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EDITORIAL NOTES.

1897—A Year of Promise.

"WISE IS HE who holds to the golden mid-point, who believes in the eternal justice of things."

THEOSOPHY is the dark horse in the Human Race. There are quite a few who are able to spot a winner, however.

IT IS to be observed that St. Nicholas, Senior, is not above repudiating himself when expediency demands.

COL. GEORGE M. COFFIN, of Washington, D.C., lectured at the Court House in Sioux City, Iowa, to an audience of 300 on 15th Dec.

Books on theosophical subjects may be procured from THE LAMP office, or through Mr. W. H. Evans, bookseller, 357½ Yonge Street, Toronto.

MR. AND MRS. HARRIS extend a cordial invitation to all enquirers for the theosophical study class at 76 Saulters Street on Tuesday evenings at 8 o'clock.

WE DESIRE to recommend Paul Deussen's "Elements of Metaphysics" to theosophical students who wish to read up on the subject. There is no better book for the purpose.

PARCELS of back numbers of THE LAMP, assorted copies, will be sent to Branches for free distribution at the rate, to cover postage, of 15 cents for 50. The quantity on hand is about 2,000.

THE BEAVER T. S. keeps its hall in The Forum, Yonge and Gerrard Sts., open daily as a reading room for visitors between the hours of 1.30 and 5. The library contains the leading theosophical books and magazines.

VOL. I. OF THE LAMP is entirely out of print and cannot be supplied. A few copies of Vol. II. have been bound and will be sold at \$1.50 each, post free. Back numbers of the second volume cost five cents each.

SEVERAL CORRESPONDENTS have written under the impression that "Aretas" was the editor of THE LAMP. We wish he was. "Aretas" is one of the oldest workers in the theosophical movement, and is attached to the New York Headquarters.

WHEN the theosophic lecturer rose to explain the symbology of Apollo's heptachord and the harpers harping on their harps, and declared all men to be seven-stringed lyres, the man in the back seat enquired if he meant to say it in his haste, like David.

PITTSBURGH BRANCH has started a Lotus Circle which will meet on Sundays at 3 p.m. A class of ten for the study of "The Key" has also been started, under the leadership of Mr. M. A. Oppermann. This class will be one of the most helpful features of the Branch.

THE GROWTH of the Theosophical Society is best illustrated in the progress of the various Branches. A general exodus into larger quarters is everywhere observable. During the past month Toledo and Fort Wayne have entered into new and more spacious rooms, and many other Societies are making arrangements to do so.