

IDEAL LIFE DECLARED INSTINCTIVE DESIRE AND WISH OF EACH NORMAL HUMAN BEING

Every Truth of Nature That Will Help Him to Do It Said to Be of Great Value to Race—Two Radically Different Views of Relationship Between God and Man Cited—Both Called Orthodox.

Sermon-lecture by L. W. Rogers, national president of the Theosophical Society before the Oregonian audience last week.

To live an ideal life is the instinctive desire of the human being. Every truth of nature that will help him to do it is of very great value to the race and will be gratefully received by him in any way that will help him to do it.

One of these views is commonly known as that of God transcendent. The other is known as that of God immanent.

At first thought this may sound like metaphysical abstractions with no relationship to the practical affairs of everyday life.

That view known as transcendence is that God and man are beings apart from each other.

Of course it is nearly as impossible to express spiritual truths in physical language as it is to comprehend the infinite.

And thus it is in the relationship between God and man from the viewpoint of immortality.

There is no exaggeration in the statement that these two views of God are the two views of the universe.

Now if the immensity of God is a truth of nature, we shall be able to establish the fact by an analysis of man. We shall find inherent in him the qualities of a god.

herent divinity of man. Convincing proof of this is his recognition of his imperfection.

But man does more than recognize his imperfections. To this evidence of his divinity he adds proof that he is able to transcend imperfection.

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have pneumonia all my life than to be false to the highest ideals of my fathers.

Right forever on a scaffold; Wrong forever on a throne; But the scaffold shapes the future; Standeth God, within the shadow; Keeping watch above his own!

Martyrdom is the logical outcome of iconoclasm. To some degree every iconoclast must be a martyr.

Now that planting time is coming on our thoughts turn fondly to seeds and things.

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evolution he cannot be false to a principle. He has reached a point where he is at any price becomes contemptible and impossible.

The distinguishing characteristic of the inspired life is the spirit of sacrifice.

Who can grasp the tremendous significance of the inspired life?

Theodore Maynard, the English poet, came to visit us last spring and likes America so much that he has decided to stay here.

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The Feast of Lanterns by Louis Jordan. The first of a Stokes Company, New York City.

Our author knows her China intimately. She gives proof of this in "Mr. Wu" and other stories.

The novel opens in China about 50 or 55 years ago, and the principal characters are members of the aristocratic clan or family of Cheng.

From these extracts it will be observed that our author has fallen in love with China and Chinese, and that she writes in the idealistic vein.

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Arthur James Balfour, author of "Beauty, Speculative and Political."

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The Strength of the Firm by Edson Marshall. Little, Brown & Co., Boston.

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THE LITERARY PERISCOPE

MISS ETHEL R. SAWYER, Director of Training Class, Library Association of Portland.

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THE MIRROR OF DOWNING STREET

Illustrated by G. F. Putnam's Sons, New York City.

Whoever the author of this powerfully written but slightly pessimistic book is, he shows decided ability in expressing frank opinions that are worth while and skill in making these opinions readable.

The author signs himself as "A Gentleman with a Duster" and presents portraits of noted people as they were shown on a mirror.

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MIND AFFAIRS

By Daniel Wright Kittredge, S. F. Shorey, Seattle.

It is as if Edgar Allan Poe had suddenly come to life and had written a morbid tale of dark realism like this.

The hero of the little book is Plunkett Treen, M. D., but who had never practiced medicine. He was with the British in the Boer war.

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