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THE UNHAPPY MARRIAGE.

BY C. W. S.

It is for this my life has weary grown. And yellow leaf instead of bloom appears! For this that care upon my head has thrown...

THE STORY OF A LIFE.

(Continued)

During these days of exhibition, Dora bore herself with an aplomb, a coolness, a perfect composure, which must have arisen, I think, from a serene consciousness of her exalted merit.

Dora, triumphantly. "I appeal to Aunt Lou." Aunt Lou, who always, upon principle, declined to act as umpire, hastened to make her escape...

"I always thought I should come to you at last," she said. "Yes, but now it is changed," I said, with quick regret.

WM. HOWITT'S RECOLLECTIONS OF LORD AND LADY BYRON. William Howitt writes to the London Times under date of Sept. 21, as follows, concerning Lord and Lady Byron:

STATEMENT OF A THEATRICAL MANAGER. Mr. Chatterton, lessee of the London theater in which Dion Boucaualt's "Formosa" was first produced, has written the following sharp letter upon the so-called "sensational drama":

PLEASANT PARAGRAPHS. "Mamma's darling didn't hurt his little cousin purposely, did he, dear? It was all an accident, to be sure." "Yes, mamma, and all I want is another accident, so I can crack him again."

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

JOSEPH.—The origin of playing cards, like the origin of most other things, is involved in considerable obscurity. One learned doctor maintains with much tenacity that seven hundred years before the Christian era they were known to the Egyptians...

No pent-up continent contracts our powers The whole unbounded Universe is ours.

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PUBLISHER'S NOTICE--"EXETER HALL," ETC.

The great religious romance, "Exeter Hall," which is pronounced by eminent critics the "Uncle Tom's Cabin" presaging a great theological revolution, is meeting a remarkably large sale.

We will send a copy of "Exeter Hall" free, to any present subscriber to THE UNIVERSE who will send us one new subscriber for one year with the money, \$2.50.

We continue the offer of a choice of a copy of either "Dawn," "Rebecca," "What Answer," "Gates Ajar," "Gates Wide Open," or "Men, Women and Ghosts," to any person sending us the names of two new yearly subscribers, with the money (\$5.00) for the same.

THE UNIVERSE AND THE ROSTRUM.

To the Subscribers of the Rostrum.—The Spiritual Rostrum published by me, having been purchased by Mr. H. N. F. Lewis, publisher of THE UNIVERSE, I hereby give notice that the subscribers of my magazine will be supplied with THE UNIVERSE for the unexpired terms of their subscriptions, respectively.

Those who are subscribers of both THE UNIVERSE and Rostrum will have their terms of subscription for the former extended according to the amount their due.

A murder was committed by a burglar at Detroit, recently, and, as usual, the feeling of revenge takes possession of the public mind, including the ministers of the Gospel of Peace.

Wendell Phillips says:—"Christianity was much nearer to Voltaire when he struggled for free speech, than it was to Jeremy Taylor when he wrote his 'Holy Living and Dying'."

The Davenport Brothers are wending their way westward. Chicagoans will have an opportunity of investigating their claims to mediumship.

The defendant, in a divorce case at the Common Pleas Court of Morgan Co., Ind., at its present session, addressed a letter to the Judge and jury, informing them that "owing to circumstances over which she had no control," she would be unable to attend the trial.

In the report of the Dress Reform Picnic, given in the latest issue of THE UNIVERSE, the types should have said that the gathering was had at South Newbury, Ohio.

Ralph Waldo Emerson says:—"If the vote is to be granted to woman, then we must arrange to have the voting clean, and honest, and polite.

BINGEN.—The author of the touching poem entitled "Bingen on the Rhine," was the Hon. Mrs. Norton.

MARIA.—The last words of Elizabeth Barrett Browning were—"It is beautiful!"

H. R. G.—Pins were first used in England, in 1543.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE--V.

SCIENCE AND RELIGION — PROF. HUGGINS' INVESTIGATIONS — BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF SCIENCE — ABBOTS AND ABBEYS — KIRKSTALL ABBEY, YORKSHIRE — PHENOMENAL SPIRITUALISM, ETC., ETC.

GLASGOW, Scotland, Sept. 6, 1869.

More extensive reading and travel confirm our previous conviction that the roots of the tree of knowledge are in Germany, the foliage and flowers in France and the practical fruiting in England and America.

The spectrum of Sirius, with its furrowed lines, indicating the presence of sodium, magnesium, and iron, as well as the bright lines of hydrogen, is deeply significant as a foretaste of what science is yet destined to accomplish.

THE OLD ABBOTS AND ABBEYS. The river, lake and mountains of Albion's cliffy Isle, though fine "far as they go," are infants compared to our Nevada, Niagara, Mississippi and great chains of northern lakes.

Catholics and Protestants, reminding us of the Apocalyptic "Gog and Magog," have proven themselves about equally destructive when possessing political power.

KIRKSTALL ABBEY, YORKSHIRE. Accompanied by our friend Thomas Etchells, Esq., whose papers have appeared in the literature of the London Spiritual Magazines, we visited this Abbey, a description of which begs our powers of pen-painting.

IN SCOTLAND. O Scotland! land of moral chivalry and home of my forefathers! how the whole soul rejoiced when my feet first pressed the soil through the whole country, and induced several young devotees to press upon him to accept the office of Superior; with this request he cometh, and this small fraternity built themselves cells beside the river Aye, and regulated themselves by the rules of the regulated hermits; enjoying all things in brethren of the band; and procuring a livelihood by the common and prosaic of their hands.

and my hands clasped those who may well boast of birth in a country that has given to the world a Wallace, a Bruce, Burns, Marvell, Hume, Adam Smith, Hugh Miller and others, equally brave and true.

UP AMONG THE HIGHLANDS. The other day, "mine Host and Hostess," Mr. and Mrs. Nisbet, most excellent people, whose personal kindness will ever remain fresh in the memory-chambers of our soul.

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"FREE LOVE."

To the Editor of The Universe. The term "Free Love" was coined by J. H. Noyes to represent the conjugal Harmony of the millennium — and of heaven. It meant love not lust. It meant harmony — not discord. It meant the reign of pure love over selfishness, exclusiveness, and gross injustice.

Why should Democrats drop that word, because it has often been assumed by the most corrupt Politicians? So of Republican. Shall we discard and denounce religion because the word has been — and is made to cover the deepest iniquity — the foulest corruption? Let those who must, do this; not me.

I am a Democrat, a Republican, a Free-Lover, and a believer in religion. Let Bro. Potter expose every body and every thing that is bad. He always sends me his Tracts. In return I send him a defence of "Free-Love" to which he will never attempt a fair and candid reply.

Freedom is good for moral and mental growth. I cannot think Bro. Potter will harm anybody, or anything that is good. I am sure this unloading will benefit himself. He must be relieved of so great a burden of other men's sins.

Is he not a friend in disguise — writing the most perfect satire? Seriously, let me tell friend Potter, he cannot stop, or essentially retard, the revolution which is coming, no conjugal relations. There is much folly and injustice in it to deplore. No man regrets this more than I. But, on the whole, it is not retrogression. It will leave us wiser and better than it found us.

Stockholm, St. Lawrence Co., New York. P. S.—I, too, must "shout for THE UNIVERSE." I am an old man. I have taken many papers—I take many now. I can think of none which I think superior to it.

"ILLEGITIMACY."

Recitals of individual experience are inappropriate to a literary and philosophic journal, unless they are remarkable, or illustrate clearly some of the principles which it advocates, and are presented truthfully and modestly.

Your correspondent is an "illegitimate," one, "born out of wedlock." Until thirty years of age, he knew not his real name, given below, and has never been the recipient of a father's fond affection and judicious counsel.

Who, better than such a one, can appreciate the inexpressible sufferings of that class, during the early years when the taunts of rude associates, and the terrible sense of alienation weigh down the sensitive youth, and at last send him, a wretched, sad-faced boy, away from the mother, the half home, the schoolmates and the familiar landscapes of his childhood, away into the cold, strange, unsympathetic world, with only conventional stigma to look back upon, and a morbid sense of inherent unworthiness opposing his future progress?

Who, better than such a one, can make large and just allowances for the defects, the mental and moral obliquities, which attach to the unfortunate, and follow him relentlessly at least through the period of his earth-life? or sympathize when protracted effort, to rise; (that have involved strength and health, it may be) result in failure, and "thick darkness" enshrouds the child of fate?

With your permission and commendation, Mr. Editor, I will briefly and pointedly continue my remarks on this subject. What I have said is in no wise inconsiderate, and I therefore have no fears that I shall at some future time regret the plea that long ago should have been made in behalf of those with whom I am identified.

The Tablet, the organ of the English Roman Catholics, speaking of the gradual extinction of the native race in the New England States, owing to the prevalence of infanticide, says that the fact is worthy of serious attention, "as an evidence of the social and religious results of Protestantism wherever they are unchecked by Catholic traditions."

