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THE SOUL-WEIGHING STORY.

In view of the fact, as evidenced by a communication in Friday's Observer, that the story of the weighing of the human soul by Boston doctors has aroused some serious interest, we hasten to say that it is utterly preposterous and could never for a moment deceive an experienced newspaper man, much less a man of science.

But the matter bears a more serious aspect. If the performance is really so clever as to win serious belief it naturally makes it a dangerous delusion as a means of the kind would be, but throughly and finally. To believe that the soul is composed of matter and subject to the law of gravitation would be the grossest materialism; it is a very short step further to say that the soul, being matter, is subject to all the laws governing matter and will consequently be bottled some day and carried to a chemical laboratory for analysis—or destruction as an entity.

Those who are continually expecting proof of spiritual realities by science are doomed to continual disappointment. Not only does science make no such pretensions but the teachings of the Bible would repudiate them if made directly in point in fact.

IMMIGRATION LAW LOOPHOLES.

Attorney General Bonaparte's reply to the questions propounded through the President by Governor Atwell of South Carolina regarding the administration laws as recently amended affords much cause for gratification. Mr. Bonaparte holds that a State may adopt its own regulations to immigration that the State may pay the passage money for intending immigrants where there is no contract with them, providing societies or associations do not contribute to the fund, that individuals, as such, are not prohibited from accepting passage money.

PERSONAL.

The Movement of a Number of People. Visitors and Others. Mr. J. E. Latta, of Hillsboro, spent yesterday in the city, stopping at the Hotel.

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THE HEAVEN IS AT WORK.

Yes, the heaven is at work. The people of North Carolina, who have their true interests at heart, are mightily tired of the narrow, whip-driving politics under which they have for so long suffered, thinking nothing of but fighting the interests of the State and having regard only to power, politics and office.

"It is high time, indeed, that the press of North Carolina should raise its voice in protest and loudly denounce the crushing out of a false leadership that is constantly infaming and leading the people on to the goal of discrimination, anarchy and anarchy and ruin. Some of these leaders are, no doubt, sincere in their misguided purpose, but most of them are demagogues who seek to ride into lucrative office upon the crest of the wave of misconception.

Accompanying the communication of Mr. Parsley is a strong editorial from The Messenger, an able, honorable and influential paper, in the course of which it is said:

"We want all readers of The Messenger to give this letter careful consideration. It is a warning to the Democratic forces. It shows the dangers that lie before the party—the breakers on which it will be wrecked unless the course is changed. There must be new men put at the helm who are willing to change the course if the good old ship of Democracy is to be saved from the rocks that will be within sight of all on board who will take the trouble to look or who are not blinded by their selfishness and greed for office.

"The whole lies before the true Democrats. Will they allow present conditions to continue—conditions which are not only checking the wheels of progress, frightening away foreign capital and seeking investment here and there, but also are day by day increasing the debt to present business and industry, which are bringing wealth and better times to all classes in the State, or will they unite in steering the ship of Democracy into a safe harbor, and put at the helm men who have the true interests of the party and through it, the State, at heart? Such action only can save the State from financial disaster through Populism or from Republicanism.

"This is the cry which every true North Carolinian must respond—whether we must try to do something for North Carolina or continue to answer to the whip of the little enterpriser who is striving to beat us into its corral—which means revenge or the gratification of ambition to it, but nothing good to North Carolina.

In his recent rounds as a lecturer Senator Tillman almost engaged in a fist fight in a Republican club at Martinsburg, Va., owing to an insulting remark about President Roosevelt which he addressed to his host, and his conduct toward the representative of the Richmond Y. M. C. A. when he spoke in the Virginia capital under their auspices is doubtless by the Richmond News-Leader as boorish in the extreme. Can it be possible that Mr. Tillman, though so fond of boasting himself to possess an enviable politeness, is deficient in the habits and instincts of a gentleman?

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WEEDS BY THE WAYSIDE.

"Did you have a good time, dear?" inquired her mother of little Kate Watson, who had been to town that day.

"Well, yes," said Kate. "Oh, yes—I had a good time." "You don't seem very sure of it or happy about it," said the mother.

Way up in the sand hills, somewhere on the slope of the Gum Swamp, there is a chunk of lightwood possessed of a spirit, other than turpentine.

"Did you ever hear that under story 'bout de parrit'?" said William, looking sideways, himself like a parrot.

"Now, de overness was name' Ben, an' den he had dat parrit."

"When de hawk was gwine on de woods wid im, 'cross de hill, you know, de parrit holler out."

"Den, s'ee, 'I is flyin' some'." "Yes," says Ben, s'ee, "I hope you is flyin' 'em, 's'ee, 'when dat hawk's at 'em, you don't speak me to cry."

"Dat kinder worry de parrit in his min', an' he kep' on talkin', an' he talk so much lik' people dat de hawk took to listenin' at 'em."

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CHARLOTTE DAILY.

not have proved either contending. These arose another—Doh's gobble thunder through his vocal apparatus or with his wings?

Of course these two matters of dispute are of no importance to laymen on the ground of science. What do you and I care how an old bullbat or an old gobble makes a noise? But it illustrates the very common and significant unreliability of casual observation. It takes the scientific spirit and training to make a nature-reporter.

They were talking about their preacher. "His sermons are too long," one declared, and so said they all.

"In the loom of life we weave each day. On the warp of circumstances. The colors grave and the colors gay. The housewife finds the colors fast, And his purpose understood."

When the Master Workman judges at last. May He find our weaving good—The texture fine and the colors fast, And His purpose understood."

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Slater Brown have returned from an extended stay in New York. They will remain here until the heated term, when they will fly away on the wings of a dove to the land of "ovageline" for recreation and pleasure.

Mr. Charles Vardell and Miss Jane Dickson Vardell who attended the funeral of Mrs. Latta, were the guests of Mrs. Frank Brown at the hotel.

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Small Fire at Greensboro.

Special to The Observer of Greensboro, March 24.—Fire which broke out at 11 o'clock last night in a store in East Greensboro destroyed two store buildings and three dwellings, causing a loss of about \$1,000, partly covered by insurance.

WANTED—Young man, 18 years old, now living in country, wants work with firm where there is chance of promotion. Pay no consideration. Address "Y," care Observer.

WANTED—For U. S. Army, able-bodied, unmarried men, between ages of 21 and 35, citizens of United States, of good character and temperate habits, who can speak, read and write English. For information apply to Recruiting Officer, 15 West Trade St., Raleigh, N. C.

WANTED—Help, male, \$1 a week for 15 weeks. Mechanical Drawing by mail. Write to-day for interesting explanation of letter. The Correspondence School, 1112 Capitol St., Richmond, Va.

WANTED—Men and boys to learn plumbing, plastering, bricklaying, electrical trades, free catalogue, positions secured, Coyne Trade Schools, New York and San Francisco.

WANTED—Good hand compositor and make-up man. Address J. C. care Observer.

MISCELLANEOUS.

WALL PAPER at 4c. a roll and up at the receivership sale of the House Furnishing & Decorating Co., 200 N. Tryon.

FOR SALE—10 40-in. revolving flat car. Platts. 1 Chandler-Taylor engine, 50 H.P., 1 20-H.P. return tubular vertical boiler, 1 railway beam, 1 Peter's 1 rail way head, Mason's 4 Lindsay-Hyde reels. All second-hand but in good running order. 4 1/2 broad shuffling looms, Mason (new), 100 dobbies 16 harness, Mason (new). The D. A. Tompkins Co., Charlotte, N. C.

FOR RENT—Two partly furnished rooms, modern conveniences, cheap preferred. Call Mrs. Address "Y," care Observer.



Millinery Opening

We do not promise to wait on all our customers during these three days, but we do promise that your order will be taken in regular turn and executed promptly by trimmers who stand at the head of their profession. Our buyers, designers and trimmers are in direct touch with the fashion centers and gives the reputation we justly deserve.

Women's Ready-to-Wear Garments

This department has reached that degree of perfection that any lady can tell the moment she steps from the elevator on our second floor that she is in the midst of the most fashionable garments, made of the latest and most up-to-date materials by the highest grade manufacturers. We positively guarantee a perfect fit of every garment that we send out. We employ artists and give them experienced assistants.

Imported Dress Goods

The most fashionable Dress Materials that have been shown in the city, the most desirable weaves in the popular Champagne color; high-class French novelties, in dress patterns only; exclusive and will not be reordered.

Dress Linens

The most beautiful line of Colored and White Linens that we have ever shown; all the popular shades, especially Light Blue, which is most desirable this season.

Silks

Six months ago we anticipated the rise in raw silks and placed our order to cover the entire spring business in staple silks. We have been offered several hundred dollars in cash by the manufacturer to cancel this order, which we have declined to do, preferring to give to our customers the benefit of this rise in price. Listen! We guarantee every yard of silk that we sell to give the wearer entire satisfaction. All that we ask is that you remember the Golden Rule. If the silk has not worn satisfactorily, make your claim and we pay it promptly; if the garment is worn out and you have gotten your money's worth, don't make the claim.

Laces and Lace Robes

Handsome Lace Robes for evening, reception and commencement dresses; can be worn over white or colors. Price each from \$17.50 to \$75.00.

Real Lace

21-inch Hand-made Real Duchess Lace, one of the newest and daintiest patterns brought out this season. Price the yard \$10.00.

Ladies' Gloves--Kid, Silk and Fibre

We are prepared to fill your orders in any length, quality or color. Price 75c. to \$4.00 a pair.

Silk and Lisle Hose

Black, White and Colored Silk Hose to match suit and shoes. Price \$1.00 to \$3.00 per pair.

White Goods

The most complete line of White Goods that we have ever shown. Mercerized Batiste 25c. to 85c. per yard. Persian Lawn 15c. to 50c. per yard. French Lawn 18c. to 75c. per yard. India Linon 8c. to 30c. per yard. Embroidered Swiss 35c. to 70c. per yard. Embroidered Batiste up to \$2.25 per yard.

Parasols

Another shipment of Easter Parasols. The line includes Children's, Misses' and Ladies—Plain White, Fancy Borders, Colored and Black. Price each 25c. to \$7.50.

Dress Trimmings

Lace and Applique Bands, with Fille designs; new Pull Braids, Net Top Laces, Spangled Nets, etc. All qualities, widths and prices.

