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[For the "Voice of Angels."]

ELLINGTON, Jun. 9, 1878.

MY DEAR BROTHER DENSMORE, - At last my broken heart has found strength to write to you. My dear husband, Au-GUSTUS PARDEE, left us for the spheres of immortality on the second instant, after spending seventy-three years of tender, genial kind-heartedness and honest labor, and after suffering over four years of untold agonizing illness. He was a fullhearted humanitarian, utterly despising all conventionalisms and needless rites;claiming Reason to be his guiding-star. He embraced the Spiritual faith soon after its first modern advent at Rochester, for which he ever held an unchanged, fervent love; -and passed on, leaving the impression upon all who knew him that a worthy, honest life is far more valuable than riches. His family, in particular, feel an irreparable loss, only to be made whole at the heavenly reunion.

#### DEATH.

COLD Death is now asking my soul for a song, While my heart with his sting is so sore; And his fingers of ico are strewing along Fresh flowers from the emerald shore.

"Oh, wonve me a garland of beauty most rare, To adorn the pale temples and brow, And the music that melts on the wintry air, Must breathe of deliverance now.

"Oh, sing of calm rest in the land of pure love, Where all sorrows and pains are no more;-Of the spirit in white, with angels above, Rejuloing that suffering is o'er.

"Oh, slog of the glorious light that revealed " " " " " " On the ever-bloom plains of delight, The warm welcome of friends the grave had concealed.

So wondrously strange, from its eight.

"Oh, sing of the morning, on plnions of gold. Introducing Eternity's day; Where sweet Life takes a form that never grows old.

Or changes uy waste or decay." Yes, Death, we will sing as thou biddest as sing, And our hearts shall be cheered by thy voice.

Immortality heals thy terrible sting, We thankfully bow to God's choice.

TRYPHENA C PARDEE.

[For the Voice of Angels.]

AN INTERESTING AND NOVEL COMMUNICATION THROUGH MRS. EMMA CARTER, MEDIUM.

FROM THE RENOWNED ACTRESS. CHARLOTTE CUSHMAN,

NOW IN SPIRIT-LAND.

[Reported by Hon. A. G. W. CARTER.]

You have already published, friend Densmore, several very interesting communications my mind has been accustomed to I see here the from the other world, given through my sister, same as there-more levely in their spirituality. Mrs. Emma Carter, living in Cincinnati; and and more real. I do not know how I can please you and your readers better than, in reply to your request for ing away of one single breath was my terror; something from me, to send you, on this Christmas day, a most remarkable communication to body:-many a tear has dropped for you, and me, through her, from the renowned actress, long will you live in my memory. The day is CHARLOTTE CUSHMAN, who departed this life far distant when I shall say, Farewell, we part some little time ago. There is not much use of forever. commenting upon what the spirit of Charlotte Cushman says, for she undoubtedly speaks for ago a beautiful and realizing communication herself, and that so plainly and practically, that from her to me) is my sponsor for your good those who run may read and understand. Surely, after perusing this communication, we can have no difficulty in determining about the employments of the inhabitants of the supernal world; for they are really pretty much as in this, with the exception that they are on a grander, greater and better and higher scale; and each one is employed according to his or her genius or lore. We might say a great deal upon this subject, to be sure: but perhaps it will be better to let Miss Cushman, as she is now in spirit, speak at once for herself. It will be seen that she addresses her words immediately to me, in the form of a letter:

"APRIL 24th, 1877.

"JUDGE A. G. W. CARTER-"Dear Sir,-Will you excuse me, 'most noble litself passing before me like a panorama. This

and learned judge,' as I am apparently a stranger to you, for thus taking the liberty of communicating my thoughts of the life interest I have the privilege of now holding in the mysterious inner world.

Mr astonishment is not yet over at the result of this change in my condition, and in converse with myself I ask, 'Is this the place I feared to come to? Why should I fear? And why should any one fear?' In this great mart of heaven I am surrounded by beautiful landscape grounds, upon which are fruit-bearing trees. made fragrant by endless species of buds and flowers—the blessed sun lighting, and clouds passing between its light, shadowing here and there a spot, to relieve the vision, and give beauty to the perfection of day. I have seen the rain and the dew. daylight and mooalight. repose and the whirl of busy life :-everything

Then wherefore feared I to die? The passthe giving up of my clay-born body-old loved

Mrs. A. Drake (the VOICE had some time nature in accepting and giving your attention to this most interesting of all subjects. We all hail your good fellowship, knowing you are leaving the material world behind you, and in your present habitation in the body you see higher than the worms at your feet. We wish you every success, knowing that higher influenences are about you, giving to you the cream of understanding, which is more lasting and more powerful than the mighty dollar.

Now, since I have passed the big bugbear of death, I find myself suddenly freshened with youth, lifted immediately into volumes of knowledge, standing, as it were, unveiled-knowing myself as I was never known before; -all the different characters of my past life and the life

optical reminder of joys and sorrows, ambition and success, strikes me with wonder, and shows ment world is largely represented here. The to me that I stand alone in the make-up of my nature. Wherein I have failed has been in Although there may be strength in union, nature does not reveal it. I will leave this for your reflection; may be your eyes will be opened, and you will be willing to let each the temple of Juno, Mrs. A. Drake made her fruits. All the beauty and perfection of art atom play its part, to fill up law in its purity.

The world knew me only as Charlotte Cushman, a woman masculine, with no touch of heart! Here it is different, even to my own amazement, as crowds follow me, and heap up affection so true upon me, that I lose my office of deceitfulness, and clasp each hand held out to me with trust in its honesty. I see in my life's pages I have given impulse to thousands of barren minds, making them fertile with thought, from which the loveliest of characters have taken root, and become the masters of art.

This one developement gives me pride. How many more I am the possessor of, the future will unfold to me.

You see I have been living partly in a blind life, knowing only the exterior or surface value of existence. Now, when my knowledge combines both the exterior and the interior thought, I well up in interest to myself, and to gather every fragment of my being, and class them in their proper sphere, making each one harmonize with the other, blending like the chords of music into harmony with my fellow humanity, is one of my greatest objects in this existence. Then I shall become capable of teaching and speaking the gospel; -not until then is the in- took the part of Napoleon. dividual the philosopher. Know thyself, and then speak to the multitude. But if doubt [Forrest and Mrs. Drake], was one of the most hangs upon thy head, choke the utterance, for wonderful pieces of acting I ever witnessed. fear it chokes thee.

I will not philosophize, but tell you this is a world where all the emotions of your heart and every passion of your being are brought into play. Therefore your good as well as your bad follows you. Self government seems a necessity even's mind, his almost passionate love for Join all stages of progression. To live on God's earth, and enjoy God's heaven, you must make derful strength in subduing the ravings of his yourself fit for such an inheritance. Surely a heart, and rendering unsubdued a will power ments which now I hold, and which places me mind of equality and uniformity opens the that made nations tremble—was here enacted among you in the society of arts; without them powers of nature, and becomes in likeness to by Forrest, as no other man could act. the God of our worship! If we remain stationary in our self-conceit, we retrograde into the intolerance of deception, and fall victims of monstrosities and untruths,—which of a consequence becomes a government of ills, the humanity, than any love he might have for production of disaster to the opening of spiritual intercourse between the epheres.

burthen you with what you already know. I am a beginner, with all the nervous excitement upon me of something new. In fact, I am a new being, handling with unlimited freedom the fruit of the tree of knowledge. I bend with its boughs, and am wasted by its winds; -so carry more than I can hold. Therefore I stumble to regain myself; and in so doing I cannot vouch for my correctness. I am. at all events. in a substantial world, more real than the earthsphere, as my very dear friend. Mrs. A. Drake. can also certify to.

And now to what I do know. The amusetheatrical profession is in a high state of cultivation. We are classed among the high art, and are very much more thought of than ministers of theology. Our theatres are temples, named after the gods of old mythology. In debut. She is fashioned now in all the beauty of youth, and as delicate and sensitive as a flower. She is also rich in the confidence of her aspirations; yet no gaudy showing pollutes the really refined woman that she is. To look upon her is to know of her rare talents, not only as an actress, but as a natural historian, with all the events of the past laid down on the map of her very extraordinary memory.

She appeared in a new play, called Napoleon's Fall-Mrs. A. Drake representing Josephine, wife of Napoleon the First, and deserted by him. I cannot tell you the extent of the wonderful play. It abounds in magnificent scenery and gorgeous appointments. Josephine, with her many scars all bleeding for revenge and love, is driven into all the extremes of passion. She becomes a continual source of ills to the ambition of Napoleon, checking him in his career, in the midst of his prosperity.

The play dates back to the time when Napoleon was in the height of his ambition, when he discards Josephine, and takes to his bosom Maria Louisa. Forrest, who supported Mrs. A. Drake, with the assistance of a whole corps of her professional friends for the minor characters,

The scene between Napoleon and Josephine, Her grief and despair, and then her announcement of revenge, and prophecy of his downfull. clothed in language such as makes one involuntarily shudder, and then tremble with admiration! The terrible conflicts working in Napolsephine, that he dares not yield to; his won-

In the finale, the great Josephine conquered. She found sympathy, constantly spreading her wrongs before the people, who through her saw Napoleon's object was more to be conqueror of their elevation. In the abandonment of his followers, his power fell: when death came, as Ah, but I must stop my philosophy, lest I in all tragedies, to end up a life of remorse.

had the pleasure of seeing their reception.

The Athenaum is an immense circular building, lighted from a dome by thousands of sparkling jets, in the centre of which stood a forum; and around the sides were tables enriched with all the delicacios of the spirituality of food, which contains more nourishment than material food, because it consists of fruits and wines of were here displayed in the arrangement of these festivities.

The scene was of dazzling brightness—such exquisite order and harmony, such grandeur of dressing—the brilliancy of jewels and the perfume of flowers were so admirably in unison with draperies, statues and paintings, that to imagine anything beyond them would be an impossibility.

Our hero and heroine were carried to the forum, where they were received by the most eminent of our old-time actors, who welcomed them to the highest seat of honor. Then came shouts for "Garrick-David Garrick!" This gentleman at once responded to their call, and as his grand form arose, every one's murmur was hushed—a dead silence prevailed in this truly refined audience. In looks he represents the old-school man of art :- not a look, gesture or motion escapes him, without his knowledge of its correctness. He plays with every passion of the heart, with a rapidity which excites mirth and tears like sunshine and showers. It would be intruding upon you to give the whole of his speech. A small portion of it will give yon an idea of the generosity of the man. It ran thus:

"Ladies and Gentlemen-I arise to acknowledge the compliment you so generously bestowed upon me. You have given to me the choice place of speech. I accept the honor, and proceed at once to throw wide open to you every gate, door and window of the mansion I have the liberty of calling my own. This mansion [striking his heart] have I built up by the powers of my ancestors; from their foundation have I sprung, and by the most ardent toil have I labored to adorn the endow-I never could have had this honor. [Applause.] On this occasion every gate, door and window, of each one of us, have burst their hinges, and thrown themselves upon the winds of emotion, to give way for the tragic tread of Mrs. A. Drake. [Loud applause.] We have seen in her a rare genius—equal to any of us, and perhaps greater. [Applause.]

Our occupation in this life is love, not jual-When the presentation of this play was over, ousy. Therefore we give to her the palm! the applause was long and continuous—the two We lay bare our bosoms that she may place her beneficiaries appearing before the drop, to be confidence therein, and rest assured it will be carried bodily out of the temple, and placed in safely kept. This is our safeguard to progression, a chariot which stood before the door, its four and to the Almighty God! She comes to us white prancing steeds all impatient to carry not as a stranger, but as one known to us; our their precious load through the throng of life has mingled with hers; she has the records shonting people, amid showers of flowers which of our fathers, and our forefathers, implanted fell at their feet, to the Athenæum, where a upon her wonderful memory, with all their himbanquet awaited them. I also was hurried trionic same at her tongue's end. Then how along to meet my friends at the same place, and could we their children, escape her? Is she not our sister, who comes to us with her soul's worship of what we were on the earth sphere? placed upon me. I love you, my friends! the And now that we fold her to our bosoms, for her very ground you walk on is sacred to me-and love and knowledge of us, in this free country, why not? You illuminate me; I have been where every man and woman is freed from the transplanted from a world where I was a miserbondage of earth, we can give her that which able piece of flesh and blood-loathsome to mybelongs to her, an honorable membership of self with disease—and when I was no longer this society. [Cheers.]

Then let us now crown her head with jewels, and place at her feet the rarest flowers, that she may tread upon them. Give us robes to drape her as a queen, that she may grace a throne for the banquet. [Shouts. "Crown her, robe her!"]

Instantly came the crown and the robes, and as quickly were they placed upon Mrs. A. Drake, who, overcome with emotion, swooned. In the excitement, Garrick took his seat, and Forrest arose, and cheers then went up for Forrest. Let me say that individuality here is more demonstrative than it is on the earth sphere-deeper passion and more intense feeling is manifested here.

After a pause, Forrest said: "My friends, Mrs. A. Drake and myself have been brought hither in the arms of triumph, which is nothing new to me, but unexpected to her,—so much so, as to stop her powers of speech, and to cause her, in acknowledgment of your appreciation of her merits, to swoon at your feet, an act more powerful in true feeling than speech. She does not flatter with words, but shows her emotion in your expression towards her, by giving to you the very pulse of her heart's throbbing. This night chains her to us! She walks through our gates, and opens our doors and windows, as free an inhabitant of our dwellings as curselves. What is ours, is hers! We do not hoard up our gains,—no such folly attends us here. We have no doorkeepers or ushers. We cannot buy our reputation. The transcendency of our power is in our brains. No pretenders disturb our harmony. The law of affinity is our safeguard. Where we shower our generosity, it is done honestly. In the addition of this member, we are elevated in many ways. She adds to the dignity of the profession. Our appreciation and love of her abilities, not only as an actress, but as a natural historian, will at once unfold in her what has been partially hid. this uncovering of the soul, we have found a gem. We shall henceforth live in the admiration of its brilliancy." He takes his seat amid shouts.

Before the tumult ceased, Mrs. Drake stood np a very queen indeed, and, with upturned eyes and hands, spoke as follows:

"LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—to whom I have the honor to be presented with so much eclat tonight, I have prayed that I might find tongue to speak to you. I have been so overcome with fright, or fear-I know not which-ah, yes, I do know—it was neither of these—it was emotion, the emotion of my heart! I have been all in a blaze of enchantment, bewildered with joy. transplanted to an eminence higher than my poor faculties can reach! It is too exhibarating for my poor brain, and I tremble, lest I fall disgrace are so many witnesses against you; back to the earth which holds my poor clay, and this grand display of their tarnished glory God forbid that it should be so! As I stand but serves to make your ignominy more evinow, draped in these robes, I feel the dignity dent.—Boileau.

able to support such a body, I was raised to this elevation! Who would doubt there lives a God of wisdom? I am here, at your mercy! Lead me where you will, I shall be content; and for this night's privilege of being your guest, and banqueted in this manner, I have no words to express my feelings; I never knew of such an occurrence in the earth-life. There we find every door and window locked, with the biting cur snapping at our heels, if one dare to enter a gate. The individual is not seen there, as he is here-merit does not live, but money does! As I am here upon my merits alone, may I be able to sustain them, and not fall from grace. My triumphal admission into all your mansions is so generous, that I accept the position, and, with my spouse, enter your courts, where, socially elevated, we will go on progressing in our virtues, and rise in histrionic power with our forefathers!" [Shouts.]

My communication is of such length, that I dare not speak more of this joyous occasion. have given you thus much to let you understand the highest religion in this life is the appreciation of the living Arts and Sciencesthose things which unfold Nature. The dogmas of religious tyrannies have no affinity with people of common sense. They so retard growth, and throw a veil over the eye of God, which blinds the beauties of his creation. Our sister, Matilda Heron, the proud, the beautiful, and the generous, is here, in perfect ecstasies over her transformation! A butterfly could not be more gay; and as she roams around, a beam of sunshine follows her. The world will hear from her soon. The Conways also illuminate our horizon. Their will is power. They were not disappointed in their belief: the rising of their souls was, to them, the opening of their exist-

Excuse me for so prolonged a gossip. My energy has not abated, and I would let my friends know that I never shall make my farewell adieus from off the stage of life!

> Yours, with much respect. CHARLOTTE CUSHMAN."

I will only say, in conclusion. (leaving all other comments to readers,) in the language of the medium, after the communication, through her, was finished by the spirit of Cushman:-"Well, it is strange; but it comes so real. it must be fact! What a great inner life, flooded with the love of our imaginings—a busy, real

life-where we can gratify all our longing do-

sires! Who would weep for the Living Dead!" NEW YORK, Dec. 25th, 1877.

THOUGH you be sprung in a direct line from Hercules, if you show a low-born meanness, that long succession of ancestors whom you

#### INTERPRETATION OF MYSTICAL WRITING.

BY WEST INGLE.

To C. F. Burroughs, Michigan City. La Porte Co., Ind.,—The Spirit of the Age is manifesting in a peculiar manner, Brother Burroughs. You who hold in your hand the "Magic Staff," may look on and laugh, for you can wield the pen of power. I say—and I speak for the whole spirit-world—God give us power to overcome the wicked, expensive, eccentric, vehement spirit of humanity! May the incoming age bring a better and more kindly spirit—one a little more charitable, and one possessing a little more godliness, and causing men to manifest a little more of the Christ principle towards each other! We need, friend Burroughs, a few more faithful mediums in the ranks of the faithful. Thou art one of the few. Preach according to the divinity within you, for the world needs more earnest, truthful Christians, more real piety and spiritual faith. Humanity needs more of the divine harmony which brings all men into a sympathetic brotherhood. Give men spiritual light, and a good quantity of common sense—should be the prayer of every honest spirit, in the body and out of it.

P. F. FRANKLIN.

#### JUDGE NOT.

BY SUSAN B. FALES.

Those whose lives are filled with sunshine and prosperity, know very little of their less fortunate neighbors, who are compelled to struggle with poverty. The rich can not sympathize with the poor classes, unless somewhere in their lives they have learned the laborer's prayer— "Give us this day our daily bread." One must possess real knowledge of poverty, and the surroundings of the poor, ere they can give them aid and sympathy. And then they can very easily understand the great difference between the operations of God's justice, and what man so proudly diguifies with that name. God's love and mercy is the very essence of justice, while men are often ruled by selfish gods, and those gods are their own secret idols.

"Love thy neighbor as thyself," is a divine law; and all men recognize it as being a holy commandment, and the pity is, that so few can obey it. Love is a merciful, tender, and winning sentiment. emanating from the "Infinite Mind." Men can not fully appreciate its God-like power. and very few make use of this divine law of love, when they seek to interpret the lives and conduct of their fellow men.

They forget love, when they judge the deeming power, and that power is love. motives of others, and fail to look at Love and sympathy re saving powers; characters and motives by the best pos- they teach men to judge of each other sible light.

ought to be like children of one family, by any human authority, and when we construing the lives and motives of each seek to do so, let us be gentle, truthful, other, as they would have their actions merciful and generous, and we shall dwell judged by those who are set to govern the together as neighbors should, who love hearts of men-those bright ones, who each other with unselfish love; and we are always near the humblest of the human shall soon attain conditions of natural family. God's holy messengers minis- harmony—the sweet and beautiful, seen so ter to mankind through the divine laws conspicuously in the attributes of Deity. of sympathy and love. And men will fulfill the requisitions of conscience when they live in accordance with the Golden Rule. They will be just and generous to each other when they obey the commands of the Divine within them, and not before.

When men live right themselves, they will judge their neighbors kindly, and then there will be no cold, formal relations existing between people who think and reason alike, and seek to obey the laws of justice and human brotherhood.

God's kingdom is nearing the earth. The prayers of good Christian men and women are being answered. "Let thy will be done," is bringing an answer. Changes are coming. Self has reigned monarch over human hearts long enough. Intellectuality and knowledge are rising superior to wealth. Piety and virtue are becoming more powerful in the land, than ancient names or empty titles.

The rich are standing on ice. Cold, and often indifferent to the wants and requirements of their less fortunate fellow creatures, they have no sympathy for those who struggle for their daily bread. But in the years of the future, the lowly may rise, and they who stand upon ice may slip and fall from their high estates, and feel the need of the very sympathy they now withhold from the poor ones of earth. The great ones of the earth may live to know that the grandest and purest justice in this world is that which comes from the spirit of an carnest, toiling humanity. The poor of the earth know how to be just. God's love for his children must bring to earth a better state of things, and the poorest will learn to know God through love, instead of fear.

To those who believe that Christ is their only hope, that he constitutes the foundations of true religion, he appears as the true Saviour, and they must worship him according to the light given them. To the soul of a true Spiritualist, Christ is an elder brother. He comes to earth as the fulfillment of a glorious prophecy. He brought to light immortality, and a re-

justly, truthfully and lovingly.

The people who form a neighborhood We have no right to judge each other

#### JERUSALEM THE BEAUTIFUL.

BY SUSAN II. FALES.

JERUSALEM, the beautiful, Falth sees thee from afar; To pligrims on life's Journey Thou art the "Polar Star."

Thou art their "Cloud and Pillar," Their guide by night and day, With glorious radiance gilding Life's dark and winding way.

The flowers of hope may wither, Before onr weeping eyes. Yet still our "Bow of Promise" Beams from the bending skies.

CHURUS - Jerusalem, the beautiful, Thou city on the bills-Thy name so soit and musical Through all my being thrills.

> Toward thy gates immortal We stretch our aching arms, Toward our loved ones, waiting, Beneath thy waving palms.

Across the mystic river, That darkly rolls between, We see the palm-leaves quiver On branches, ever green.

Jerusalem, the beautiful, We may not reach thy strand; No mortal foot bath trodden Thy sunny "Summer-land."

Our daughters, slaters, mothers, Our sons and fathers brave, Our lovers and our brothers, Victorious u'er the grave-

From thence may smile and beckon, And some time cross the strenm, To bring us hope and comfort, Through music of a dream.

Jerusalem, the benutiful, Thy jewelled walls are bright As crowns and regal garments Of those who walk in white;

Amid thy shells and ocrals, On shining sands of gold, Are all our bright-eyed children, Safe in the Shepherd's fold.

Our lambs so white and spotlens, Led by his gentle hund, Now sport among the lilles Of thy fair and sunny land.

Jerusalem, the beautiful, O'er-burdened with the earth, The restices sons of Adam Await immortal birth.

Through all the realms of Nature, Beneath the flower-genimed sod, They've sought to find the pathway That leadeth unto God.

The infant in its cradle, The man with boary hair, To reach thy chining portals Must climb the mystic stair.

Jorusalem, the benutiful, The road that leads to thee, Though royal, may be tradden By all, both bond and free;-

The king must leave his palace, And with the beggar, trend The dim and misty valley, With bowed and crownless head.

For none may bribe the sentinel Who guards thy mystic gate ;-It awings not back at presence Of worldly pomp and state.

#### LOVE SONG AT PARTING.

BY ROBERT BURNS.

THROUGH J. M. A.

[Written at North Middleboro, Mass., Jan. 25, 1803.]

LO'E ME, denrost, lo'e me kindly, I will e'er be leal to thee; Kiss me once, my ain kind Mary, Ere I cross the deep, blue sea.

CHORUS - Ane mair klas, my bonnie lassie! Ane midr kiss, and I'll awa'! Keep my mem'ry fondly cherished, I'll return to thee some da'.

> I will ever cherish fondly A' the many hours o' blies I ha' spent wi' thee, my lassle-Tak' we now ane mair fond kiss.

CHORUS:-Ane mair klss, etc.

Keep my mem'ry sweet, dear Mary! I will home return again; Then we'll dwell in bliss thegither-No mair partings from my ain!

CHORUS: - Ane mair kies, etc.

Lo'e me, dearest, ic'e me kindly-Sweet ha'e been the bonnie hours We ha's spent thegither fondly, Culling pleasure's sheeny flowers.

CHORUS - Ane mair klas, etc.

Now, my ain, my dearest lassie, I maun go-I canna stay; We maun part! Nae mair fond meetings !-Ane mair kiss, an' I'll awa'!

CHORUS: - Ane mair kies, my bonnic lassic! Ane mair kles, an' I'll awa'. Keep my mem'ry foudly cherished, I'll return to thee some da'.

#### LOVE IN OLD AGE.

BY BUSAN B. FALES.

THOUGH your eyes have lost their brightness, And your halr is white as snow, Though your heart has lost its brightness, And your footsteps heavier grow, To my heart you are still dearer, Than when first I called you mine, And your eyes are bluer, clearer, Than in youthful days lang sync.

And a stronger chain than duty Love has thrown round you and me;-A far holler charm than beauty Now binds my soul to thee. There is nought but death can sever Our faithful hearts, mine own; We have lived and loved together,-Hund in hand we're going home;-

Where your eyes will guin now brightness, And your form immortal youth, There, old hearts renew their lightness, And the Jewelled crown of Truth. We are growing old together, Journeying onward, side by side; Oh, we soon shall reach the river, Choored by love at evening tide.

#### WE MISS MOTHER.

BY O. E. O. W.

Miss thee, my mother, oh, when do I not? For when thou wert with me, my soul was below; Thou wort torn from my side when I treasured thee most,-And whose care now can be soothing as thine!

Spirit of othereal birth, take me to the crystal caves ! Thither fancy, thither come, let me sean the dazzling scroll; My uffections, my thoughts, were all earth bound; But now they have followed thy spirit to God.

[For the "Voice of Angels."] THROUGH WEST INGLE. LIZZIE.

medium alone touight, and very passive, nature. Walk through all the states of and knowing how very much you de- life as if you were satisfied with the earth sire to talk with me, I have asked her to and life as you find it; you and I know the other and more powerful revelations are in let me send you a word of love and bless- source of all happiness and content. ing. Oh! my darling, there are times | Seek to learn all you can from reading lamp which one day will illumine this when I can almost utter my thoughts to the great Book of Nature; study the hearts mystery. you. Intuition tells you when I am near of your fellow-men, and give the helping you, and your ever tender and loving hand to all who need your aid. O, my heart answers to my earnest call. Your darling, my blessed love! seck to earn a soul judges me accurately; love is an in- title to the highest sphere of spiritual hapfallible teacher; no science or philosophy piness, ere you are called to come over to can teach love's sublime lessons. Only this side of life. the highest unfolded angels understand the You have a taste for all the higher divine art of loving as God loves.

womanly graces, by coming in contact to philosophical investigation. You will with your own noble spirit. Intellect and find me walking with you hand in hand, reason grow grandly harmonious when I and when you are alone in the garden, or touch your forehead with my spirit hands. by the water, I will be near you, and to-I must wait your coming, my beloved, and gether we will track the Great Father of until your life span is measured, I must Love through all the winding ways of devote my interior powers to promote Nature. You will find life growing more your earthly progression and spiritual beautiful every day, and the more you and hope. happiness. There will come pleasant and seek to stand in the divine presence of peaceful years, my beloved friend; you your angel guides, the clearer will their will often catch the spiritual heart illum-shining faces come to you. I am, through inations coming directly from the celestial my love, brought nearer to you than all forces; you will soon stand glory-crowned others, and the bond of holy love will in God's universal temple; love will enter keep us firmly and faithfully bound to each your being from ten thousand avenues of other. Let your friends say what they thought and feeling. I will bring you the may, you will rise superior to all influences. royal cup of wisdom, and you shall receive In this age of creeds and dogmas, Love is from the hands of your Lizzie all that you the only true divine law. Love holds the require to render your life beautiful and souls of men in a sphere of harmony and useful among men. Do you not know, my rest. The beautiful and appropriate landarling, that usefulness is one of heaven's guage of the spirit-world has no sweeter crown jewels? Humanity needs your aid, word than Love, no holier names than fort and hope. and you have power to command spiritual | Faith, Hope and Charity. forces. Whatsoever you ask through faith, believing, will be granted.

that I glory in all the victories you win to you, giving you higher wants and feelover the temptations of life. You have ings; higher attainments will bring nobler lived unspotted from the world. You sentiments and more sublime depths of have always felt that your soul must look love. The angel messengers have power above the earth for its true mate. Some- to develope all the highest qualities in the where in the Great Beyond, God will give human heart. us the key to a mystery, and the mystery is love's affinity. I can hear your voice, comes weakened through the weakness of and when you question me, I strive hard material nature, remember to call upon to make answer. Tonight I have stood so your ever loving and faithful Lizzie, who near you, that my head rested upon your has power to impart purely analytical and shoulder, and my check was pressed inductive modes of obtaining knowledge. against your own. Your heart was filled She will give you revelations of divine with my presence, softened, subdued and love, unfolding larger views and deeper peaceful. Your soul recognized its true founts, that you may receive all needed mate, and was content. Heaven was sur- aid. You are surrounded with light, my rounding you, my own love. I do not darling. Home influences and friendships desire you to neglect any of the duties of are all the world can give, yet I have a

part in all the requirements of your social in store for you. position. Let no power stay the develope-My DEAR, DEAR EDWIN,—I found the ment of all noble, manly qualities in your

branches of knowledge. Your life powers I find my own soul growing large in all will in the future become wholly devoted

When your soul has attained to its proper degree of developement, I will un-I hold you so dearly and purely my own, fold a new page of the heavenly history

Whenever your faith in immortality be-

a son, brother or friend; take an active brighter home, a holier atmosphere of love

Do not feel that a link has been lost from the golden chain of our love, because you did not find my grave, or mingle with my kindred. Medium Lull will find that store for you, and your guides hold the

O, my darling, be patient, hopeful and trustful, and I will dwell near you. Seek the medium who comes so near to me in her aspirations, and I will often communicate with you, I give you the kiss of love, LIZZIE. my own Edwin.

MRS. MORSE.

To her Husband, Mr. C. Morse, Belvidere, Ill.

My Ever Dear Husband,—Are you growing weary, looking for a message of love from me? I have no need to commune with you through paper, as I have been with you constantly since my change. You have felt my presence, and the dear little ones, who come to you with love

All was for the best, my dear husband; although at the time I thought it hard to leave you and our dear ones, when I was just looking upon life as holding something more for us than care and sorrow.

I know God ordered all for the best; and though it often seems hard to bear the burdens laid upon us in life, we learn to know the full value of Infinite Wisdom.

I have seen you in darkness, my dear husband; and when you have been troubled by losses and deception by those you thought true, I have tried to whisper com-

I thought, when you was sick at one time, you would come into Spirit-Life, and I rejoiced; but I saw your work was not finished on the earth. You have a few more years to sow seeds of truth; and my dear husband, you will make good progress, that you may bring into Spirit-Life a shining crown of usefulness.

I am surrounded with holy influences. Your own family and friends are all gathering near to comfort you, You will never be alone, my dear husband. "Look to the rock that is higher than I" for the best and truest life.

From your affectionate wife,

LINES ADDRESSED TO MR. AND MRS. H.

THROUGH MRS. A. ANDREWS.

ANGKLS to you bring grooting true, And bld me any you have much to do For mortals here upon the sarth, From heavenly hosts of highest worth.

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#### EDITORIAL

DEAR AMANUENSIS, - Again it is our immortal part of man, does not emanate the direct cause of making untold millions privilege to monopolize for a brief space your ever-ready hand and brain, to give out a few thoughts upon the all-important theme-" If a man die shall he live again." At this time we shall confine our remarks to responding to two questions-one upon the immortality of the soul, the other the destiny of the soul after death. These questions were propounded by a lady of high moral and social attainments, who, although highly educated in churchal creeds, entertains serious doubts whether the soul or thinking part of man survives the dissolution of the body. In a letter to us she says, "Although a firm believer in a God of infinite love and wisdom, and that he doeth all things well, who is the is anything wrong, or in the minutest pit in the land today. In summing up, same yesterday, today and forever, in whom there is no variableness or shadow of turning," yet with all this, at times I am greatly perplexed and troubled with sight, and wondrous knowledge, you credit tible part thereof-did really and positiveugly doubts as to its reality; and with a him with? Would not such an admission faint hope of having them removed, the rob him of all godly attributes, and place thought occurred to me a few days since him in the catalogue with unsuccessful in that place "where the worm dieth not, to apply to my old friend and brother, L. earthly speculators? Not only that, but and the fire is not quenched," it must be a Judd Pardee, for his views upon the sub- as you, with all your Christian friends, adject. No sooner had the thought found a mit that he alone is the Author of the unlodgement in my mind, than I commenced told millions, said to be suffering never- fumes of that exceedingly warm place. hunting round among my friends to know ceasing tortures in a never-ending hell- Now, friend E-h, ask your own self if how to reach him—one of whom, happen- makes him out ten thousand times worse such a thing could be entertained a single ing to have a copy of the Voice of Angels than the most unscrupulous vagabond that moment by any reflective mind, viz., that, in his possession, I ascertained the modus ever disgraced the name of man. operandi of conferring with him. Now, If, as some say, God made them all fails to do its work properly, that God then, for old acquaintance sake, I hope he right in the first place, but they rebelled will force that part of himself into a burnwill not refuse to give me his views upon against him, that does not alter the respon- ing lake of tire and brimstone, there to the all-important subject, whatever they sibility in the least for all the suffering may be; and if they do not fully convince and misery growing out of his thoughtless. my mind that the immortal part of man reckless speculation in man-making; for, lives forever, I shall at least have the sat- but for his blunder in getting up the huisfaction of leaving 'no stone unturned' to man race, as recorded in the Bible, all the teachings, it would never have monopoacquire the needed information." In a vice and misery under which the world postscript she adds, "What a terrible is now groaning, as it has been for countthought to coutemplate, even if immortal-less cycles of ages, might have been saved. ity is true, that untold billions of human beings-at least all those who have neg- knowingly, the fearful responsibility is lected to make their calling and election precisely the same; because in either case sure, before leaving the material body- it makes him equally culpable, as he was our humble way to set thinking people are doomed to unutterable torments, in a and is the actual cause of all the misery lake of fire and brimstone, ages without and suffering in the mundane world, to ent welfare and future happiness. Thus end."

best we can to your appeal; and if we fail my long ago friend, that when you admit the space at our command; and, if we to convince your judgment of the reality that God intended to have made a good have failed in our effort, she must call

of immortality, it will be no fault of job of it, in creating man in his own

of the human soul, can be answered with butes, but, as before stated, make him out a very few words, namely, as the soul is a thousands of times worse than the most scintillation and a part of the Divine degraded wretch ever put on trial in the Mind, which but few question, consequently its (the soul's) longevity equals nal injured but few persons, at most, in his that of Divinity himself. If the soul, or depredations, this being called God was from the above source, then we know nothing about it.

In response to your second query, touching the endless misery of the human race. we will say that, as you admit that there is a God of infinite love and wisdom somewhere, and that "he doeth all things well," etc., we answer it by asking another question, namely, if there is such a being, and he is the Cause and the Maker of all things, as you say he is, and if he does possess the attributes which you and all the Christian world award him, and if he sense of love and justice as the above is, really does all things well,—how, in the name of all that's sacred, can there be few exceptions, just such doctrines and anything wrong in all his works? If there sentiments are thundered from every pulsense out of place, or different from what he designed it should be, before he created If the immortal part of man-in other it-where, we ask, is his wisdom, fore-

Hence, whether he did it ignorantly or say nothing about the exeruciating fiery

image, but missed in his calculations, you The first query, touching the immortality not only disrobe him of all godly attricriminal courts; because where the crimimiserable and unhappy through the endless ages of eternity; that is to say, if he really made the blunder attributed to him by his so-called earthly vicegerents, of making a race of beings which he thought was good, but who turned out absolutely so bad he could not manage them, and finding they were going from bad to worse every day, to remedy the grievous blunder. destroyed them at one full swoop, by drowning.

As distasteful and repugnant to every according to the moral code, yet, with we arrive at the following results, viz.: words, the soul, the intelligent, indestrucly emanate from God, then, reasoning from analogy, if there is anything suffering part of Divinity himself, as nothing else could withstand the scorching sulphuret if the part of Divinity composing the man remain forever, for acts done against itself. The thought is too ridiculous to occupy a moment's reflection; and, were it not our desire to disabuse mankind of such absurd lized a thought. But as it is, coupled with other equally erroneous earthly metaphysical teachings, one of which is, that there is no progressing after what is called death takes place,—from a sense of duty we are compelled, as it were, to do all in upon the right track, touching their preswe have endeavored to answer our friend's Yes, friend E-h, we will respond as torments in the next. Thus you will see, questions to the best of our ability, with upon us to "rise and explain" anything netism will assist him some. Your lov- hell of fire and brimstone to punish delicshe does not understand that we may have ing uttered, and we will comply as best we can.

#### TUNIE.

GOOD EVENING, DEAR FATHER: Again is it my inestimable privilege to address you from the spiritual side of life, and the communion is so sweet that I can find no words to express it; and when I feel that it is mutual, and fully reciprocated, the soul seems to be immersed in a sea of indescribable ecstacies. Dear father, it is my privilege, with the aid of our band, to escort a poor wanderer here tonight. Bowed down with grief at the hopeless condition he found himself in, on entering though my voice hurt him. Seeing this, the world of causes—to take the first step to free himself from the shackles of a false education, at first, and for a long time after he left his earthly tenement, he could not be made to believe he was in spiritlife; and although his wife and two lovely children were present and recognized by him, yet when we asked him, he knowing that they had been dead, as he called dissolution from their earthly bodies, for years, how was it he could talk with them, if he was still in the world of effects, said, "I'm dreaming, I've dreamed of them before, and thought at the time it was a reality, but on waking, found it only a dream; and so it will be now." He was in this condition for months, but at last he found out that it was not only a dream, but a dream that knew no waking. No sooner than he become fully conscious of this fact, he began to realize his true condition, and reading on the scroll of memory, all the incidents of his carth-life, and remembering the teachings of his spiritual advisers, that there was no repentance her husband, who was here last night, to David Hambly. That was my grandfather's after death had taken place, and comparing where I was sitting, he seemingly being name. This delineation given of my famihis appearance with those of his family, more weak than on the previous night. ly, its accuracy in statements, surpasses his regret knew no bounds; and although After getting him in a reclining position anything that could be given by any mortal when mourning over his misspent life, and on the sofa, his wife and Tunie commenced now living. I am the oldest of the Hamwhen told that there was a way out of his making passes downwards from his head. uncomfortable position, all he would say After a few moments spent in this way, he I have two brothers and two sisters still was, "I'm lost, I'm lost!" He remained rallied and sat up. Up to this time I was living, but they are younger. We are in this terrible state a long time before he a silent observer of the scene going on from England. There is not a branch of could be induced to come here, but finally before me Finding him inclined to con- the name of Hambly left in the old country, he consented to accompany us here to-versation, I asked him if he felt any to my knowledge. I left in 1844. All that night, and if nothing else comes of it, it stronger than he did on entering. He have not passed over to the other side, left. is hoped he will get enough light to drive said he did, and commenced talking about and have immigrated to America and Ausback some of the dark clouds of despair his condition, and whether or not I thought tralia. There is not any of my household that now envelope him.

transpiring every hour and minute, from was told that his case was no worse than were born in the United States. They darkened minds, upon entering into the millions of others; that, although no one don't know how many brothers or sisters, realities of spirit-life. I do not know as could escape paying a penalty for attempt- if any, that have passed over. he can say or do anything tonight, but by ing to trespass upon any of nature's laws, coming in direct contact with your mag- yet there was no such place as a literal form today, that could write up such an

TUNIE.

Soon after Tunie left the room, I saw her re-enter, leading by the hand a man apparently fifty or sixty years old, who seemed, by his trembling, shuffling gait, to be very weak. When near enough, she introduced him as Amaziah Trowbridge once a resident near Chattanooga, Tenu. and after seating him in a chair, a few feet from where I was sitting, left. He sat bent forward, with both elbows on his knees, and his head in his hands, for fifteen or twenty minutes, and, finding he said nothing, I asked him if he did not want to say something; at this he winced, as his wife came to his side, and putting her hand upon his head, asked him why he didn't speak, telling him if he would try he would feel better. At this he straightened up a little and essayed to speak, but failed, and fell into the same stupor again; but by the loving caresses of his wife, he seemed to gain a little more strength, for he made another effort to speak, but all he could say was, "I want to go home." Having spent so much time with him, and thinking it might be better to defer attempting anything further this time, I told his wife to come the next evening, when I thought he would be in better condition to do something for himself. After thanking me for my patience, his wife and all hands passed out of sight.

### NEXT EVENING.

While waiting for the time to arrive to there was a chance for a sinner like him to that could write up any such an account of This is only one case out of thousands, escape the horrors of the doomed? He my people. All of my individual family

quents in, only in the muddled, ignorant brains of earthly teachers, found only in the creeds and dogmas of Christian churches. He listened with great earnestness until I finished, when he asked "Are you sure there is no such place as hell?" I told him I was quite sure there was no such place; at any rate, no one had ever seen it yet. He then asked, "Is there no place of eternal punishment for the wicked anywhere?" He was told there was not; but every one suffered for wrong doing until their sins were erased from the escutcheon of their souls: that progression was inevitable; that all, no matter how far they may have lapsed from virtne, would in proper time become cleansed from all their evil deeds.

This seemed to give him more strength. as he said, "You will excuse me, sir, but I want to send a message to Frank Baxter, and tell him to cease his regrets about his abusing my confidence in a matter I would not like made public--and tell him I feel a love flowing out to him like a great river; also to tell him not to heed the churches, for their utterances are either wilful lies, or else ignorance. I had rather believe them the latter than the former. Thanking you for your kindness, and expressing a hope that I may become useful in rescuing the fallen, I bid you good night."

#### MESSAGE VERIFIED.

( SNAKE LAKE VALLEY, Plumas Co., Cal. Spaulsh Ranch P. O., Dec. 26, 1877.

Bro. Densmore.—I have discovered in commence the business of the evening, I the Voice of Angels of December 1, saw lovely Tunie and Jennie Sprague en- 1877, a communication to D. W. Hambly. ter the room, assisting the wife in getting coming from an ancestor, whose name was bly family now living, to my knowledge.

I say again, there is no one in the mortal

account of me or mine, but a Spirit Rela-In speaking of such as dropped out tive. by the wayside. I have two boys and a little girl that went out young; besides two little girls, who knew not their mother in earth-life. They passed over at child-birth: but we have talked with them all from the other side through their mother, who was a splendid medium for two years, before she passed on. My second son, spoken of, is a good medium; but he is married and has bad surroundings for developement. My eldest son's wife I know is a good medi-She was up with us, and stopped several weeks last year, and gave us all good tests of Spirit-Power. They now live in San Jose City, Santa Clara Co.

That bright-eyed, beautiful little daughter of mine, spoken of in the message refered to, has been described to me by clairvoyants several times. She was about nine mouths old when she was taken away from our sight, but not from our home.

My father, mother, one sister, and two brothers, as well as my little ones, are on the other side, waiting for me; but they are well grown, and I have compared heights by making my sons stand up in the room to compare at our scances.

My wife passed over on the 27th of last June; but she is with me a large portion of her time, and will be, as long as I remain in the body, so she says, and I am satisfied of that; in fact, I know it, I sense it.

Now, sir, you sent me two copies of No. 23, in which the communication was given. I want, if you have them, at least six or eight more numbers of that paper. I want to send two or three numbers to Australia, to a brother and a sister, and a friend; one to a brother in Nevada, one to a sister in San Francisco, and one each to my two sons. I would have written before, but currency is so hard to obtain in this section of California, I can't get it, so I have sent you postage stamps to pay you for the extra numbers, if you can oblige me with them. I was looking for a communication from my wife, not thinking to receive such a prize from such a source.

Well, my paper is about full, and I will conclude for the present my rambling Yours, for the truth ever, remarks.

D. W. HAMBLY.

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MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

# FIGS OR PIGS—FRUIT OR BRUTE! SHALL WE EAT FLESH?

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INSPIRATIONALLY PREPARED BY J. M. A.

PROPOSITION: - The find of human beings, except inflints, should be derived direlly and wholly from the Plant Kingdom, without recourse to either Animals or Minerals, and should consist mainly of Fruits (including Nuls) and Grains: instead of the omnivoronsness, which ranges greedily and lawlessly over the three kingdoms.

The following Summary embraces the principal reasons for entertaining the Vegetavian (or Fruitarian) Principle:

PHYSIOLOGICAL AND HY-GIENIC. PHRENOLOGICAL AND MORAL. Psychologica L PATHOLOGICAL.

AGRICULTURAL, ECONOMICAL AND LABORIAL, GUSTATORIAL AND SENTIMEN-TAL, INTUITIONAL, HISTORICAL, EVENTUAL.

1. ANATOMICAL.—The use of animal food by man is contrary to the evident design of Nature, as indicated by his anatomical structure, which is in all respects nearly identical with that of the orang-outang and others of the Simiadac or "monkey tribe," who are naturally frugiverous (fruit and nut-eating) animals Says Baron CUVIER: "Man resembles no carnivorous animal. There is no exception, unless man be one, to the rule of herbiverous animals having cellulated colons. The orang-outang perfectly resembles man, both in the order and number of his teeth. The resemblance also of the human stomach to that of the orang-outang is greater than to that of any other animal. The intestines are also identical with those of herbiverous animals, which present a large surface for absorption, and have ample and cellulated colons. The corcum, also, though short, is larger than that of the carnivorous animals; and even here, the orang-outang retains its accustomed similarity. The structure of the human frame, then, is that of one fitted to a pure vegetable diet, in every essential particular. It is true that the reluctance to abstain from animal food, in those who have been long accustomed to its stimulus, is so great (in some persons of weak minds) as to be scarcely overcome; but this is far from being any argument in its favor."

Says Thomas Bell, F. R. S., etc.: "It is not, I think, going too far to say, that every fact connected with human organization goes to prove that man was originally formed a fruiteating animal. This opinion is principally derived from the formation of his teeth and digestive organs, as well as from the character of his skin and general structure of his limbs."

Says the poet SHELLEY: "Comparative anatomy teaches us that man resembles frugiverous animals in everything, and carnivorous in nothing."

mouth, of the stomach and of the hands.

bone and muscle, the most symmetrical forms, into a state of feverish excitement—and the and the most perfect and uninterrupted health higher faculties, those which should always

and exquisite enjoyment of all the physical functions, are produced by "vegetarian" diet. especially whenever that diet has been well selected and applied through several successive generations. "Animal food, in general, digests sooner than most kinds of vegetables; and not being so much in accordance with man's nature, constitution and moral character, it is very liable to generate disease, inflammation, or fever, even when it is not taken to excess."—Dr. Channey Stephenson, of Chesterfield, Mass.

"The objections, then, against meat-eating are three-fold-intellectual, moral and physical. Its tendency to check intellectual activity, to depreciate moral sentiment, and to derange the fluids of the body."-Dr. Coles, Boston.

"Nothing is more certain than that animal food is inimical to health. This is evident from its stimulating qualities, producing, as it were, a temporary fever after every meal; and not only so, but from its corruptible qualities, it gives rise to many fatal diseases. But that which ought to convince every one of the salubrity of a diet consisting of vegetables (that is, plants-including fruits, nuts, grains and roots) is the consideration of the dreadful effects of totally abstaining from it, unless it be for a very short time."—Dr. Whitlaw.

"Celsus affirms that the bodies which are filled with much animal food become the most quickly old and diseased. It was proverbial that the ancient athletes were the most stupid of men. The cynic Diogenes, being asked what was the cause of this stupidity, is reported to have answered, 'Because they are wholly formed of the flesh of swine and oxen.' It has not been improperly said of vegetable feeders, that with them it is morning all day long. There is no organ of the body which, under the use of vegetable food, does not receive an increase of sensibility, or of that power which is thought to be imparted to it by the nervous system. The senses, the memory, the understanding and the imagination have been observed to be improved by a vegetable diet."—Dr. Lamb

3. PHRENOLOGICAL AND MORAL.—The use of animal food tends to develope the base of the brain prematurely, and gives rise to those passional outbursts of hate and lust, which darken human life, and cover the earth with the offspring of unrestrained propensity, rather than with the tokens of mutual spiritual affection. The love which flesh-eating incites, is the love of self, the love which the ferocious beast feels for his victim, the desire for selfish gratification, regardless of effects upon others. It is unquestionable that animal food stimulates. This stim-LINNERS, the naturalist, remarks: "This ulation or excitement, (like that from fermented species of food is that which is most suitable to liquors), in passing from the body into the brain, man. as is evinced by the structure of the comes necessarily first in contact with the lower part of the brain, and there expends itself main-2. Physiological and Hygienacal.—It is ly. Here are located those faculties which are demonstrably and unmistakably true that the related specially to the bodily and selfish life; purest blood, the most substantial and efficient and these are inflamed, "whipped up," thrown

direct and control the lower, are for the time emit an unpleasant, ghastly scent, while those the life, around us. There are emanations from being, measurably ignored, forgotten, disregard- of herbiverous do not. Compare the cat and all things. The objects, animate or inanimate, ed; which throws the human into the sphere of cow. the animal, prostrates the higher nature at the feet of the lower, ties hand and foot the spirit- ourselves to eat no flesh at all, for the earth afual impulses, unbalances, perverts and distorts the whole mental being, and draggles in the mire and slime of beastliness and sensualism the priceless gem of angelhood, implanted in every human soul.

Animal food developes the war spirit. Note the well-known ferocity of britcher's dogs, and the taming of the tiger by farinaceous food.

"The natural diet of all animals is constitutionally calculated to develope their respective natures; and as the paramount characteristic of all carnivorous animals is rapacity and ferocity, therefore animal food, eaten by man, naturally and necessarily developes a like rapacious herceness in him also, whereas a vegetable diet is constitutionally adapted to foster docility and goodness."—O. S. Fowler.

Says Shelley: "The advantage of a reform in diet is obviously greater than that of any other. It strikes at the root of the evil. To remedy the abuses of legislation, before we regulate the propensities by which they are produced, is to suppose that by taking away the abstained from it." effect, the cause will cease to operate."

It was not from those who lived on vegetables that robbers or murderers, sycophants or tyrants, have proceeded; but from Hesh-eaters."-Porphyry of Tyre.

"The use of animal food hurries on life with an unnatural and unhealthy rapidity. We arrive at puberty too soon; the passions are developed too early; in the male they acquire an impetuosity approaching to madness; females become mothers too early and too frequently: and, finally, the system becomes prematurely exhausted and destroyed, and we become diseased and old, when we ought to be in middle life."—Dr. Lamb.

While the eating of animal food thus stimulates propensity and unbalances the higher and mals diminishes our natural horror of canniballower natures, the act of slaughtering animals blunts moral sentiment, and is revolting to the most ennobling instincts and sympathies of Children invariably shrink human nature. with horror at sight of butchery—as do all persons whose native sympathies have not been habitually violated, blunted and crushed.

To quote again from SHELLEY: "It is only by softening and disguising dead flesh by culinary preparations, that it is rendered susceptible of easy mastication and digestion, and that the sight of its bloody juices does not excite intolerable loathing, horror and disgust. Let the advocate of animal food force himself to a decisive experiment on its fitness, and, as Plutarch recommends, tear a living lamb with his teeth, and, plunging his head into its vitals, slake his thirst with the steaming blood; when fresh from the deed of horror, let him revert to the irresistible instincts of nature, that would rise in judgment against it, and say, Nature formed me for such work as this. Then, and then only, would he be consistent."

Says PLUTARCH: "It is best to accustom fords plenty enough of things not only fit for nourishment, but for enjoyment and delight. You ask me, 'for what reason Pythagorus abstained from eating the flesh of brutes?' For my part, I am astonished to think, on the contrary, what appetite first induced man to taste of a dead carcass; or what motive could suggest the notion of nourishing himself with the fiesh of animals which he saw, the moment before, bleating, bellowing, walking, and looking around them. How could be bear to see an impotent and defenceless creature slaughtered, skinned, and cut up for food? How could be endure the sight of convulsed limbs and muscles?' How bear the smell arising from the dissection? Whence happened it that he was not disgusted and struck with horror when he came to handle the bleeding fiesh and clear away the clotted blood and humors from the wounds? should therefore rather wonder at the conduct of those who first indulged themselves in this horrible repast, than at such as have humanely

THOREAU observes: "I have found repeatedly of late years, that I cannot fish without falling a little in self-respect. I have tried it again and again. I have skill at it; but always when I have done, I feel that it would have been better if I had not fished."

O. S. Fowler remarks: "What could the lion, or tiger, or butcher, do with active Benevolence, or Conscientiousness [or Spirituality]! · No one faculty should ever be so exercised as to clash with the normal function of any other. Animal food is therefore [unnatural, improper, and injurious, because it can be procured only by violating man's moral constitu-

HUMBOLDT says: "The habit of eating aniism. It is, indeed, civilized cannibalism; we care tenderly for [domesticated] animals, cherish and fatten them (like as the savage cannibal fattens his captive before eating him) only in the end to show our 'love' by slaying and devouring!"

The slaughter and consumption of animals for food may be entirely consistent with the present form of "civilization," may be appropriate to the era of war, general violence, and confusion, sensualism and corruption; but it is not consistent with a social state which looks to the removal from the earth of these and all other evils, and the establishment of universal purity and spirituality, order, love, harmony and

whatever surrounds him. The Soul of Things is a reality which finds a responsive recognition in the inner life of man. Spirituality or animality, refinement or grossness, in our surroundings, induces a corresponding condition in

so-called the creatures, the people, that surround us, breathe upon us the qualities of their inner life; and we cannot escape the fact, whether conscious of its existence or not. Those who partake of animal food, open the door of their animal nature for the ingress of animal influences, and become negative, more or less, to the surrounding magnetisms emanating from the animal faculties, whether of beast or man. In this condition, they cannot so readily be appronched and inspired by the truly spiritual influences either of the earth or skies.

Says BRONSON ALCOTT: "Meat is out of all fitness, the opposite of spiritual food. We should subsist on vegetables and fruits, to be divine. When we pluck the apple above our head, eating is an aspiration; and the clustering grapes of our own arbor shed their soft purples in mellowing light upon the whiteness of our

THOREAU observes: "I believe that every man who has ever been earnest to preserve his higher or poetic faculties in the best condition, has been particularly inclined to abstain from animal food. · · · I have no doubt that it is a part of the destiny of the human race, in its gradual improvement, to leave off eating animals, as surely as the savage tribes have left off eating each other, when they come in contact with the more civilized."

The earth-world, in its "civilized" portions, at least, is now being brought in contact with the heavenly world, to an extent probably never before experienced. May we not look for, as one of the results of this spiritual overshadowing, an entire abandonment, ultimately, by the civilized world, of every form of unimal food? In other words, will not the animal magnetism eventually be overcome, neutralized, displaced, superseded, swept away from the earth, by spiritual magnetism, and man emerge from his animalism, cast out the beast that is now within him, cease to be brutal, and cruel, and warlike, and, looking upward for guidance through the spiritual faculties, instead of downward through the animal, become at last truly human, and achieve for himself the glorious and penceful destiny which Nature designed for him as a mortal being, capacitated to walk hand in hand with the angels.

[To be concluded in next.]

[From the Banner of Light]

# A REMEDY FOR DIPHTHERIA AND THROAT DISEASES.

A few years ago, when diphtheria was raging in England, a gentleman accompanied the celebrated Dr. Field on his rounds to witness the so-called "wonderful cures" which he performed, while the patients of others were dropping on 4. Psychological. By the law of In- all sides. The remedy, to be so rapid, must be fluences, man is affected, for good or ill, by simple. All he took with him was powder of sulphur and a quill, and with these he cured every patient without exception. He put a tea-spoonful of flour of brimstone into a wineglass of water, and stirred it up with his finger instead of a spoon, as the sulphur does not The blood and breath of carnivorous animals ourselves; we are magnetized by the objects, by readily amalgamate with water. When the sul-

phur was well mixed, he gave it as a gargle, and in ten minutes the patient was out of danger. Brimstone kills every species of fungus in a man, beast and plant in a few minutes. Instead of spitting out the gargle, he recommended swallowing it.

was too nearly closing to allow the gargling. he blew the sulphur through a quill into the throat, and after the fungus had shrunk to allow of it, then the gargling. He never lost a patient by diphtheria. If a patient cannot gargle, take a live coal, put it on a shovel and sprinkle a spoonful or two of flour of brimstone at a time upon it; let the sufferer inhale it, holdin it, inhaling the fumes, with doors and windows shut. This mode of fumigating a room with sulphur has often cured most violent attacks of cold in the head, chest, etc., at any time, and it is recommended in cases of consumption and asthma.

To CURE WARTS.—One drop of the oil of cinnamon, applied to warts three or four times daily, will cause them to disappear, however hard, large or dense they may be. The application gives no pain, nor causes suppuration.

# INTERPRETATION OF MYSTICAL WRITING.

ORANDMOTHER.

BY WEST INGLE.

TO FANNIE TUMLY, Decatur, Ill.,—Oh my dear child! Are you indeed prepared to bear the medium's cross? Are you willing to join the vast number who renounce the pomp and follies of the earth, and go out into the world as a spiritual reformer? You, who are surrounded with all that is bright and beautiful in life, may add to your crown of womanhood by speaking words of comfort and cheer to the suffering ones of humanity. A band of faithful spirit friends are near you—men, women, and little children are drawn to you by family ties. Let them speak to your spirit, and give you a stronger faith in the ministration of angels. Let me convince my dear Fannie that there may be sweet communion with your dear ones who have passed out of the body.

I am one who loves you dearly, and you shall come again. will soon recognize me. Remember me to all the family. GRANDMOTHER.

#### FROM A LADY SPIRIT-FRIEND TO A MEDIUM.

THROUGH MIIN. A. ANDREWS.

THE dove of peace shall fold her wings, To needle in thy breast; And to thy heart sweet quiet bring. And point thee to thy rest.

LET no man anticipate uncertain profits.

# PEARLS FROM SPIRIT LIFE. THROUGH C. E. WINANS.

JAMES MARSHALL.

I am not used to speech-making, and may not be able to give even what I come In extreme cases, in which he had been call- to give; but I can try. I am from Weled just in the nick of time, when the fungus land, and I died very sudden. I was 20 years old when I departed this life.

Dear father, I come to give you a warm greeting, warm from the chamber of Divine love. I rejoice to find a way opened for me. I have no other means of telling you I now live. Grieve not for me; I am not dead. I am your only son still. ing the head over it, and the fungus will die. If have not become dumb to human emotion. plentifully used, the whole room may be filled al- I am united in spirit with you, to an infinmost to suffocation; the patient can walk about ite degree; yet I cannot always enter your daily sphere. You were so kind to me while I occupied the body, and have been so considerate since I have been a spirit, that I owe you more than I can ever pay you.

> that I am not dead, but am alive in a world just as real as the world you live in. Toby come here. So me come. Me seen the will of the Father, to love one anoth- pooses in the happy hunting grounds. enous wolves.

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Direct or send message to Mr. Moses pale-face call us. Ho, hol Louisbury.

I am your precious child.

JAMES M--L.

CATHERINE GRUBB.

My NAME, Sir, was Catherine Grubb. Il

with them privately; for I have many gems to give them. But I would scarce care to give them in any other way. If they are not afraid to come down to the shores of the River Jordan, I will shake hands with them from over the other side, and give them ample assurance that I live.

Send message to Richard H. Grubb, Rushville, Fairfield county, Ohio.

VINCENT HAWKINS.

Sir, I am Vincent Hawkins. I am from Austin, Minnesota. I suppose I have been in Spirit Life five years. I want the folks to know that this Spiritualism is a blessed truth; and if they will try half as hard to inform themselves about this as they have tried to inform themselves about certain other things, they will be successful and made happy, and never will regret the trying. I was forty-three years old.

WHOP.

How you do, Chief? I want Chief Dens-Dear father, I would have you to know more to put this in his talking sheet. Squaw got the name of Milton. Want Is not this good news? Whosoever doeth Squaw Milton, old chief, and some paper, doeth also my will, etc. Then fewer Old chief if can get in will have heap to crimes would send fewer disheartened men say to Squaw Milton. Me think he can out of human spheres, to suffer over and get in. Toby don't know; think can get over again the results of their sin in ours. in. My meda heap sick with painum in The religious systems cripple the soul, and the arm. Chief Cook that am in hunting hold it bound in iron bands to inactivity, grounds says she get well if she take adto a reliance upon a nominal faith, which vicem she got Squaw Milton. Me am consists in open profession of assumption much pleased with the box Meda sent us, of forms—the whitewashing of the exte-Meda. Big brave no like cause Meda go rior, while the heart remains full of rav- to meetems. He fraid his squaw get in lake of fire. Ho, ho! The big brave Teach the people that there is existent that stand up in the big wigwam, that have within their own minds, hearts, intellects a big book under his nose, was to see my and consciences a principle to do good, meda about soul salvation. He greenum. and that by cultivating that instinct they The red sisters and red brothers has no may advance themselves to the dignity of fear of death. For this fear of death Christ's equals, and you will have put in makes cowards of us all. If you all do a lever which will upheave Christendom, what um right, you may expect better and in the future populate high spheres in hunting grounds over than here, clearer water than than here, more game I perceive its weight, and have small thare than here. The pale-face musent power to remove it individually; but, in harbor the tarrible gost, the fear of death. co-operation with spirit and mind, I shall If the pale-face goes out in the night, the try to do my part. If I am recognized, I consequence is he wakes up in the night there. Not so with the savage, as the

Good moon.

THROUGH WEST INGLE.

LEANDER G. HOWLEY.

To DANIEL CAME, of Cambridgeport, Muss.

BROTHER DANIEL,—I have looked into am from Rushville, Fairfield county, Ohio. the spiritual conditions surrounding you, I wish to communicate with my husband and find them wonderfully improved. and children. I have been gone five When I left the earth, you were a Methoyears. I would be glad to communicate odist in heart and soul, and were continually under the influence of old divines. I may as well class them under the head of science of the soul; forget that you were theological theories. Now you are coming over to the sunny side, where Truth has spread her mantle of living green. You need more knowledge in regard to the change called Death, and why so few return to the earth after that change.

Now, Daniel, I tell you honestly, when the soul enters into the world of spirits, it meets with other changes than the one which freed it from the earthly body. The spiritual form is far more perfect than the body; and after it passes the second change, which is called "an exchange from the exterior to the interior," the features put on a more beautiful and exalted expression. The face of the body takes its form and beauty from the parents; but the spiritual face is beautified by the affections. No one in Spirit-life is allowed to assume the base elements. The inner life is revealed in the clear light of Truth, which must ever be the atmosphere of the Angel World. A man who has been vile on earth, practising the habits of evil nature secretly, that his fellow-men may be deceived in regard to his life, finds himself revealed to the clear eyes of those who surround him.

The removal of the exterior covering, which is the body, reveals the interior; and if the spiritual face is scarred by the evil habits and affections of the earth-life, it renders the spirit unsightly to those who love the beauty of purity and virtue.

The faces of the angels are glorified; for they express the peace and harmony of heavenly conditions. They interiorly love Divine Truth, and delight in expressing the thoughts of their affectional natures.

There are no hypocrites in the Spirit-World: for there are no mysteries to hide, no secrets to keep. Souls read and understand each other by intuition, which is a silent but powerful language.

The Spirit-World differs from the material world in many respects. We have more love than we do theories and philosophies. We need no scientific power to aid us in catching glimpses of characterwe get our knowledge by reading the index of the soul. Human nature does not always preserve universal harmony, and to those who acknowledge the Spiritual Philosophy, and possess the interior sight, these matters are of little importance, for they readily understand why these facts exist. There is more inharmony caused by lack of knowledge, than there is by its possession, for they who know little have nothing of importance to fight over, and are generally contented and harmonious with each other.

once a good carnest fighting element in ences surrounding you. I will bring you the church, where religion rages like an epidemic, corresponding to the conditions even here upon the earth. of church organizations and treasuries. I want you to seek the truth, and when you watched over and tenderly cared for; and have found it, come under its divine influences, and become more intimately engaged in developing individuals who have a weakness, or constitutional predisposition, to church revivals. Seek your inspiration from a power superior to atmospheric electricity, which sometimes changes the mental conditions of men.

LEANDER G. BOWLEY.

#### ELIZABETH PIERCE.

To her Husband Jabesh Pierce, living to Denver. Colorado.

My DEAR HUSBAND,—I will again try to communicate with you through the little paper, called, and justly so, the "Voice of Angels." It has been many years since Spirit-World. I passed out of the body I left you, my dear husband; and those during that year, from Richmond, Viryears have passed heavily with you. ginia, and I have desired to come back Crosses and losses have been your lot; and communicate with my friends, who yet you have not been compelled to bear are quite numerous in York State, chiefly them alone. Your spirit friends are con- in Oneida Co. Eliza, you know how I tinually helping you. You never needed desire to communicate with you. I have them more than at the present time. I been seeking a chance. Sophia says she watch you daily; and when I see you can communicate herself through the West slowly nearing the change which must Ingle medium, and will do so as soon as come to all, I rejoice exceedingly; for possible. I would like to have John know you will soon be free from care and per- more about this true life. He will be a plexities.

are weakened by old age. You are ripen- aid. You must not expect much from me ing like corn for the harvest. Can you at this time, as I will surely come again. look back, and count the years since we and tell you how I suffered, and how glad parted, and have one desire to live them I was when I was free. There is one who over again? Our dear ones on the earth desires to speak to you, Eliza, your brightmay grieve to part with you, but all who eyed daughter waits to communicate, and love you here in the Spirit-World will re- so does Katie Mckerhoff, and the time joice when you are with us, dwelling in given is not sufficient for to express half peace, having no regretful thoughts to de- what I desire to say. I will take all times plore.

losses. Wasted years are the real losses still living, and able to help them. God over which human hearts will mourn.

light to our dear children, that they may be cheerful under their daily burdens. could do so much for them all, if they would do as I impress them. You are led by intuition, and if you had been always true to your impressions, you would have been a rich and influential man at this

in great numbers, to cheer your declining your other friends. There is a great deal come, for it is impossible for all to behold I would speak to you are cheering, Auntie.

Brother Daniel, look deeply into the the dear ones of earth. You will know when I am near you by the peaceful influcomfort and rest, my dear husband-rest

> Do not fear for the future. You will be when your earthly work is finished, I will lead you to the beautiful home I have prepared for you. Heaven is nearer the earth than you imagine. I have always been near you and our dear ones.

> > Your affectionate wife, ELIZABETH PIERCE.

> > > ORIGN L. GREEN.

My name is Orrin L. Green. I passed away from the earth at a time when the nation was convulsed with civil war, and all men were engaged in open rebellion with each other. 1862 brought spiritual knowledge home to many, by bringing them face to face with the realities of the happier and more prosperous man after Life is a constant burden to those who he learns how to ask and receive spiritual and places to talk with my friends, till The loss of money is the least of earthly I give them the knowledge that I am bless you, my dear sister, may you and I will try to impart a ray of spiritual yours be made as happy by the knowledge that spirit friends can come back, as it makes me to come to you.

Yours, affectionately,

ORRIN L. GREEN.

ELLA CASTLE.

To her Aunt, FANNY CASTLE, of Lowell, Lake County, Indiana.

MY DEAR AUNT FANNY, -Do not think Your friends are gathering round you it strange that I came to you, instead of You may not see us when we in knowing how to reach you. The words the heavenly messengers when they visit You and dear, patient mother both need a

out with care and trouble, and it is almost will send your lock of hair, you can get a time for the Comforter to visit you.

nearer the change which must eventually tionate sister, come to all embodied souls. You will soon know of the mystery which shrouds all things connected with death. There see you coming into the light where my is something grand in the fact that the spirit can reach you. O, Thomas, death aged are prepared for the change. Like has not parted us, and I can do more to ripe corn they are gathered into the gar- help you now than if I had lived with you ner-house, which is the Spirit-Life.

and they will receive you with joy. Here do my best while I lived on the earth, and are your parents, and the dear friends of I am happy now. Our friends are all here. your youth; and Auntie, here are many Your mother wants to communicate with who want you to come, some who would her children. I find the dear ones still gladly communicate with you, and they will do so very soon now. Tell my dear mother that she will see better days now. Her spirit-friends are able to do much for from your heart. Thomas, my dear husher. I want to tell you this truth, and I desire all my loved ones to remember it as future; I will help you. Be cheerful and coming from me—Ella.

To die is pleasaut, and the change from the material to the spiritual world is and losses. Tell my dear friends, one and pleasant and beautiful. Live pure in heart all, that Elizabeth Rea is not and never and do every known duty, and you will can be dead to her friends. I have been find Heaven on the Earth, and eternal in spirit-life a year in February, counting happiness in the Spirit-Land.

Auntie; give one to each heart that loves ones. God bless you, my ever dear husme. Tender words of love are the spirit- band. flowers which I give you. I will come to you all. Good night.

ELLA CASTLE.

JOSY ANSON, TO HER SISTER.

So you have not forgotten your sister, who found freedom and love in spirit-life. I am really Josy Anson, and you know how I come to you, my dear sister. Mrs. Elizabeth Rea, late of Humboldt, Tenu., told me to come to you, as you were living in her family. I could make you understand all that I wanted to say, if I could bring you near the medium. I want you to believe that the spirit lives on after death, and there is for our unhappy race a grand and noble future. The world will yet learn that God's gifts of intellect and talents are not confined to people of the white race. The children of Africa are just as near to our great Father as are the people of other nations. Progression teaches and develops all. My dear, dear sister, so live on the earth that you may be loved and honored. All our friends are with me, and we will come and help you to do all that is required of you. Be kind and truthful, and let your life be earnest and womanly. Oh, my dear sister. I will try

message of love from your friends in the to tell you more about those you want to FROM THE SPIRIT OF DR. M. TO HIS world of rest and peace. You are tired hear from, in my next message. If you message which will point out all your Dear Auntie, you are getting nearer- future life. Heaven bless and keep you nearer to me every day. You are coming happy and good! I am still your affec-Jost Axsox.

To THOMAS REA. Humboldt, Gibson Co., Tenn.

My DEAR HUSBAND,-I am rejoiced to in the old, weary body. I am glad I am Here you will find all whom you love, free from struggles and pain. I tried to remember me and often speak of me. I love to hear you talk of me; it gives me power to come near, when you call me band, you shall prosper better in the look to the future hopefully.

You will find a reward for all your trials by earthly time. I will bring you a mes-I give you a bunch of flowers, dear sage, my dear husband, from all our dear ELIZABETH REA.

# AUTUMN.

[Through a Young Girl only 13 years old. She never read a line of poetry in her life. Her name is GEORGIE JENING. She lives in Chattanooga, Hamilton County, Tennessee.)

> SCHMER's birds are fledged and flown, Skies once bright hold many a frown, All the fields are trining brown-Turning brown.

In the lanes where lovers walked .-Noks where class their long arms locked, Where the twittering swallows flocked-Sparrour flocked-

All is ellent; -not a sound Breaks the solitude profound;-Sombre leadets strew the ground-All around.

Autumn winds make mosu-make mosu O'er the fields, once flower-bestrewn;-As I watch and wait alone-Wait alone.

TO MRS. S., FROM HER SPIRIT-CHILDREN.

THROUGH MRS. A. ANDREWS.

WE linger round our loved in gladness. On the bill-top of the blest, To cheer the weary in eacloss, And point to them the land of real.

We listen to each mournful sigh, That from our mother's boart doth fall. And try to reason with her-Why? Tis Gud, she knows, who doeth all.

In sweet submission she will bow;-The chastening rod doth kiss. Great Spirit! give her knowledge now,

PHROUGH MUS. A. ANDREWS.

On Hattiel bo not so sad, my dear. For my spirit is ever hovering near, To try and help you on your way, Darling wife, whilst here you're but clay.

But soon as earth's troubles will be o'er, To me you'll come on the other shore; And both again will share one home, Whore cars and sorrow can nover come.

Oh, loved one! think how short time may be, And compare it with the vast eternity, Then you'll look with less forrow on the trials here For many do love you and hold you most dear.

The light of truth to you has been shown. In the home of the medium through whom I come. Oh, bless her for ayo! the good she has done, Has comforted many a sorrowing one.

This beautiful truth, oh. love it not less Because by the multitude it is not confessed; The Saviour hath said, those who deny Me, will I also when the time comes to die.

And so with this truth; how few will own That it cometh from the Father's heavenly home? But it shall be your bright, guidling star, That we will watch over from afar.

#### LET BYGONES BE BYGONES.

LET bygones be bygones; if bygones were clouded By aught that occasioned a pang of regret, Oh, let them in darkest oblivion be shrouded; 'Ils wise and 'tis kind to forgive and forget.

Let bygones be bygones, and good be extracted From Ill over which it is fully to fret; The wisest of mortals have foolishly acted-The kindest are those who forgive and forget.

Let bygones be bygones; oh, cherish no longer The thought that the sun of Affection has set: Eclipsed for a moment, its rays will be stronger. If you, like a Christian, forgive and forget.

Let bygones be bygones; your heart will be lighter, When kindness of yours with reception has met; The same of your love will be purer and brighter, If godilke you strive to forgive and forget.

Let bygones be bygones; oh, purgo out the leaven Of malice, and try an example to set To others, who craving the mercy of heaven, Are sadly too slow to forgive and forget.

Let bygones be bygones; remember how deeply To heaven's forbearance we all are in debt; They value God's infinite goodness too cheaply. To heed not the precept, "Forgive and forget."

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