

Sir Oliver Lodge Hears From Dead Son

His New Book of Messages From the Other World, Ridiculed by New York Times

A matter of fact account of communications with his son, killed in battle, is contained in Sir Oliver Lodge's new book, "Raymond, or Life and Death," in which the scientist gives page after page of messages from the dead son describing in the minutest details conditions of the spirit world—even the clothes he wears, the friends he has, and how bodies mangled in war are put together again.

The book which contains the subtitle "New Evidence of the Survival of Personality," has just been published by the George H. Doran Company.

Sir Oliver was president of the Society for Psychical Research from 1901 to 1904 and of the British Association for the Psychical Research in 1913 and 1914.

In his book he says that the first message from the spirit world came to him from a medium, a Mrs. Piper of Greenfield, N. H., on Aug. 8, 1915, to the effect that a blow was about to fall. Early in September he learned of the death of his youngest son, Second Lieutenant Raymond Lodge, in battle near Ypres.

Soon after Sir Oliver was told by a medium in London that there existed a photograph of his son in a group of officers. He knew nothing of the picture, but two or three days after he got the message about it he received the picture.

A week later at the home of a medium in London Sir Oliver said he received from Raymond this message: "Tell father I have met some friends of his."

The medium then described Dr. Myers and other deceased friends of Sir Oliver.

Later a Mrs. Kennedy told Sir Oliver she had received fragmentary messages from her son, Paul, killed in battle, and with the assistance of Sir Oliver, a medium gave this message from Paul:

Predicts Victory for Allies
"I am here. I have seen that boy Sir Oliver's son; he's better, and had a splendid rest, tell his people he is so. I will help everyone loves him. He has got heaps of his own folks here, and he is so happy and wonderful. Do tell his father and mother. He doesn't fight like the others; he seems so settled already. He has been sleeping a long time, but he has spoken today. If you people only knew how we long to come they would all call us."

At a sitting, Oct. 22, 1915, Raymond sent a message that he was with his dead brother and sister. At a hearing on Nov. 17, Raymond predicted that the allies would win the war.

It was at a sitting in London on Nov. 20 that Raymond gave his father a detailed description of his father in the spirit world. Through the medium, he said:

"Can you fancy seeing me in white robes? Mind, I didn't care for them at first, and I wouldn't wear them. Just like a fellow gone to a country where there is a hot climate what he is going to. It's just like that; he may make up his mind to wear his own clothes a little while, but he will soon be dressing like the natives. He was allowed to have earth clothes here until he got acclimated."

On Dec. 3, Raymond sent this message: "My body's very similar to the one I had before. I pinch myself some times to see if it is real, and it is. But it doesn't seem to hurt so much as when I pinched the flesh body. The internal organs don't seem constituted on the same lines as before. I can move somewhat more freely. There is one thing, I have never seen any one like me here."

In response to the question, "Has he got ears and eyes?" the reply came, "Yes, yes, and eyelashes and eyebrows, exactly the same, and a tongue and teeth. He has got a new tooth in the place of another one he had—one that wasn't quite right. He knew a man that had lost his arm, but he has got another one. Yes, he has got two arms now."

Cigars on that plane.
When Sir Oliver asked if there were men and women in the spirit world, the medium said that Raymond said:

"There are men here and there are women here. I don't think they stand to each other quite as they did on the earth plane, but they seem to have the same feeling as each other with a different expression of it. There don't seem to be any children born here."

"People here try to provide everything that is wanted. A chap who came over the other day would have a cigar. But there are laboratories over here, and they manufacture everything; not as you do it of solid matter, but out of essences and ethers and gases. It's not the same as on the earth plane, but they were able to manufacture what looked like a cigar."

Raymond told about his dog that was with him—the same, only that his stubby tail was long and hairy.

In "automatic writing" on Dec. 17 Raymond sent this message: "Father, tell mother she has her son with her all day on Christmas Day. There will be thousands and thousands of us back in the homes on that day, but the horrid part is that so many of the fellows can't get welcomed. Please keep a place for me."

In commenting upon part of the book containing the messages, Sir Oliver says: "This part gives specimens of what at present are considered by most people unusual communications, though these again are in many respects of an ordinary type and will be recognized as such by other bereaved persons who have had similar messages."

The New York Times, commenting on the book, says: "There is something distinctly pathetic in the presentation by Sir Oliver Lodge of what in all sincerity, doubtless he believes to be messages from his dead son. The man of letters and high achievements in the realm of the exact science, Sir Oliver's testimony cannot be dismissed with either levity or contempt, and there is no inclination in any quarter to do so, yet his so-called evidence of the possibility of communication with another world is of exactly the quality obtainable—and every night attained—from a thousand 'mediums' whose only clients are the helpless children of ignorance and superstition. In this particular domain the 'proofs' that content them content him, and with him as with them the desire to believe serves as the basis of belief."

There is no other way to account for the fact that a man like Sir Oliver Lodge gravely submits to public judgment the preposterous description of life after death that appears in this book—the rejuvenation and elongation of a departed and translocated dog's stubby tail—the making of cigars on "the other side"—the embarrassments felt by a young soldier in donning the white robes and attending a group picnic containing the means of transmission, and in the trivial nature of the messages find confirmation of their evidential value. That is an ingenious method, but it is used for no other purpose and it never convinces those that the already convinced.

That Sir Oliver should lay so much emphasis on the fact that a medium first brought to his knowledge and attention a group picture containing his son shows how pitifully ready he is to accept a theory with no support whatever simply because he prefers its implication to those of a dozen other possible explanations of the little mystery.

Spiritists of the more intelligent kind will admit the obvious absurdity of "communications," but they will ascribe it to the imperfections of the means of transmission, and in the trivial nature of the messages find confirmation of their evidential value. That is an ingenious method, but it is used for no other purpose and it never convinces those that the already convinced.

WAS BERNSTORFF IN THE KNOW?

Charges Made That German Ambassador Profited From U. S. Peace Note

INVESTIGATION Into Alleged "Leak" Has Startling Developments

Washington, Jan. 15.—Thomas W. Lawson, hailed before the House Rules committee to tell what he knew or had heard about a stock market leak on President Wilson's peace note, calmly declared today that the mysterious congressman who told him a cabinet officer, a senator, a foreign ambassador and a banker were engaged in a stock gambling pool, was none other than Representative Henry, chairman of the committee.

Then, before his hearers had time to recover from the shock, Lawson sprung one sensation after the other by declaring that the Cabinet officer referred to was Secretary McAdoo; that the banker was H. Pliny Fiske, of New York, and that he knew the senator who by the initial "O."

Bernstorff, too. To complete the explosion Lawson went on to charge that Paul M. Warburg, of the federal reserve board, knew of the leak in the machinery; repeated the name of Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, had made two million dollars in the stock market, and to mention the names of other men whom he thought should be questioned. The committee promptly issued subpoenas for all of them.

Mr. Lawson said he had been told that Malcolm McAdoo, Secretary of the brother, knew of the leak, as did C. D. Barney & Co., and Stewart G. Gibbons, of New York. A Mrs. Ruth Thomson Visconti, of this city, he said, had declared to him in the presence of her attorney, that Secretary Tumulty "received his information" from W. W. Price, one of the White House correspondents, was "the go-between for Tumulty and others." H. Pliny Fiske, Lawson said, was the banker he referred to previously as dominating a cabinet officer, and Archibald S. White, he said, had given this information.

Henry Again. Representative Henry was said by Lawson to have been in the confidences that preceded the opening of the leak investigation, of reports connecting the cabinet officer, banker and Senator, and also had told him of reports that Secretary Lansing had been conferring with Bernard Baruch, the Wall street operator, said to have made a clean-up on the falling market which accompanied the taking of the peace note.

Take Two Was Bernstorff. Lawson declared Henry had asked him on patriotic grounds not to press his charges. At no time, the Boston correspondent never says he had direct information.

When Lawson had finished his recital, Chairman Henry took the stand and swore that at no time had he mentioned to Lawson or to any other financial reporter, brought out on the witness stand, that he had no information then and had none now of his own knowledge; and denied generally and completely all of Lawson's testimony.

When he had concluded Lawson arose and solemnly declared that every word he had uttered on the stand was the "truth, so help me God, without variation."

To back it up, Lawson said that immediately after leaving Henry at their first conference he laid his information before John O'Hara, a correspondent of the New York World; Erman J. Ridgway, president of Everybody's Magazine, and Donald McDonald, publisher of a Boston financial paper.

"Call these Ottawa men," Lawson said, "and they will bear me out in what I say."

Almost in tears at Henry's absolute denials of his statements, Lawson shouted a higher rate of pay for postmen.

Hoop, who was an unsuccessful candidate for alderman at the recent elections, has taken an active part in the national registration.

The Winnipeg Ministerial Association at its annual meeting here today passed resolutions approving of national service and the formation of a National Government for Canada.

Colonel W. T. McMullen, who went overseas in charge of the 168th Battalion, has returned to Woodstock, and reports that over 100 German U-boats have been captured.

The statement has been made in connection with the census of Dominion civil servants that there are 1,500 of military age who could be spared from their duties.

Pte. Charles E. Houde, who falls from a horse, and is a member of the 230 Foresters battalion, stationed at Brockville, was committed for trial on a charge of raising a military cheque.

One dead and twenty-one injured, some fatally, resulted when a street car in collision ran wild down a hill near Homestead, N. J., and piled up at the bottom.

"Education" intervention" was recommended by a committee of American college leaders and publicists as the proper method to restore peace and industrial prosperity to Mexico.

Mrs. Mary M. Starr, a Christian Science healer of Brooklyn, has been held for the grand jury by the Ontario court on a charge of criminal negligence in connection with the death of Ella May Pelkington, 19 years old.

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SPANISH KING MAY MOVE FOR PEACE

Ex-Premier Predicts That Alfonso May Play Part in Negotiations

By Courier Leased Wire. Madrid, via Paris, Jan. 16.—An intimation that the King of Spain may play a prominent part in coming peace negotiations, was given in a speech by Eduardo Dato, former premier, at a banquet given in his honor by the moderate section of the Conservatives. Great importance is attached to the words of Senor Dato because of his habitual reserve.

After paying a tribute to the humanitarian role played by the king and referring to the prestige he had thus gained throughout the world, the former premier said:

"On a day more or less distant—and please God that day may be near—the great prestige gained by our king may, for the greater good of humanity, make of him a messenger of peace. Let us have confidence, gentlemen, in the destinies of our dear land while expressing wishes for the peace of the world and the prosperity of Spain. May Heaven aid his majesty in his noble and patriotic aim."

ELEVENTH ANNUAL CONCERT of the Schubert Choir, Mr. Clifford Higgins, conductor, Mr. J. Lloyd Dymond, accompanist, at the Grand Opera House, February 22. In addition to the Schubert Choir, a children's chorus of 200 voices, with Miss Estelle Carey, vocalist, Miss Mildred Sanderson and Miss Marjorie Jones, violinists, in one of the most attractive programmes ever offered by the society will be given. Seats will be only 50c reserved, and it will be necessary to secure tickets early. This is not nor has it ever been a money getting proposition. It is and always has been carried on to further the cause of good music, and deserves, as it has always had, the hearty support of musical Brantford.

BOB FISHER RELEASED Cincinnati, Jan. 15.—It was announced at the offices of the Cincinnati League club to-day that infielder Bob Fisher had been released by Cincinnati to Rochester of the International League.

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(1) Fryer Farm. All the single parcel or tract of land and premises situated, lying and being in the said Township of Brantford and being composed of a part of Lot Number Five in the Second Range west of the Mount Pleasant Road in the said Township of Brant described as follows: Commencing at the northeast angle of said... these southerly along the east side of said lot fourteen chains two and one-half inches; then north sixty-two degrees and thirty minutes parallel with the north line of said lot forty-eight chains and seventy links; then south fourteen chains and six links to the east limit of said lot six chains and eighteen links more or less the southerly limit of said lot, the westerly along the said north line limit twenty-four chains and two links to the south-west angle of said lot; thence north fifty degrees and fifty minutes east along the westerly limit of said lot twenty-one chains and thirty-four links to the north-west angle of said lot; thence east along the northerly limit of said lot eight chains and eighty links more or less to the place beginning containing one hundred acres.

(2) All and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situated, lying and being in the Township of Oakland, in the County of Brant, more particularly described as follows: Being composed of Lot Number One in the Third Concession of said Township of Oakland butted and bounded as follows, to wit: Commencing in the rear of the said Concession and at the northwest corner of the said lot thence south sixteen degrees and thirty-seven chains eighty links more or less to the centre of the lane running in an easterly direction across said lot twenty-nine chains four degrees ten minutes east twenty-nine chains eighty links more or less to the limit between lots No. One and Two; thence north sixteen degrees thirty-four chains thirty links more or less to the north-east corner of the said lot; thence south seventy-eight degrees thirty minutes west twenty-nine chains eighty links more or less to the place of beginning save and except there out the fifty acre part thereof so and conveyed to one Constant Ed by deed registered in the County of Brant in Block A for Oakland.

(3) All and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situated, lying and being in the Township of Oakland in the County of Brant, more particularly described as follows: Being composed of part of Lot Number Two in the Third Concession in the Township of Oakland described as follows: Commencing in the limit between the said Lot Number Two and Lot Number One and in the centre of the said Concession; thence north seventy-eight degrees thirty minutes east twenty-nine chains eighty links more or less to the limit between the said Lot Number Two and Lot Number One; thence south sixteen degrees and sixteen chains eighty-five links to the place of beginning.

(4) All and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situated, lying and being in the Township of Brantford in the County of Brant, more particularly described as follows: Being composed of a part of Lot Number Five in the Second Range west of the Mount Pleasant Road in the said Township of Brantford described as follows: Commencing at the north-east angle of said lot; thence southerly along the north line of said lot thirty-two chains and one-half links; thence north sixty-two degrees and thirty minutes west parallel to the north

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