

Some Notes on Psychic Subjects

(By C. G.)

Referring to the last Armistice Day celebration in London, the "Liverpool Daily Post" gave the following:

"A woman who lives in Lancaster Gate, a sedate, level-headed, quite devout member of the English Church, one who has never had any dealings with Spiritualism, nor, indeed, thought about it, dreamed on the night of November 10, that a son killed in the war, came to her and asked her to take her camera and use it at the Cenotaph during the silence. She did so, pointing the camera upward and, on her return home, developed the plate. It showed a host of spirit heads, among them that of her son. Persons who had never seen him in life were able to identify him by reason of the likeness the spirit photograph bore to a photograph taken in life that stood on a table in the mother's room."

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Miss Felicia Scatcherd, well-known literary woman in London, writes to "Light," with reference to the psychic photographs taken by Mrs. Deane:

"Colonel G. V. S., in my presence and that of three other persons willed or "wished" a living friend on to a photograph of himself taken by Mrs. Deane; he having told us all beforehand, except Mrs. Deane, what he wished and intended to attempt."

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Writing on the Emancipation of the Slaves by Abraham Lincoln, in "Light," the Rev. G. V. Owen says:

"Mrs. Lincoln was a spiritualist, and came into touch with a trance medium, Netty Colburn, aged 22, and was so impressed that she would not let her leave Washington till her husband had a chance of seeing her. A seance was arranged with several people present. N. C. went into trance and in a moment a man's rough voice began to speak to A. Lincoln, and at last they heard the words: "Proclamation not a moment later than January 1, next." An hour later it was all over. A. L. was sitting silent with his elbows on his knees and face resting on his hand, when his Secretary spoke to him: "Did you notice anything peculiar in the voice and manner of speech, and how significant it was?" Lincoln pointed to the portrait of Benjamin Webster and said: "Most significant, Mr. Secretary." Are you undergoing any pressure to prevent the Proclamation being made?" Lincoln replied: "The pressure is

so great I am weighed down by it." The Proclamation is a matter of history, but nothing is told of the seance in any history book."

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Mr. Dennis Bradley, author of "The Eternal Masquerade," one of the best sellers of recent London books, has just issued a book, entitled: "Towards the Stars," containing descriptions of spiritualistic seances, held in his own house and elsewhere, which resulted in his complete conversion to the spiritualist creed. Last autumn he lectured at the Steinway Hall, London, on the subject, opening his talk with the remark that, had any man with prevision told him 18 months ago that he would be talking on spiritualism, it is possible he would have laughed him to scorn. "Without seeking,"

he continued, "I was suddenly plunged into this study. In June, 1923, when on a visit to America I was a guest in a house in New Jersey, and there attended my first seance. There were present my host, his nephew, myself, and the medium, George Valiantine. I was visiting a strange country for the first time, and it was impossible for any of the three to know anything of my private home affairs. During the first 20 minutes of the sitting nothing happened. Then suddenly the silence was broken by the gentle accents of a woman's voice. I recognized the voice of my sister who had passed over ten years before. She announced herself by name, and spoke to me with great emotion and tenderness. We talked to each other for over 15 minutes, not in whispers, but in clear

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