THE BAHÁ'Í FAITH AND THE SPIRITUALISTS: A BIBLIOGRAPHIC SURVEY

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The interests of the theosophists and those interested in exploring the occult and other spiritual or quasi-spiritual phenomena outside the established churches in the religion of the Báb and Bahá'u'lláh has a long history, even to the start of the Báb's mission in 1844. Some would argue it even predates that eventful year if one would look at the 'revivalist' movements at the beginning of the 1800s.

This *Bibliography* is based on one private database, that constructed by the International Association for the Preservation of Spiritualist and Occult Periodicals.

Any bibliography using databases composed of articles which are mostly from the little magazines and noncommercially published books is by its very nature going to be incomplete. This database is no exception. From it are missing some important journals such as *The Vahan*, *Theosophy in Scotland, The Path, The International Psychic Journal*, etc. Also troublesome is the fact that some runs are incomplete, for example *Open Court* ends at 1911 even though it continued to be published until 1936 and the *Morning Star* seems to have several volumes missing, and only one volume of *Reality* has been included.

However, despite all these shortcomings, this database is still a tremendously rich resource on the Bahá'í Faith and how it was viewed by others. It brings together journals and magazines erroneously deemed by many scholars and some librarians as ephemeral and of little scholarly value. Though the titles and editorial policy of many of these little magazines seem off-putting, many contain articles which are well written with insightful views and logically argued. Many of the opinions voiced are as valid today as they were a hundred years ago. I was especially taken with several articles that tackled the thorny issue of religious intolerance.

The *Bibliography* contains many unusual articles and points of view. Of particular interest for scholars of early American Bahá'í history are the articles on the history of Green Acre.

An unusual but greatly appreciated feature of the database are the historical introductions to the journals listed.

This *Bibliography* attempts to list all the articles with any mention of the Bahá'í and Bábí Faiths, exceptions are advertisements and book lists without commentary.

The database also includes a great number of monographs and these have been included as appropriate.

To search for any article on the database, just place the key word or phrase in the "search" window ; alternatively, go to the column marked "Archives" scroll down to the appropriate journal title and the next step would be to go the exact volume or year needed.

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