and may be addressed at that city.

-Redman, the medium, is in Ohio, in the neighborhood of Dayton.

-J. S. Randall was in Auburn during the present week.

-O. Sisson, the healing medium, may be addressed for a season at Oneida, N. Y.

-Mrs. Cora Scott Hatch, on her way east, is expected in Auburn within a few days.

-Dr. Denslow, of Btaavia, N. Y., in writing us in regard to the advance of Spiritualism and the itinerant laborers in the field, says; "We find something new and to rejoice over in every visit we receive from these itinerant evangelists. They all seem more or less inspired with that which meets the wants of our nature, and we can truly say, we are "growing in grace and in the knowledge" of the truth."

-L. J. Pardee spoke in Boston last Sunday, and remains in that vicinity for a season.

-B. Davenport, of Portland, Me; W. R. Jocelyn, of Philadelphia, Pa; H. N. Bullard, Burlington, Vt; J. B. Currier, Lawrence, Mass; are announced among the new laborers of the Spirifual field, and all of them as trance speakers and healing mediums.

-Thomas Gales Foster is laboring successfully in Boston and vicinity.

-Mrs. Emma Jay Bullene speaks at Dodsworth Hall, New York, next Sunday evening, peal in behalf of Spiritualism. and Miss Hardinge in the morning.

-R. P. Ambler has been lecturing in Troy, N. Y., and returns to New York city next week

-Mrs. Tuttle, of Albion, Mich., is still East.

-Joel Tiffany visits New York in Septem-

-Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Davis intend a tour West within a few weeks.

-Mrs. Hyzer speaks in Brooklyn, N. Y., on Sunday afternoon and evening.

-Dr. J. Mayhew is in Ludlow, Vt., next Sunday, Plymouth, Sept. 6th, and Rutland the 13th, where he may be addressed, care of Mr. Landon, during September.

-Mrs. Sarah M. Seymour, the celebrated medium of Waukegan Ill., left the form on the 1st inst.

-D. Kimball of Sackets Harbor, N. Y., reports a favorable state of progressive spiritual sentiment in that place.

-"The Friends of Human Progress" will hold a meeting in North Collins, Erie co., N Y. Sep. 25th, 26th, 27th.

-J. D. Tallmadge reports Spiritualism to be on the gain in Cincinnati.

-A Convention of Spiritualists will be held in Dunkee, Ind., on Friday, Sep. 4th.

-U. Clark lectured in the Brownville Universalist Church last Sunday morning, and in the Universalist Church at Watertown, N. Y. Sunday, afternoon and evening.

The heart is a cup which is empty till it overflows. We have nothing to enjoy till we have something to impart. He only lives who is not a resorvoir, but a fountain.

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