

of the Winds. One hundred feet above towers the limestone dome, while fifty feet away pours the Luna Fall. The irresistible force of the waters is here realized. Crossing the cavern 150 feet, you ascend the flight of stairs which brings you out to your starting point on the narrow shelf. You have entirely encircled the column of water which thunders past you.

After I had seen this, I decided that I had seen Niagara Falls, and made short visits to the Three Sisters and Little Brother Islands, and then back to the town, where I again met my friend Mr. Level, to whom I am indebted for much of my delightful trip. There is still more to see at Niagara, but I had seen the whirlpool and rapids from the Suspension Bridge two months before, and as it was getting late I decided to return to Buffalo. A fire in the power house stopped the electric cars so I had to wait for a train, which did not get me to Buffalo until nine o'clock. My good friends the Wetmores were about deciding that I had been lost, and Mrs. W. was thinking of organizing a search party, while her husband, tired by his day's work, had retired for the night, and was indulging in horrible dreams about me going over the Falls and not being able to climb back. My return put a stop to all this, and we were all happily united again after my day's visit to the grandest sight in the world.

**A Good Idea.**

EDITOR TORCH OF REASON:

We were so well pleased with Mr. Geer's jocosé description of his visit here, that we want to distribute a few copies of the July 20th Torch among our friends. It will interest them more than my own writings, and they will probably read something else in the paper afterwards, and thus some unexpected new idea may get caught in their brain. So please send me 25 cents worth of the July 20th Torch.

We enjoyed Mr. Geer's visit immensely, and hope some other bright, likely Freethinker may sometime hunt us up. He gave me a better idea of the Liberal University, as to what respects it will differ from other schools, and how its moral lessons in place of the Bible readings have already resulted beneficially. We need more on these points in the Torch, to awaken people to the practical needs which other schools do not supply, and how you intend to supply them. Whether the Liberal University will win plenty of friends and support, depends on their understanding you, and having confidence in your ability to teach what is needed.

Everybody has been taught the common school way, and don't see that any changes are needed except to drop the Bible. But if I

understand Mr. Geer aright, you intend to teach instead something more beneficial. Some one came while he was explaining it, and I did not learn as much as I wanted to.

Why not give us a brief lesson in each Torch, such as you will teach in the school, in those lines which most of us did not get in our school course. Not a regular course, but a lesson in this, and a lesson in that, as samples. Could we not thus get a better idea of your purpose, and also whet the young people's desire to attend? Besides, it would give a bit of instruction to all your readers who can't attend. Perhaps this would answer too, in place of the Candle, for Sunday school lessons, till the Candle is resurrected. When Mr. Geer told me that the Candle is to be started again just as soon as you have help enough, so you can get time for it, it did me good; it lifted a weight off my shoulders, hope was aroused, and I have been younger ever since.

I think a dozen or more persons ought to be found, who could write Sunday school lessons, or could and should grow into it. Each should make a specialty of some needed kind of lesson. Don't be selfish, and think that you must do it all. We ought to encourage and help others to develop all the talent they can. It seems to me, half a page of the Torch devoted to competitive Sunday school lesson writing might bring forth some first-rate helpers, and a stimulating variety of lessons. When you have thus secured the right kind and amount of talent, why the Candle can be resurrected. Of course we may not be capable of equaling what you could do if you had time, but I am sure we could do much better than nothing.

Mr. Geer convinced me that my tract-writing was not a failure. He did "rouse my spirits," and I may try to write the rest of the series by and by, taking my time for it however, so as to avoid hurtful hurry and worry. Or I may try my hand on Sunday school lessons, as farther reaching, because more attractive than solid thought. Perhaps it is most essential too. I am glad to have the Torch again. I had to give it up for awhile, when very nervous, but I can read it now with pleasure and safety.

I think the Sunday school writings and the Sunday schools too, can be started by your devoting a half page of the Torch to it. Offering to print there the four best lessons received each week, none to be over a half-column in length. You give one or more subjects in each Torch, but don't write any lessons nor suggestions yourself. You haven't time. Make us do that, writing in any style we choose. I believe it will draw forth a variety of lessons, and something first-rate will result. Any and all who take

Concluded on 8th page.

We did not come here in '49 or the spring of '50, but came here on Jan. 16, 1899

**To Sell Goods  
at Popular Prices!**

and Strictly one price to all. The old-time merchants said, "You can't do it", but we are doing it right along, giving you better goods and more for your \$1 than ever was known in Silverton. For a few days we have a line of

**FIVE SPECIALS**

- 300 Yds Yukon Plaids at ..... 15c
- 75 Yds. Crepe Cloth, 15c, reduced to ..... 05c
- 100 Yds. Woolettes, 20c, reduced to ..... 10c
- 250 Yds. Lawns, 10c, reduced to ..... 05c
- 36 Ladies' Summer Skirts, PER reduced ..... 30 CT.

Mail Orders Promptly Attended to. Samples Sent on Application.

**DREYER & CRAIG**

SILVERTON, OREGON

STRICTLY ONE PRICE.

PRODUCE TAKEN

The Great

**Vitæ-Ore Remedies**

No Need to Suffer from Any Disease.

- VITÆ-ORE { Elixir
- { Bacteriacide
- { Eucalyntus Oil
- { Ore-Oline
- { Medicated Soap

PEARL W. GEER

Agent

SILVERTON, OREGON.

**\$3—GREAT SPECIAL OFFER—\$3**

**A PHYSICIAN**

**IN THE HOUSE**

**A New Family Medical Work**

**by Dr. J. H. Greer, Chicago**

**T**HIS book is up to date in every particular. It tells you how to cure yourself by simple and harmless home remedies. It recommends no poisonous or dangerous drugs. It teaches simple common-sense methods in accordance with nature's laws. It does not endorse dangerous experiments with the surgeon's knife. It teaches how to save health and life by safe methods. It is entirely free from technical rubbish. It teaches prevention—that it is better to know how to avoid disease than to take any medicine as a cure. It teaches how typhoid and other fevers can be both prevented and cured, and gives the best known treatment for la grippe, diptheria, catarrh, consumption, appendicitis and every other disease. It is not an advertisement and has no medicine to sell. It makes uncompromising war on vaccination and the use of anti-toxine. It has 16 colored plates showing different parts of the human body. This book cannot fail to please you. If you are looking for health by the safest and easiest means, do not delay getting it.



Dr. J. H. Greer, the author, is a practicing physician in Chicago, is Professor of Genito-Urinary Diseases in the College of Medicine and Surgery, Physician-in-Chief to the Harvard Medical Institute, and has written many works of value to the profession and public.

**A College President's Testimon!**  
Prof. Wm. H. Cook, for thirty years Dean of the Cincinnati Physio-Medical College, writes to the author as follows:  
"I have examined your book, 'A Physician in the House,' and am much pleased with its contents and tone. Every family should know how to care for the health of the household, which is a human right and duty. Your book gives the information needed and in language the people can readily understand. I congratulate you on not naming the use of any poison, but adhering strictly to the use of non-poisonous remedies—the one true principle that should guide all treatment of disease, and which I have advocated in my practice for forty years or more.  
Yours truly,  
DR. W. H. COOK."

This book has 800 pages, is neatly bound in cloth with gold letters, and will be sent postpaid to any address on receipt of price, \$3.00.

**SPECIAL OFFER** By special arrangement with Dr. Greer, we offer **PHYSICIAN IN THE HOUSE** and the **TORCH OF REASON** for one year for only **\$3.00** the price of the book alone.