

Aug: 15<sup>th</sup> -

'Gaugest'  
New Milton  
Hants

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Dear Mr: Burtick

That is an interesting survival  
you tell me of. There was one here  
- a very dear old lady - who did  
not prophesy. I went to see her  
twice three years ago just before  
she died. It was she who lent  
me the hymn-book of the Community,  
one of which I parodied to suit my  
story - "Ye Birds of Paradise, remember".  
I wonder what your old prophetess  
would say to it?

There is one other survivor here: but

she 'fall away' and does not ~~8/4/60~~  
specially like to be reminded of ~~8/4/50~~  
her 'shaker' part.

I am told that Mrs. Gieling was a  
perfect terror to back-sliders (different  
in that respect from my 'Jane'), and  
would go & hunt them out: they hid-  
under haystacks & in roofs to get away  
from her!

I am writing to Mrs. Silver today  
to tell her that the play thrives  
afar & is very much alive in a  
stagey way - full of 'theatrical' in-  
cidents, I mean.

Remembrances to Cofe.

Yours sincerely  
Lawrence Housman