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The truth shall make you free.-Jesus.

In the days of the voice of the seventh angel, the mystery of God shall be finished .- St. John the Divine.

Whereof I was made a minister to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ, and the mystery which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in children repel me, and only in rare instances attract me irre-God.-Paul.

#### WHAT IS IT TO BE "WELL BORN?"

Dear Weekly-I recently came across an item in that "eminently respectable newspaper," the Louisville Courier-Journal, one of those stray scraps that a paper seems to have gone on an exploring expedition to find just to fill up three lines of empty space at the bottom of a column.

The disconsolate waif that I found floundering in the immensity of matter in the columns of the L. C. J., was to the tremendous effect that-" It is rumored on excellent authority that Clara Louise Kellogg, the prima donna, and Lotta, the actress, are both engaged to well-born and wealthy Philadelphians.'

Our first shock of wonder subsided over the above intelligence; we next felt a sense of profound gratitude to the L. C. J. for the information that Clara Louise Kellogg is a prima donna, and that Lotta is an actress. But what struck me most forcibly and filled my reverent soul with sublimest awe was the assertion that those prospective matrimonially-doomed Philadelphians are wel-born, considering the matter of their wealth as of small moment in comparison. And then comes the implied sentiment that a prima donna and an actress ought to feel duly sensible of the good fortune and excep tional luck of securing on their hooks such sanctified gudgeons of our social mud-puddle, because the "profession" generally is not naturally eligible to such social windfalls.

Now the question arises in my inquiring mind, on what hypothesis does the L. C. J. base its judgment of the good birth of those Philadelphians, who have yielded to the charms and graces and genius of a prima donna and an actress?

Evidently its judgment is based upon the "true Southerner's" rock of ages-a line of descent and social position, with plenty of money to back them up. Nowhere in all creation do they take more note of one's ancestors than in Kentucky, or manifest so utter an indifference to underlying principle and the L. C. J. is a faithful exponent of the prevailing idiosyncrasies of its sovereign State. Little they know and little they care whether Nature were outraged at one's birth, so that the hideous-vailed prophet of modern society is propitiated in circumstances and surroundings.

Let us hope for the good time to come when we shall only look for patent of good birth in the fair face of nature undeblood royal, and give precedence to debauched but "re-

tion in my own mind, and at length began to inquire of instances. The result leads me to the conclusion that, as I my self am a child of desire and design, there is an unerring instinct within me that recognizes the kindred bond. I can account for my instinctive experiences in regard to young children and young animals in no other way. The young of animals never fails to draw upon that magic chord which is not to be explained in words, only to be felt-a sweet, sacred and tender thrill of nature; whereas the majority of young

sistibly in that mysterious, indefinable manner.

Animals inherit their birthright of passion and desire and calm content in the maternal breast, while too many, aye, the largest proportion of the children of men come into this existence with all the chords of nature "like sweet bells jangled out of tune and harsh."

All this may sound like the veriest nonsense to a dull soul not alive to the innate harmonies of our being; yet I have written it down here, satisfied that it will find its response in some heart somewhere. Then why should the ignorant scoff of a fool make me shrink as though a serpent had stung me?

I know that in what I have set down above is contained the germ of the divinest principle in divinity-the secret of the immaculate conception of Jesus of Nazareth. All other things being in harmony, the conception that is the result of mutual desire and design would never fail in its consummation of a perfect character.

Go forth, bright bird of my purest thought, and if thou fail to find any resting-place, only bring me an olive-branch to assure me the dark waters of ignorance and superstition are subsiding, and I will shelter thee in my heart till all souls triumphantly own thine infinite grace to redeem a sin-sick HELEN NASH. world.

#### SELLING INDULGENCES. BY WARREN CHASE.

The Catholic Church is the Christian church. It comprises three-fourths of all the Christians. It made the Trinity in the Christian godhead. It sorted and made holy a part of the old Scriptures, and cast the others out as apochryphal, and it established nearly all the essential doctrines of lesser and later sects, and hence is the parent and representative of all the numerous progeny who have ignored its authority, but still hold sacred its acts and doctrines.

This is the church from which we get our Christian system of marriage and adultery, of celibacy and ; sanctification, of infant baptism, and damnation without it. Our laws have enacted divorce and legalized other modes of marriage besides those of this and other churches; but both law and gospel hold to the same moral and immoral nature of sexual intimacy. This church, the other churches, and those they have educated hold that sexual intercourse is a crime when perfiled, and not have to accept licentious princes of a corrupt formed without their sanction; and as they permit parties to have it, and as their sanction cannot alter the nature of the act, nor make an act less a crime that is by nature a crime, what less is their system of marriage than selling indulgences to sin? If the act is a sin without the sanction of a priest, it certainly is not less so with the permit which the priest grants? He cannot make that right which is wrong, nor that wrong which is right. The priests, having decided that original sin was sexual intercourse, established a holy order of celibate priests, and consecrated virgins for their use, to both of whom, of course, they could grant indulgences; having power to abrogate all sexual sins in others, of course they could do it in themselves, and not impair their purity. The priest that can permit a young couple to sin, and not feel or have guilt attached to the act, can, of course, permit a holy virgin to do the same. Sexual intercourse is, or it is not, a sin or crime. If it is, then no sanction of priest or magistrate can make it otherwise. It is as plain as the nose on a man's face that if undesired sexual intercourse in a single woman is prostitution, then it is the same in a married woman; and if a man commits a rape, which certainly is a horrible crime, on a single woman, or on one not his wife, the same act performed on his wife is as much, if not more, a crime, although the law may not punish it as such. As the wife is placed in his power, it is not certain that it is not even more a crime.

Roman Church. Our churches have long enough established what they call crime, and sold people permits to indulge in The old church often takes the pay and repentance before the act is committed, while the new churches only require it afterward except in marriage, where both require the parties to express their desire, and get their permit before the criminal act is indulged in; but if the parties fail they can get it forgiven afterward by great effort.

#### SELECTIONS. BY C. E. M.

Alphouse Teste once made a remark which is very appropriate to the WEEKLY just at this time, when he said, "We are now on a new soil, where every object borders on the extraordinary, and of which it is impossible to give an accurate description without passing for a cheat or a fool; but what matters that? The reputation of a man, whoever he be, is not equivalent to a great truth, and if our recitals appear at the present day monstrous or ridiculous to certain strong minds, before ten years probably they will be judged of differently."

The Lord invites the servants whom He loves to the contemplation of His glory, at one time by sending misfortunes and afflictions, and at another by melancholy and sickness; and He says to them: "My servants, what you regard as misfortune and affliction is but the bridle of my love by which I draw those whom I love to a spirit of holy submission, and to my Paradise." It is also found in a tradition that misfortune is first of all the lot of the prophets, then of the saints, and then of those who are like them in successive lower degrees. Look not, then, upon these things as maladies, for they are my favored servants.-Ghazzali.

One may learn to understand all truths by knowledge and the prophetic power combined. For they embrace the whole kingdom of the universe, with its deputies and servants, and possess the knowledge of the end for which everything was created; they know to whose command all things are subjected, to what men are invited, and what they are forbidden to do.-Ibid.

Whosoever has but once experienced the delight of being near to God, and has enjoyed the vision of the beauty of the Lord, would perish if he should be separated for one moment from it. Even the last and least person who quits hell will receive a mansion from the Lord God which is equal to ten of these worlds, we mean ten worlds in value and in the beauty they display and the pleasure they afford.-I id.

In the same manner as the equilibrium of the inferior spirit is to be preserved by the science of medicine, the equilibrium of the human spirit is to be preserved by virtue, self-denial and holy zeal, that it may not be destitute of the love of God and perish. It is plain, then, that a knowledge of the future world cannot be acquired until we have learned the true nature of the two spirits. We cannot obtain, for example, a knowledge of God unless we previously possess a knowledge But as Islamiam consi entially in ing and confessing the Lord God and the future world, it becomes our duty to acquire a knowledge of the future world There is, howas far as the thing is possible. a mystery regarding the ever, future world which the holy law has not authorized to be explained or to be mentioned, because it could not possibly be understood. Seeing, then, that the knowledge of the future world cannot possibly be acquired until that mystery is revealed, strive that it may be revealed in your own soul by pious endeavor, self-denial and divine guidance. You cannot learn it by any possible efforts from any other person by the hearing of the ear. Many persons have heard this mystery, which represents one of the attributes of God, but they did not acknowledge it as true, and said that it was impossible-not because it was in its nature exempt from being known, but because it was an unemployed mystery. It is not named in the Koran or in the Traditions. God commanded the prophets not to inform the people of the essence of his attributes, saying, "For they will not understand them; will accuse you of falsehood, and will do injury to themselves."-Ibid.

spectable" representatives of "our best society," who can boast a long line of scrub-stock for ancestry.

Let us pray earnestly for a time when we can look in the face of manhood and womanhood; at its form and color; its gait and carriage, and say, in the enlightenment of perfected law, understood and sacredly fulfilled-" he or she is well-born.' Then we need not inquire who were the fathers, mothers or grandparents of that which gives the world assurance of true manhood and womanhood, for it will be ineffaceably stamped with Nature's patent of nobility; a stamp that red tape and social edict are even now powerless either to annul or render more pure in itself.

There is within my soul an unerring instinct that guides my judgment to Nature's patent of good birth. I know the blessed babe in its mother's arms that came into life rejoicing in its birthright, the untrammeled desire of its parents. I feel for that rare child of promise the same uncontrollable outgoing of the sources of affection that any sensitively attuned nature feels toward the young of animals.

Before I comprehended in the slightest how fearfully and wonderfully we are made, I could never understand why, in spite of myself, all my soul would seem to flow out in a strong yearning, now and then, toward a little child, just the same as it does to young animals, without exception. In the case of children the outgoing is the rare exception, just as the mutual untrameled desire of parents is the rarest fore-

It is time the people used some common sense, and ceased

It will be seen by those who have been initiated into the 'mystery hid in Christ" that Ghazzali, although a Mohammedan, had a full intellectual perception of it.

There have been a favored few in all ages and among all runner of the advent of a soul. I reasoned upon the ques- to lean on the old corrupt and tyrannical institutions of the 'people who bear testimony to the same great truth-that th

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a few chosen ones. This is seen most beautifully expressed in the philosophy of the Chinese Lau-Tsze, as also in the writings of the Kabbalists. It crops out in every century of the Christian era, but never so universally as in the present.

Although seen by the writers of the New Testament, it was realized only by Jesus, "who was and is the only be-gotten Son of God." He has no brethren yet, because none have as yet done the will of His Father which is in heaven. Many, however, are being prepared, scattered over the world here and there, being purified by tribulation and sorrow to be made worthy of adoption into his family when he comes again to set up his kingdom.

#### MORE ABOUT THE BIBLE.

#### Editors of The Weekly:

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I am glad you rebuke so mildly those who discontinue the paper for your new interpretations of the Bible. The book has made havoc with our reason and common sense in time past, and it is not strange that any new respect shown it should excite indignation.

But you can afford to wait. The Bible, badly as it has been perverted, has yet been the faith, hope and salvation of myriads of noblest, bravest men, and purest, holiest women who ever lived. Sustained by its precepts and promises, multitudes have gone cheerfully to torture, torment, death, in every horrible form that hate could desire, or hell invent, or devil inflict, after lives so pure and spotless as to leave no dross for their martyr fires to purge away. And for some reason it survives age after age.

And now, when you are just discovering and disclosing by new interpretings, mines of hidden wealth and wisdom to the world, before unknown-wisdom that certainly points to and promises blessings temporal and eternal, iublimer than churches ever knew or priesthoods ever taught-turning the book to far higher account than ever before, and yet stripping it of all superstition, all supernatural pretence and profession, all cant and all mystery not based in, or justified by, scientific principle; is it a time for even your friends to turn against you, and your patrons discontinue their papers ?

To me woman suffrage means little, even were it attainable under present methods of seeking it. Men have suffrage, colored and white men alike, learned and rude, rich and poor. And yet they complain-men complain worse than womenand I do not say they complain too much.

Men form Protective Unions, Labor Unions, Labor Leagues, and I know not what else, to mend their condition; and in despair from all these, as well as the ballot, they institute strikes, which generally seem only to make bad matters worse.

The ballot is woman's right, as much as man's; only outrageous robbery keeps it from her; but she wants more than the ballot; she needs more than bread; her life is more than meat; her body is more than raiment, and her citizenship is more than suffrage; she needs independence of man; she should be no man's drudge by day, nor mistress by night, nor, against her wish and will, the mother of children; woman's virtue, sold on the street or in the marriage bed for money, for home, for position, for anything but love, is worse than murder ! Weddings are often sadder than funerals! births more melancholy by far than deaths!

Till woman is made self-supporting, woman is a slave, and the sooner she knows it the better-the sooner man knows it the better.

I will do my best and utmost for woman suffrage; I have done all that, for years; I will die at the front in defense of that just and holy cause; but it will bring woman no nearer the millennium than it has brought man.

Fourier may have been a fraud, communism may be bad as its legions of enemies would make it, co-operation in industries and domestic economies may fail in this generation, but out of some of these, or similar enterprizes, woman's salvation must come, or woman is irrecoverably lost.

I should have paid you three dollars on my return from Vineland, but a short tragic event in my family circle hurried me through New York and home, stopping for nothing. inclose] it to-day along with my best wishes, hopes and prayers for your success with the WEEKLY, and with every good endeavor, and remain, your friend and fellow worker, PARKER PILLSBURY.

### PLAIN TALK AND MEDICAL COMMON SENSE.

Dear Weekly-I have been reading a work by Edward B. Foote, M. D., entitled "Plain Talk and Medical Common Sense," from which I wish to make some extracts for the

also, and no amount of guarding the subject, no number of whys and wherefores, of ifs and ands, will prevent people from seeing it. Doctor, you are teaching prostitution, and you ought to be suppressed. Where is the Y.M.C.A.? Oh, but this body of purifiers is composed of men, and Dr. Foote, being a man, can publish what he pleases.

But hear this terrible Doctor further: "It (sex magnetism) imparts erectile power to all the tissues of the body; it gives vigor, and aids in producing and preserving plumpness of It stimulates ambition, imparts elasticity to the form. muscles, and brilliancy to the eye of those who are favored with it. Both sexes have an appetite for it, and frequently without knowing it. They long for something they know not what, and seek to appease an indefinable desire by resorting to narcotics, stimulants and nervines. Herein drunkenness has an incentive, which has, perhaps, never been thought of (I thought of it before I ever heard of Dr. Foote); but it is a fact that with the imperfect social arrangements which characterize our so-called civilization, and which attempt to regulate the social intercourse of the sexes, men and women go up and down the earth famishing for something they cannot or will not tell you what; unhappy, unsatisfied, hungry, starving-in some cases stark mad-and, finally, in their blind search for what their systems crave, take to liquor, tobacco or opium."

Now, is the above true? I believe that it is. My observation and experience teach me that it is. And further still, I have thus learned and become fully satisfied that the undervaluation of this law of life, with the attempt to ignore or regulate it by a fixed standard, the sneers and jokes prevalent when persons acknowledge or show by their manner that they are thus hungry, combined, produce an untold amount of misery and degradation.

Dr. Foote further says: "Young men crowd the beer saloons where pretty waiter-girls are employed, and really simply for magnetic association with women. Lager, wine or some other beverage is called for, and often drank reluctantly, for they wish it to appear that the drink is what they are after, at least to those who see them ascending and descending the steps of the saloon. Sometimes the contents of the glass are left undisturbed. Many of these young men enter with no libidinous intentions. They feel thirsty or hungry for something, they hardly know what; it is not beer, it is not whisky or tobacco; these they can buy upon almost every street corner, and the tobacco they can chew or smoke in the street. No, nothing will satisfy the physical and soulyearnings but the magnetism of women."

We have in the above quotations the reason why men will pay largely for sexual gratification, while leaving the (socalled) virtuous woman in rags. And we see, too, why women often yield when we wonder that they should. Starvation drives to desperation, and the richest lives often become the most thoroughly wrecked. Just so long as this element of sex is spoken lightly of, just so long will men and women feel a sort of contempt for themselves that they possess such feelings; and so long as people are taught that familiarity between the sexes necessarily means sexual intercourse, so long will those who desire sex-magnetism, but not the closer relation, shrink from the friendly familiarity which gives off and drinks in this magnetic life; will do this till magnetic starvation brings disease, sours the milk of human kindness. or drives to the desperation that ends in crime.

We spoke of the aroma of food tending to satisfy hunger. It does; many a woman who has felt hungry has, after cooking a meal of victuals, found her hunger more than half satisfied. So of sex hunger, a free social interchange between tne sexes will prevent all unnatural sexual hunger. By sex hunger I mean that which simply calls for the magnetism of the opposite sex; but this, unsatisfied, will soon become sexual hunger, and as such is unnatural, because it could have been satisfied without this ultimate desires had there been proper social conditions. The natural sexual appetite is that which cannot be thus satisfied, and our natural wants, our needs, can be better supplied with less danger of evil resulting in a state of protected freedom than under the rule of any arbitrary standard.

But Dr. F. goes on to say, " There are two weighty reasons why the popular mind should be disabused of the erroneous impression that any present system of marriage is of divine origin. First, because this impression puts the religious world at war with all attempts on the part of philanthropic physiologists to improve the customs regulating the sexual association of men and women. Second, because common principles of honor are overshadowed by the prominence given to the supposed divinity of the marriage system. If a

Lord God Omnipotent reigneth consciously in the hearts of netism is a nutrient and a stimulant, then the sexual act is our blood, they are nevertheless murderers, as well as thieves. Is it any less murder to starve the laborer, widow and orphan to death, as is frequently indirectly done, than to kill by means of a pistol-shot through the brain or heart? Isn't the former much the more cruel method? Are those men, who rob the widows and orphans of their hard-earned wages, to be fawned over as such worthy Christian gentlemen, while a defrauded, half-starved or starving victim, in obedience to a law of nature, and appropriating a pittance from his stolen over-abundance, is denominated a sneak thief. Is the respectable Christian gentleman any better, in this case, than the highway robber? Which the honest man? Which the thief?

> What mean those armed regiments of capitalists' menial hirelings? Are they not organized to murder us by hundreds, to mow us down' like grass, if we dare to hold a peaceable, unarmed public meeting-as they have done heretofore with us. Why disperse unar ned working men in the streets of Chicago and New York, while permitting religious bodies to turn out with flags of foreign countries, and drilled zouaves, in training for the service of Pio Nono, in Italy ?

They tell us they are organized to prevent bread riots. Anti-bread militia in this the 19th century ! Have we then sunk so low, and become so sycophantic that they dare attempt to starve us at the point of the bayonet? In this boasted land of liberty (?) these hell-fiends are organizing armed bodies of hirelings-some of them "carefully selected with regard to standing," to be used when the opportunity arrives, to murder hungry, starving, industrious men and women in their attempt to get the wherewithal to keep themselves and their little ones from starving and freezing to death, during the bitter cold days of another winter.

For us there are but two alternatives: We must shut ourselves up and uncomplainingly starve-get down on our knees in the streets, unarmed, and be mowed down like grass, or arm and train ourselves, and when the proper time arrives go forth, like true men, armed and well trained, to do battle for ourselves and our families and the unborn generations of future ages. Some of us are armed and drilled already, and others are joining as fast as they can collect \$4.50 for arms. Let all our brothers who sympathize with us come to our aid from all over the country. Organize now or never. The night cometh when no man can work!

HERBERT A. PARIS. CHICAGO, June 29, 1875.

QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE SPIRITUALISTS OF NORTHERN WISCONSIN.

The Spiritualists of Northern Wisconsin convened in Spiritual Hall, Omro, on Friday, June 25. A goodly number was present. President Potter in the chair. The meeting was called to order at 3 o'clock, P. M. The Secretary being absent, Dr. J. C. Philips was chosen pro tem. Tho various committees were appointed, and the balance of the afternoon spent in conference, participated in by many of the friends.

FRIDAY EVENING .- The meeting opened with an inspirational song by Mrs. Olive Smith, followed by a lecture by Mrs. A. H. Colby, the only engaged speaker (and, by the way, all that is necessary to make any meeting a success). Any one having theological corns wants to get them out of the way when Mrs. Colby takes the rostrum. The lecture was replete with truths. The session closed by a song from Mrs. Smith.

SATURDAY, A. M.-Conference, in which Bros. Pratt, Bishop, Potter and Gilbert took an active part. Many thoughts were elicited. Song by Mrs. Smith. Lecture by Mrs. Colby, "How to Educate Children" being the subject; and I assure you there were many novel ideas advanced by the speaker, among which was the following assertion: "You can teach children only by evolution. They grow the same as trees. They are but photos of ante-natal conditions." It was a fine effort, and well received by a thinking and appreciative audience. Session closed by a song.

2 O'CLOCK, P. M.-The train brought the old war horse and indefatigable worker, E. V. Wilson, who came all the way from Chicago to see how the child, resurrected by him two years ago (our association), was prospering; and if we can judge by the hearty hand-shakings he received, he certainly was welcome. There being no regular lecture for the afternoon. Brother Wilson took the rostrum, and gave a close and concise history of Spiritualism.

SATURDAY EVENING .- The meeting opened by a song from Mrs. Smith. Lecture by Mrs. Colby, after which a great portion of the audience engaged in tripping "the light fantastic toe."

SUNDAY MORNING .heavy rain s

readers of the WEEKLY, adding an occasional comment.

"Men will pay dollars for sexual gratification, who will bestow only pennies in charity."

So says Dr. Foote; but can he tell us why this is so ? Ah, he has told, in part, at least, though I doubt if even he would have the hardihood to admit the legitimate conclusions arising therefrom. But we will quote his language and make the application ourselves.

"People of both sexes generally recognize the fact of sexual attraction, few have given the least attention to the subtile element which constitutes it. This element, if investigated, is found, not only to be a nutrient, but a stimulant more potent than alchohol, and naturally possessing none of the injurious qualities of the latter."

Why, Dr. Foote! What are you saying? Can it be possible that the sexual element, or magnetism, is a mutrient, that it serves any other purpose than to incite people to the sexual act, that act to be consummated only for the single purpose of reproduction?" Take back what you have said, I beg of you. It will ruin our sons and daughters to know that the society of the opposite sex is actually necessary You might as well teach them prostitution at once. O ! but then you are only talking to them of magnetism, sex magnetism, not of the sexual relation! Well, suppose you attempt to promulgate the same idea of food for the stomach. Tell a hungry man or woman that the aroma of food will satisfy hunger, is a nutrient, but that food itself is not. If sex mag-

tree be judged by its fruits, it is hardly less than blasphemous to attribute any marriage system yet invented to divine origin."

So says Dr. Foote, and so say we, or I, BOSTON, June 20, 1875.

LOIS WAISBROOKER.

#### APPEAL FOR PRACTICAL ORGANIZATION.

[WE publish the following, not as advocates of what it proposes, but, if possible, to arouse the oppressors of the poor to the doom impending over them. Read your bibles, oh, ye Christian capitalists, and hear what James, "a servant of God," said: "Go to, now, ye rich men; weep and howl for the miseries that shall come upon you." They are foreshadowed in the following, which was sent us from Chicago:]

Workingmen of Chicago and elsewhere, do you fully and truly realize your wretched social condition? If so, are you willing to make an effort to free yourselves from the yoke of your enthroned oppressors, who for one hundred years, by robbery, avarice and accident, have been co-operating with each other to accumulate princely fortunes in the hands of a few hundred families, at the expense of your pauperism, starvation, sickness, social and moral demoralization and death.

nearly eleven o'clock. The programme for the morning was a session of the "Children's Progressive Lyceum." (And right here let me ask how many lyceums are there at the present time that have been in being seven years?) The children did credit to themselves and their efficient guardian, Mrs. Laura Jones. The audience was well pleased with the lyceum exercises. Mrs. Colby and E. V. Wilson made some very flattering remarks, and gave the children much good advice, which, no doubt, will tend to make them better men and women.

Immediately after dinner the Convention proceeded to elect officers for the ensuing year, with the following result: Isaac Orvis, of Oakfield, President; Mrs. F. E. Smith, of Neenah, Vice-President; Dr. J. C. Phillips, of Omro, Secretary. Next meeting to be held in Oakfield, Wis. At 3 o'clock E. V. Wilson gave one of his interesting matinees, giving incidents in the lives of those present, describing spirits, etc. The audience was well pleased.

Another important and never-to-be-forgotten feature of the Convention was Mrs. E. Parrey, the wonderful materializing medium, of Chicago, who attended the meeting and gave her seances at a private house, to the astonishment and wonder of those who attended, many being willing to testify to having seen their friends (called dead) beyond the peradventure of a doubt. But I need not tell you that this Yes, though their hands may not plainly show the stain of vicinity was never so stirred on any subject as this materialization. It will be useless for any to try to make the friends body become problems solvable by mental and physical mence with the first of the present series of editorials. If here believe Mrs. Parrey is not a genuine medium.

SUNDAY EVENING .- Song by Mrs. Smith. Mrs. Colby then gave the closing lecture to an audience of at least four hundred persons. The showing up of the old and wise men of the Bible was not altogether pleasing to some, perhaps, but she held the audience spellbound for one hour and three quarters. The Convention then broke up, all the friends saying it was the best meeting they ever attended.

DR. J. C. PHILLIPS, Sec'y. ISAAC ORVIS, Pres.

#### DR. MCFADDEN.

Dear Weekly-Permit me to announce in your columns that Dr. S. L. McFadden, of Chicago, Ill., is on his way to New York city, stopping at intermediate points, as impressions, circumstances and conditions may control his movements.

The Doctor occupies advanced ground in regard to the present needs and the future structure of society. By means of tests, mind-reading, etc., he elicits the attention and commands the consideration of public and promiscuous, as well as of private and select, audiences. However eccentric he may appear in manner and in matter, he nevertheless invariably strikes a rich vein of thought that will impart new hope and energy to the intelligent truth-seeker. It would be difficult to give an exact description of the varied and multiform manifestations through him, and all in a normal condition. They are as much varied in character as are the persons and the audiences in whose presence he is controlled.

It is to be hoped that Dr. McFadden will find a cordial reception and an impassioned hearing, by the liberal in thought T. M. EWING. and means, wherever he may stop. CARDINGTON, Ohio, 1875.

#### VITALITY OR SOUL.

When the scientist talks of the vitality and the religionist of the soul of man, they are speaking of one and the same thing. Through the past centuries the clergy have failed to solve the problem of how to "save the soul."

The medicine men of all time have been studying how to promote vitality, and are still unable to intelligently teach the laws which govern its action.

The priest is seeking to reach ultimate and comprehensive causes from internal and spiritual, and the physician from external and material sources exclusively. The scientist needs to learn that spirit or mind is responsible for all the conditions of matter; the religionist that only in the obedience of the spirit of man to the laws which govern and control matter can mind be perfected, and the soul attain the power of saving the body.

The gravest barrier to teaching the world of the true salvation, is ignorance of the sources from which the soul draws life. The great question is how to condense all science and apply the substance of knowledge in daily life and living, to the end of living, to the resurrection.

The motor of all life is attraction; mental as well as material.

The seul or vitality is also the spiritual body at dissolution.

The vitality is fed electrically from atmospheric air, chemically from food and magnetically from association, being the three great sources of drawing life through matter. It is also stimulated through the mind by love, devotion and intellect, being three distinct spiritual sources.

Light and sunshine are external and positive; sleep and silence are internal and negative. This is the alphabet of soul-salvation. It seems simple in the enunciation, but in making the application is the test of all knowledge and power.

Harmony, happiness and heaven, are terms identical in meaning with perfect health.

Health is a balance of all the mental and physical powers based upon an organization perfect in the equilibrium of its forces. This basic fact of organization must constantly be remembered in studying the problems of life and living. Organization was the grand secret of Christ's power physically, and His potency spiritually.

The words divine spirit and mind, also mean one and the same thing. The divine paternity was a spiritual paternity, and is the highest human type? Christ was the son of David, not in the line of ancestry, but actual fatherhood. Mary is the typical human womanhood and possible motherhood; her son the type of humanity in organization and consequent power over miad and matter.

How to promote the soul force is the great question. All sources of drawing life are better understood than are those of association. It is life unto life, or death unto death, upon magnetic principles. The world is in universal bonds together, and the souls of none, unless of divine paternity, can be saved until the majority are inheritors of eternal life. The culmination of all science is the science of human living. The only standard of right is whatever will promote physical power and mental insight; and in human association is the only ultimate standard by which to judge of right and wrong. It is in the exchange of life between man and woman in a mutuality of comprehension of the laws of human sexuality that the world is to be regenerated and redeemed. The universal invalidism of women and drunkenness of men have their origin in the same causes-want of proper stimulation of the vitality. Christ comprehended and revealed the magnetic laws in perfect fullness, although he did not use that word; which laws nearly nineteen centuries of philosophical and religious research are but dimly revealing to man.

science.

Magnetic science is neither wholly mental nor physical, but a blending of both by means of the soul, and is soul force, or life.

The way to work out one's own salvation is by working for the salvation of others; there is no other way to secure it. It is a matter of as profound interest to disembodied spirits that human vitality be so promoted that they can materialize or resurrect, as it is that coming generations are dependent for their organization upon human life and living.

Verily are all intelligences-those disembodied, those embodied and those spirits waiting to be incarnated-in bonds one to another, a vast brotherhood, waiting for conditions to to enter eternal life, to occupy "the house not made with hands eternal in the heavens." "Heaven is within you," and is the state or condition of the vitality.

Reader, what is your responsibility and mine in promoting our own and the vitality of others?

MT. PLEASANT, IOWA. ROWENA B. THROOP.

#### CONTRAST.

In ancient times there was a marked contrast in the practical lives of the Epicurean and Pythagorean philosophers. The former were extreme in devotion to pleasure derived through the medium of external bodily senses. The latter were extremely ascetic, renounced everything worldly and self-pleasing, devoted their lives and energies to the cultivation of their spiritual faculties, and counted no sacrifice too great, to secure divine favor.

If we bring down the history of those ancient philosophers, and place it side by side with the history of modern philosophers, we find a large class of Epicurean, and very few of the Pythagorean type.

If history speaks truly, some who were cotemporary with Jesus and the Apostles, were stern in self-discipline, pure in morals, philanthropic in works, and religiously devotional in their feelings.

It is related of Apollonius, an admirer and follower of Pythagoras, that to prove himself worthy to be called a selfconquerer, he subsisted entirely on fruit and vegetables, drank water only, would not marry, and took a vow of silence which he preserved unbroken five years, during which time he accumulated a large amount of spiritual wisdom and power; not only learned how to command and govern his own spirit, but to exert a controlling influence over others in the same direction. While he was affectionate and gentle in his manner, judicious in his counsels, he was powerful in reproving sin and vanity, which he never failed to do when opportunity offered. His power consisted in having conquered those things in himself. How much we stand in need of such philosophers in our own time, who will both practice and teach.

The doctrine of the trinity, vicarious suffering and atonement, that was decided by the learned Bishops of the councit of Nice in the fourth century (who happened to be more powerful than their opponents), lifted the weight of responsibility from the professed followers of Jesus, and Christianity (so called) has grown more theoretical and less practical, un til the present time.

If the philosophers of the nineteenth century, instead of spending their energies in admiring Jesus and lauding him with praises in word and song while in practice they deny his teaching and put him to open shame, would bring their wisdom and knowledge to bear upon all the transactions of daily life, in public and private, would they not by so doing exalt their own characters and help to elevate others? Jesus exalted himself by the practice of virtue, laying down the natural life and taking the higher spiritual life. In that way he was "lifted up" and became an example to others.--Shaker and Shakeress.

#### CHICAGO, June 22, 1875.

Woodhull and Cloflin-Your WEEKLY is very irregular in its arrival, and I grudge the loss of its perusal more than I can express, but 1 suppose it is no fault of yours. Of course you are perfectly aware of the opposition you meet with on all sides, and from women especially. It is several years since I became convinced that the sexual emancipation of woman must precede rather than follow other reforms in her favor. If by any association or combination the sex could be induced to act in concert for one month, they could overturn every government on earth, and revolutionize the world. But they are hard to be convinced, and men rejoice that they are so willing to assist in tightening their own fetters.

Miss Claffin may remember me as the lady she met in Ogden when she was on her way to California, and to whom she presented her picture, with some of your books and pamphlets, the latter of which I only partially read before I untably lost them. I had a long talk with Miss Claffin I had then lost my portmounaie, which Miss Claffin saw, clairvoyantly, and told me where I could find it, which I did. I am anxious your paper should live and thrive, for it advocates the cause of the down-trodden and oppressed. I hope to hear Mrs. Woodhull's version of the Beecher-Tilton story as soon as these long-winded lawyers have finished. I know both Mrs. Stanton and Miss Anthony, and I wish to ask you, privately, why they have gone back on the woman's cause. as represented by you both, but especially by Mrs. Woodhull I know Mrs. S. at one time contemplated publishing her peculiar ideas in regard to marriage and maternity, and from what I heard her say, they were like yours in many respects. Hoping you will pardon this long letter from a comparative stranger, I am yours, very truly, H. F. J.

you cannot furnish the back numbers, please inform me, and I will send mine-such, at least, as have not been read to pieces.

Whether your views as expressed in the WEEKLY are true or not, if one will read them a year the liberalizing influence will more than pay for the three dollars. I have got things a little mixed, and must read the series over again carefully; and if I do not get untangled, you will excuse me if I send you some questions. Possibly I may feel impressed to write out my theory and send you. You know all minds, especially small ones, like to thrust their own pet theories into the foreground. My theory contains some of the same ideas you have published in the WEEKLY, and although it differs from the WEEKLY in many respects (that may be due to my own undeveloped condition), I flatter myself that my spirit friends have been able to impress upon me a glimmer of the truth; and it is to be hoped they will keep on, either directly or through the WEEKLY, until their many predictions will be fulfilled, and I go out to assist in the great work of purifying human conditions. "The harvest is ready, but the laborers are few," and the old laborers do not like the new machinery. Consequently, we greenhorns must "lend a hand," and help if it be ever so little. Yours, etc.,

#### A. J. WEBSTER.

SPRINGFIELD, Ills., July 1, 1875. Dear Friends-I have delayed remitting the amount of your bill longer than I intended, hoping to remit for some others with my subscription, and also for some books of yours that I have been wanting to get for a long time, but I find I cannot now make the trip for these confounded "ragged edges" that hang about me. I could wish that this meagre sum of three dollars were as many thousands.

"Many shall be called and few chosen." How true! Victoria has called aloud to warn and wake the sleeping nations, but few have heeded her voice of God, and but few are chosen to usher in the life eternal on this globe and live in the resurrection. Many weak-kneed reformers who have "stopped by the wayside," as well as all of her enemies, will yet, in the agonies of their souls, cry aloud, "Oh, God! what shall we do to be saved ?"

"The mysteries of godliness are past man's finding out." Again, "The first shall be last, and the last shall be first." Woman, the creator of human bodies and individualizer of the immortal soul, has been the oppressed and the least in the human race; but now, first and chosen of God to solve "the mysteries of godliness," and open the divine revelations, to consummate the marriage of the two worlds and control the future destinies of the human race. Fraternally,

L. PARSONS BRITT.

#### CHARLESTOWN, Mass., July 8, 1875.

Victoria C. Woodhull-I have just read your article, "The Human Body-The Holy Temple," published in your paper, June 19, 1875, and would say that if you never had written another word in all your life that would, in my estimation, be sufficient to immortalize your name. I am quite busy, and don't keep so well posted as I would like. On Moses Hull's return from preaching in Harry Hill's Theatre, I was inquiring of him the news in New York, and he spoke of your new departure, so I bought a paper to see what it was, and I think I got my money's worth that time, and I would recommend every body to do the same, for sooner or later they must come to that subject, as there is no alternative about it. I thought I knew something about the importance of culture, care and development for the human body, but you have given me some new ideas, for which I am very thankful. I wish it was in cheap pamphlet form so that I could send it "broad-cast" to friends. Why don't you preach these truths to the people on Sundays? I think you would soon have a "Plymouth Church" around you that would sustain you, as it does Mr. Beecher. Very respectfully, B. FRANKLIN CLARK.

FOSTORIA, Ohio, June 20, 1875.

## VICTORIA C. WOODHULL:

Sister-I have been a receptive reader of your late leaders in the WEEKLY, and I cannot refrain from writing to you to express my appreciation of them. The same truths were partially unfolded to me several years ago, and were published at the time; but the "Great Mystery" was not fully revealed, and since, I have been enveloped in darkness and doubt. Some time I may wish to speak again, but not yet. In the meantime, I do long to be in communication with those who are ready to accept the truth, for I begin to feel renewed hope that I may yet live to see it exemplified. Others will, I think, feel this need also, and I suggest that some plan be devised to put the social-life current in circulation.

It is the work of resurrected spirits to teach these laws as demonstrable truths-spirits resurrected from false living as well as those who materialize after dissolution.

Impure air, unwholesome food, pernicious associations, uncultured intellect, unfed affection and uninspired devotion are certain means of soul starvation and destruction; and viewed in this light, salvation of soul and resurrection of the treme. Consequently, you will find a subscription to com-

CONSTANTINE, Mich., June 3, 1875.

MRS. VICTORIA WOODHULL:

Dear Madam-I have a friend of forty and upward, who is a Swedenborgian, and who has always been rather bitter in her opposition to spiritualism. Now, however, she expresses a willingness to read your present series of editorials, and not to give her an opportunity would be mean in the ex-

#### EUREKA, Cal., June 21, 1875.

Editors Weekly-I am happy to be able to send you the name of a new subscriber to your most excellent paper, for which I inclose money order for \$3, the subscription to commence on receipt of this. I wish all the world could feel as I do the importance and the truthfulness of your teachings. Your paper is so interesting and so capable of leading people forward in progressive ideas, that I wish every family in the land could have a copy. It has done a world of good for me, and nothing could tempt me to go back into my old bigoted self again. The doctrines you are teaching now I could not reject if I would, and I would not if 1 could. Intuitively I feel their truth. Haste the day when the will of God shall be done on earth, even as it is done in heaven. A dear, loving old lady, who lives here, has been taught by her spirit guides much the same doctrine yours have taught you: that is, that the aura or emanation arising from the perfect sexual intercourse of mutual lovers, is the substance needed by the spirit for materializing human bodies, and that when they have thus used it they can return it again to those from whom they received it, to spiritualize their earthly bodies whom they received it, to the second state of the second state of

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To him that overcometh, I will give to eat of the hidden manna.-St. John the Divine.

That through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, and deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.-Paul.

The wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hy pocrisy .- James, iii., 17.

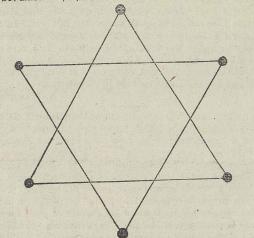
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#### ERRATUM.

In the article in the number of July 10, entitled "A Card to Moneyed Truth-Seekers," the following error occurred by reason of a long dash at the end of a page line being mistaken for the ending of a sentence, which divided the seventh paragraph into two. It should have read thus:

"And who perverted Adam's ' God-like reason,' of which man has ever since boasted while clanging down the ages that dismal curse of woe and degradation --- The woman tempted me into sin"-instead of ending the paragraph at of it, and scour off the rust, and test its quality under the degradation, and beginning another with "The woman," We haven't the space to reproduce the article entire' and hope that with this correction the author will be satis' fied. We have a rule to admit no general capitalization into our articles.

THE DOUBLE TRIANGLE ; OR, THE SIX-POINTED STAR IN THE EAST. For we have seen his star in the East, and we are come to worship him.-ST. MATTHEW, il., 2.



#### THE BIBLE AND JESUS CHRIST.

We have received a communication under the above caption from an esteemed friend, who signs himself "Splitfoot," for publication, which he asks us to answer. While we should much rather spend our time and space in elaboration than in discussion, still the raising of special questions, frequently aids in the development of truth, and we are always willing to give frank replies to earnest inquiries, as well as to candid criticisms. We ask for the largest degree of toleration and grant the same to everybody ; we ask for the acceptance of what we say and write as our honest opinions; we grant all who cannot agree with us as believing thoroughly in the right of their opinion; and we also acknowledge that we are not perfect-that we are liable to err; and we also ask that those who seek to correct what they conceive to be errors in us, to not assume that they are infallible, or that their views must be dogmatically accepted as correct. We ask all to "Come, let us reason together," in a spirit of kindness and love, and without cursings or denunciations. We propose to take the communication up, sentence by sentence, and to make such reply to each as seems necessary.

"Splitfoot regrets to see the WEEKLX taking up that rusty old sword, the Bible. It is an antiquated two-edged weapon, which always cuts both ways and harms the assailant as much as the assailed."

If Splitfoot would have people honest in their opinions, instead of regretting the course of the WEEKLY, he should rejoice that it is made the avenue of what any one may conceive to be important truth. One of the best indications of a high intellectual and moral standard is a desire to hear all sides of all questions, and the side of this question that we raise has never been heard ; but we are sorry to say that there is a growing tendency among so-called radicals to become even more strict in the disciplining of their journals than the bigoted Christians themselves have ever been. (We do not here refer at all to Splitfoot). We do not consider the Bible a rusty sword by any means. It is an old book, we know; but it is one that has been handled more than any other that was ever written, and its use has kept it bright. That it is made of the best damascus steel is well evidenced by the fact of its wear, and if it be rusty at all, it is so in the hands of those who have thrown it aside as worthless, because they have failed to discover its true qualities. A sword, no matter how good, in the hands of a bad handler proves a dangerous weapon; but the danger arises by reason of the man and not of the sword, and the better the sword in such a case the more dangerous the weapon. If the swordsman stabs himself and his friends with the weapon which is given him to cut his way from among his enemies, and to save his life instead of to take it, that is no fault of the sword. If the sword break by using, its metal is proven bad; but if it bend even to being doubled upon itself, and, when the force is removed, it comes back to itself unharmed, its metal is proven good. If there has ever been a sword twisted, doubled and tried in every conceivable way more thoroughly and continuously than "Splitfoot's" rusty one, we have never heard of it. We think that these trials have tested the quality of the metal of which it is composed until there is no question about its being a genuine damascus blade. If those who have a rusty one lying about would lay hold light of the new revelations that are being and that are to be made, it is barely possible that within the next six months some at least may be ready to modify their views of this ancient weapon, which is hereafter to be used with great effect against all who pollute the temple of their bodies, which is the place in which God is to be worshiped in the near future, and which is the real subject of the whole Bible.

"The Bible is a fraud, and so is every religion that is based upon it."

We think that "Splitfoot" went just a little beyond the fact when he wrote that sentence. We have seen fraudulent uses made of books, but a book that in and of itself was a fraud we never had the good or the bad fortune to meet. No one more than ourselves knows better, or deprecates more thoroughly, the fraudulent uses to which the Bible has been perpetrated in the name of the Bible, and that as many frauds have humbugged the people by its use; but how the book itself can be a fraud we confess we cannot see. Certainly it is a book, a printed book-a book that was written from two to four thousand years ago, and written by somebody or by a number of bodies. In this respect, at least, it isn't a fraud because it is. We have it; we see it; we handle it; we read it. It isn't a myth; though many things that are predicated upon it may be mythical. The suppositions that are in existence about who wrote it are no condemnation of the book. Some of its parts claim to have been written by some special persons. Is there any proof that they were not so written? There is abundant proof that Paul died at Rome. The locality of his grave is to this day a cemetery for strangers who die in that city. Is it not quite as reasonable to believe that Paul wrote the epistles that are attributed to him, as that anybody else wrote them? And the same may be said of all the rest of the books. But let this be as it may; it makes but little difference. The value of the Bible is in what it contains, not in who wrote books are judged by this rule, and are not received as and the selfsame thing, the logic to be deduced therefrom

authority without judgment or reason, there will be less fallacy and fraud in the world. Of course a religion that is based upon the Bible, simply because some language found therein seems to teach its precepts, may be a fraud as much upon the Bible as upon the people. But we have yet to find those who will say that the New Commandment, to love one another, would be a fraud upon anybody, even if it were practiced, which it is not; but that those who profess to be followers of Christ, who hate, instead of love, one another, are frauds we are willing to admit.

We think that "Splitfoot's" indictments stand as against the people who pretend to be Bible people rather than as against the Bible itself. He has mistaken the use that has been made of it, for the thing itself. And when "Splitfoot" shall learn, as learn he will, if he live only a few years longer, that in this book the way to have eternal life-the way to be saved from death-is clearly pointed out, he may have an opportunity to revise his opinion about the fraud and to place it where it belongs-upon those people who have pretended to know all about a book which declares that nothing could be known about its central truth, until "the end of time," which, according to the prophets, must soon come; or in twenty-five hundred years from the time of Daniel's prophecy, when the mystery of God was to be revealed.

"Jesus Christ has been the highest trump' card in every pious game for 1,500 years. But it is now beginning to appear that no such personage ever existed, and it will not be long before he will become, instead of the ace of trumps only the deuce of a side suit."

The same general remark applies to this that applies te the Bible. If the priests for fifteen hundred years have played Jesus as their highest trump card we are at a loss to see why Jesus should be called to account or made to bear the odium of their gambling. Jesus, according to his biographers, was a very meek and humble individual, simply pretending to do the will of His Father, the Creator, and can in no wise be made accountable for the acts of those who, while pretending to believe in Him have neither the eternal life which he said should be inherited with such belief, nor the signs that he said should follow it-evidences in themselves that their pretentions are fraudulent. We are well aware of all the arguments upon which the personal existence of Jesus is denied, as well as that of Moses, Daniel and John. But if they were all "myths," the persons who wrote what is attributed to them, are not myths, nor are their writings myths; nor are the truths that their writings contain at all mythical; nor has the profound wisdom of a large part of the proverbial philosophy of the Old Testament, any evidence of the mystical; but, on the contrary, is evidence that the wisest minds who ever lived of whom we have any knowledge, wrote it. Take the book of Job for instance; where, in any language, is there any writing that can begin to compare with it in any sense in which it is possible to institute comparison ? And yet this unapproachable epic poem was written even before the Hindoo Vedas, from which many claim that the basis of the Bible was taken. Why not call Shakespeare a myth and his writings frauds, because there is a dispute as to whether there was ever such a man who lived, and because it has been said that Lord Bacon wrote them under a fictitious name, fearing to speak out the truths they contain lest he should be harmed of those of whose follies he treated? Suppose Lord Bacon was the author of Shakespeare, does that detract one atom from its value-from the beauty, wisdom and morality contained therein? No! Its value is in the book itself, just as the value of the Bible is in itself, from which whoever did write Shakespeare borrowed many of the choicest forms of expression in which it abounds.

In any sense in which the Bible may be criticized, save perhaps in the sense of the exact sciences only, there is no book or books in any language that can creditably bear a contrast. What shall we say of such a remarkable book? Shall we discard it as a myth? Shall we say that a book in which all the moral philosophy in the world finds its source or counterpart is nothing but dust and ashes? Or shall we put those down as myths who saw, spiritually, what the world would in time come to be, since what they saw is now seen to be a necessity as a result of the law of evolu-as Nobodies? We may attempt to do so; but we shall not succeed. That all systems and persons who have played upon the name of Jesus, claiming to be his, when rejected by his tests, are "to step down and out," we haven't the slightest doubt; but the good in everything will stand; and that upon which the good in everything is based will stand as long as good is recognizable by the human heart. Had the Bible been written by a single person, in a single generation or century, ander the direction of a single religious sect, there might be suspicion of conniving to produce such a book; but the very method by which the Bible was compiled, being, as it is, selections from all the sacred writings that could be gathered from the old languages, written during a space of thousands of years, by persons who knew nothing about each other, precludes the idea of collusion, not less than it also precludes the equally inconsistent idea that those sacred writings out of which the Bible was formed were compiled from the bibles of other nations. When all these things are duly considered, together with the further fact that all these different writings by difit. This is all the value that any book has; and when all ferent persons, at different ages of civilization, point to one

This figure is allegorical of the truth, to the exposition of which the WEEKLY is now devoted. It has been clearly shown in our present series of leading articles that it represents the coming blending together of the inhabitants of the earth and spirit spheres in a common brotherhood, and the establishment thereby of the universal human family. It also represents still another and more important truth which has not yet been introduced, but which, defined in a few words, is, God in man reconciling the world unto Himself. We adopt this diagram as emblematic of our future work and as symbolizing the possession by man of the whole truth which we hope and trust may be shortly realized.

the spirit-origin of the book.

"Plymouth Church is helping him to step down and out in double quick time, and Splitfoot is waiting for an opportunity to return the polite adieu which the pretended Son of God is said to have bidden him at the close of the temptation in the wilderness, and say to him "Get!"

If Plymouth or any other church were a faithful representative of the doctrines and precepts that are stated to have been taught by Christ, its action in any specified case might help to make Jesus "step down and out;" but since the doctrines of Jesus are neither taught or practiced in any of the churches, we cannot perceive how any act of any or of all of them can have any effect upon Jesus or his teachings. Therefore, we feel to say, that until his teachings are understood and reduced to practice, that he will not step down and out. When his work shall be ended-when he shall have subdued all things-then he will deliver up the kingdom to God the Father, which will not be until he hath put all enemies under his feet, the last of which to be destroyed is death. To save the world-humanity-from physical death, then, is the great and final mission of Christ. This is the only salvation that he taught: "He that believeth in me shall never see death." That is, he who doeth the things that I teach him to do-he that doeth as I doshall never die. There isn't anything mythical about that. On the contrary, it is just what the whole world is groaning for, and if "Splitfoot" knew the way, the truth and the life, he would walk in it and have them, and in doing so would go side by side with Jesus. It is in this sense, it is upon this idea, solely, that we say that Jesus is the Saviour. If he had not clearly pointed out the way to eternal life in the body, to be obtained finally without passing through death and the resurrection, we should not speak as we do. But it has been given to us to know that there is a way to have this life, and that it was brought to light by Jesus. The life and immortality that the Bible says that he brought and taught were not the life on earth or in spirit or in the resurrected state, since these were already known and widely taught and believed; but they were the life and the immortality in the body-eternal life without death. Of course those who are to have no part in the first resurrection; who are not to be raised into the immortal life in the body, who are not to be born of the spirit, who are to die, cannot conceive that these things can be so. The one hundred and forty and four thousand whom John saw will be the number who will be saved in this way from among those who live and are raised from the physically dead-which will be the first resurrection-when the mystery of God shall be revealed. The rest of the dead-that is, those who are dead in sin, who have sinned unto death-and those who, being dead physically, will live no more until the second resurrection. Of course all this is a matter of belief-of faith-and will so remain until the realization shall come, when faith will end in consummation, and want of faith in death; for until the demonstration come, it is "by faith ye are saved"-by a faith that is fruitful in works that shall raise the body from the sin which causes death. For without the faith that death may be avoided, no one can be made to do the works-live the life-by which its power over them may be destroyed, and therefore cannot be saved from it. Of course this salvation is physical, since life in the body is physical life, and when it is perfected-when Christ shall have subdued the kingdom (the body) unto Himself-then there shall come the perfect blending of the two spheres, the spirit-life and the earth-life, and the world-the body again-be reconciled unto God. To do this is the mission of Christ, and when it is performed then God will come to dwell with man.

Practically, therefore, it makes no difference whether Jesus the Christ ever lived in the body or not; no difference whether the Christ principle was ever represented in the body or not; it matters really only whether what is taught nothing about living eternally. in the Bible about salvation is true. It was not until we had been shown that eternal life in the body is a gift of God to every man, and the way in which it is to be obtained also pointed out and made clear, that we began to learn what the concealed truth-the hidden meaning-of the Bible is. It has a hidden truth so subtly vailed that unless one have the key, he may read the words, and never suspect what they mean. Those who read in this way are not; and hearts, and do not comprehend. It is only those invoked the penalty, he must suffer the doom. There is no find it. who love the Lord with all their mind, might and strength and their neighbor as themselves who have eyes and see, and ears and hear, and hearts and understand. This is what Jesus taught was necessary to have eternal life; but he did not tell even the Centurian what the process of being born again consisted of; but he said to the lawyer who stood up and tempted him, "Do this and thou shalt live;" that is, those who love God with all their mind, might and strength, and their neighbor as themselves, are born of God and cannot commit sin, because they are born of God; and since they do not commit sin, they will not die, because death, being the wages of sin, hath no more dominion over them; being free from sin-having overcome, and thus enabled to eat of the hidden manna-they are saved from death. None of the Christian churches teach this plain doctrine of the Bible, nor do any Christian ministers or Christian laymen practice it. The Christians desire to have

ye love one another." All such Christianity-such pretention, such Judaism, such paganism-will step down and thing and it should not harm them. It is to be a literal fact, out as the doctrines and teachings of Jesus are born into the since when man shall have gained the power to pass the hearts of men; but neither these nor he who gave them to cherubim and the flaming sword set to keep the way of the the world will "step down and out" until he shall have tree of life, and, entering the Garden of Eden, eat of the saved all things that are committed to his charge, and raised fruit of the tree of life, he shall die no more. It is to the them up at the last day. If "Splitfoot" exist until that way of this freedom over everything that we are now intime, he may have the pleasure of bidding Jesus the polite adieu for which he is waiting; but unless he do, it is our opinion that he will be disappointed.

But laying aside all the criticisms to which all the systems of religion that have been pretendedly based upon the Bible are justly open, we fall back upon the declarations of the Bible itself; that it could not be opened-understood-until a certain time in the future, which time is therein definitely set forth. It is from the standpoint that the central truth around which all the doctrines, philosophies and ethics of the Bible cluster, has never been revealed to the world, that we have, "taken up" this " rusty sword." We have been shown the hidden mystery over which the whole Christian world has so long stumbled, and we know of what we speak. We know that when "the Law of the Lord"is revealed to, and lived by, man, that the last enemy of the race will be destroyed; and it is for the reason that we know this that we are obliged to do what we are doing, since to do less than this would be to be treacherous to the truth that has been entrusted by the Spirit to us, as the medium, at least in part, for its communication to the world.

#### -----FREEDOM.

Those who have supposed that with sexual freedom attained, the end of the emancipations would come, are entirely at fault. To be sure all the partial freedoms that have been already gained, open the way to the full fruition of a rounded-out and complete freedom; but as yet there is scarcely a comprehension of the meaning of this muchabused and greatly misunderstood term. If we were to say that, with political, industrial, religious and social freedom attained, man would still be in the most abject slavery, it would, no doubt, be regarded as preposterous; but so were all the freedoms named deemed preposterous before they had entered into the conception of man. We do, unhesitatingly, assert in the most positive terms, that the whole length, breadth and depth of the significance of freedom has scarcely dawned upon the mind, and that we are still in abject slavery.

This will be clear after a moment's consideration. Man was created to have dominion, or to exercise authority, over the earth from which he sprung. He has gained this control over a great many of the kingdoms beneath him. He compels the earth to yield him food, the animals to obey his commands and the elements to do his biddings; he traverses the vast deep with the speed of the wind, he compasseth continents and rides upon the air triumphantly. He has even searched into nature and discovered many of the laws by which her hidden movements are governed, and by them he prophecies of times, seasons and changes. But with all this immense attainment, after learning of the ways, the powers and the laws by which the worlds are moved, he bows himself in abject slavery before the very things he has fathomed. They say to him, "You have eaten largely of the fruit of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, but in the very day thou eatest thereof, dying thou shalt die," which is the real translation of the Hebrew words rendered in the Bible, "Thou shalt surely die." Man, with all his knowledge, has not been able to put forth his hand and eat of the fruit of the tree of life and live forever. He is compelled to yield a servile obedience to the laws of nature in order to live at all, to say

Could there be a more perfect enslavement than this? No! It is as complete as is the personal bondage of the subject to the absolute monarch, who, if the man disregard eternal life, in which there is neither marrying nor giving a single mandate, requires his life. Indeed there is not, nor in marriage. The editor in question is opposed to this connever was, a monarch so inexorable in his decrees as are the laws of Nature over man, since monarchs sometimes pardon grievous faults. But man, having eaten of the tree the way to that life, save through death, which is, to say of knowledge, surely dies; and there is no commutation of the least, a very uncertain road to travel, as those who shall they who, having eyes, see not; and ears, hear the sentence, no reprieve even is ever granted. Having go by that route will have good reason to know before they

is something approaching very nearly to a demonstration of life for life, and not upon the command of Jesus, "That come by him. It was no idle thing that Jesus said should follow them that believe-that they should eat any deadly viting man, and until he seek and find it out he will remain the abje ct slave.

> WITH this number of the WEEKLY there will be sent a considerable number of bills for the renewal of subscriptions. May we not ask those to whom they are sent to be prompt in remitting for the coming year. All those who have decided to not renew wlll greatly oblige us by at once notifying us of that fact. Those to whom it will be inconvenient to remit at once will also oblige us by a postal card to that effect. Again we wish to say that we have not gone back to the church or to its interpretations of the Bible, but forward to a new light that has been revealed to us, which, as soon as practically developed anywhere, will be shown to the world. We have made this advance for no other reason than that the truth required us to make it. We do not seek to obtain anything from anybody by having made it, nor to make any of the truths that we have advocated any more palatable or acceptable by the use of the Bible. No! We know that by the way pointed out sin, misery and crime are to be banished from the earth, the cause of woman's enslavement done away, and eternal life realized. Were we to refuse to go by these truths we should be false to the trusts that have been reposed in us. Wait! Watch!

#### -MISREPRESENTATION.

From a certain spiritualistic paper we quote as follows: We never done anything intentionally wronging any one," by which we suppose the writer, its editor, meant to say that he never did anything with the intention to wrong any one. Although he hardly succeeded in saying just this, yet we shall consider it as having been said. These words were written in some remarks made upon a letter in which complaint was made that the said editor had done the writer of the letter a wrong by falsely characterizing him in his paper. The editor repented; so far good.

But we turn to another part of his paper, and quote thus: 'The last text and late departure from Spiritualism, the WOODHULL & CLAFLIN WEEKLY, has hoisted the banner star of Bethlehem." When the editor wrote that he knew that he stated a falsehood. What use is repentance for misrepresentation if it come in one breath while the next is devoted to the same thing? The WOODHULL & CLAFLIN WEEKLY has made no departure from Spiritualism, and the person who wrote that it has either knew that it has not or else that he ought not to have written what he knew nothing about. Instead of having departed from Spiritualism, the very star to which he refers has been made the demonstration of the fact-the necessity of-Spiritualism as a legitimate outgrowth of the evolution of society. If the editor failed to see those articles, he should have refrained from making such a statement, because people who write something about which they have not taken the trouble to inform themselves, usually have cause to repent. Will he say he was mistaken in asserting that the WOODHULL & CLAFLIN WEEKLY has departed from Spiritualism?

Spiritualism to us is a necessary part of the truth; but not the whole truth, because it relates specifically to spirit-lifethe life that extends from death to the resurrection, of which so-called materializations are the foreshadowings. The departure which we have made is a step beyond Spiritualism, and is no more a departure from it than the building of the last story of a house is a departure from the stories below. Social freedom is an advance upon Spiritualism, because it is through this that those must pass who reach dition; hence he is opposed to having eternal life, and legitimately remains in Spiritualism which teaches nothing of We trust that this editor may "live long enough to see Victoria Woodhull in a Christian pulpit preaching Jesus to God; that is, will be able to show that it is by sin that death came into the world, and that the only way it can ever be driven out of the world is by ceasing to sin. The doctrines that Christ taught include all the reforms which we ever advocated. They teach the common brotherhood of the race, in which freedom will exist in all organizations-in which industrial justice will be realized by all, and in which there will be no legal marriage. It is because we see that these realized, that we have made what this editor calls the late departure ; and the star which we have adopted as our motto

vicarions atonement possible that has ever yet been given to the world, since let anybody do whatever he may, he still dies at last a miserable victim to the very laws which | Christ," and that she will be the means of converting sinners all his life he sought to propitiate to lengthen out his days, knowing all the while that death would be the end.

But man was created to rise superior to all this, and to triumph over death. It was given to him of his Creator to have eternal life-given a free gift; but having chosen his own way to find it, he must discover it by the chosen method; but this he never would have been able to do had not the Creator also sent a perfect man into the world to point out the way to the tree of life from which if a man things can be reduced to practice, and that eternal life can be eat he shall live forever. Man never will nor never can be free until he has risen superior to all the laws of nature; until he can command them instead of yielding a blind represents the perfect man of whom Jesus stands repreobedience to their every requirement. We have advocated sentative. He was the perfect man-the man in whom the all the freedoms up to the great and final emancipation; and physical and the spiritual were completely reconciled, which this country made a Christian country legally, when every now we are calling the attention of the world to this, and to reconciliation develops the sixth sense, which the additional law that stands upon its statute books, is founded upon the the fact that it is in the range of man's possibilities to con- point of the star is added to represent, the common five old Mosaic law of an eye for an eye, tooth for tooth, and quer death, which is the last and greatest enemy to be over- pointed star standing for the five senses of the common man.

in which it is developed in anybody in that proportion is such an one reconciled to God.

In view of these facts, regarding our position, we must protest against having it constantly repeated that we have gone backward from anything that we have ever advocated. We may have changed our views about some points of our former advocacies, but that we have renounced any of the principles we deny most stoutly, at the same time declaring it to be our belief that they who assert that we have, do so with no good intention, or else in ignorance, which is equally reprehensible with the former.

#### ----TO CORRESPONDENTS.

To the many anxious inquiries by letter, regarding the personal application of the new light that is to dawn upon the people about the relations of the sexes, we would say that it is quite impossible for us to send written replies. But, so far as we can, we shall from time to time endeavor to embody in our editorials the general principles of what such replies would be, if made by letter. We can in this way, how ever, only lay down general rules, without reference to any specific cases that may be brought before us. We shall be glad to have our readers write their inquiries, and we will do the best we can to reply to them in the way mentioned. We can say now only this: That there is a satisfactory solution for all the misery, unhappiness and disease that now exists by reason of the present system-a solution that will bring freedom to woman from the universal curse under which she has ever lived; and to man a blessing, of which he has never dreamed-indeed the long-looked for reconciliation of all things.

> ----JUSTICE AND CHARITY.

Under the heading of "The Friends of the Poor Laborers" the New York Herald, of July 7, thus discourses:

borers" the New York *Herald*, of July 7, thus discourses: "Where are the friends of the poor laborers? We have heard nothing from them of late, and yet the city pay con-tinues at the reduced price of one dollar and sixty cents per day instead of two dollars. Many of our millionaires have protested against this reduction; have insisted that the city officials should give up a portion of their own liberal salaries before taking forty cents a day from the hard-earned wages of the working man. But none of them have yet acted upon our suggestion to contribute toward a fund to make up to the laborers the amount deducied from them by the city."

The WEEKLY objects to this plan of the Herald. It demands that the work of wealth producers, or its exchangeable value, shall be secured to the wealth producers, in which case most of those who are now millionaires would cel of life. have nothing to give. It utterly repudiates the British system of political economy which robs the toiling classes of millions of dollars, though it occasionally returns them thousands of cents under the name of charity. The results can be seen in England, where now every twenty-third human being is an incarcerated pauper; or in London, where, as the returns of the Registrar-General of that city prove, one human being in every six dies either in a poor-house, an asylum, or a hospital. Under these considerations we maintain it is folly to talk about gifts to laborers. If the New York Herald wishes well to the cause of the masses here, when it treats again on the subject it will forget the word " gifts," and talk only of the "rights" of the working classes instead. They desire justice, not charity."

#### SUPPORT THE WEEKLY.

It is suggested to us by an esteemed friend, that there may be a goodly number of our subscribers who are deeply interested in the new truths being proclaimed in its columns, who would be willing to pay for an extra copy to be sent to some friend who is not able to subscribe for the paper him or herself. What we desire is to have a greater number of readers; and those who wish the same thing can scarcely carry out the wish better than to make use of this suggestion. Almost everybody knows of some worthy recipient of such a favor, and we hope our friends will do something in this direction. Indeed they are doing it constantly, but not ently, or perhaps acting feebly, moderately, fully, or overin sufficient numbers to accomplish the purpose in view; to poweringly, as the case may be: all combine to form a world

This sixth sense is being developed in man, but it has second series. Scarcely a beginning of the revelation of the not attained to perfection in any one, but in the proportion great mystery of the Bible has yet been made. What is to follow in comparison with what has been given, will be as light to darkness; as the tempest to the gentle wind; as life to death, which is the real difference; but all in its order,first the A B C's; next the rudiments, and finally the fruit, which is the higher or the divine life which brings immortality to light in the individual. We have as yet made no preparation for publishing any of these articles in pamphlet form, though from the interest they have awakened we are led to believe they will be called for in that form.

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#### FREE LUST BETTER THAN RAPE.

What is Free Lust? It is the free and reciprocal action of the passions, inordinately seeking a free response from others without coercion, force, bond or fetter.

What is Rape? It is the inordinate action of passion for its own gratification by coercion, force, bond or fetter, over others. It is lawful in legal marriage; unlawful everywhere else. It is therefore committed in marriage almost exclusively. Whenever and wherever sexual slavery is maintained by law or gospel it becomes licensed, legalized rape. Legal marriage, therefore, is often only a legalized system of rape and murder. It is sometimes boiled down and generated into a living walking man or woman-a shaped embodiment of rapine and murder as the off-shoot of marriage-rape.

A. P. BOWMAN.

#### WHATEVER IS NATURAL IS ALWAYS RIGHT.

Enlightened persons everywhere accept this as an axiom, except in matters theological and social. To many, whatever is natural in theology and in social life is wrong, and the unnatural is right. It illustrates what the forces of early education and popular opinion will do. The God idea, in crude, rude and barbaric form, with all its accompanying absurdities, is thrust on the fears of the child when it can lisp its first words; and before the man or woman has matured, and is always be had at his place. ready to take his or her place in the drama of life, the slavery of social life is added to make up the terrible soul-and-body

destroying gospel of untruth and unnaturalness that moves the body politic to decay and death. This gospel becomes the controlling power that moves society; and is adhered to with the tenacity of life itself-in fact, becomes part and par-

It would seem that the above axiom need only to be stated to be accepted; and were it not for the circumstances of hereditary influences, the philosophic mind would meet no difficulty. Admitting that tendencies to wrongdoing are transmitted from parent to child, in the light of experience and observation, combined with the natural aspiration for the good, the beautiful and the true, it will not be hard for the intelligent sufferer from hereditary causes to determine the right way. Yet even allowing the difficulty, where and how can we do better than make it with its corollary-viz., whatever is right is always natural-the law of our action?

Then, in the relations of the sexes, the systems of the world, by which the many must alike move as one, are swept aside, and the rule of action extends no farther than the limit of the individual. Monogamy, polygamy, or polyandry, may all be right or may all be wrong, according to circumstances. But, whether right or wrong, this truth also declares to human laws and authorities-Hands off! This department of our nature is not within your province, no more than the regulation and control of any other appetite.

To the philosopher, sexual truth involves many complications, the consideration of which requires the broadest charity. The function of amativeness, attended as it is with ten thousand conflicting and varying circumstances; the element of conjugality similarly circumstanced; the law of adaptation, taking in the infinite variety of human attributes-spiritual, mental and physical; and the operation of the magnetic law -not by any means always a full grown thing of life, but a power always more or less operative, sometimes only incipivariety and seeming conflict, which would ]

I NEVER had a trouble or a sorrow which I could not forget in fifteen minutes in the perusal of some favorite author.-Ralph Waldo Emerson.

A REALLY great man is known by three signs-generosity in the design, humanity in the execution, and moderation in success.-Bismarck.

As an oak-tree's roots are strengthened by its shadows, so all defeats in a good cause are but resting-places on the road to victory at last .- Charles Sumner.;

In all cases of slander currency, whenever the forger of the lie is not to be found, the injured parties should have a right to come on any of the indorsers.-Sheridan.

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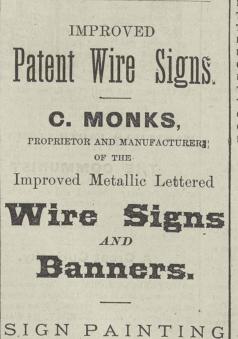
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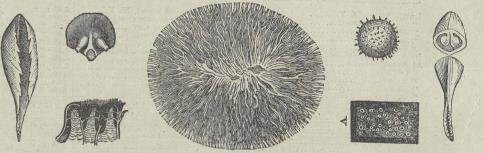
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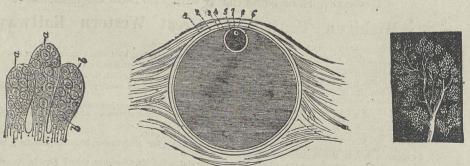
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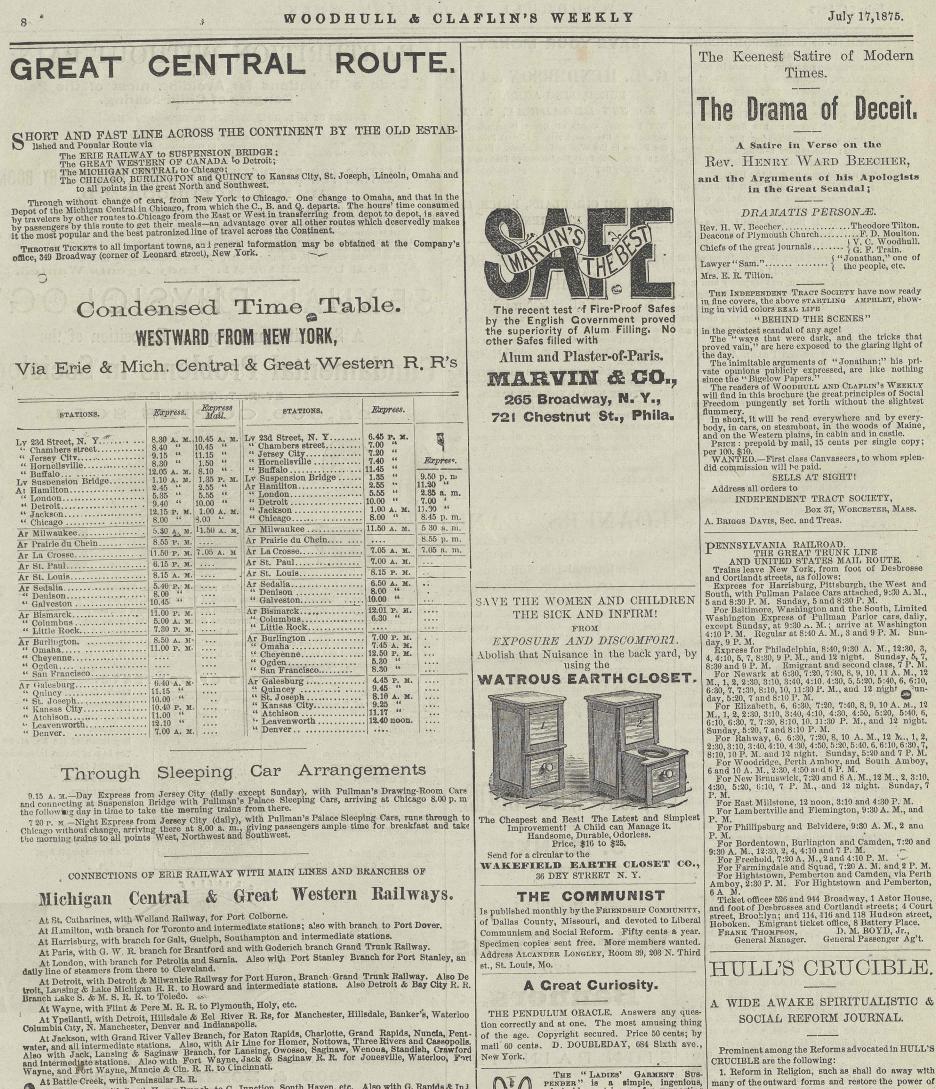
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