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I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old, familiar carols play,
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—*H. W. Longfellow*

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To the Editor of the Hopeful Messenger: A Plea for International Spiritualism

Dear Editor:

Will you permit me to place within your esteemed magazine, a plea for membership in the International Spiritualist Federation? This organization has been functioning for several years. Its aims and objects are:

(A) "To foster fraternal ties and international relationship with Spiritualist and kindred associations of all lands, having a spiritual or Psychic basis; to make fraternal arrangements and cooperate with progressive bodies, working for human advancement."

(B) "To cooperate in the study of psychic phenomena from the scientific, philosophical, moral or religious point of view."

(C) "To encourage pursuit of these studies and the realization of the spiritual nature of mankind."

(D) "To issue a journal and such other literature as may be deemed suitable."

(E) "To arrange for the collection and distribution of scientific facts and other information likely to interest Spiritualists and scientific workers throughout the world."

(F) "To do all such things as may be advantageous to the Federation."

Now its principles. What are they?

Spiritualism is founded upon the facts of:

(A) "Personal survival of physical death, and

(B) Communication between this world and the spirit world."

These are the principles upon which it is founded.

It can easily be imagined why the principles are so tolerant. The "International" has within its ranks members from all over the world, who have come from nearly all the other religions. They are real spiritualists, although their religious background may have been Mohammedan, Buddhist or Brahman, etc. The Federation has "Congresses" every three years. I attended one in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1937, which was very educational and exceedingly fraternal. The next one was to be held in Paris in 1940. World War II prevented it. So the Federation laid dormant for eleven years. The British brought it to life again in 1948. In September of that year, all Spiritualists from all over the world were invited to attend that "Congress" in London. Mrs. Kemsley and I went. It was once again started. There were 160 delegates from 42 different countries, and it is once again on a firm foundation. There were five people altogether from Detroit, or from the Christian Corinthians. There were only nine altogether from the U.S.A.

In all the U.S.A., there are only two organizations that actually belong to it. That is the C.C. of A. and the National Spiritualist As-

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Spiritualism, the Coming World Religion

By Arthur Findlay

Why is Spiritualism the coming world religion? The reason is because it gives facts in place of phliosophical, mystical, and religious speculations on what happens after death. We now know for certain what is our destiny so far as the next step on the ladder is concerned, and thus we need not base our religion any longer on faith. Spiritualism is not a speculative religion as are all the other world religions, because it is a religion based on fact, on reason and experience. When people become educated enough to understand the basis on which Spiritualism is built, their mental development will increase, and with it will also advance the feeling of greater at-one-ment with the guiding mind of the universe.

We now know that death is just the entrance gate to a more enlarged outlook on the universe, and our friends in Etheria tell us that we pass on from stage to stage, developing progressively, until we attain powers of understanding that are beyond our present capacity to imagine.

To achieve this development in an orderly and satisfactory way, our etheric friends make it clear that our lives should be goverend by certain guiding principles which can be summarised in the one word love. Thus we must try to develop unselfishness in our lives, and live for others more than for ourselves. This giving out, instead of taking in, has the effect of refining our minds, with the result that those who give most really receive most. Thus they attain more quickly the innate desire latent in so many, of becoming in tune with the Infinite, which is our destiny.

This, then, is the religion of Spiritualsim, born of the knowledge that we do not die, but are for ever destined to progress and develop, just as the divine mind of the universe, of which we are part, is progressing and developing. This religion requires no churches, priests, creeds,

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He Is Not Lost

The one who is gone, is not lost to you
He only has passed, for a while, from your view;
He was, and is, and ever more will be
Through all the eons of eternity.

Oh, grieve not for him as he onward goes,
Trust and believe Our Loving Father knows,
And when our pilgrimage here is done
He sends us on—the journey's but begun.

While now he is hidden beyond the veil
Of human sight, let not fear your heart assail;
And you may feel the touch of his love
Many times, when you lift your eyes above.

Steadfastly, gladly, take your course ahead
Shutting out all loneliness, sorrow and dread—
Knowing, He Who marks the sparrow's fall
Will comfort and sustain you thru it all.

And, in the afterwhile, when you, one day
Thru that Other Door shall take your destined way.
The one so loved will be waiting there—
Your own as ever, only grown more dear.

News From Canada

From Vancouver, British Columbia, there comes news regarding Rev. Dr. John Horning, whose wife and co-worker is Secretary of the British Columbia Spiritualist Council. It is noteworthy to learn from him that they collect and send out as many psychic papers andperiodicals as they can, and at their own expense, and have already sent out more than 8,500 papers this way. This is not merely a good idea, but a very fine example for others to follow. Hereunder are interesting excerpts from his letter—

"Another phase of our work is the library. We bought our first books on Spiritualism in 1919, and at this time achieved absolute conviction of Survival by reading them. Our first personal experiences came in 1935, when we heard some wonderful trance addresses in Edmonton, Alberta, joined the local Spiritualist church, and sat in circles. Since then we have been ardent Spiritualists.

"To return, however, to the subject of the library, we now have exactly 511 books, not counting quite a few duplicates, in our Esoteric Science Library, as we call it, and during 1948 and 1949 we circulated just over 200 books, making no charge and only expecting people to pay the return postage on them. It has been quite an expense, but it is one of our great propaganda efforts and is greatly appreciated by the

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dogmas or doctrines. It has no exclusiveness, as it embraces the entire human race. It is not in conflict with science, as it is science. It is not conflicting with philosophy, because it is philosophy. It is not contrary to mysticism, because it is mysticism. Science and natural religion are one, and always have been one, as both stand for truth based on evidence and experience. Philosophy, mysticism and natural religion are one, and always have been one, as they stand for truth and should always have stood for truth based on experience.

Supernatural religion is based on an underlying truth, namely, survival after death, and has for its object the reaching of at-one-ment with God. This has been bound up with the belief in Christs, in crucified saviours, in the eating of their bodies and the drinking of their blood, in forms and ceremonials, ritual, holy book, holy churches and holy men who claim that they only can interpret God's message to man.

Little wonder that Christian people see no resemblance between Christianity and Spiritualism! Little wonder they are hostile to it, because Spiritualists discard the drapings Christians worship; they put them aside as things of use only to an uneducated age which they have now outgrown. Spiritualists are therefore trying to educate the people so that they may outgrow the superstitions of the past, and this Christians resent as they cannot yet see that what they worship is untrue, and that these false drapings are hiding them from the greatest truth nature has ever revealed to mankind.

Few as yet realise that one of the great events in world history occurred last century. Not that what happened was new any more than steam was new, because engineers only applied the expanding force in steam to the needs of industry.

Likewise, since 1848, messages from the world to which we are all travelling have been systematically recorded, and used for the needs of natural religion, they are not now being misinterpreted or kept hidden by the priesthood as happened in the past.

The reason this is such a great event in world history is because some people were intelligent enough to understand its meaning, and were no longer dependent on an organization whose policy has always been to keep the problems of life and death a mystery. Education and freedom of thought had advanced sufficiently by 1848 for some people to think out for themselves the meaning of life and death, which had hitherto been considered a question too sacred and profound for any to ponder over except those divinely appointed for the purpose.

Another factor, which made it possible for some people to form their own views on this matter of life and death, was because a century previously public opinion had stopped the Church from burning mediums. As mediumship is a hereditary gift this obliterating of mediums had almost extinguished the psychic power latent in mankind, but in 1848 it has redeveloped sufficiently to enable Etherians to demonstrate their presence to us on earth. Slowly we began to grasp the great significance of their visits, and progress commenced an understanding the mystery of death. That is why what happened in 1848 is one of the great events in the history of man. Looking back over the great incidents of history, there are few others of greater importance than the fact that we have discovered our dead, and where they live.

Why did our ancestors worship one or more gods? Why did they write books which they considered holy and containing God's message to men? Why did they offer sacrifices to appease the gods? Why did they turn their wealth over to an organization for the purpose of maintaining churches, priests and monasteries? Why, since man became a thinking being, has he devoted a great part of his energy, thought and labor, to making supplication to the gods, and to supporting those he believed to be their representatives on earth?

There is only one answer to these questions, and it is found to account for all the practices we have enumerated. All were due to one thing—man's fear of the unknown.

Ignorance relating to this great event in nature, death, has been the cause of unimaginable misery and cruelty. It has sapped man's vital energy, and added to his labor through the feeling that it was necessary to employ others to act as intermediaries between him and the unknown.

Consequently ignorance has maintained a black-coated army of men in the west and a yellow-coated army in the east. The fear of the unknown has been the cause of waste, misery, and suffering, besides being such an obstacle to mankind's progress, welfare and happiness. Eradicate that fear, open the door of death, point out the land beyond, and you have once and for all removed the source of so many miseries and errors. You have once and for all lifted from man's shoulders the burden he has been carrying since he first began to realise that he had a soul.

The inventors, the thinkers, the mechanics, the healers, the artists,

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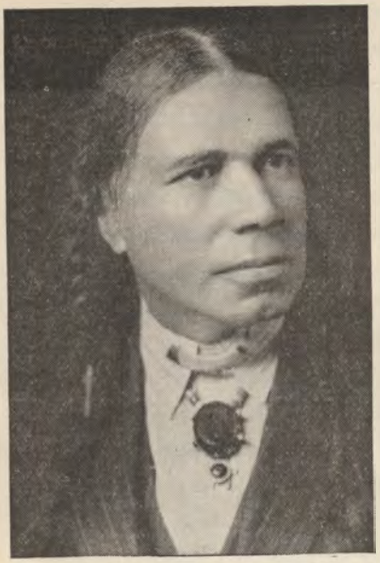
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Christmas Edition

On Sunday, December 17th, we will publish our regular annual Christmas edition of the Bulletin, and if you would like to have your greetings in this paper, kindly call us at Temple 1-5979. This is a wonderful directory throughout the year for those seeking to contact our workers. Be sure to get your order in before noon of Monday, December 11th, as that is our closing date for this issue.

Rev. A. Kemsley

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sociation. Hence my plea for greater representation from our wonderful country. Spiritualism had its birth in the U.S.A. and the U.S.A. is the most apathetic and lukewarm of all countries of the world. They are the most "Isolationist" group of Spiritualists in all the world today. Fancy, with all the thousands of Spiritualists in America, there are only two organizations that are affiliated with the Federation. I would like at this time to state that each organization that affiliates with it is still as autonomous and independent as before.

There is a time coming when all spiritualists, the world over, will be one great body. Still all the little local groups will be self governing as they are now. So as a legal agent for the I.S.F., I am pleading for your cooperation and affiliation.

There is one thing I have left till the last, and that is "dues." To my friends, who claim they are spiritualists, and come to the various churches on Sunday, and drop a dime, or even a quarter, in the plate, and your conscience is clear, and you think you are really a paying member of the church you attend. This may give you a shock. An individual joining the Federation will have to pay one pound Sterling. The pound, when I last sent dues to the Federation, was $2.80. Groups pay five pounds for every fifty members, and an additional 1 pound for every additional ten members. Maximum dues for independent groups are 20 pounds.

I feel that world wide spiritualism will surely come and with it world peace, and not before. I made this statement last year, and sent a copy to both of our leading national independent magazines, but neither would print it. So I am asking you, dear editor, if you will kindly give me space in our local magazine, praying that some soul, or group, may respond.

If there is any individual or group in all the U.S.A. who is interested and wants to know more, I will gladly enlighten him or them further.

When in London, I was on the "Ways and Means" committee. Since we had no funds, we decided to ask our friends for used postage stamps, and air mail envelopes to be sold to stamp collecting firms. If anyone is sufficiently interested, I will be very grateful if you will please send used stamps, etc., to me. Do not tear the stamps off of the envelopes, as that makes them useless. Tear off a iece of the envelope together with the stamp. Do not mutilate the stamp in any way. Air mail envelopes, please send to me intact. My address is Rev. A. Kemsley, 15327 Santa Rosa Drive, Detroit 21, Mich.

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Eliminates . all fear of death, which is but the portal of the Spirit World, and therefore merely a change of condition.

Teaches . . that man is a Spiritual being now even while clothed in the physical form; that under certain conditions communication between the earth and the Spirit Spheres can and does take place. This has been scientifically proved and thus are the bereaved comforted and their sorrow alleviated.

Teaches . . that life in its successive phases provides every soul with the opportunities and incentives for continuous SPIRITUAL progression.

Spiritualism has a SCIENTIFIC significance since its phenomena are capable of scientific investigation and proof. Its PHILOSOPHIC significance is founded in the fact that the proofs of spirit communication and survival shed the light of intelligent understanding upon the causes and principles of life and its affairs. Its RELIGIOUS significance lies in the conviction it affords our kinship with all life—and with God.

News From Canada

many readers.

"You may know that the Provinces of Canada correspond roughly to the States of the U.S.A. or of the United States of Brazil. For example, some of the Provinces were independent countries before the Confederation in 1867. We have recently celebrated the 83rd birthday of the Dominion.

"The National Spiritualist Association of Canada operates under a charter from the Central Dominion of Canada Government, and in three of the Provinces the Spiritualists have organized Provincial Councils under the N.S.A. In some of the Provinces there is no Spiritualist church or other organization functioning that we know of.

"In British Columbia alone the ordained Ministers of Spiritualism are recognized by the Government of the Provinces as being on exact equality with the Ministers of orthodox denominations.

"For some reason Vancouver is not itself a good location for development of psychic faculties. Some say this is because of rays emanating from the earth. A Californian medium recently expressed the opinion that the whole Pacific coast is not good for mediumship, yet Victoria, eight miles away on Vancouver Island, has the reputation of being much better in this respect. Physical phenomena are practically non-existent here. Our greatest interest is centered in spiritual healing, though Mrs. Horning is beginning to develop mediumship quite nicely, especially in inspirational speaking. We are both budding healers and have done some nice work both in absent and in personal treatment. It is our ambition to some day open a center for this work.

"There are seven active Spiritualist organizations in Vancouver and seven others in the southern part of the Provinces, none elsewhere that we know of."—Rev. Dr. John Horning.

MY DAILY EXAMINATION

1. Have I remembered throughout this day that God, the good, is the only real presence and power in my life?
2. Do I look to certain channels for my good, or do I acknowledge that God has countless channels through which my blessings can come to me?
3. Have I been as faithful this day in trying to express God as I want Him to be in blessing me?

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The Spirit Tells the Story of Christmas

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Not so long ago, in fact within a few short weeks past, a great thing happened to the one whom we shall call "The Star Gazer." You have seen them so often with their long telescopes seeking to earn a living by permitting you and me to look at the stars in the heavens.

The stars were just like children to this man. Quite often, when the cloud hid their beauty, they became like human beings and expressed their feelings in temper and malice.

Many times, when he met ill-tempered people with their selfishness and their greed, he thought of Saturn; of Jupiter when moneyed people lived for their wealth. When he saw the boys march off to war, he likened them to Mars, the God of War.

One night, after an especially harrowing time with capricious people, he prayed for an answer to his problem. HE WANTED TO TEACH MAN HOW TO LOVE; HOW TO LIVE; HOW TO BE OF SERVICE TO ONE ANOTHER.

God granted him his wish. In a trance, this was unfolded to him:

First, he saw the new green sprouts of life breaking the ground as if it were spring; and all the earth was receiving a new birth. Then in a distance, he heard the song of angel sing, "Waken, O earth from thy slumber! Nations now lying in darkness, look to the flaming sky! Tidings are chanted by the heavenly hosts! Listen, O people, to the chance for peace!"

Looking up into the heavens from whence came the song, he saw a new vision in the sky. It looked like a star but it was not like anything that he had ever seen before. It didn't remain in one spot; it traveled across the heavens as if it were guiding those who would follow. Then . . . a spirit voice spoke and said, "It is the sign in the sky that all men have awaited! It is the sign of which the prophets spoke! It is the sign that the Magi followed. It is the sign that the Shepherds saw!

"It is the star that gave promise to all men THAT HOPE IS EVERLASTING AND LIFE IS ETERNAL TO ALL WHO WOULD. It beams today as it beamed in yesterday. It beckons and guides us to the Christ as it guided the shepherds of old.

"It is the star that shows where you should lay your earthly treasurers; where neither moth nor rust can corrupt, nor thieves break into and steal.

It is the star that leads you to the shrine, to the feet of the living Christ where all hope is given and love radiates for evermore. IT IS 'THE STAR OF HOPE'."

The voice of the angel loved one continued, "Tell to the listening ear of mortal man the story ever dear. Tell of the Birth of the Child of man in that lowly manger in that distant land.

"Tell of how the angels sang of Peace, Good-will toward man. Tell how he came to earth as a stranger of a mother with virgin birth and of a father of mortal clay. TELL THEM TO ALL MEN, A NEW HOPE OF ETERNAL LIFE WAS BORN. TELL, I COMMAND THEE, TELL OF THE STORY EVER DEAR.

"Tell how the angels guarded o'er the child; of the mother who found no shelter but shared the straw with the beasts of the field; of the pain of birth the mother endured; of the joy that filled her being as she did the homey tasks that all mothers do when God awards them with child; of the songs she sang as she cuddled Him to her breasts."

Then the vision changed. The Star-gazer looked right up into the heavens and there beheld an old man huddled in sorrow. Going up to him in sympathy, this is what he heard:

"I was the inn-keeper on that night when all the world, or so it seemed to be, clamored at my door. I was filled, people were sleeping even on benches in the hall. I didn't even have place to sleep but that mattered not for they kept calling for service all night.

"How was I to know that among the hundreds that I turned away from my door that one who bore the Christ-child within her?

"They told me long after, that a bright light shone over my Kahn's low roof. They tell me now that was heavenly proof that He whom we had awaited so long was born in my stable, with beasts gazing on.

"O, if I could have known, I would have asked the prince or even the king to give up their rooms for the night. Nobody told me. O, if they had, I would have turned all my other guests away. Who would not have been glad to take the bed of hay to let the Christ-child have room to be born?

O, the agony of my heart and shame that bows my head for ever shall I be known as the one who heeded not the cry of a woman's need; that forced her to give that Holy birth in a stable built for beasts.

Just then a little lad came up to him, it was the little one who found the place where the people thronged and whispered of the things they saw. This is what he saw and heard:

"An old woman who had just reached the city with her taxes to be paid told this tale of yore to me, 'As I came near the inn, I heard a cry calling to me for help. I turned, and there stood a man in the door of a stable beckoning to me to come. Hastening there, I entered the door and this is what I saw. A young maiden lay in the straw; a glance told me that she was about to be delivered of a child. Going quickly to her side, I peered into her face; Such beauty as never man beheld. Then, I seemed to be pushed aside while two white robed figures bent o'er her. They worked with such ease they amazed me, me who had delivered hundreds of babes. Soon upon HER face a look of Holy Joy appeared. While mortal woman would betray the anguish of her pain, this fair maiden writhed in ecstasy.

When upon the quiet scene, an infant cry rang out, the room filled with heavenly hosts and their songs of praise filled the air.

Then I knew what I had seen, no mortal man should see; for they the angels prayed to God and sang their praises still.'

"So this anniversary of this day should be a golden day" continued this spirit of God," a day filled with hope and joy of the things beyond the sky. THESE ARE THINGS EVERLASTING; not the things of earth that glistens; that dull men's senses and makes them lust for

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and all who have added to the world's happiness and well-being, have not been able to remove this aching dread. Taking all that these great ones have done for the good of humanity, the result of their labors will not give mankind such happiness as the definite knowledge that there is nothing to fear at death, and that all who live aright have a great future in store. Up to last century the doctors, the scientists, the inventors, and the constructors have been condemned whenever they produced something new for the good of humanity. Much that has been produced for the good of the people has been condemned, and in many cases those who have produced it have been ill-treated, and often murdered.

The Spiritualists now come forward and tell humanity that they can give definite, reliable evidence that life continues after death, that communication has been opened up between this order of existence and the order we shall enter at death. They tell man kind that there is nothing to fear, that there is no God of vengeance awaiting to punish his creatures when they enter the door of death, but that we punish ourselves by remorse, because there, more than here, our faults, failings and mistakes become clear, to be in consequence more regretted.

Spiritualists show the reasonableness of nature's plan, and that which termed death, for those unburdened by wrong-doing, is just the beginning of a conscious existence freed from all the misery, troubles and worries of mankind on earth. They tell the world that every individual can prove their assertions for himself or herself, just as conclusively as everyone can determine the fact that boiling water produces steam.

What we know of death and the after-life is as scientifically proved as any other fact in science, but the great majority of people in the world are still ignorant of this. Consequently the Spiritualist today is treated with contempt by many people, because of the fact that his knowledge of what takes place at death is considered by the ignorant to be the result of his wandering imaginations, and contrary to the will of God.

The Spiritualists nevertheless have brought to the world the one great thing humanity wanted. They can prove to the satisfaction of any intelligent individual, who cares to take the trouble to investigate, that the claims they make are true. Most people, however, do not believe that such is possible, and many continue to live their lives in fear of the unknown. The passage of time, accompanied by increased knowledge on the one hand and the waning of intolerance, prejudice and superstition on the other, will some day replace falsehood with truth. Truth, must, in time, conquer ignorance. It has done so in the past and it will do so in the future. Spiritualism, which is natural and rational religion, will, in the end, triumph. Truth is working for us and it always wins through in the end.

Thought Exchange

The Psychic Healers Association of America is opening a Thought Exchange meeting on the first Sunday in the month, it being Dec. 3rd, at 3 p.m. The public is invited to take part in this meeting and undoubtedly much good will be derived from the open expression of the different thoughts. The address is 2024 Vinewood, basement meeting hall. For further information, you may call Tashmoo 5-1024, Dr. Barnett-Smith, the President, or the Secretary, Rev. Wilma Jackson at VA. 1-9531.

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Shall we light a candle as this Truth is blazoned forth for such did God send forth His Son to bring to man that Truth?

Where man may become again as little children with faith and hope of the Father's love.

Where to Him, they may bring their problems of the earth on which they live.

And to them, He brings their answers in help and love and charity.

But man must pray and live that prayer as only a child can pray.

So to us, children alike, spirits all, must come His Star of Light to guide us through the years until we meet our Brother at the Father's gate."

Then this spirit of God led this man, whom we know as the Stargazer back to earth as the haunting melody of the angels song lingered with him. And to all the world, he told this Truth of what he learned;

THAT MAN MUST LEARN TO FORGET HIMSELF IN HIS SERVICE TO HIS FELLOW BEINGS: HE MUST LEARN TO LOVE ALL OTHERS EVEN AS THE SON LOVED US. WHEN MAN DOES THIS, HE WILL HAVE LEARNED THE SECRET OF THE BIRTH: HE WILL LIVE AND HE WILL KNOW THE THINGS THAT BRING ETERNAL JOY: AND TO HIM WILL COME THE KNOWLEDGE THAT THE TIDINGS OF PEACE WERE NOT EMPTY WORDS BUT THE VERY SOULS OF MAN CRYING FORTH WITH REALITY OF ETERNAL PEACE, GOOD WILL TO MEN. AMEN.

Announcement

Our forms close on the 20th of the month for the following month's issue. All copy must be in our hands by that date.

—THE EDITOR

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St. Paul's Church

The first and third Saturdays, are social nights, when we play pinochle and bunco, at 8 p.m. A cordial welcome is extended to all.

Messages are also given at these social nights.

The potluck lunch is held the second Tuesday of each month at 12 o'clock noon. Many good mediums in attendance.

There is a potluck lunch, bunco party and message circle the fourth Tuesday of each month at the home of Mrs. B. Fritz, 1987 Fullerton.

There is a message circle at 3 p.m. and a dinner at 5 p.m. on the fourth Sunday of each month. A cordial welcome to all.

St. Mary's Church

We were pleased to have with us on Sunday, the Founder of our church, Rev. W. Landeck, the former Rev. Wilhelmina Harvey. She spoke of her life in California after she left Michigan. She expects to remain here for some time.

Our bingo party was a grand success. The electric mixed was won by Ann Paterson of Detroit.

The next developing class will be on Thursday, Dec. 7th, at 7:30.

The next bingo will be on Friday, December 15th, at 8 p.m. Turkey and chicke.. drawing prizes. All welcome!

Church of Harmony

The regular monthly message circle of the above church will be held on Sunday, December 17th, with messages at 3 p.m. and potluck supper at 5. All welcome.

The Christmas program of the Lyceum will be held on Sunday, Dec. 24th, at 7:30 P. M.

Mrs. Josephine Steep of Birwood Ave., Detroit, passed to spirit on Friday, November 10th. Funeral services were held at the home Rev. Leigh Drake of Roseville officiated, with a service by the Eastern Star.

Mrs. Steep was a Spiritualist for many years and we all send our blessings for her greater progression in the home over there.

From Some of Our Overseas Correspondents

SCANDINAVIAN AREA—

During the first week in August a "Northern Conference" was held in Stockholm, Sweden. Some 200 people were present, including 50 Danes, three Icelandics, 25 Finns, three Norwegians and the rest Swedes. The meetings were arranged by the Stockholm Society. No "business" meetings were on the programme, but at the end of the week a decision was made that representatives of these countries should meet again in Copenhagen to form a "Northern Union." This means that Sweden will have to go ahead immediately with its plan for a Swedish Union to federate. Rolfe Carleson, of Stockholm, gave a short talk on the work of the International Spiritualist Federation and received the majority support for future affiliation.

One premier event during the week was a talk by Jon Auduns, a Minister of the Iceland State Church, a fine man and a Spiritualist of 20 years standing. We were fortunate enough to be able to use one of the local Churches, where he spoke on "Christianity and Spiritualism."

PORTUGAL—

Here we study Spiritualism more from the scientific aspect, to see GOD in Creation and thus lead up to a truly spiritual conception. We acknowledge the guidance and support of the "spirit world."

Our correspondent quotes his personal view as follows:

"Like a Spiritualist, I do not accept religion as fixed rules pretending to join man and God. I want a vivid religion, feeling the dependence of our whole existence from the single essence of GOD; I want a Religion that searches, not a religion that rests on the expectation of a MIRACLE. I feel I must work better and better for deserving the "Divine Grace."

BRAZIL—

Despite attacks from orthodox religions we can count nearly 10 million Spiritualists, and have approximately 500 Societies in Rio de Janeiro; not counting Home Circles. One of our most important societies, the "Fereracao Espirita Brasiliera," is now selling more than 200 different editions of imported spiritualist books. As an illustration, "The Gospel According to Spiritualism" is now in its 36th edition which is equivalent to 265,000 copies.

Spiritualism is not limited to Churches and Societies. We have Hospitals, Schools and Institutions for the poor children.

Another correspondent advises me that in Brazil they have 60 Magazines and other publications on Spiritualism, also there are four large publishing houses who publish ONLY Spiritualist books.

O, That Mine Eyes Might Be Closed

O, that mine eyes might closed be
To what concerns me not to see;
That deafness might possess mine ear
To what concerns me not to hear;
That truth my tongue might always tie
From ever speaking foolishly;
That no vain thing might ever rest,
Or beconceived within my breast;
That by each deed and word and thought
Glory may to God be brought!
But what are wishes? Lord, Mine eye
On Thee is fixed, to Thee I cry,
Wash, Lord, and purify my heart,
And make it clean in every part.
And when 'tis clean, Lord, keep it, too,
For that is more than I can do.

THOMAS ELWOOD.

Gray-Bruington Nuptials

On Saturday, November 11th, Rev. Mildred Cosner officiated at the marriage of Hallen Gray and Mr. William Bruington, at the groom's home, 25949 Southwestern. Rev. Wm. and Lorine Crowell were the witnesses. A large group of friends assembled, wished the couple a very happy married life.

New Location

Mr. Alexander Kaylor wishes to announce his new location at 3626 Harrison, his phone number is the same, Temple 1-8727. He extends an invitation to his old and new friends to visit him in his new home.

Card of Thanks

Rev. Myrtle Baker wishes to thank all those who so kindly remembered her during her recent illness, and she wishes to announce that she is feeling better, but please continue to send prayers for further help. She received many cards, and flowers from the church members of the Memorial Tabernacle and also the Auxiliary, and she wants you to know that they all helped greatly in her recovery.

Announcement

Rev. Mary Reinke-Smith of 10307 Prairie, announces that she is again available for private readings and divine healing daily by appointment, after an extended illness. Rev. Smith is also opening a public message circle on Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. and Thursday at 7:30 p.m., with every person receiving their message privately. All are welcome!

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