

NOTICE OF SUIT TO QUIET TITLE.

In the District Court of Cass County, Nebraska, Charles P. Pfeiffer, Plaintiff, vs. Frances J. Solomon, et al., Defendants.

To the Defendants: Frances J. Solomon, D. H. Solomon, first name unknown, Elizabeth H. Solomon, Josiah Moore, Mary J. Moore, Mary J. Lathrop, E. M. Henderson, first name unknown, Bertha O. Dalton, Mary Armina Huffman, Caroline Huffman, Edward J. Moore, Alfred M. Moore, Enoch G. C. Moore, Edna Moore, Mahala Gray, A. J. Moore, first name unknown, Enoch G. C. Moore, Henry Moore, Edward or Ed Joekim, Ida E. Joekim, Andrew W. or A. W. McLaughlin, Alona R. McLaughlin, John W. or J. W. Seymour, S. J. Seymour, first name unknown, Zetham or Zetham P. McCulloch, Ethmar P. or I. P. Pillsbury, Nellie B. Smith, Chester H. Smith, Fred Black, also the unknown heirs and devisees of the following named: Francis J. Solomon, deceased; E. M. Henderson, deceased; first name unknown, deceased; E. M. Henderson, deceased; E. M. Henderson, first name unknown, deceased; Mary Armina Huffman, deceased; Caroline Huffman, deceased; Edward J. Moore, deceased; Alfred M. Moore, deceased; Enoch G. C. Moore, deceased; Mahala Gray, deceased; A. J. Moore, first name unknown, deceased; Nancy K. Epperson, deceased; Henry Moore, deceased; Edward or Ed Joekim, deceased; Andrew W. or A. W. McLaughlin, deceased; John W. or J. W. Seymour, deceased; Zetham or Zetham P. McCulloch, deceased; Ethmar P. or I. P. Pillsbury, deceased, you are hereby notified that on January 15th, A. D. 1913, plaintiff filed his suit in the district court of Cass County, Nebraska, to quiet title to the following described lands in Plattsmouth, to-wit: Lots numbered eleven and twelve, in Block number forty-three, in the City of Plattsmouth, Cass County, Nebraska, because of his adverse possession by himself and his grantors and their grantors for more than ten years prior to the commencement of this suit and to enjoin each and all of you from having or claiming to have any right, title, interest or claim, either legal or equitable in or to said lands or any part thereof, and to require you and each of you to set forth your right, title, interest or claim, either legal or equitable in or to said lands or any part thereof, and if you have the same adjudged inferior to the title of plaintiff and for general relief equitably.

This notice is made pursuant to the order of the court. You are required to answer said petition on or before Monday, March 3rd, A. D. 1913, or your default will be duly entered therein.

CHARLES P. PFEIFFER, Plaintiff, J. E. DOUGLASS, Attorney.

NOTICE.

State of Nebraska, Cass County, ss.

To James V. Kaspar, Non-Resident, Defendant.

You are hereby notified that the plaintiff, Louis Rotter, has commenced an action against you and Maud V. Kaspar, jointly, in Justice Court, before M. Archer, Justice of the Peace in and for said County, the object and prayer of which is to recover judgment against you on a promissory note for \$100, with interest at the rate of 8 per cent, from the 7th day of February, 1912, and costs of action.

You are hereby notified to answer said action on or before the 21st day of February, 1913, at 9 o'clock a. m., and in failing so to do your default will be duly entered therein and judgment taken as prayed for by plaintiff.

LOUIS ROTTER, Plaintiff.

IN COUNTY COURT.

STATE OF NEBRASKA, County of Cass, ss.

In the Matter of the Estate of John Wesley Barr, Deceased.

To All Persons Interested:

You are hereby notified that there will be a hearing upon the final report of the executor of above estate before me at the County Court Rooms at Plattsmouth, in said county, on the 25th day of February, 1913, at ten o'clock a. m., at which time final settlement of said estate will be made and distribution of the residue of said estate.

Dated February 14th, 1913.

ALLEN J. BEESON, County Judge.

Notice of Application for Liquor License.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested and to the public, that the undersigned, Andy Thomsen, has filed his petition and application in the office of the County Clerk of Cass County, Nebraska, as required by law, signed by a majority of the resident freeholders of Eight Mile Grove Precinct, setting forth that the applicant is a man of respectable character and standing and a resident of the state of Nebraska, and praying that license be issued to said Andy Thomsen for the sale of malt, spirituous and vinous liquors for the period of one year from May 17, 1913, ending May 17, 1914, in a building on lot 4, in block 6, in the village of Cedar Creek, in Eight Mile Grove Precinct, in Cass County, Nebraska.

ANDY THOMSEN, Applicant.

NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL.

In the Matter of the Estate of Christian Stoehr, Deceased.

All persons interested in said estate will take notice that a petition has been filed for the probate of the will of said Christian Stoehr, deceased, and the appointment of executors named therein. A hearing will be had on said petition and will in said Court in the Court House at Plattsmouth, Nebraska, on the 8th day of March, 1913, at 10 o'clock a. m., of said day.

(Seal) ALLEN J. BEESON, County Judge.

D. O. DWYER, Attorney.

NOTICE OF REFEREE'S SALE.

In the District Court in and for Cass County, Nebraska, Nellie J. Holmes, Plaintiff, vs. W. S. Shera, Joseph H. Keenan, Augustus Keenan, Helen M. Alwine, formerly Helen M. Keenan, George H. Alwine, Herbert J. Keenan, Augustus Keenan, John Randolph Keenan, James Keenan and James W. Holmes, Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of a decree entered in this case on the 25th day of January, A. D. 1912, the undersigned sole referee, will on the 20th day of February, A. D. 1913, at eleven o'clock a. m., at the south door of the Court House in the City of Plattsmouth, Cass County, Nebraska, sell at public auction the following described real estate, situated in the County of Cass, Nebraska, to-wit:

Commencing at a point on quarter section line running East and West through Section nine (9), Township eleven (11), Range fourteen (14), in Cass County, Nebraska; 1574-6-10 feet East of the quarter section corner on West side of Section nine (9), Township eleven (11), Range fourteen (14), running thence south 273 feet; thence East 100 feet; thence North 206 feet; thence East 94 feet; thence North 132 feet; thence East to the banks of the Missouri river; thence along the banks of the Missouri river in a northerly direction to a point where said banks of the Missouri river intersects the quarter section line running East and West through Section nine (9), Township eleven (11), Range fourteen (14), in Cass County, Nebraska; thence West along said quarter section line to the place of beginning, together with lands formed upon and against said described lands by accretion, alluvion, reliction and avulsion.

Also lots one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), five (5), six (6), seven (7), eight (8), nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11) and twelve (12), in block three (3) West and block one (1) North, and one (1) East of the public square in the Village of Rock Bluffs, Cass County, Nebraska, together with the portion of the vacated streets surrounding the same belonging thereto. Said property will be sold for cash to the highest responsible bidder.

Dated at Plattsmouth, Nebraska, this 25th day of January, A. D. 1913.

C. E. TEFPT, Referee.

RAWLS & ROBERTSON, Attorneys.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE.

In the District Court of Cass County, Nebraska.

In the Matter of the Estate of Nicholas Halmes, Deceased. This cause came on for hearing upon the petition of Nicholas C. Halmes, executor of the will and estate of Nicholas Halmes, deceased, for confirmation of paragraph nine (9) of the will of said deceased and for order and license to sell the real estate, as required by law, and the will of said deceased, which real estate is more particularly described as follows:

N 1/2, SE 1/4, Sec. 28, Twp. 12, Range 2, of SW 1/4 and NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Sec. 8-12-13, S 1/2 of SE 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Sec. 7-12-13, NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Sec. 8-12-13, all in Cass County, Nebraska, Lots 10, 11 and 12, in Block 3, of the City of Plattsmouth, Nebraska.

It is therefore ordered that all persons interested in said estate appear before me on the 15th day of March, 1913, at 10 o'clock a. m., to show cause if any they have, why said will should not be interpreted and construed by the Court and show cause why order of Court, directing and granting executor in making a sale of the said real estate belonging to the estate of said deceased, and why a license should not be granted to him to sell the above described real estate of said deceased.

Dated this 20th day of January, 1913.

HARVEY D. TRAVIS, Judge of the District Court.

D. O. DWYER, Attorney for Executor.

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In the District Court in and for Cass County, Nebraska.

Simon Gruber, Plaintiff, vs. Hattie Barnum Willis, et al., Defendants.

To the defendants, Hattie Barnum Willis, Harry Willis, Harry G. Barnum, James A. Barnum, Sylvester Barnum, John Albert Barnum, Maud V. Kaspar, Homer Hannah, Mrs. Homer Hannah, first real name unknown; Mrs. Lewis Barnum, first real name unknown; Lewis Barnum, Jr., Charles Barnum, B. Sinclair, first real name unknown; Herbert Sinclair, Inez M. Dickerson, Dickerson, first real name unknown; George Barnum Bowers, the unknown heirs and devisees of Lucy Bowers, deceased; the unknown heirs and devisees of Betty Boyd, deceased; James Chase, Belinda Chase, Lucy J. Chase, E. F. Mardock, Jr., first real name unknown; Mrs. B. F. Mardock, Jr., first real name unknown; Alphonso Chase, Thomas J. Watson, Mrs. Thomas J. Watson, first real name unknown; and the unknown heirs and devisees of Thomas J. Watson, deceased.

You are hereby notified that on February 5th, A. D. 1913, plaintiff filed his suit in the District Court of Cass County, Nebraska, to quiet title to the following described land in the County of Cass, Nebraska, to-wit:

The Northeast quarter (NE 1/4) and the North half (N 1/2) of the Southeast quarter (SE 1/4) of Section twenty-one (21), Township ten (10), Range thirteen (13), East of the 6th E. M. his adverse possession by himself, and grantors for more than ten years prior to the commencement of said suit, and to enjoin each and all of you from having or claiming any right, title, interest or claim, either legal or equitable, in and to said lands or any part thereof, and to require you and each of you to set forth your right, title, interest or claim, either legal or equitable, in and to said lands, and for general equitable relief.

This notice is made pursuant to the order of the court. You are required to answer said petition on or before Monday, the 24th day of March, A. D. 1913, or your default will be duly entered therein.

SIMON GRUBER, Plaintiff.

RAWLS & ROBERTSON, Attorneys.

NOTICE OF INDEBTEDNESS.

To Whom It May Concern:

Notice is hereby given that the Chopie Gasoline Engine Company (Limited), of Plattsmouth, Nebraska, has issued fully paid up capital stock to the amount of Fifty-four Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$54,930.00), and that said Corporation has an indebtedness for current expenses only amounting to the sum of \$264.76.

Dated this 6th day of January, 1913.

Jno. A. Chopieska, President.

Edw. Rynott, Adolph Giese, H. M. Soennichsen, H. F. Goos, Directors.

ATTACHMENT NOTICE.

J. W. Davis will take notice that on the 2nd day of January, 1913, a Justice of the Peace of Cass County, Nebraska, issued an order of attachment for the sum of \$150.00 in action pending before him, wherein G. Bach & Co. is plaintiff and J. W. Davis defendant, that property of said defendant consisting of money, has been attached under said order, said case was continued to the 20th day of February, 1913, at 10 o'clock a. m.

A. G. BACH & CO., Plaintiff.

Public Sale!

The undersigned will sell at Public Auction, at his home, four and one-half miles west and one mile south of Murray, four miles north and one-half mile west of Nehawka, one mile south and one-half mile west of the old Fulton blacksmith shop, on

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1913.

Sale will commence at 1 o'clock sharp. The following described property:

4—Head of Horses—4.

One black gelding, 6 years old. One sorrel gelding, 3 years old. One bay gelding, 7 years old. One bay mare, smooth mouth. First-class milk cow 6 years old.

Farm Implements.

One Sattley riding lister. One riding stirring plow. One 2-row Badger cultivator. One tongue cultivator. One tongueless cultivator. One broadcast Hornet seeder. Two sets good harness. One 3-row stalk cutter. One farm wagon. One single buggy. One set of bob-sleds. One base burner. One Sure Hatch incubator—300 eggs. Some lumber and woven wire. Household goods and numerous other articles.

Terms of Sale:

All sums of \$10.00 and under, cash; all over \$10.00 a credit of eight months will be given, purchaser giving good bankable paper, bearing 8 per cent from date. All property must be settled for before being removed.

O. V. BAILEY, Owner.

Wilkinson & Hall, Auctioneers.

W. G. Boedeker, Clerk.

Mothers Can Sorely Buy

Dr. King's New Discovery and give it to the little ones when ailing and suffering with colds, coughs, throat or lung troubles, tastes nice, harmless, once used, always used. Mrs. Bruce Crawford, Niagara, Mo., writes: "Dr. King's New Discovery changed our boy from a pale, weak, sick boy to the picture of health." Always helps. Buy it at F. G. Fricke & Co's.

Seed Potatoes for Sale.

King of the Earliest seed potatoes for sale. F. L. Rhoden, Murray, Neb. Phone 8-3.

IN COUNTY COURT.

State of Nebraska, County of Cass, ss.

In the Matter of the Estate of William O'Brien, Deceased.

To All Persons Interested:

You are hereby notified that there has been filed in this court petition for the appointment of an administrator of the estate of the said deceased, and that a hearing will be had on said petition before this court at the Court House in Plattsmouth, in said County, on the 10th day of March, 1913, at 9 o'clock a. m. Objection, if any, must be filed on or before said day and hour of hearing.

Dated February 5th, 1913.

ALLEN J. BEESON, County Judge.

LEGAL NOTICE.

In the District Court of Cass County, Nebraska.

Morgan E. Brantner, Plaintiff, vs. Joseph McCreary, Cass County, a Municipal Corporation, of Nebraska, the Unknown Heirs and Devises of Zeecher Kerr, Deceased, Defendants.

You are hereby notified that there has been filed in this court petition for the appointment of an administrator of the estate of the said deceased, and that a hearing will be had on said petition before this court at the Court House in Plattsmouth, in said County, on the 10th day of March, 1913, at 9 o'clock a. m. Objection, if any, must be filed on or before said day and hour of hearing.

Dated February 5th, 1913.

ALLEN J. BEESON, County Judge.

NOTICE.

Commencing at a point fifty-two and one-half (52 1/2) feet East of the Southwest corner of original Lot twenty-two (22), Township eleven (11), Range fourteen (14), East of the 6th E. M. his adverse possession by himself, and grantors for more than ten years prior to the commencement of said suit, and to enjoin each and all of you from having or claiming any right, title, interest or claim, either legal or equitable, in and to said lands or any part thereof, and to require you and each of you to set forth your right, title, interest or claim, either legal or equitable, in and to said lands, and for general equitable relief.

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SIMON GRUBER, Plaintiff.

RAWLS & ROBERTSON, Attorneys.

IS SPIRITISM ONLY DEMONISM?

Are Mediums Deceived as Well as Their Followers

ACCORDING TO THE BIBLE?

Satan's First Lie Perpetuated.

At some length, Pastor Russell showed that the very name Satan signifies

opponent of God, and that this name is well deserved, because he who was formerly known as Lucifer has arrayed himself against God and in opposition to every feature of the Divine plan.

The Almighty could have destroyed Satan at any time, but He has permitted him for the past six thousand years to go on in his course, in order to demonstrate the evil character of sin, and to give opportunity, on the contrary, of demonstrating the beauty of holiness.

Eventually, when the lesson shall have been taught to angels and to men, Satan and all who love sin will be utterly destroyed in the Second Death.—Revelation 21:8.

Note the persistency of Satan, said Pastor Russell, and his enmity. God distinctly told Adam and Eve that disobedience would bring upon them the penalty of death.

Satan contradicted the Almighty point-blank, declaring, "Ye shall not surely die."

And when our race found the truth of God's statement borne in upon them by death, Satan still sought to pervert the Word of God and the minds of men by telling humanity that they do not die really, but in appearance only; that in reality a dead man is much more alive than a living one.

This absurdity has been repeated to our race century after century, until today mankind, as a whole, believe Satan's lie and entirely discredit the Word of God.

The way back to God and to sanity of reasoning is the repudiation of Satan's falsehood and the acceptance of God's Truth.

The dead know not anything. Their sons come to honor and they know it not; to dishonor and they perceive it not of them.—Ecclesiastes 9:5; Job 14:21.

Satan's original lie is the basis of all the superstitions of religion. If mankind believed God—that the dead are dead, and that their only hope of a future life is based on the resurrection—it would clear the world of a thousand superstitions.

How could the dead suffer tortures in a Protestant hell or in a Catholic purgatory, if the dead know not anything, as the Bible declares? If the Truth prevailed, where would come in prayers and masses for the dead? And where would come in the belief of spiritists and others that they have communications with their dead friends—if, as the Bible says, "The dead know not anything?"

Demons Personate the Dead.

On the basis of human credulity—the supposition that the dead become more alive when they appear to die—the demons have advanced their deceptions, and sought to enthrall humanity.

Invisible to men, yet fully informed respecting all human affairs, they can readily personate the dead. The fallen angels, since the Deluge deprived of the power to materialize, use as channels of communication such individuals as they can deceive into being their servants—mediums.

Many of these are noble characters, and many of them the reverse; but vicious or ignorant or god, the demons use such as they can control, none being too debased for their service.

Working on the credulity of their dupes, they use the lips or the pencil of the medium to describe the dead one, who is supposed to be very anxious to communicate with the living.

And the description generally fits well to the dupe's last knowledge of the person—age, sex, clothing, all. So deluded do people become that they fail to remember that the children of two or ten years would, ten years later, if alive, be twelve or twenty years of age, and proportionately larger, and certainly not content to wear in a spirit land the same clothing they wore when last seen by the dupe.

The demons' power to discuss matters known only to the dupe and the deceased carries conviction.

And all the teachings of all the denominations, that the dead are not dead, are helping on with the deception. The venerable minister, deceived by their deceased friend is hovering over them; and that if he could speak, he would say, "Weep not for me." The medium and the clairvoyant announce that they are under spirit control, and that the departed one can speak through them. Is it any wonder that the deception is a powerful one with many? The antidote for all the doctrines of demons is the Message of the Word of God:

(1) That the dead are really dead;

(2) That Christ died on our behalf;

(3) That at His Second Coming and Kingdom, "there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and of the unjust."—Acts 24:15.

Demons Cast Out of the Possessed.

Let those who deny that there are invisible evil spirits explain what Jesus meant when He gave His disciples power over all manner of disease, and over unclean spirits.

Let them explain what the Apostles meant when they returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject unto us in Thy name." It is for them to explain, too, what really took place at Gadara, where the Scriptures declare Jesus cast a legion of these evil spirits out of one man. That legion, permitted to number into the swine, were sufficient in number to craze the entire herd.

Let us also have an explanation of

Cast Down to Tartarus.

St. Peter tells us that the fallen angels at the time of the Deluge were cast down to Tartarus. This word tartarus is used only once in the Bible, and is mistranslated hell. It is generally conceded to refer to the earth's atmosphere, though it may be used in a figurative way, much as we use the word limbo, a prison, a place or condition of restraint.

We are not to confound the Bible story of the fall of the angels and their restraint in chains of darkness with the symbolical figure of Revelation.

Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 16.—The Opera House was crowded today to hear Pastor Russell. He spoke twice. We report one of his discourses from the text, "The angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, He hath reserved in lasting restraints under the thick darkness for a judgment of the Great Day." (Jude 6.) He said:

Last Sunday we discussed the fall of the angels, and saw that they succumbed to the leaven of sin, which was first introduced by Satan's pride and rebellion, and was continued and increased by man's disobedience and fall from Divine favor.

Some might be inclined to say, Why preach about the angels and their fall? Why not rather confine our consideration to man? The answer is that man's fall had to do with the fall of the angels, as we have seen; and that since then the fallen angels have had much to do with man's further perversion mentally, morally, physically. St. Paul was not in error when he declared, "We wrestle not with flesh and blood [merely], but with principalities and powers—wicked spirits in high positions."—Eph. 6:12.

I am aware that many amongst the millions who read my sermons in the newspapers will be inclined to laugh at what may be designated my superstitious belief that fallen spirit beings are in close propinquity with humanity—a continual power for evil, seductive and ensnaring, God and Truth opposing. I have no practical knowledge of Spiritism, because, obedient to the Divine command, I would avoid everything occult. My knowledge of Spiritism comes mainly through the Bible, but is well supported by the testimony of many whom I have rescued from the thralldom of Spiritism—a considerable number of these mediums.

We should either take the Bible account as a whole, or should reject it as a whole. It is my constant effort to bring my own thoughts and words and conduct and those of others into full alignment with the Divine instructions of the Bible. I believe any other attitude to be dangerous in the extreme.

The fallen angels the Bible styles demons—rendered in our Common Version, devils. We charge these demons, and not our forefathers, with having perverted the true Message of the Gospel. This thought is substantiated by the Apostle, who refers to their insidious teachings as "the doctrines of demons." By every means they seek to put darkness for light and light for darkness. In the doctrines of the Dark Ages, now discredited, these demons blasphemed God by teaching that He had prepared a torture chamber and was overseeing the everlasting torture of nearly all humanity—all except the very Elect—at the hands of fire-proof devils with pitchforks.

Thus the human mind was turned against the Almighty in dread. Thus humanity learned to think of Satan and his associates as in some far-off place. Now, as greater illumination comes, and humanity gradually ascertains that the theory of a great torture place beyond the bounds of time and place was a hoax, these demons would lead such seekers in an opposite direction, and convince them that as there is no such torture chamber, neither are there any demons.

But the Bible all the while has been telling us that these evil spirits are near us, in our atmosphere; and that they have power over us in proportion as we yield our wills to their suggestions and our minds to sin. So far from telling of Satan's being far off, the Apostle declares that he goes about through the earth, seeking whom he may devour; and that his host of fallen angels are a present power for evil throughout the world. Similarly, Jesus tells us to pray, "Deliver us from the Evil One." He says that Satan was "a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the Truth."—John 8:44.

What St. Paul Meant When He Turned to Rebuke the Young Woman Who Had the Power of Divination, and Commanded the Evil Spirits to Come Out of Her.

(Acts 16:16-18.) Let them explain why her soothsaying prognostications were at an end, when once the evil spirit was gone forth. Let us also remember that there is not a suggestion anywhere in the Bible that these evil spirits were ever human beings in any sense of the word, or at any time. Let us all remember that these are the same evil spirits dealt with at the time of the Deluge.

Immediately after the Flood, they began their attack upon humanity, their attack upon the Truth, their endeavor to make humanity believe the lie—that the dead are not dead. To whatever extent they succeeded in so deceiving humanity they prepared mankind proportionately to be their dupes. The goal of their ambition is possession, and everything else is accessory.

Spirit mediums recognize the demon character of the spirits communicating through them; and they dread them and warn each other against the danger of allowing their wills to come completely under spirit influence, knowing that surely the result will be possession, demonization. And this in our day is called insanity, although many physicians realize the difference, and candidly say that not one-half the cases in an insane asylum are due to functional disorder. The majority are cases of possession by evil spirits.

Suggestion, Diversion, Impression, Possession.

These are the four steps along which those who do not put themselves under the guidance of the Lord are in danger of being led by the demons. And every step of the way should be fought with a determination of the will, if the "wiles of the Adversary" would be escaped. The vacant, unoccupied, mind is the more open to suggestions of the demons. The purposeful, earnest, energetic, have a protection in their activity.

But if suggestions, or imaginations, have been entertained, the second step may soon follow—diversions. The mind will be diverted from the lines of thought—study, prayer, or what not. The power of suggestion becomes so strong as to interfere with proper thinking and reasoning.

This leads on to the third step—impression. Some are naturally more impressionable than are others, and can receive promptings, or suggestions, from the evil spirits with so little difficulty that they do not realize the source of the impression, but rather wonder if it is a power of their own. Really it is the outside power impressing them, and more and more bringing them under occult influence.

Finally comes the last stage—possession—when the evil spirit gets full power and control of the will, and ignores the human will entirely. This is not always accomplished without more or less of a struggle—sometimes covering years. In the struggle, sometimes by clairaudient powers, sometimes through mediums, the spirits will seek more and more the confidence of the dupe. If he be inclined toward evil, the leadings will be that way. If he have a religious tendency, he will be counseled to pray or read the Bible, then be chided, the object always being to bring him into full submission of his mind, in a manner that none should yield himself, except to the Almighty; whom the evil spirits sometimes personate in their speech.

Witches, Wizards and Necromancers.

Many today laugh at the stories of witchcraft handed down from the past. Quite probably some executed as witches may have been good people, misunderstood by their neighbors. This does not, however, alter the fact that witches, wizards and necromancers are not mere myths. The Bible tells us of them as realities, and explains the demon power operating through them.

In olden times, the Divine Law forbade any witch, wizard or necromancer (one claiming to have communications from the dead) to live in the land of Israel, or to practise their black arts. (Deuteronomy 18:9-14.) Through the Prophet the Lord asks the people why the living should seek unto those who peep and mutter and claim to have communication with the dead [for wisdom, knowledge, guidance, etc.], and not unto the living God? "Should not a people seek unto their God?"—Isaiah 8:19, 20.

We all remember the story of the Witch of Endor, and how King Saul, when he could not have communication with the Lord, sought communication with Samuel the Prophet, who was dead. Saul saw nothing and heard nothing. The witch described to him an old man with a mantle, and Saul recognized the description as corresponding with that of the Prophet Samuel. The witch was guided by the demons, however much she might have supposed that the visions she saw and the words she heard were from the dead Prophet. The prophecies were all from the evil spirits, the demons. 1 Samuel 28:7-19; 1 Chronicles 10:13, 14.) So in all heathen lands, the demons have had to do with the people.

The lesson to God's people is full loyalty to God, strict