

## MRS. ANNIE BESANT NOTED THEOSOPHIST RETURNED FROM INDIA, TELLS OF TRIP

The Plaintiff of a Rumped Spook  
He Dotes on Omnibuses  
But Keep Getting Sat Upon.

Popped Into Mrs. Besant's  
Vision and Asked Her to  
Help Him -- Priestess Sees  
New Light of the World.

Mrs. Annie Besant, president of the Theosophical Society, in a gown of pearl gray, the spook color recognized by those who talk with ghosts, has arrived in America.

She saw no sea spectres, even in the mists of the Newfoundland Banks; in fact, she said she did not see any ghosts and she remarked that she did not use the term herself, as she regarded it as impious, but merely requested to use "disembodied man or woman." And she had seen them. Oh, dear, yes hundreds of them.

"I should like to be able to see a ghost and interview him," remarked a witty young reporter. "That would be a great scoop."

Met One in London.  
"I expect you may," the priestess said with a confident smile. "I met one in a casual sort of way in London before I left. He was rather abrupt, which indicated that he had not been long on the other side."

Mrs. Besant intimated that the ghosts of experience were much clearer than new made spirits unaccustomed to ghosting around the material world getting into all sorts of trouble. The ghost she met in London had had a passion for riding in omnibuses which he was unable to get rid of after he had taken what a large part of the world believe is a man's last ride—that to the cemetery. This ghost came back to London to enjoy the omnibus.

It takes a high class ghost not to long for the pleasures of the temporal life when he slips away from his skin and bones. The omnibus ghost recognized Mrs. Besant the moment she saw her and thought she might be able to help him out of his trouble. He is so new to the invisibility that he has not reached the condition of appreciating it. When he sits in an omnibus he does not keep in mind that persons with all their clothes and belongings are unable to see that he is occupying a seat, and so they sit right down on him.

Ghost a Deadbeat.  
Although the ghost had not paid his fare, being a mere deadhead, so to speak, he has feelings, and they told him when he fixed himself comfort-



MRS. ANNA BESANT, IN HER ROBE AS HIGH PRIESTESS OF THEOSOPHISTS.

ably in a seat next to a sweet young creature whom you may wink at and admire to the limit without being called down in pretty rough on a ghost. You not only rattle his disposition but you muss up his incorporeal being. The ghost explained to Mrs. Besant that the persons who sat on him went "right through" his diaphanousness, as it were. There has been an impression that a ghost might receive an sword clear through the body and that the latest report from the fraternity shows that material things may hurt the immaterial. Mrs. Besant did not tell what advice she gave the rumped shade of the omnibus man. Mrs. Besant said it was not true that she had said her soul was under the control of the spirit of Mme. Blavatsky. Mrs. Besant was frequently in communication with her former teacher, who approved her pupil's methods. There would be a new leader, a great teacher born into the world to lead the people to the idealism that would save society. Everything was tending to the ideal rather than the material. A great light would come out of California, which had a larger number of clairvoyants than any other place in the world.

The clairvoyance of the Californians Mrs. Besant said, was due in part to climatic conditions—showing that the disembodied may be affected by localities—and in part to the mixture of races. The theosophical movement

was the herald of the change to the new order from the old. Believers of all creeds were welcome in the cult, which embraced Christians, Mohammedans, Buddhists, Christian Scientists and sectarians of all sorts.

Mrs. Besant mostly hinted at a theory of the formation of the universe that she declares the theosophists know something about. The known, spiritual eyes of the clairvoyant can see things that the materialistic scientist can merely theorize on. She herself was conscious of knowing what the primal powers were. She called them "a little collection of forces" and hinted that some time the professors of occult chemistry might tell us more about them.

Her own observation convinced her that the forces were more electrical than anything else. She did not want to call the things she had seen atoms because there was still dispute among the learned as to what an atom is. There was a deadlock among the scientists and among the moralists and the theosophists were going to break it and solve the mystery of the universe.

Mrs. Besant, who lives in India, said that she believed there was little probability of the Indians ever overcoming British rule, as the Indian people themselves were taking a part in the Government.

Beatty & Johnson, West End, St. John, accompanied by Miss Mabel Wiggins, visited Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Beatty this week.

The work of repairing and painting the Baptist Church has been begun. The work of repairing and painting the Baptist Church has been begun. The work of repairing and painting the Baptist Church has been begun.

STOCKHOLM STRIKERS RESORT TO VIOLENCE.

Stockholm, Aug. 13.—For the first time since the commencement of the general strike in Stockholm the strikers are attempting to damage property. Last night a stick of dynamite was placed on the track of one of the street railways but fortunately was discovered before it exploded. This morning a number of electric wires were cut.

building in Banff. The English visitors were charmed with the appointments.

The Alberta Legislature contributes \$1,000 towards the expenses of the camp, and the British Columbia Legislature \$500. The Department of the Interior in the Federal Government this year, when it was most needed, withdrew their usual generous contribution to this summer school of the ethical and commercial value of the Canadian Alps. The Alpine Club of Canada is not a social club. It is democratic and national, and its aims, as set forth in its constitution, bear upon the welfare of the nation. Other aims and other results more important still cannot be expressed in terms of a constitution.

TITUSVILLE.

Titusville, Aug. 10.—During the two weeks of exceptionally fine weather the haying was pushed rapidly forward and the owners of small farms are spending their vacation here. The sudden change on the 8th, however, found several with hay cut. Yet, all realize that the present rain is badly needed for pastures, roots crops and water supplies.

Miss Winnie Smith of Moncton is visiting friends here.

Mrs. Robert Tays and her little grandson, Eldon Kirkpatrick, are spending some time with Mrs. Tays' daughter, Mrs. E. S. Floyd.

Mr. William Lockhart and sons are cutting hay from the Bell farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Morrison of Boston are spending their vacation here.

Misses Carrie and Maude Lloyd of St. John are the guests of Mrs. David McAllister.

## CROPS BEING GARNERED BY GIRLS IN WEST

Many of Them Earning Good Wages in Wheat Fields of North West -- Anxious to Learn.

DEMAND THE WAGES OF FARM LABORERS.

A Want Ad. That Kept An Agency Employment Working Over Time -- They Want a Trial.

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 12.—The small-grain harvest that is now being finished throughout southern and central Nebraska supplies convincing proof that the women of the West are rapidly crowding the men out of the fields of labor and are candidates for positions in all of the respectable vocations. When the Nebraska small-grain harvest opened there was a great shortage of male help. Even three dollars a day, with board, lodging and washing, did not attract the city men. A large number of college students went to the rescue of the ripening grain, but the supply was far less than the demand. Farmers became desperate. The price of wheat kept on soaring and they could not afford to let the grain go back into the ground. Out in Beatrice one day Henry Wilson, a farmer living nine miles south of town, needed four men for gathering and shocking wheat. He offered idle school-boys \$2.25 a day, but they declined to go to work. Stopping at a lunch counter before going home, Mr. Wilson told of his troubles to Mrs. Jeannette Allison, a waitress.

"Why don't you hire girls?" she asked.

"They would not get into the harvest field and they would not do the work if they could," responded the farmer.

"Try them," ventured the girl.

"Give me the same wages as you would a man and I will go. Besides, if I do not do the work of a man I will not charge you a cent."

Not only did Miss Allison ride home with Farmer Wilson that night, but four of her friends went along.

The next evening Farmer Wilson told her that he had never had harvest hands that did better work than the five girls. The second day farmers came from miles about, saw the girls at work, and that night many of them went to Beatrice and other neighboring towns, where they hired fifteen young women to work in the grain fields.

Word was passed down to Omaha that young women could have employment in the harvest fields of Gas County. An employment agency published this ad:

Wanted—One hundred young women to work in the harvest fields. Wages \$3 per day. Board and washing.

The next day that employment agency had applicants, all young women, school teachers, stenographers, college girls who had been working in the fields at \$4 to \$7 per week, factories at from \$2 to \$3 per week.

The farmers gave them the trial and they made good. They remained with the farmers until the harvest was finished and many of them will continue during the stack-



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## CHATHAM TO ADOPT AN INTERDICTION LIST

As the Result of Recent Temperance Agitation Hotel Keepers are to Observe Instructions.

Special to The Standard.

Chatham, Aug. 11.—The funeral took place this afternoon of Robert Dick, who was largely attended. Three sons, Charles, William and David, and one daughter, Mary, survive the deceased.

Mrs. William Blakeley narrowly escaped death by poisoning a few days ago. She took a teaspoonful of saltpeter in mistake for salts, and only prompt medical attendance saved her life.

As the result of recent Scott Act agitation the leading hotels have adopted regular hours of business in their bars. Nothing will be sold on Sundays to rich or poor. They will close up at ten o'clock each night and will refuse liquor of any nature to anybody on the interdiction list. This list has been made out and contains a score or more of names.

ing and haying, receiving from \$1.75 to \$2 per day and board.

Last April William M. Skinner's house in Lakewood, N. J., was robbed of \$11,000 worth of jewelry. On Monday morning a hen was scratching under Skinner's front porch. Presently she turned up a piece of jewelry, which was found where she began to dig.

## CANADIAN ALPINE CLUB IN BATTLE WITH ROCKIES

Enthusiastic Climbers to the Number of 250 Under Canvas in Mountains -- Distinguished English Climbers Present, Among Them Being A. L. Mumm, Famous For His Conquest of the Himalayas.

Calgary, Aug. 11.—Mr. John Kay, Mr. John Watt, and Mrs. F. M. Nicholson of Toronto are climbing in the Rockies with the Alpine Club. The meet opened officially on August 2nd, and climbing continued for a week. The preference on the ropes being given to the large number of graduates of the club. Full active membership in the club, full active membership in the club, full active membership in the club.

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Miss N. C. Floyd of the staff of nurses of St. John general public hospital spent Sunday with her father, David Floyd, Brookside.

Mrs. William McAllister is still very low.

At a general meeting of the congregation of St. John's Presbyterian Church held a few days ago collectors were appointed to solicit funds for the re-erection of the handsome and comfortable club house on Sulphur Mountain.

The club of Canada, now has achieved what the late Dr. Robertson of Home Mission fame was wont to call "victory." The club house on its commanding site of Sulphur Mountain is the most picturesque and conspicuous



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## WANTED

Wanted—At the Provincial Hospital two male attendants. Apply to the Medical Superintendent.

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The picnic of the season. Come to the Barn Floor Dance. City Cornet Band will furnish the music. Trains leave at 9.20, 1.10 and 5.05 p.m. Returning at 9 p.m., and 10.30 p.m. Tickets: Adults 70c. Children 35c.

The deed will be executed in a few days.—Campbellton Tribune.

REOPENS 15 SEPTEMBER. For information and Calendars apply to REV. ROBERT LAING, Halifax, N. S.

HOTEL DIEU DEEDS STREET TO TOWN. The Hotel Dieu Hospital and the Catholic Congregation have made all arrangements for presenting to the town a deed of 66 feet of land in width from Prince William street to the Chapel Crossing for the extension of the new street which it is proposed to open up at the back of the town.