

cordial consent to find any religious home which gives them the largest measure of rejoicing, yet we have never been able to rejoice that there are any among the avowed followers of the Lord who view Life and Death through a rationalistic medium. The devout Universalist and the zealous Annihilationist are created by different shades of rationalism, each, in his turn, taking credit to himself or his system for elevating the gospel more than do others. The one looks at the gospel and finds in it an instrument that destroys death and all the power of it in every sense, so far as concerns a future state,—all men being pure at and after the resurrection; the other beholds the gospel and discovers that it only, by its reception in this life, can preserve men from passing into eternal non-existence. Whatever philosophy may decide with regard to these conceptions, they are, with us, entirely aside from the apostolic proclamation. The infallible preachers paid so little respect to either of these grave notions, that they frankly avowed that a man could be alive and dead at the same time, and regarded a living sinner as being a dead person in a very important sense, and a living saint as being dead in another important sense; and is there a gentleman in America who is able to offer a good reason why also, in the coming age, after the resurrection, men cannot be dead in one respect and alive in another?

We shall send a copy of this number of our monthly to friend Julian; and after reading what brother Munnell has affirmed under the title of latter-day Sadduceeism, together with these remarks, if he has a brief chapter of strictures to offer we will all hear him. Or if he can stir up Dr. Field or Dr. Somebody else, who will give us a short and courteous epistle on this theme, it will be candidly read and frankly considered.

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MEETINGS IN CASTLETON.

Since January we have delivered a short series of lectures in Castleton to increasing congregations. Numerous engagements will not permit us to continue efforts in that quarter; which we regret; for the prospects are inviting. We have commenced a series of meetings in the Town Hall in Brighton.

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