

# **THE TRUTH ABOUT SPIRITUALISM**

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## PREFACE

0:0.1 MORE twenty-five years ago, I began the study of spiritualism, and down through the years these investigations have been continued along many different lines. From time to time, I have had under my professional care clairvoyants, mediums, trance talkers, automatic writers, and other sorts of so-called psychics and sensitives. As the result of years of observation and treatment of these peculiar individuals, as well as by attendance upon the seances of many mediums in this country and in Great Britain, I came, years ago, to form certain definite opinions regarding the phenomena of spiritualism, and accordingly, about a dozen years ago, began to give public addresses touching upon the various phases of the phenomena and philosophy of spiritualism.

0:0.2 Owing to the great interest in this subject following the World War, my publishers, A. C. McClurg & Co., have asked me, in addition to my larger work on *Spiritualism*<sup>1</sup>, to revise and prepare the manuscript of my lecture on spiritualism for a briefer and possibly more popular presentation of the subject for the average reader.

0:0.3 Those wishing to pursue this study further, are referred to the larger work previously mentioned, in which will be found a far more complete and full presentation of both the physical phenomena and the philosophical or psychologic aspects of the psychic manifestations of modern spiritualism.

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