

LABOR DRIVEN TO ITS LIMIT

Hardest of Hard Work Demanded of Boatmen in the Early Days of the Country.

The high moral courage of the missionaries who strove to convert the Indians of the Canadian Northwest is well illustrated by the life of Father Lacombe, who dared to rebuke Chief Factor Rowan of the Hudson Bay company for heartlessness toward the company's men. Katherine Hughes describes the incident in her biography of Father Lacombe. The factor and the priest were journeying to Edmonton in a keel boat, towed by a company of cordellers.

Of the boatman's toll Father Lacombe has written: "Imagine, if you please, after resting a few hours on the bare earth, to hear at 3 o'clock the cry, 'Leve! Leve!' Et puis, hurrah!—to pull and pull on the lines drawing the heavy boat up against the current, walking in the mud, the rocks, the swamp, along cliffs, and sometimes in water to their armpits—and this under a burning sun or heating rain from early morning until darkness fell about 9 o'clock. Without having seen it one can form no idea of the hardships, the cruel fatigues, of these boatmen."

RANKED WITH GREAT POETS

John Greenleaf Whittier Has Written His Name Among the Immortals of the Earth.

John Greenleaf Whittier, one of the best loved and most famous of American poets, and, perhaps, the most ardent abolitionist known to United States history, was born December 17 near Haverhill, Mass. He was apprenticed to journalism and became an editor at the early age of twenty-two. He held various editorial positions, and throughout his life devoted himself to the writing of both prose and poetry, having no doubt a deep inspiration in that he belonged to the same age that gave Emerson and Longfellow to America and Tennyson and the Brownings to England. With such as his contemporaries Whittier, being himself blessed with natural talents, could do no less than what he did in literature. Whittier, however, is better known to fame because of his poems. His prose is not so exalted, though true. He wrote "My Psalm," "Barclay of Ury," "Barbara Frietchie," "At Sundown" and various other wonderful poems. He lived to be eighty-five years old, dying peacefully September 7, 1892.

Reading as a Narcotic.

The habit of reading for amusement becomes with thousands of people exactly the same kind of habit as wine drinking or opium smoking; it is like a narcotic, something that helps to pass the time, something that keeps up a perpetual condition of dreaming, something that eventually results in destroying all capacity for thought, giving exercise only to the surface parts of the mind, and leaving the deeper springs of feeling and the higher faculties of perception unemployed. The result of all this reading means nothing but a cloudiness in the mind. That is the direct result. The indirect result is that the mind has been kept from developing itself. All development necessarily means some pain, and such reading as I speak of has been employed unconsciously as a means to avoid that pain, and the consequence is atrophy.—Lafcadio Hearn.

Be Careful With Electricity.

Some safety hints for the wise, which are intended to guard against serious accidents and a possible loss of life, are being sent out broadcast by the electric light companies. From them may be selected the following: Do not cover an electric globe with paper or cloth. It may start a fire. Do not hang an ordinary lamp cord over a nail or metal work. Do not leave a cord connected when you are through with it. Do not touch any wire that is down on the ground, whether it is an electric, telephone or guy wire. In an emergency, remove a wire with an instrument equipped with a wooden handle, keeping the full length of the handle between yourself and the wire.

Discovery of Anthracite.

It is only a little more than a hundred years since anthracite coal has been used as fuel, the first attempt to burn it proving unsuccessful. Judge Jesse Fell of Fell house, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., was convinced that "stone coal," as it was called, would burn, but his arguments were laughed at. Finally, convinced that what was necessary was a strong draft, Judge Fell built a fireplace of brick with a bottom and front of iron grating. Piling the coal in this, he built a wood fire under it. Soon the coal was a red-hot mass, and the neighbors flocked in to marvel at this and revel in the grateful warmth. That was in February, 1808! —Louisville Courier-Journal.

Seek to Improve Crops.

The Institute of Agricultural Botany to be established at Cambridge, England, is to be devoted chiefly to the breeding and distributing of improved varieties of agricultural crops. Modeled after the famous Swedish plant-breeding station at Svalof, its scientific specialists will work to produce pure cultures of the new varieties into extensive cultivation.

NO CHANGE IN LOAN CAMPAIGN

By E. PUSEY PASSMORE, Governor Third Federal Reserve Bank.

"Notwithstanding repeated statements from Secretary Glass, the proposed action of the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives in determining the types of securities to be offered has apparently left much misunderstanding in the minds of many people regarding the coming loan.

"The Treasury Department announces that the Victory Liberty Loan campaign will begin not later than April 21st and must of necessity be of a character similar in essential features to those conducted in the past through the existing Liberty Loan organizations. The imperative requirements of the Treasury cannot be financed without such a campaign, for it is of utmost importance that the securities offered shall be distributed as widely as possible among the American people.

"Only the form and terms of the securities to be issued remain to be determined and depend upon the enabling legislation to be enacted by Congress, but, whether bonds or notes are finally determined upon, the total amount will be so large that it is absolutely essential that the widest possible measure of distribution be realized.

"Surely all who believe in the principles for which the war was waged and on account of which such tremendous sacrifices of lives and treasure have been made will appreciate the necessity of properly meeting the financial commitments of the government made during the conduct of the war.

"Director Mason and his associates, in conjunction with the Executive Committee are planning many new and novel features and already have the coming Victory Liberty Loan campaign in this district splendidly organized. The army of Liberty Loan workers who have done such effective work in the past are deeply interested in the coming campaign and are determined to see this final loan put over in good shape in order that their part of the war work may be creditably completed."

VICTORY LOAN LIMERICKS.

A far-seeing fellow named Fred, Bought a bond, with a dollar, and said: "Without being too thrifty I'll soon pay the fifty And then I'll be that much ahead."

DON'T EXPECT THE BANKS TO DO IT ALL

You may hear some people say that it won't be necessary for the public to subscribe to the Victory Liberty Loan this time because "the banks are going to take all of the Loan."

Don't be misled by this argument into refusing to buy. The Victory Liberty Loan must be taken by the people. The banks could, of course, take over all of the Loan. But it would be one of the worst things that could happen to the country to have them do so. And you and every other wage earner, merchant or producer would soon realize it.

The first effect would be to tie up all the banking capital of the country. Then when the manufacturers, the farmers, or the merchants applied to the banks for the usual money advances upon which to go ahead with their important enterprises, the banks would be unable to make any loans to them.

It is easy to determine what the result would be. Manufacturers deprived of their usual banking accommodation could not run their plants and a wave of unemployment would sweep the country. Farmers being unable to obtain the privilege of bank loans would be greatly handicapped in their crop prospects. And merchants would suffer in the same manner.

The worst effects of such a state of affairs would fall upon the wage-earners. No work because of lack of operating capital for manufacturers, and highest prices in the food markets because of limited production on the farms, due also to lack of operating capital, are twin evils sure to appear when the banks have no money to lend.

The banks will do their share in this Loan, as they have done it in every other loan. But they can't do it all and you have the greatest possible interest in seeing that they are not required to do it all.

This is the people's loan. Let everybody invest and the loan will "go over" with a whoop. And it will go over in a way that will be beneficial to the country, to the manufacturer, to the food producer and to the wage-earner. Don't rely on some one else to do the job. Do your share and the job will be easy all around. Subscribe!

VICTORY LOAN LIMERICKS.

Sing a song of six-pence, A pocket full of rye, Ten and forty dollars For a bond to buy. When the bond is purchased The interest it begins, Isn't that a real song— The buyer always wins.

CLAIM CURE FOR GLANDERS

Italian Savants' Discovery, If True, Will Have Earned Them the Gratitude of Mankind.

The reviews of medicine and veterinary surgery speak of important researches looking to the cure of glanders, which afflicts horses and may also attack man, who almost invariably succumbs.

At the beginning of the war the spread of glanders, especially among the quadrupeds of the Third Italian army, suggested to Colonel Commanding Dr. E. Bertetti, director of the veterinary service of the army, the idea of utilizing the victims of glanders in making experiments in regard to its curability.

Obtaining permission of the war ministry and the supreme command of the army, the experiments were begun at Caorle in a sanitarium rigorously quarantined and equipped with all the latest scientific and surgical appliances.

Dr. Guido Finzi, head of the Institute of Pathology and Medical Clinics of the Superior Veterinary School of Turin, assisted Doctor Bertetti. After two years they announced that glanders was curable, not only in its chronic stages but also in its process of evolution.

The importance of the discovery and the evidence of the results obtained led the two experimenters to ask for a commission to make practical tests of their discoveries. The results fully confirmed the facts announced by Doctors Bertetti and Finzi.

PUT HYPNOTISM TO GOOD USE

Australian Physician Announces That He Has Cured War Stammering by Its Employment.

Writing in the Medical Journal of Australia, Dr. Clarence G. Godfrey states that during the past two years a number of cases have been referred to him for treatment by hypnotic suggestion, in which stammering or stuttering had developed, or had been revived, after years of disappearance, as the result of shell shock or of various war stresses. Sometimes a hypnotized patient has been told to keep on repeating some well-known nursery rhyme and not to cease at the signal to awake, although in the middle of the rhyme, but to keep on talking. He will usually manifest his astonishment at finding himself talking without difficulty. Sometimes a patient will converse on waking without realizing that his stammering has disappeared until his attention is drawn to it with amusing effect. In one case the patient spoke perfectly in sleep at the first attempt to hypnotize him, although he had had a very bad stutter for eight months past, being almost inarticulate. He woke in a few minutes apparently cured and has been free from stutter ever since.

Doctor Fighting Influenza Explains How Curative Serum Went From Patient to Patient.

The prevalence of influenza and pneumonia with their high death rate makes it imperative to resort to heroic methods of treatment rather than to follow the accepted ones only. The lack of serum or other specific remedy for influenza, writes Dr. Charles R. Humbert in the Medical Record, together with the inability to obtain antipneumococcus serum forced me to use convalescent serum.

The Endless Chain.—It is a well-known fact that persons convalescing from pneumonia have anti-bodies in their blood streams. As soon as the patient's condition permits, therefore, they are bled as much and as frequently as possible.

Serum is prepared and treated, and is placed in stock. When another patient comes in with pneumonia, treatment is begun. When convalescence sets in the above procedure is repeated. It is a case of one gives serum to two, two gives serum to three and so on, the procedure becoming endless.

Little-Known Hero.

Of the many stories of heroism during the war on which official records are silent but which are being brought forth with relaxation of the censorship is that of Captain Larcombe of the London (Eng.) district. His job for four years has been to find and dispose of German aerial bombs that failed to explode when dropped on London. After each air raid, and in the early

part of the war there were many, Larcombe and his men would go about the city seeking the "duds." It was dangerous work extracting them from wherever they happened to drop, transporting them out of the city and exploding or otherwise destroying them. During the excitement after a raid few people thought of the bombs that failed to "go off," but all of them have ceased to be a menace to the city.

RIFLE THAT BOONE CARRIED

Old-Fashioned Flint Lock Said to Have Been Brought to Wisconsin Town by Southerner.

Daniel Boone's rifle, a genuine old-fashioned flint lock, carried by Boone on many a perilous trip in the dark and bloody hunting ground of Kentucky and on his famous Indian hunting expeditions, was recently brought into a hardware store in a small town in southwestern Wisconsin for much needed repairs. It is now the property of a Mr. Rafter, formerly of Mississippi, who recently traded his 2,300 acre plantation for Wisconsin property and has moved his effects north. The rifle was given him by a doctor, to whom it had been given by an aged hermit living in the mountains of Tennessee.

The rifle is a formidable affair, a real "long rifle," one of the type that gave the nickname of the "long rifles" to our western frontiersmen. It has a barrel 46 inches long, is 45 caliber, a flint lock with a patchbox of inlaid silver, and weighs ten pounds. The end of the butt is set with a wild boar's tusk, and has the double or set trigger. On the side of the stock are carved with a jackknife the words, "Boone's Tru Fren," on the walnut stock the initials D. B. and five most significant and sinister notches, each notch standing for "one good Injun." At the lower end of the stock is a long and deeply cut gash said to have been cut by an Indian tomahawk thrown at Boone. What happened to the Indian is not recorded.

The rifle, badly broken in shipment, has been repaired and is now on exhibition.—Exchange.

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The Proof.

"Inanimate things are pugnacious as well as depraved." "How do you mean?" "Haven't you ever seen a ship spar or a ballot box."

Children Cry for Fletcher's



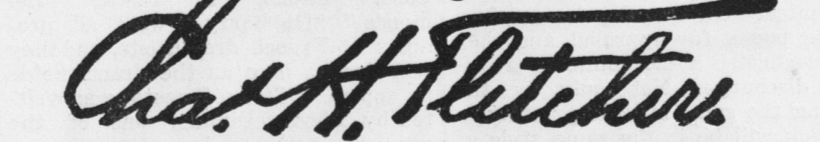
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