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Travels,

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tution and all other Liberal work, ucation. both constructive and iconoclastic. He is an active member of the Chicago Liberal Society, which meets at Corinthian Hall, Masonic Temple, every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Mrs. Wheeler is a Christian, and hopes to reach heaven by the "river road." She is a Baptist. She is an exceedingly bright woman and I hope her husband will succeed in converting her to the Religion of Humanity. Two bright children, a boy and a girl, make up the rest of the Wheeler family, and it is a pleasure to meet them all.

My next night was spent at the home of Mr. Beattie, on the west side. His mother and brother are as well and Liberal as ever. Mr. Beattie's two boys are at home now and I am quite favorably impressed with them. I hope they will be able to receive their education in the Liberal University. I am always "at home" at Beattie's, and leaving there seems like leaving home. Mr. Beattie does a great deal of writing for the daily papers, where he administers good doses of Liberalism to those troubled with theological dyspepsia. I found Mr. and Mrs. Wallace at their rooms on West Madison St., where I had a splendid visit for a couple of hours. Mrs. Wallace is a composer of music and was kind enough to make me a present of three of her songs, which I shall be pleased to hear someone sing, but no one would be pleased to hear me sing these or any other songs. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace are very intelligent people whom it is a pleasure to meet. Mr. Wallace is the author of some very good Liberal tracts. the manuscript of which he gave me. It will appear in tract form in time. Mr. Dahlstrom is still proprietor of the Antiquarian Book Store, 43 E. Van Buren Street, where he has on hand a good supply of Liberal books and literature. I was surprised to learn that Mr. Dahlstrom is a married man now, and I was pleased to meet Mrs. Dahlstrom, who shares her husband's views and assists him in the store. Mr. Dahlstrom takes a lively interest in all constructive Liberalism, and he is an active member of the Chicago Liberal Society, and a stockholder of the Progressive Thinker, on the in the Liberal University. Both institutions get his hearty support. pleasant visit with Mrs. Francis, in his law office on Dearborn Street, was away so we did not get to see

pleased to note that his interest in is a warm friend of the Liberal the Liberal University is as deep as University.

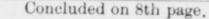
ever; in fact a little more so. We At the office of the Open Court I One night in Chicago was very which Mr. Gammage is president, I felt well acquainted although we pleasantly spent with Geo. B. and I am very favorably impressed never met before. He and Mr. Wheeler, at his home on the north with the workings and teachings of Wakeman are warm friends and side. Mr. Wheeler is a very enthu- this institution. The natural ad- mutual edminers, and I don't bleme siastic worker in the Liberal cause vantages of Chicago and the able either one of them. There is much and a stockholder in the Liberal professors in the college make this to admire in them both. Dr. Carus University. He takes a very deep an ideal institution for anyone who with his Open Court is doing exinterest in the above named insti- is desirous of getting a medical ed- cellent work for the Religion of

> and professors of this college and is known to all Liberals. I had some splendid visits with him in his office. on Dearborn Street. The doctor is always ready to aid the Liberal cause and the L. U. O.

One night was very pleasantly spent at the home of Mr. R. N. Reeves, assistant editor of the Freethought Magazine. Mrs. Reeves was at home and accompanied me to the home of Mr. Reeves, Sr., where we met her husband later and spent an enjoyable evening with the two families combined, after which we proceeded to the home of Mr. Reeves, Jr., where I remained for the night. Mr. and Mrs. Reeves are a credit to the Liberal cause and the society in which they move.

I found Prof. Anderson in the Masonic Temple, where I enjoyed a short visit. I found Mrs. Anderson (Miss Moore) in the office of that neat little magazine, Secular Science and Common Sense, of which she is editor, and where she is doing good work for the cause of Humanity.

went to visit the Medical College of found Dr. Paul Carus, with whom Science. The Open Court, though Dr. Greer is one of the owners not radically Liberal, is just right



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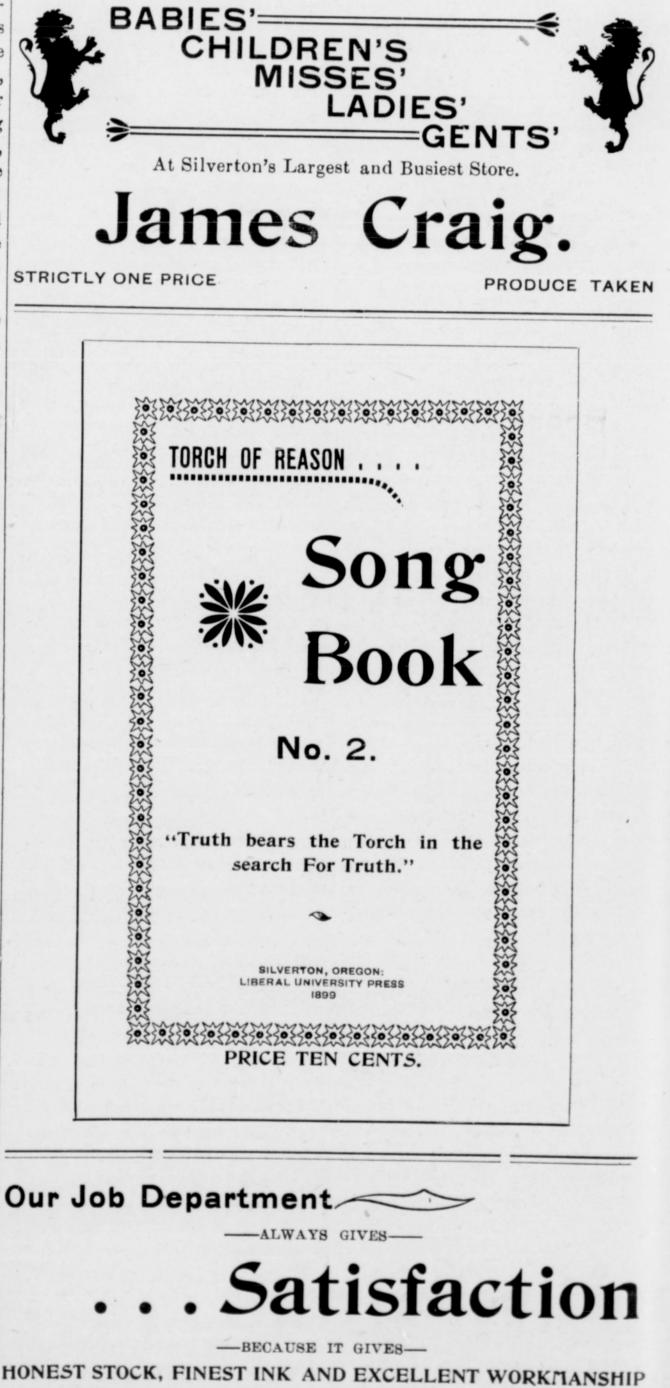
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The Liberal poet, Mr. Isaac Pool, of Melrose Park, called at Mr. Reichwald's office, where we had a good visit and talked over matters concerning the work at Silverton. Mr. Pool ought to be located in Silverton with his flowers and vegetables and poetry. He would be valuable to the L. U. O. plantation, school and print shop.

Judge Waite has just completed his latest book on "Herbert Spencer and his Critics," which promises to be a valuable addition to the literature of the day. It will be announced and fully reviewed in the Torch of Reason in the near future. Judge Waite's work as a Liberal can hardly be estimated. He is a valuable man in any cause in which he is interested, and I am glad to have him manifest such an interest in the Liberal University. I found him in good health and spirits at his home on Loomis Street, where I also had the pleasure of seeing Mrs. Waite, an exceedingly bright woman, whom it is pleasant to meet. The judge and I called at the office same street, where we had a very Mr. Gammage is still to be found the wife of the editor. Mr. Francis and he is as busy as ever. I am him. The Progressive Thinker is