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great deal, although irregularly, and is exceedingly well informed about matters that do not generally interest women, especially political affairs and historical subjects. Thoroughly [illegible] appearance, her turn of thought is masculine. She converses with fluency and earnestness in a musical, seductive voice, and is most attractive for clever men, with whom the attraction arises from mental rather than physical qualities, although at times she is very pretty.

It has attracted general notice that a woman should have been found mixed up in these arms sales, but in reality it would have been strange had no woman been thus connected, as in all other human affairs from birth to death—in the redemption as well as the fall of man. We have all heard the trite but characteristic story of the French judge who, when any one was arraigned before him on any charge, was wont to ask: "Who is the woman?" This, however, has always been the practice of man. For did not Adam, even in Paradise, resort to the craven device of exclaiming: "The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat." In their evidence, Peck and Wiard have only shown themselves true sons of Adam. More anon.

For the Beaver Argus

WHAT IS SPIRITUALISM?

Ed[itor] Argus: Please give place [illegible] mans to the accompanying [illegible] from distinguished [illegible] thinkers, as a refutation in part, of the charges made by your correspondent "Homo" against Spiritualism. As soon as I can find an hour's time to turn aside, from immediate pressing duties, I may give some further attention to the allegations made by this astute philosopher, and intellectual gladiator, whose profound productions are doing so much to instruct and enlighten the people.

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Spiritualism is based on the credential fact of spirit communion and influx; it is the effort to discover all truth relating to man's spiritual nature, capacities, relations, duties, welfare, and destiny; and its application to regenerate life. It recognizes a continuous Divine inspiration in humanity, comes through a careful, reverent study of facts, at a knowledge of the laws and principles which govern the occult forces of the universe; to the relations of spirit to matter, and of man to God and the spiritual world.—*London Spiritual Magazine.*

Spiritualism has been existing in all ages and nations—from the foundations of the world. Protestantism has apostatized from the faith and experience of the universal world, and even now, through Protestantism, invincible, multitudinous, and daily-springing facts are restoring the empire of Spiritualism to its natural throne in the heart and the intellect of man. In England there are thousands of private families, including many of the very highest in wealth, in intellect and in learning, in which the varied phenomena of Spiritualism are as familiar as the daily newspaper.—*William Howitt.*

The doctrine of departed spirits returning to visit the scenes and beings which were dear to them during the body's existence, though it has been debased by the absurd superstitions of the vulgar, in itself is awefully solemn and sublime. A belief of this kind would, I should think, be a new incentive to virtue, rendering us circumspect even in our most secret moments, from the idea that those we once loved and honored were invisible witnesses of all our actions.—*Washington Irving.*

I believe that the great realm of life goes on without the body. And, here as there, the mother not only is the guardian of her children whom she loves, but foresees that bad associates and evil influences threaten them, and draws them back and shields them from the impending danger.—*Henry Ward Beecher.*

We believe, on the authority of Scripture, that spirits are capable of entering human bodies, of speaking through them and acting in them; and hence we believe in the possibility of spirits operating on matter in the way of rapping out the letters of the alphabet, or in the way of writing a whole word.—*Dr. Campbell, in British Standard.*

If the spiritual writing manifestations are a delusion, they are getting to be something more—something approaching a very ingenious, persistent and unscrupulous attempt to palm an old fraud upon the credulous, by means of rare power and genius. Either the manifestations are of the character that they claim to be—communications from departed beings through a medium, or they are the result of a deliberate deception, and gull[illegible] to a [illegible] of *Dr. Hayward, of Springfield, Mass., Republican.*

We not only believe—in the unity of angels, but believe that its existence and advantages are demonstrable to all who candidly seek and willingly choose the responsibilities that seeking incurs. And we hail it as the hope of humanity and the dawn of its brightest day.—*Rev. J. B. Ferguson.*

All dreams might be trusted if men would only bring their bodies into such a state, before going to sleep, as to leave nothing that might occasion error or perturbation in their dreams.—*Plato.*

That to some persons, prophecy occurs in dreams, is not disbelieved.—*Aristotle.*

I must confess, as the experience of my own soul, that the expectation of loving my friends in heaven principally kindles my love to them on earth. If I thought that I should never know and consequently never love them after this life, I should number them with temporal things and love them as such; but I now delightfully converse with my pious friends, in a firm persuasion that I shall converse with them forever; and I take comfort in those that are dead or absent, believeing that I shall shortly meet them in heaven, and love them with a heavenly love.—*Richard Barker.*

To deny the possibility, nay, actual existence, of witchcraft and sorcery, is at once flatly to contradict the revealed word of God, in various passages both of the Old and New Testament; and the thing itself is a truth to which every nation in the world hath, in its turn, borne testimony, either by examples seemingly well attested, or by prohibitory laws, which at least suppose the possibility of commerce with evil spirits—*Blackstone.*

As the manifestations have spread from house to house, from city to city, from one part of the country to the other, across the Atlantic into Europe, till now the civilized world is compelled to acknowledge their reality, however diverse in accounting for them—as these manifestations continue to increase in variety and power, so that all suspicion of trick or imposture becomes simply absurd and preposterous—and as every attempt to find a solution for them in some physical theory relating to electricity, the odic force, chairvoyance, and the like, has thus far proved abortive—it becomes every intelligent mind to enter into an investigation of them with candor and fairness, as opportunity may offer, and to bear such testimony in regard to them as the facts may warrant, no matter what ridicule it may excite on the part of the uninformed or skeptical. Our conviction is, that they cannot be accounted for on any other theory than that of spiritual agency.—*William Lloyd Garrison.*

Oh, tell me not that the fathers of this Republic are dead—that generous host, that airy army of invincible heroes. They hover as a cloud of witnesses above this nation. Are *They* dead that yet speak louder than we can speak, a more universal language? Are they dead that yet act? Are they dead that yet move upon society, and inspire the people with nobler motives and more heroic patriotism?—*Henry Ward Beecher.*

I cannot get over the feeling that the souls of the dead do somehow connect themselves with the places of their former habitation: and that the hush and thrill of spirit, which we feel by them, may be owing to the overshadowing presence of the invisible. St. Paul says, "we are compassed about with a *great* cloud of witnesses;" but how can they be witnesses if they cannot see and be cognizant?—*Harriet Beecher Stowe.*

Spiritualism teaches, that, in spite of all draw-backs and apparent retrogression *amelioration is the fundamental law of being.* Were it not so, we could not believe, as we do, in the creative benignity. The deductions, so far as they are in accordance with known facts and psychical law, must have a scientific import and value. The spirits, or spiritual forces do perpetrate what seems trivial tricks. They tie knots in pocket-handkerchiefs, throw stones, pull the hair of mortals, cuff them, or lift them off their feet; and do many things neither reverent nor dignified. Shall we deny facts, because they puzzle us? Shall we seek to adapt the facts to our pet philosophy and pre-conceived notions? or shall we adapt our philosophy and notions to the facts?—*Epes Sargent.*

The facts of modern Spiritualism prove to me, that in all ages men on this planet have had communication with souls of men that have left it, and life after death is an organic law of the soul. This explains the mystery of all religions. There were spiritual revelations addressed to the soul of man in its early condition. Modern Spiritualism is the key to them all, and the laws of spiritual intercourse as evolved in these modern phenomena, explain scientifically and positively all the mythology, symbolism, idealism, transcendentalism, mysticism, and spiritualism of the ages.—*J. West Nevins.*

Mr. Foster has had a most successful professional trip as a "medium" to England. His portfolio is filled with letters from such persons as of genius as Bulwer, Tennyson and Dickens, and such persons of rank as the Duchess of Sutherland and Lady Mary to Cambridge. We have been present at several of his sittings, and have seen positive miracles of his doing, in the way of moving furniture without putting a hand to it, and interpreting all sorts of impossible riddles.—*N. P. Willis, in Home Journal.*

Spiritualism is so universal—numbers so many hundreds of thousands of persons of all grades of intellect and truthfulness as its followers—that to disbelieve them utterly would be equivalent to ignoring all human testimony. There are plenty of men and women of the very highest minds and culture who believe in it—who have tested its claims themselves, with persons, and under circumstances, that made collusion an impossibility.—*Chicago Republican.*

THE JOSH BILLINGS PAPERS.

NATRAL HISTORY—THE ROBBING.

The robin has a red brest.

They hav a plaintiff song, and sing az tho they waz sorry for sum thing.

They are natifs ov the northern States, but go south to winter.

They git their name from their great ability for robbing a cherry tree.

They kan also robin a currant bush fust rate, and are smart on a gooseberry.

They build the nest out ov mud, and straw, and lay 4 eggs, that are speckled.

Four yung robbings, in a nest, that are just hatched out, and still on the half-shell, are alwuz az reddy for dinner, az a nuz-boy iz.

If enny body gits near their nest, the mouths all fly open at once, so that you kan see clear down to their palates.

If it wa'nt for the birds, I suppose, ov course, we should all be et up by the catter pillars and snakes, but I hav thought it wouldn't be anything more than common politeness for the robbings to let us hav, now and then, just one of our own cherriz, tew see how they did taste.

THE SWALLO.

The swallo is a lively bird.

Swallos make their appearance late in the spring, and are alwus in a twitter about sumthing.

They hav az much twitter as a boarding skule miss.

They kan fli az swift az an arrow, and are a great deal cro wder.

I hav seen them in Sam a mill-pond cuss enuff to have the cream off from it, and even make the frogs dogge, also not touch the water.

When the swallo cums, spring haz cum sure, but I kare az an old prover[illegible] once to Solomon: I presume which see, "One swallo don't make a spring."

This may be so, but I have seen a spring ov water that would make a grate many swallows.

Swallows never hav the dispepsia, they fly upon nothing, and take a great deal ov exercise in the open air.

They don't set up nites busting, and never cheat a taylor out ov his bill.

They dont waste enny time in the morning making their toilet, but like the flowers, shake off the dew from their heds, and are reddy for bizzness.

I kant think ov enny thing God has made, more harmless than a swallo, they are as innosent az a dauzy, and az pure az the air they swim in, they wont live, shut up in a cage, much longer than a trout will.

THE BAT.

The bat is a winged mouse.

They live very retired during the day, but at nite cum out for a frolik.

They ly in very ahuch unsartin, and ackt az tho they had taken a leetle too much gin.

They look out ov their face like a yung owl, and will bite like a snapping turkle.

What they are good for I kant tell, and don't believe they kan tell neither.

They dont seem tew be bird, beast, nor insek, but a kind ov live hash, made out of all three.

If there warnt enny bats in this world, I dont suppose the earth would refuse to revolve on its axis, once in a while, just for fun.

But when we cum to think that there aint on the face ov the earth even one bat too much, and there haint been, since the day ov Adam, a single surplus muskeeters egg laid by ackident, we kan form sum kind ov an idee how little we know, and what a poor job we should make ov it running the machinery ov kreashun.

Man iz a phool enny how, and the best ov the joke iz, he dont seem to kno it.

Bats hav a destiny tew fill, and I will bet 4 dollars, they fill it better than we do ours.

Bats liv on flies, and hawks liv on bats, but who livs on hawks, I kant tell.

Biled hawk may be good, I never herd any boddy say it wasn't, but I dont hope I shall ever be called upon tew decide it.

Tew save life, I would eat biled hawk, but if it tastes az I think it duz, I wouldn't ask for a second plate ov it.

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A Miss Lizzie Bryan, of Richill township, Greene county, a graduate of Waynesburg College, was secretly married about six months ago to Corbly Garrard. Shortly after a music teacher named Loller made her acquaintance, sought her hand, and was accepted and married her. Last week Garard, husband No. 1, visited at her father's house, where she was living with No. 2, and demanded an interview, which was refused. He then told the family of the secret marriage, of which they were in entire ignorance. The young woman does not deny the marriage with Garrard, but states that she took it as a joke. Loller has sought legal redress.

Miscellaneous.

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