

DR. MITCHELL OPPOSED TO COLLEGE FOOTBALL.

Says Too Much Time is Given to Athletics.

In a letter to the editor of the Record of the Senior Class of the University of Pennsylvania, Dr. S. Weir Mitchell takes a stand against college athletics, as now practiced.

"A distinguished surgeon said to me last night that hundreds of men are to-day suffering, and will continue more and more to suffer, from the injuries received on the football field."

"Our sports were less violent than yours. We had no football or races, or contests with other universities, but we played cricket, and played it well, too, and rowed on the river and sparred with the once famous Tom Barrett. We had no game which necessitated the attendance of a physician."

"It is needless to insist on what we missed and what, in consequence, my generation failed to be and to do—it is sadly interesting to speculate on what we might have been—for by this time you must all be aware that without college athletics no nation can long survive. Who can doubt that the discipline of the football field must have been terribly missed at the 'Bloody Angle' and on Cemetery Hill? We played hard in my college days, but we talked of our sports less than you do."

"On the other hand we were enthusiastic concerning the rising literary lights of Tennyson and Carlyle, and had, as I take it, a keener interest in the intellectual life of the world and of the college than exists to-day. You, I fear, care too little for your intellectual attainments, and certainly do not deprecate or publicly honor them or portray them in your class records as you do the baseball teams. As I remember, we regarded our honor men with a certain veneration and took such interest in our society debates as I hope still exists within the sacred walls of my own Philomathean."

"There were other differences: I do not recall even hearing of bets on our cricket matches. Perhaps, however, we may at times have been a little vicious. There were, in fact, certain personal remarks it was not wise to make unless you felt willing to take off your coat back of the college. Nowadays the training in athletics is said to make this vulgar resort needless, and to encourage such amiability as did not exist in the less polished life of my college years."

"It is rather late to say to a graduating class that athletics have to-day too large a place in the life and talk of college men, and that the intellectual athletics of your class, whom in future years you will delight to honor, will owe nothing to the football field or the race track. Athletic sports are meant, as I see them, to insure that the body be made and kept sound enduring sound, so as the better to enable men to meet the demands of our energetic life. A distinguished surgeon said to me last night that hundreds of men are to-day suffering, and will continue more and more to suffer, from the injuries received in football. If this be the result, are we not justified in asking that this attractive sport should be so modified as to free it from the unwholesome consequences which must affect the competency of many active lives?"

Huckleberries Plentiful.

The huckleberries are beginning to ripen and with the recent rain and a few days of sunshine the berry business will be booming. The bushes are well filled and considering the severe drouth the berries are of good size and the yield promises to be equally as large as last year, although the pickers will not be so numerous and this may materially curtail shipments. Pickers too, will insist on the price for picking being kept up to five cents per quart.

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DO RICHES CORRUPT?

Question Discussed by Senator Depew and Dr. Hillis.

Senator Attempts to Explain Why Sons of Rich Men Are Safer from Temptation Than Poor Boys Who Go to the City.

Senator Chauncey M. Depew has taken issue with Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, of Plymouth church, Brooklyn, who said at the annual conference of Orthodox Friends that "We all go to the devil on \$50,000 a year—at least a great many men I know are going to the devil on that sum and few are escaping it."

"It all amounts to this," said Senator Depew, "whether a man has first an inclination to go to the devil, or, secondly, with power enough to resist the temptations that take him there. If a man possesses the first or lacks the second condition he can just as well go to the devil on \$10,000 a year as \$50,000 in these days."

"Families of large incomes give sons a liberal education and it is not from the ranks of these that those are recruited who throw themselves into dissipation. The number of those who attend college who go to the devil is so small as scarcely to be appreciable. It is rather those who come to large cities from the country, sons of families of moderate means, who are apt to go to the devil. This is owing to the discomforts of boarding houses, the attractions of saloons, and the coldness of the churches. A young man who has been accustomed to be petted in his own town and who on coming to the city and going to the church of his own denomination does not find the congregation running to greet him is likely to look for solace elsewhere, and I tell you it takes a greater will



REV. NEWELL D. HILLIS. (Brooklyn Preacher Who Believes That Riches Cause Corruption.)

than most men are gifted with to resist the social influences of the saloon. "The reason so few sons of families of wealth go to the devil is because family influences hedge them in until they are old enough to stand alone, which is when they are about 26, at which age there is little danger of their going astray. The tone of the colleges in which they are brought up nowadays is as hostile to dissipation as formerly it was otherwise. A man who is addicted to drink now is a social outcast. Not one per cent. of the sons of those who have \$50,000 a year go to the devil."

Dr. Hillis was speaking on Oliver Cromwell's protection of religious liberty, and said: "He was the greatest lover of liberty and righteousness that ever led troops into the field to enforce his ideals. To-day we are raising pampered sons and daughters and surrounding them with every luxury and idle satisfaction of desire, and they are rotten before they are ripe."

"I repeat it, they are rotten before they are ripe, and boys in many cases are sinful before they are heard. Sunday has to a great extent ceased to be a day of worship."

Mr. Hillis continued: "Men rise at ten o'clock and drive until 12, eat a dinner of 12 courses, and in the evening hold a reception for their friends."

"Women and children follow much the same plan. They practice the ten commandments with the 'shall nots' left out, and I warn them that in the end they will find that God and nature practice the ten commandments, but the 'shall nots' are left in."

"I cannot pick up a paper but that I see the 400 of this city engaged in divorce suits. Even the oldest families of Boston are in the divorce courts. I tremble for my country when all the work a preacher does at one end in marrying the judge undoes at the other end in the divorce court."

"Culture does not stand for all. You cannot make a bad man good by culture and education, any more than you can improve a well of water polluted with typhoid germs by painting the pump with harmonious colors. If the women of my congregation who are suffering from nervous prostration had the will power to take nine out of every ten of their frocks into the backyard and burn them I do not think they would longer be troubled with their nervous prostration."

Will Not Marry Topers.

Young men who have acquired a taste for strong liquor need not look for wives among the young girls of Wareham, in Belgium, since they have solemnly vowed that they will not marry men who drink. The pledge they took after they had formed a society, which is known as the "Union of Swallows," and the sole object of which is to ward off undesirable suitors. The members are quite as willing to marry as other girls, but they vow that they will remain old maids to the end of their days so long as they give their hands and hearts to men who betray even a moderate liking for strong liquor.

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, June 15, 1903.

Will President Roosevelt have the moral courage to call for the resignation of his "political manager" Postmaster General Payne? is the question which persons familiar with the Postoffice scandal are asking each other. It will be remembered that while Mr. Payne anticipated a perfunctory investigation, he never expected any thorough sifting of the Postoffice affairs and during his absence First Assistant Postmaster General Wynne made representations to the President which caused the latter to order Fourth Assistant Bristow to make a relentless investigation of the alleged frauds. The result was that when Payne returned from Porto Rico he found the Department in a turmoil and was besieged by the guilty ones to put a stop to Bristow's activity. This he was unable to do, since Bristow was acting under direct orders from the President and had already been furnished a wealth of information by Wynne. About this time the President left for the West and now that he has returned he has been placed in possession of extensive evidence showing that Payne had done everything possible to thwart the investigation, as has been related in these letters, and that the Postmaster General has been retained in the capacity of his "confidential clerk" a man, H. H. Rand, who is hand in glove with the Machen crowd, who has used his office to further his private ends and has generally abused his official position. From remarks dropped by the President there is no doubt were he not on the eve of an election he would summarily dismiss Payne but that he will have the courage to do so under the circumstances is doubtful, especially as Payne is the fond protege of Hanns.

The President and his Postmaster General have just been to Cleveland to attend the wedding of Miss Ruth Hanna a daughter of the Senator, and it is regarded as especially significant that Mr. Payne went to Ohio 24 hours before the President, his purpose undoubtedly being to talk over the situation with his real chief before the President arrived. It has been ascertained that Payne now has on his desk a report made by Bristow in regard to the Tulloch charges, which places former First Assistant Postmaster General Perry Heath in a most unfortunate light. Your correspondent, among many others, has made a daily demand on the Postmaster General for a copy of this report but so anxious is Mr. Payne to protect his friend and fellow member of the republican National Committee, that he is even incurring the condemnation of the most loyal republican newspapers, rather than permit the report to become public.

Senator Clay of Georgia, is in Washington, and when seen by your correspondent talked interestingly of democratic affairs. He said, "The names most mentioned for democratic candidate in my state are Gorman and Parker. At one time I thought Parker would be sure of the nomination but Gorman appears to be gaining ground. I do not believe Cleveland will be a candidate, and I think that, if it becomes necessary, he will make an announcement to that effect, I do not think any man can secure the nomination by attempting to swerve democratic sentiment. The candidate will be the man whom the convention regards as most available at the time it meets. With regard to issues, I believe we should present conservative platform. I would not exclude the tariff issue but would not favor sweeping changes that would disturb business. Silver should be omitted entirely. It belongs to the past. I was an advocate of silver and believe in it now, but I realize that the time is at hand for us to make a conservative platform on which all can stand, dealing only with issues of the present day."

An illustration of the bungling manner in which naval affairs are handled these days, is furnished by the recent order issued by Secretary Moody for four war ships to proceed to Chili. Immediately the story was circulated that the ships were sent at the request of the British Ambassador because of the labor troubles in Valparaiso and numerous rumors began to fly. The Chilean Minister, Dr. Walker-Martinez, promptly filed a protest saying there was no occasion for such an expedition and that there

were no serious labor troubles in Valparaiso. Other South American Ministers besieged the State Department, which knew nothing of the proposed expedition, and the upshot of the whole affair has been that the orders have been recalled and that no vessels will go to Chili.

Speaking of naval affairs, it has just been learned that the Nevada has been injured in the same manner as was the Maine, recently. The two 12 inch guns in the forward turret were fired simultaneously and the recoil burst off the flanges of the wheels on which the turret revolves and the turret itself became jammed and useless. The usual investigation will follow and will, of course, disclose the usual incompetence in preparing the plans for this vessel. As the blame will be on the Navy Department the public will be informed that the accident was unavoidable. As the Arkansas and the Florida are similarly built it is believed neither will stand the strain of a similar test and the Government will proceed to expend large sums repairing vessels almost new and which should have been so planned as to resist any strain for many years. Only the firms which will receive the contract for repairs will profit by this carelessness.

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