

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GENERAL MEETING ON

October 25, 1886.

The twenty-second General Meeting was held at the Rooms of the Society of British Artists, Suffolk-street, Pall Mall, on October 25, 1886.

PROFESSOR H. SIDGWICK IN THE CHAIR.

Mr. F. W. H. Myers gave an account of a novel class of experiments—some of which he, Mr. Gurney, and Dr. A. T. Myers had lately seen and shared in—conducted by Dr. Babinski, a physician of the Salpêtrière, at Paris, and pointing to the transfer of hysterical affections from one patient to another, under the influence of a neighbouring magnet. If suggestion be excluded, the phenomenon seems clearly to be telepathic in nature; and the results which took place in the presence of the English observers, though not conclusive, were decidedly striking and suggestive. A full account of these appeared in the *Journal* for November, 1886.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GENERAL MEETING ON

January 28, 1887.

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PROFESSOR W. F. BARRETT IN THE CHAIR.

Part of the following paper was read :—

I.

AUTOMATIC WRITING.—III.

BY FREDERIC W. H. MYERS.

PHYSIOLOGICAL AND PATHOLOGICAL ANALOGIES.

I purpose here to continue a discussion which has already occupied two papers in these *Proceedings*,¹ and which I cannot hope to conclude in the present essay. The phenomena of *automatism*,—the indications

¹ See *Proceedings*, Vol. II., p. 217, and Vol. III., p. 1.