

not only among so-called spiritualists, but also among orthodox churches antagonistic to spiritualism. This class of *true* spiritualists is to be found, not only in the ranks of the cult itself, but also in those of all churches, as well as among those who profess no creed whatever. There surely must be some good reason for this state of things.

The future of spiritualism depends more upon the teaching of its real philosophy than upon the exhibition of its phenomena. We do not wish in any way to decry such manifestations. We insist, however, that too much attention has been paid to the phenomena and too little to the examination of the teachings of true spiritual philosophy, and that, therefore, if present-day spiritualism, as an organized movement in the advancement of Truth, is to take the lead, there must be a movement within itself to harmonize the two classes herein referred to. And it would seem that this can only be done by the spiritists recognizing the fact that they have much to learn, and are willing to accept the leadership of those who have advanced into greater knowledge of Truth. Hence, the future of the movement depends entirely upon the spiritists; and if they will not consent to this growth they must not be surprised if a new movement be begun by the true spiritualists—one that, while perhaps beginning in a small way, will soon draw to itself those believers in various churches who are disinclined to join the present movement. Indeed, many of these church-spiritualists, as we call them, were at one time in the ranks of Modern Spiritualism, but left because they did not find therein the spiritual food they required.

For many reasons it were best for spiritualism to carry on the propaganda of *Truth*, as thereby the ground already gone over would not have to be traversed again; but if this unity of thought and purpose cannot be obtained, then the new movement or dispensation must soon come to establish the power of Truth among mankind. There are too many weaknesses in Modern Spiritualism, technically so-called—too many chances for fraud and chicanery in its phenomena as at present demon-