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Context: the typescript offers no clues about the other components of the service. White Eagle does remind us, however, that it is an anniversary: properly, it was given two days after the twenty-second anniversary of the opening of New Lands. Reference to one of the young people in the audience gives just a hint that there might have been a working party of 'Eaglets' present at New Lands. *General notes:* 'the quickened and awakened spirit in man was rather scarce in humanity' in the first paragraph is understood best by removing either 'in man' or 'in humanity'.

White Eagle interestingly takes us back to early days when devoted souls travelled long distances for their spiritual communion. Such devotion, he says, will turn out to be our greatest achievement of the earth life – when we look at our own personal harvest. The message is subtle and we seem to have moved from conventional harvest teaching, but White Eagle is looking at the whole vast passage of human life more than at the individual karma. His words seem appropriate to the anniversary of New Lands. At the end, just before the communion, White Eagle returns more obviously to the harvest theme. The middle part of the teaching is very much about the individual's role within the great work of leading humanity into paths of light, and his or her relationship, in this connection, with the brotherhood above. There is an intriguing suggestion that the brethren above might deliberately mislead humanity, which White Eagle immediately counters. 'Keep on keeping on, on your path' is a reasonable summary of this middle section. Then the whole earth will be changed.

In referring to Jesus and John at the end of the address White Eagle is quite clear that the meaning of 'beloved' – 'the beloved of Jesus' – is totally mystical, representing a bond between the two that is beyond ordinary human understanding. He is also clear that the work of John in the new age is to bring brotherhood to the earth. Speaking of the onward, upward path White Eagle asks the intriguing question, once we have reached our goal, 'what then? Radiation, re-creation, more life, more joy, more happiness'.

References: 'Eye hath not seen' is 1 Corinthians 2 : 9; the great Master is therefore St Paul. 'A little child shall lead them' is not as White Eagle says, a comment by Jesus, but a prophecy in Isaiah (11 : 6) of the coming of Jesus; 'Except ye become as little children' is Matthew 18 : 3.. The reference to the one who sat on the right hand of Jesus is of course John.

White Eagle's Address:

Our beloved brethren, we speak to you from the world of spirit, and we welcome every soul in this assembly. We are overjoyed to meet you all, dear brethren and workers in the White Eagle Lodge. From afar, shall we say, for we know that quite a number of you have made a long journey to get to this central meeting place. But do you know, dear ones, that this is exactly what our Brotherhood had to do in days gone by? Perhaps some would say, the ancient days, but not very ancient in reality, but days gone by, when distances were great and the quickened and awakened spirit in man was rather scarce in humanity. But those people who were quickened in spirit and who were eager to listen to the words of the spirit would travel long distances and sometimes would be journeying for many days.

Now it does seem that this is part of the training of man, part of the spiritual training, in that he must make an effort if he wishes to learn more about the great overall Spirit, the Omnipresence, the Omnipotence, the all-powerful Spirit, the Omniscience, the all-wise Spirit. And man must make the effort, whether it is by taking an arduous physical journey or whether it is by overcoming the sloth and the inertia of the physical body or the earthly mind. All these things are in a sense man's enemies when he his searching for wisdom, for knowledge, above all for spiritual truth. He must lay aside all the hindrances of the physical

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life, and as our beloved Master Jesus said, 'thou must leave all and follow me'. But you must interpret this not literally but spiritually, for it means exactly what we have been saying to you. Get your values right, dear brethren. See for yourselves what is the most valuable in life. Is it the physical life? Is it the pleasures of the body or the pleasures of the earthly mind? Or is it that inner richness which comes only from the spirit of God or the seed of God which is planted in every man's soul?

We want you to remember this. It is a simple message, but it is most valuable to you as you journey through life, and as you strive to become wealthy, not materially wealthy but spiritually wealthy. You must always use the power which God has given you to discriminate, to differentiate, between what is false and worthless and what is true and valuable – valuable not only to you in your life but valuable to the whole of mankind.

Now dear ones, many of you are here from daughter lodges. Some of you are just commencing a new piece of work. Others are continuing faithfully in work which was offered to you or shown to you quite a number of years ago. Now this work is, we assure you most earnestly, the most valuable work of your life. Now this you will prove certainly when you leave your physical body and are able to see your own harvest, when you are able to see what value your life has produced both mentally and spiritually, what value your life has been in spreading over the whole earth the sweet, beautiful light of the Christ the Son, the Eternal Light, the Light which is the great saviour of every individual as well as the whole of mankind collectively, the great saviour of this physical planet.

Now we have referred to you, your spirit, as a seed, a golden seed which was sown in physical matter by the heavenly Father and sustained in physical matter by the food of Mother Earth, for Mother Earth brings forth for man's physical sustenance the harvest, the harvest of her love and of her work – yes, for Mother Earth, the soil, gradually is working, working, working all the time to cause plant life to grow. She is working all the time to feed and sustain all her children in physical form, not only human children, but all the animals and the birds that are flying in the air and the marine life, the insect life – all life in physical form is being cared for by God.

Now it sounds very simple, but do you know, my children, that the Brotherhood whom you have learned to love and with whom you work in your brotherhood service, this brotherhood learned many, many ages ago that man is part of the whole of creation and that for man to grow, develop and become as God means man to become – perfect in health, perfect physically, perfect in mental activity, perfect in spiritual life – man must learn this lesson, this secret of brotherhood not only with each other on the physical, human level, but the brotherhood of all life, the brotherhood of the Cosmos; and the brotherhood of olden days received their instruction both from their teachers on the earth plane, their chief teachers, the God-men who visited the earth to instruct young humanity. And from their teachers the brothers in these inner groups learned how – by what man would call today the white magic – to tune into those invisible forces and to the elements of the physical life. And together with this harmonious working of man with all the visible forces of nature, he also learned from his teachers how to tune into the heavenly forces, how to open his mind and heart, how to open his consciousness to those supreme influences, those heavenly influences which gave to him

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the power of wisdom, the power of love and the power to discern truth, the power to tune into the planes of life and to read there the ether or the akasha or the akashic records.

Now this, my children, is what mankind will in due time understand. He will understand that there is this akashic record of the whole history of your earth planet and all the peoples who have ever lived on the earth. There are at the moment in your scriptures most confused records of what happened in bygone days, but when man – by his own effort and [the] spiritualisation of this life and his mind and the whole of his being – is able to tune into those immortal records of life, then he will know what many of your little men on earth today are struggling to know just through their intellect or their earthly mind. And they work very hard and put little facts together and they think from the accumulation of their little facts which they discover from physical matter that they are going to reach divine, eternal and infinite truth, but no, no, no! Truth, my children, can only come when there is truth, when man himself has become true, true to himself, true to the law of brotherhood. Now the scriptures contain this profound truth, but man has to search and find the truth in the written records. You know, it has been said with a certain amount of truth that the Masters mislead humanity purposely. Well, that is rather a crude way of putting it! The Masters do not wilfully mislead humanity, but a Master wraps up truth so that only the earnest soul who has developed truth within himself is able to discern it.

Now this is what you must all look for, because you are all servers in this great work; and we would like to say here that those of you who have the courage and the determination to carry on earnestly with your work for the Great White Spirit, you will be so richly blessed beyond your dreams, beyond anything you can possible imagine. Now, did you not have that expressed for you by one of the great Masters when he said 'Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him?' But man has to reach this kingdom, and the way – as we have already told you – is by effort, by service, by devotion. Now those who have had an opportunity given to them to do this work, and if they turn their backs on it.... Now there are many forms of this work. Please do not make the mistake of thinking that we in spirit condemn or criticise any living soul. We are only explaining to you that there are so many forms in which you can be a channel, and the very first way we can advise you to become that channel is by your own devotion, daily devotion to the spirit life. Now this does not mean going on your knees and praying all day. It may mean getting down onto the floor and scrubbing the floor of the Lodge, but if you are doing it, my children, with all your will and doing it as a service on your physical plane, then you are truly being a channel for that supreme light. Others of you may be called to guide and help your fellow men and to heal your fellow men, heal them by being yourself a pillar of light, a channel for the light.

Earnestly, earnestly, dear ones, we ask you to keep on keeping on your path, the path upon which your feet have been set in a very miraculous manner. Do not forget this; and remember that the heavenly powers, the guides and the angels and, above all, the great Masters and all the Brotherhood of the elect are always watching and looking for a soul through whom can be poured this divine Light, this heavenly life, this truth – the truth of man's creation, and the truth of man's journeying through life after life, slowing learning and being perfected, until by man's own devotion and effort the whole vibration of the planet Earth will be changed. Earth will be purified. Earth will become truly a heavenly body, a spiritual body. Now

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instantly White Eagle catches a thought from one of our young people, 'What about the moon, the dead moon? Why has that not become spiritualised and etherealised?' Oh, my young friend, the moon has quite a different destiny. It has its part to play in the great cosmic plan, but it is not the same part that the Earth planet has to play. Don't make the mistake of thinking that every planet has to evolve and travel along precisely the same line. You are concerned with your own planet Earth, and we tell you that the destiny of this planet is by the process of perhaps error and failure, but a keeping on, because of the souls, those pure, illumined souls who love the Earth planet and who love humanity; and they have for ever been above you, watching over you, waiting for an opportunity to pour through you their guidance and their loving, sweet truth.

Now you can receive all this if you follow the simple way that we in a very humble state are trying to help you [to follow]. We ask nothing for ourselves. We ask nothing, but we draw close to the earth because we love humanity and we can see into the hearts of humanity and we can see the longing in man to understand life and to find God. The path is so simple, so simple that a little child can take it. As Jesus said, 'A little child shall lead them'. This is it; and except ye become simple, trusting and loving as a little child, ye can in no wise find the kingdom.

So this is our anniversary message on this day of thanksgiving for the harvest festival, not only the festival of the harvest of Mother Earth, but the festival of thanksgiving for this Lodge which has been so devotedly planted here – and in other parts of the world, the daughter lodges. For all this work we thank Thee, O God. And we thank our dear, faithful brethren on earth for all they have done and given to establish this truth, the truth of the Aquarian Age, the truth which the great world teacher whom many of us know as the beloved and illumined one, the beloved who sat on the right hand of the dear Master Jesus – a mystical truth which you have yet to learn - the mystical marriage, shall we call it? But those two great ones – Jesus, the beloved healer – John, the beloved of Jesus; and through this great ray of light to the earth, humanity will be brought into the consciousness and understanding of brotherhood, the brotherhood of all life. Mankind will learn the way and will tread the path through his own divine spirit within his soul, which will take him on and on and on, right up eventually into that golden world of perfect life. And then, what then? Radiation, re-creation, more life, more joy, more happiness for the many souls who will continue and continue to come into physical manifestation. And it is through the physical manifestation that the unconscious seed of God learns to become as Christ: man made perfect. There is no limitation to spiritual life, but the human mind cannot yet comprehend eternity or infinity, but what the human mind *can* comprehend is loving kindness and purity of life, loving kindness to one another and to *all* created forms of life on the earth.

And now before we close this service, dear ones, remember it is thanksgiving for the harvest, and here upon the altar we see – you can all see – the symbols of the bread and the wine – the bread which is the gift of the divine Mother Earth – the fruit, the grapes, the gift of divine Mother Earth – both symbols of that heavenly food, the bread of life and the wine of life, the divine essence which has been given to all mankind by the Sun spirit. Do meditate upon those symbols and you will understand more and more the beauty of their symbology. Now, He Who is the Great One, the Supreme Light, has taken upon himself on those higher levels the perfect human form, not in flesh but in the higher ether. And here he stands before

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you with these two symbols – the heavenly bread, the food of life, and the cup of wine, the essence of divine love which you need. Now these symbols which are before him have a relation to yourself, to your whole being, and if you can spiritually and earnestly, in the two minute's stillness which we shall give you, use your highest and most spiritual imagination and accept from him these symbols, the bread which you put into your mouth, the spirit, your soul mouth, but you mentally do it, and you mentally sip the wine from that crystal glass. These are my symbols which will sustain and heal and illumine your being… Accept from him the bread and the wine… *now*.

O Lord, Thou knowest the heart of every soul in this assembly. Thou knowest that each heart is pouring forth thanksgiving for all Thy manifold gifts, and above all for this blessing of the spirit and spiritual life...

This service is full of power, full of power. Divine fires burn in you, and here in this sanctuary of the Brotherhood of the Light... And the peace of heaven which is beyond all earthly understanding is now with you. Peace, peace, peace; and send out from your hearts this message from the angels of peace, and you will see the result before many days have passed...

We bless you all. We enfold you all right into the heart of love.

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