

Coryn, F. J. Dick, G. W. Russell, W. A. Bulmer, E. T. Hargrove, Basil Crump, T. Green, H. T. Edge, and Alice Cleather are well-known. Others await the acrobatic feline.

THE "ROW" IN THE T. S.

The present "row" in the T. S. will prove invaluable as a means of winnowing out the substantial from the evanescent element in that body, and has doubtless been arranged by the Master for that very purpose. The evil forces, which sought to destroy the T. S., have been chosen as the means of purification; for Satan, though he thinks himself the enemy of God, is in reality only God's scavenger. Great must be his chagrin when walking abroad on the earth to seek whom he may devour, he is sent back to the lower regions with a bundle of refuse to burn. We have preached to a materialistic world spiritual law, and set intuition above materialistic "common sense"; now we shall see whether we have imbibed enough of our own teaching to guide our conduct in this crisis. Many of the bold assertors of the spiritual soul in man will deny their Lord thrice, and hail their teachers before the tribunal of that same dull, doubting intellect they have so long decried before the world. "O, my Masters, who have taught me to despise my lower mind, I cannot believe in thy servant, because my lower mind says he is a cheat! Ye send me a teacher to teach me how to crush my lower nature, but I cannot accept him because my lower nature objects."

There are some who suspend their judgment and declare that they have no means of knowing whether Mr. Judge is innocent or guilty. In plain words, they are not able to discern who is their teacher and who is not. Such a plight, while excusable in a man of the multitude, is not creditable to a student of occultism. I have not the least doubt that the chief object of this probation is to sort out those members who can tell their teachers from those who cannot.

O, thou mighty Lower Manas, great is thy day, for many shall leave the T. S. at thy command! Many have asked to be tested, and now their prayer is granted. The Sphinx has propounded her riddle, but they want to have the answer told them.—H. T. E. in the Irish Theosophist.

PERSONAL NOTES.

*Blavatsky T. S. has a new hall at 419 Tenth street, Washington, D. C.

*Mr. W. Q. Judge visited Chicago, Fort Wayne and Cincinnati in January.

*Annie Besant and Bertram Keightley have closed the H. P. B. Printing Press, at London.

*Dr. Jerome A. Anderson has published a volume of verses, "Driftings in Dreamland."

*Claude Falls Wright is still en route for Denver. He has visited Kansas City and Omaha.

*A life-size photograph of the General Secretary has been placed at Headquarters by a number of the American Branches.

*Theosophists should read Rudyard Kipling's "Finest Story in the World" and "One View of the Question" in his volume "Many Inventions."

*Mrs. Mercie M. Thirds has concluded her very useful visit to Honolulu. The work in the Hawaiian Islands is increasing.

*Madame Blavatsky is the subject of two new books, Walter Leaf's "A Modern Priestess of Isis," and Arthur Lillie's "Mdm. Blavatsky and Her 'Theosophy'" Both are hostile in their attitude.

*Miss Louisa A. Off, one of the most active of Californian Theosophists and editor of "The New Californian," died 6th January, and was cremated on the following day.

*New Zealand orthodoxy was much stirred up by the incident of Mrs. Besant having breakfast with the Bishop of Auckland. "A stumbling-block and a scandal" one Christian considered it.

*Dr. Benjamin Ward Richardson, F.R.S., at the Grindelwald Conference, endeavored on materialistic grounds to account for what he styles the "curious phenomena of so called pre existence." It is quite an advance to admit the "curious phenomena."

*"The Dawn of Reformation," a poem on Theosophical lines by Mr. W. T. James appeared in "Frank Leslie's Weekly" for 17th Jan. and has been republished by "Saturday Night" in a revised and enlarged form under the title "The Dawn of a New Era."