

There is nothing in Sir Oliver Lodge's book or Conan Doyle's articles that has not been known from immemorial time or that is not familiar to all dispassionate students of demonology. Their experiences are but repetitions of those recorded by Home, Dupotet, Regazzoni, and others, on whom the same spirits, claiming to be departed souls, imposed their pernicious negations and false philosophy.

And here we may, not inaptly, reproduce the statement of Sir William Barrett, President of the English Society for Psychical Research. In his book on "Necromancy and Modern Magic" he says:

"It seems to me that the Apostle Paul, in his Epistle to the Ephesians, points to a race of spiritual creatures, similar to those I have described, *but of a malignant type*, when he speaks of beings not made of flesh and blood, inhabiting the air around us and able injuriously to affect mankind." Alluding to the dangers attending *séances* and consulting spirits he writes: "Of course, it is true now, as then, that these practices are dangerous in