

**THE WEB OF LIFE.**

When a blind spinner, in the sun  
I weave my days,  
I know that all the threads will run  
And that each day will bring its task,  
And, being blind, no more I ask.  
And, not knowing the use or name  
Of that I spin, that some one came  
And laid within  
My hand the thread, and said "since you  
are blind, but one thing you can do,  
Weave the threads, so rough and fast  
And tangled they,  
And know that threads are sweeping fast  
And know that I  
Will fall; but dare not try to find  
A safe place, since I am but blind.  
I know not why, but I am sure  
That tint and place,  
Some great force, to endure  
The time and race,  
The threads will have, so from the first,  
I know, I never felt accused.  
I think, perhaps, this trust has sprung  
From one short word,  
I know me when I was young—  
I know I heard  
That God's name signed  
My work and sanctified His, though blind,  
I know this is the seal or sign,  
I know without  
I know not; the Lord divine  
I know not here, and still,  
I know, and blind, I wait His will.  
I listen, listen, day by day,  
I know that I  
I know that the finished web away  
I know that the thread,  
I know that God's message in the sun,  
I know that poor, blind spinner, work is done.

**Spiritual Manifestations.**

Dr. W. H. Scott, of South Carolina, under such atrocious circumstances as the Massachusetts Methodist Conference, is alive and happy; the negroes, murdered by the Democrats in Louisiana, are also fatter than the Democrats in the last election; the Democrats in the last election, are kicking up their heels and eating chickens as usual; 216 vilely wicked men in the same way in Florida, as heavy as ever on pommus fat; the Democrats in Georgia during the last nine years, are still alive and have numerous children. People who curl their lips in contempt of the spiritual manifestations, if they will be shamed out of their position, for the Democrats can put them in communication with more than ten thousand dead niggers. They will be dead darkies just as they were when alive—they shall talk to them—each man—and be satisfied that it is a "manifestation," and no humbug, and yet these darkies shall be proved dead as Julius Cæsar by sworn affidavits taken under the most solemn circumstances and altogether regardless of expense, and printed on the finest paper clear type at great cost to the government and people of the United States. Now, this Reverend Doctor of Divinity, who once lived in South Carolina, "was shot to death, ten days ago, without a trial, while peacefully leaving his church after evening service," doubtless some member of the wretched party of the "moralists." The facts were known and confirmed by the entire Massachusetts Methodist Conference, and there can be no doubt about them; but they made a difference at all with Scott. He kept preaching all the same. It is not probable, or even probable, that he stopped preaching enough to be buried; but went on all the same as if nothing had happened, and there is at this day, no difference at all between the man as he lived and preached in his life time and as he now—shot to death—full of bullet wounds and yet preaching every day of the night in Marlborough county, South Carolina.

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