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Mr. Wright's Meetings.

Mr. Claude Falls Wright lectured on Sunday night on "The Theosophical Society and Universal Brotherhood." The attendance was large, and the interest manifested was intense. Mr. Wright made an excellent impression by his clear cut style.

On Tuesday evening he spoke on Reincarnation; on Wednesday night he lectures on Occultism, Thursday night on Dreams, on Friday evening on H. P. Blavatsky. If the interest warrants a larger hall than the local headquarters, 365 Spadina Avenue, will be secured, and notices will appear in the papers as the week progresses. If deemed advisable Mr. Wright will remain longer and deliver other lectures than those above noted. You will miss it if you don't attend some of these lectures. Admission free.

The Countess Wachtmeister lectured to a crowded audience on 15th June in Victoria, B. C., and next day met enquirers and addressed the Victoria T. S.

The London Enquiry.

THE most important result of the meeting of delegates in London was the reaffirmation of the non-dogmatic character of the Theosophical Society, and the right of each to believe as he pleased with regard to Masters or other matters, provided the principle of Brotherhood be recognized.

It was a great gathering headed by the President, Col. Olcott, besides, among others, Mrs. Besant and Mr. Judge, Mr. B. Keightley and Mr. G. R. S. Mead, Mr. A. P. Sinnett and Mr. E. T. Sturdy, representing India; Mr. Herbert Burrows and Mr. W. Kingsland, representing Europe; Dr. J. D. Buck and Dr. A. Keightley, representing America; and Mr. Oliver Firth, Mr. E. T. Hargrove and Mr. James M. Pryse.

The results arrived at are best indicated by a few sentences from the leading speakers. Mrs. Besant stated that letters she had received from the Masters had been received in a different way to that which she had at first understood, and while accepting them as genuine messages she had been mistaken as to their transmission. She said: "The source of messages can only be decided by direct spiritual knowledge, or, intellectually, by the nature of their contents; and each person must use his own powers and act on his own responsibility in accepting or rejecting them."

*** The outcome of these proceedings will be, I hope, to put an end to the craze for receiving letters and messages, which are more likely to be sub-human or human in their origin, than superhuman; and to throw people back on the evolution of their own spiritual nature, by which alone they can be safely guided through the mazes of the super-physical world."

Mr. Judge's simple statement confirms this most valuable assertion of individual responsibility. He said, "I say that I have heard and do hear from the Mahatmas, and that I am an agent of the Mahatmas, but I deny that I have ever sought to induce that belief in others, and this is the first time to my knowledge that I have ever made the claim now made. I am pressed into the place where I must make it. My desire and effort have been to distract attention from such an idea as related to me. But I have no desire to make the claim."