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P.P. Quimby Resource Center Has New Name & Home!



ORIGINAL PORTRAIT IN OIL PAINT BY ARTIST MARY HUGHES.

Late last November when my wife Mary and I said “goodbye” to the State of Illinois, little did we know it was going to be a much longer and more difficult adventure in finding a new place to live and work. It

was on the one hand a marvelous adventure to be moving without knowing exactly where you were going to move to; on the other hand stepping into the “unknown” required a tangible leap of faith.

We packed nearly everything we owned into a storage facility and loaded our “pet children” into our Chevy van and headed Northeast.

We had an approximate vision of where we wanted to be. Our vision was of a more serene setting in the rural countryside of Michigan; on a lake where we could take breaks from our work and revel in nature. As a child I had visited my

uncle’s summer home on one of the several “Eagle Lakes” in Michigan. The sights, sounds and even the smells of lakefront living has been etched in my memory.

We feel incomprehensively grateful for our new home and the new life we are now living.

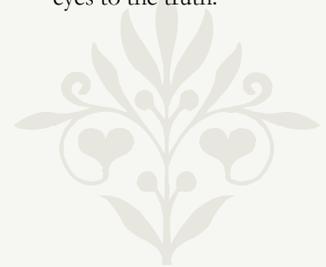
Nature abounds in all her glory as we go about our daily business.

The process seemed like an eternity as we had to rely on other people to do their jobs to make our relocation possible.

For every problem that
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QUIMBY QUOTATIONS:

- ◆ With wisdom, the laws are science.
- ◆ God or Wisdom is all light.
- ◆ Eternal wisdom teaches us that all matter is to itself a shadow and is no barrier to wisdom, and just as we are wise in one thing our opinion vanishes.
- ◆ Wisdom, hearing the groans of the sick, acted upon this man Jesus and opened his eyes to the truth.



“On Wisdom” by Dr. Phineas Parkhurst Quimby

Perfect wisdom embraces every idea in existence, and therefore every idea that comes to the light through the senses existed before to wisdom. Every person who was or ever will be existed as much before he ever came to our senses as afterwards, the same as any mathematical problem or truth. Man’s intelligence is a truth that existed before he took form or was seen by the natural eye. Man’s body is only a machine and its senses are its medium to wisdom, the same as sci-

ence is the medium to wisdom. The real man is never seen by the natural senses, but the real man makes himself known through science to his natural senses, as a person who knows a fact can teach it to another. Wisdom or knowledge he teaches through science, and he uses his senses to explain this science, for his senses are all the medium the natural man knows.

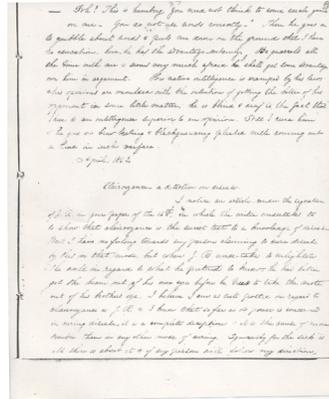
The real man is God, or the First Cause. Every idea that

man embraces comes through his natural senses, but this real man is not seen, but is truth or wisdom. The natural man may be compared to a checker board, and science and opinion the players. Public opinion or common sense stands looking on and represents spectators. The wisdom that is superior is that which sees and knows the principle of the game. Now opinion makes a move and the natural man or common sense says it
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“Off-Line” Phineas Parkhurst Quimby Resources are Growing!



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DR. P. P. QUIMBY

Immediately prior to leaving our

“Mind is Spiritual Matter” by Dr. Phineas Parkhurst Quimby

It will be necessary to give the reader some idea of what suggested the following article, headed Mind Is Spiritual Matter. I found that by the power of my own mind I could change the mind of my patient and produce a chemical change in the body, like dissolving a tumor. Now the word mind is not the substance, only the name of the substance that can be changed. The world

location in Illinois (see story on page 1), Dr. C. Alan Anderson Ph.D., a contributing editor of the three volume edition of *Phineas Parkhurst Quimby: The Complete Writings*, transferred his photocopy collection of the handwritten Quimby documents into the possession of this Resource Center.

Dr. Anderson was largely responsible for cataloging and compiling the master index and source location of all known P.P. Quimby writings. The original source materials are archived in the Manuscript Collection of the Library of Congress in Washing-

ton D.C., and in the Historical Manuscript Collection of the Mugar Memorial Library of Boston University in Boston, Massachusetts.

This wonderful photocopy collection also contains many reels of microfilm as well as photocopies of the complete Harvard University collection that was donated to that university by Dr. Horatio W. Dresser.

One of the several on-going projects of the Phineas Parkhurst Quimby Resource Center is the digitalization of this important collection. ■

makes mind intelligence. I put no intelligence in it but make it subject to intelligence. The word fire, for instance, doesn't mean the substance to be consumed but the process of consuming it. So mind is the name of a spiritual substance that can be changed. We speak of a cold fire or a hot fire, yet we do not mean that the fire itself is cold or hot, only that we make it hotter or

colder; yet it is fire. Wisdom I do not use in this piece. I call the power that governs mind, spirit. But you will see that I recognize a Wisdom superior to the word mind, for I always apply the word mind to matter but never apply it to the First Cause.

Mind is spiritual matter.
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Where Credit is Due...

Those of us interested in the Life and Science of Dr. Phineas Parkhurst Quimby owe a debt of gratitude to Dr. Ervin Seale (1909-1990); the Quimby Memorial Church and Foundation; the scholars; editors and others who worked on the three volume publication: *Phineas Parkhurst Quimby: The Complete Writings*, published in 1988 by DeVorss and Company. This

dedicated group came together and essentially rendered all previous publications of Quimby's Writings obsolete.

The unaltered transcriptions of Dr. Quimby's complete writings are available through most major booksellers. Additional information for purchasing copies of this three volume set may be found on our Internet web site: <http://ppquimby.com>. ■



DR. ERVIN SEALE

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crept up, eternal Wisdom provided a perfect solution.

The house we selected had been sitting empty for more than a year and was never finished by the original owner. The roof had leaks and the vinyl siding needed replacing. There wasn't even an entry door facing the street!

Our first order of business was to replace the leaking hot water heater.

The office area was little more than unfinished concrete walls and floors.

Still, Mary and I agreed this was the perfect place for us in the perfect setting.

We each have breathtaking views of "Little Thunder Bay" from our respective offices and studios.

The construction work is still underway, but the first and original P. P. Quimby Internet web site now has new offices and is formally registered in the State of Michigan as the Phineas Parkhurst Quimby Resource Center.

As Founder and Director of the PPQ Resource Center, I'm per-

sonally thrilled at the prospect of new materials, resources and directions ahead! Please visit the Phineas Parkhurst Quimby Resource Center on the Internet frequently as you'll find many more expanded features in the coming weeks and months ahead. —Ron Hughes



GLORIOUS LAZY SUMMER SUNSETS ON "LITTLE THUNDER BAY".

"Mind is Spiritual Matter" ...continued

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Thought is also matter, but not the same matter, any more than the earth is the same matter as the seed which is put into it. Thought like the seed germinates and comes forth, like the tree, in the form of an idea. It then waits like the fruit to be eaten. Curiosity is excited and wants to be

gratified; it tastes and then enquires; the answer comes and the spirit is affected in proportion to the answer. Illustration: a thought is sown in the mind while asleep or ignorant; it grows and comes forth. The curiosity tastes; it produces a strange sensation in the throat. The spirit enquires, the answer comes,

Bronchitis. The spirit is disturbed and tries to rid itself of its enemy. This disturbance is the effect called disease. Now if no name had been given or fears excited, the idea or tree would have died of itself.

October 1859 [Seale III:195]

"FOR EVERY PROBLEM THAT CREPT UP, ETERNAL WISDOM PROVIDED A PERFECT SOLUTION."

"On Wisdom" by Dr. Phineas Parkhurst Quimby

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cannot be bettered. But science sees the working of opinion, and makes him move in such a way as to compel his opponent to destroy himself, for he knows that opinion knows nothing as he should know it. Every move of opinion suggests his opponent's move. So if one knows his game and the other does not, the ignorant one is beaten every time. But if both are ignorant they think they play a very scientific game. Now there are certain

games or arguments which men play called theories that have no foundation or basis, and there is no way to test them because one is not the least above his neighbor and neither can prove anything.

1865 [Seale III: 325]

[It seems exceedingly appropriate the first article included by Phineas Parkhurst Quimby in our first Newsletter, "Science of Wisdom" should be Dr. Quimby's piece "On Wisdom". This article was written during his last year

of his healing practice at the International House Hotel in Portland, Maine. —Editor]

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PRINCIPAL THING;
THEREFORE GET
WISDOM; AND WITH ALL
THY GETTING GET
UNDERSTANDING.

—PROVERBS

“Get wisdom, get understanding; forget it not; neither decline from the words of my mouth. Forsake her not, and she shall preserve thee; love her, and she shall keep thee. Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom; and with all thy getting get understanding. Exalt her, and she shall promote thee; she shall bring thee to honour, when thou dost embrace her.” (KJV Bible: Proverbs 4 verses 5-8).

The Phineas Parkhurst Quimby Resource Center is an out-growth of my own research into the life and Science of Phineas Parkhurst Quimby (1802-1866). On March 7th, 2002, I uploaded the original Quimby web site to the Internet with the sole intention of sharing the Wisdom I had found in P. P. Quimby’s writings. Since that time, I have experienced the pleasure of meeting a variety of many loving, caring, seekers and teachers of Truth. I am staunchly dedicated to Phineas Parkhurst Quimby’s right to Freedom of Speech: very specifically, his right to have his unedited words and writings placed before the public and readily available to everyone.

Dr. Ronald A. Hughes—Founder and Director of the Phineas Parkhurst Quimby Resource Center

Editors’ Corner

Beginning with this first issue of *Science of Wisdom*, the Phineas Parkhurst Quimby Resource Center will begin to publish a monthly newsletter to keep our Internet visitors abreast of ongoing research projects, announce new features and services available on-line, and feature selected articles from the transcriptions of Dr. Quimby’s complete writings.

The term or phrase “Science of Wisdom” appears 11 times within *The Complete Writings*.

It seems incredible to imagine that 141 years after the passing of Dr. Phineas Parkhurst Quimby, we collectively are standing at the precipice of a new era of Quimby studies.

This new era does not in anyway detract from the past, but rather embraces the previous eras, acknowledges and celebrates their accomplishments as we move “back to the future”.

This is not a contradiction, but rather a wonderful paradox.

It wasn’t until 1988 that many of Dr. Quimby’s writings were published for the first time! Found within these previously “unpublished manuscripts” are nuggets of wisdom worthy of additional exploration.

As we approach 2008 and the 20th anniversary of the three volume publication of Dr. Quimby’s complete writings, I’m pleased to announce a project underway where we’ll be exploring the history of *Phineas Parkhurst Quimby: The Complete Writings*, and interviewing many of the people who worked on that project.

The Phineas Parkhurst Quimby Resource Center not only has Dr. Quimby’s complete unedited transcriptions available for reading, but there are also many articles, books, historical class notes and newsletters in our archive

section that offers various interpretations of the writings.

The Lecture section has a number of lectures that you may listen to at no charge.

Be sure to visit our Photographic Gallery where you can view images of Dr. Quimby and his immediate family members.

In other Quimby related news, our gift shop should be up and running again in very short order. Proceeds from the gift shop sales are used to help fund the ongoing historical research into the life and times of Dr. Quimby.

Financial donations are now being accepted by the Phineas Parkhurst Quimby Resource Center. Please be aware your contributions are not tax deductible. Please email: rhughes@ppquimby.com for more information.

In Wisdom and Light,

Ron Hughes—editor



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