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The Character of Washington. It is a very wholesome sign of our literary development, of the prevailing correct popular judgment and of our continuing patriotic feeling that the estimate in Prof. McMaster's "History of the American People," of the character of Washington has not passed unchallenged.

Mr. McMaster has performed a valuable work in making his history. It is one that has been long needed and long waited for; and, despite many blemishes and deficiencies, it is a creation, or rather a compilation, of enduring value.

But it does not follow that the conscientious critic or philosophical historian need pronounce a judgment upon the most familiar of our great men that is at variance with that which popularly obtains by the common consent of mankind. In order to establish his reputation for discrimination and impartial analysis.

Washington certainly was not a free-and-easy sort of person, who allowed Tom, Dick and Harry to slap him on the back; and it is true that he had a violent temper, which occasionally got loose from his rein and made him do and say very emphatic things; but that Hamilton and Knox were "the only two men his cold heart ever really loved"; and, that "his fits of anger," or his "rage at St. Clair's defeat," were more illustrative of his character than his nobility in a hundred other scenes of his life, are judgments not supported by the facts of history; and Mr. McMaster gains nothing in repute for historical knowledge by so viewing him.

One of the historian's critics on the New York Times calls attention especially to the affectionate allusions of Lafayette's letters to Washington as affording signs that to that young man and ardent soul at least Washington was not "the cold and forbidding character, with whom no fellow-man ever ventured to live on close and familiar terms." The intimacy of the two commanders began when Lafayette was not yet 20 years of age; and when the 25-year-old Frenchman was wounded, he was in charge of the surgeon attached to the general's own person, to whom Washington said, "Care for him as you would for my son; I love him as such."

It was years after this that Lafayette wrote to Washington in this strain: "To one who so tenderly loves you, who so happily enjoyed the times we have passed together, and who, through the length of the globe, even in his own house, could feel himself so perfectly at home as in your family, I must be confessed to be quite insincere, lengthily periphrastic and altogether unbecomingly complimentary. I beseech you, in the name of our friendship, that you will pardon me for my haplessness, not to miss any opportunity to let me hear from my dear general."

And this was in a letter from Washington to Lafayette after what proved to be their last parting: "In the moment of our separation, upon the road as I travelled, and every hour since, I have felt all that love, respect, and attachment for you, with which the length of your close connection, and your merits have inspired me." "It is unnecessary, I persuade myself, to repeat to you, my dear friend, the sincerity of my regards and friendship; nor have I words which could express my affection for you were I to attempt it."

These are not the sort of expressions that would pass as such to a character as Mr. McMaster makes out Washington to have been. Gladstone would be welcome. If Mr. Gladstone should find himself able to visit this country at any time during the next year, he must come prepared for a genuine surprise at the warmth of the welcome which will be extended to him. Perhaps no man in the world, not even excepting our own public men, has the genuine regard which goes out to William E. Gladstone. His long and conspicuous career, his high character as a man and statesman, and his intelligent sympathy with the institutions and the people of the United States have endeared him to this country in a degree which few men at home or abroad can hope to equal. His later achievements, in particular, have won him this position. Beginning life as "the rising hope of the stern and unbending Tories," he early took himself out of these narrow trammels. For nearly forty years he has been at the front in all discussions which have had for their object the destruction of time-honored abuses or the amelioration of the condition of the people of England. Never a radical, he has always been a progressive man, such as the American heart always forms an attachment for. If he comes to this country, however, he will need his voice, the charm of which has given him his rank as a statesman, and enabled him to maintain himself in position and power.

More Than Discretion. The extreme civil service agitators, who have voluntarily taken upon themselves the task of running the country, are not having an easy time of it. It is only a few days since they were routed in an attempt to dictate to the postmaster of Indianapolis. This rebuff had scarcely been administered when they found it necessary to prefer charges against the new postmaster of New Haven. Now they are in trouble in the New York custom house, where Surveyor Beattie has discharged two men at the expiration of their probationary terms. They protest, and the local agitators are about to take up the matter. These persons and all their associates

would do well to study the civil service law and the rules made under its provisions. If they will do this they will discover that the power of removal is not interfered with. The power of appointment is restricted or regulated; but the right of an official to secure responsible subordinates agreeable to himself, remains and must be maintained. Otherwise, the present clerical force of the government, the majority of whom were appointed merely by the will of senators, representatives, favorites and heads of bureaus, might retain their positions until death had cleared them all out. This can not promote a real reform of abuses, and it was never intended by Mr. Pendleton and the act which bears his name.

The right thing to do is to turn the rascals out, with all reasonable celerity, and put honest men in their places. And the sooner over-zealous reformers come to this conclusion the better it will be for them and the public service.

The civil service act should be executed in letter and spirit. If it is good, it will stand the test. If not, its enforcement will speed its departure.

There are few romances, "founded on fact," that can stand the test of being placed into juxtaposition with the facts on which they are alleged to be founded. A notable instance of this is found in this pretty story of how Mrs. John S. Wise and Mrs. Fitzhugh Lee, received the news of the nomination of Gen. Lee to the governorship of Virginia at Point Comfort. As the two ladies were both guests of the Hygeia hotel at that noted resort. The news of Gen. Lee's nomination reached the hotel when the guests were generally at dinner. As soon as she heard it, Mrs. Wise arose from her table, passed over to Mrs. Lee and, in a hurried manner, she said to her: "I had rather be beaten by your husband than any man living." Mrs. Lee returned thanks and said: "Mrs. Wise, I only regret that both our husbands cannot be elected governor of Virginia at the same time."

SECRETARY WRENTRY, unlike his immediate predecessors, believes that the navy can be run better on a business basis than on one founded on politics.

Dr. C. F. FOLSON, of the Boston City Hospital, has given much attention to the subject of nervous disorders in adults which are laid to the blame of defective schools. He believes that three-fourths of them are attributable to other causes. The doctor seems to be a hard-headed man with some ideas of his own. "That he says of the lack of hair in a woman in this bustling century is worth reproducing: 'The functional diseases and disorders which make life wretched without killing are at least four times as common among women as among men, and there, in my foolish conclusion is the cause. The women are unfit for hard work, responsible duties, and severe mental training. On the contrary, they are driven by their few resources to those branches of industry involving the most worry, the worst air, the least pay and the greatest anxiety, and they are denied the opportunity of vigorous physical exercise and sound mental discipline without which men grow perfectly well that they would be neuragic, dyspeptic and suffering from all that is implied in the expressive word 'nerves.' What they need is more hair, more training, perhaps, and more respect better training of the kind such as the public schools give, more colleges for women, more physical exercise, more knowledge how to take care of themselves, more opportunities in every direction."

There will be a number of very bitterly disappointed people along the line of the South Pennsylvania railroad if that project is abandoned. Some there were who had faith made land purchases and were extending into improvements, anticipating the increased value that would attach to their possessions after a great railroad traversed them. The contractors, too, who have invested much money in costly plants cannot feel that they have been treated with respect for their stoppage and loss.

Southward already have the people of Fulton, Bedford and Somerset become of the proposed abandonment of the line that they intend organizing to resume possession of the land, the right of way over which was purchased from them by the South Pennsylvania company. They justly claim that they gave the right of way on condition that a competing line should be constructed. But to get back their property in its present condition would be to them little or no compensation. Un derstanding the facts as they are, and the high embankments and deep cuts. The Pittsburgh Dispatch wisely suggests to them what is their only proper course: "What the farmers of these counties as well as of the people of Pennsylvania must do, is to take such public officials and politicians that the corporate creations of the state will not undertake to ruin the state and dominate commerce by such combinations as this."

With clear-headed, honest and high-handed outrages like the one contemplated, no corporation, however powerful, would dare attempt.

Where to Study American Character. Catskill Cor. (A. K. M.) in Phila. Times. The American people are fast becoming summer wanderers. Not only from the hot and fetid cities come the many who can afford to seek wholesome air and rest, but the whole country pours out its well-to-do and intelligent people to spend part of the idle summer season in a milder rest and sight-seeing. The place to see the American people of every shade is at the summer resorts. The typical American man, woman, boy and girl are to be seen there, and every phase of American character is there exhibited. There can be no system of learning about the American people, and the average Christian has learned that the average Hebrew has much the same virtues and the same infirmities of all other races. The smaller houses naturally attract congenial people from all the various sections and conditions of life, from the ultra snob to the cheap-lounger, but the great hotels and the favorite regions of resorts, become alike the temple of every race and class. Even Newport has its full share of pretensions and pretensions, and the Catskills swarm with the quiet elegance of the restless ostentation of shoddy, the habits of the dulle and the middle strata of common sense, all jostling each other in the race for pleasure. Summer rest and sight-seeing have become fixed attributes of the American people, and there is no better way to study American character than in the now countless and varied seaside and mountain summer resorts.

WHY THEY FLED. They appointed to meet in the parlor. When all of the guests were asleep, and they parted with sweet protestations, that each the appointment would keep.

They were punctual, just at a second, and their greeting was soft as a breath; and they sat on a lounge in that parlor, where all was as silent as death.

And they yawned in that fashion peculiar to verily under love's charms. She resting her head on his shoulder, and he reclining her waist with his arm.

Soon their eyes to the dark grew accustomed, and then they in terror took wing. For they saw in that parlor, four others, engaged in the very same thing.

From the Boston Saturday Evening Gazette. A Photographer's Prompt Courtship. A would like to see that face," was the remark made by Robert Davies, a traveling photographer from Springfield, Ill., to Miss Stella Stokes, the daughter of a merchant of America, Ga., as he looked at her for the first time through the camera. The lady blushed, and on Thursday consented to come to town with him and get married.

WHEN BILL TOSSED BRICKS.

When Bill had called himself a Portuguese he had poured the last drop from his private vial of wrath on his own head. Bill helped to load the sloop with brick at Haverstraw, and although it was a hot, sultry day and the work was heavy, he never took a drink. The other hands might come back, smacking their lips and bantering him, but he stood firm.

"No use, boys," said Bill, "I did the business for that baby—and once is enough. I have got to be a keener of him. It stands to reason. None you is happy with me, I kin stand as much running as the best of you, but don't you try and rub it in too steep. I hairet the reason you're so sweet, tempered, and mebbe I kin teach some of you manners."

It must be stated that there really was no necessity for Bill's excessive remarks. The hands on the sloop seemed to take in the situation at once, and rather respected the way Bill assumed his duties.

Down the river Bill was thinking what name the child ought to have. Should it be George Washington, Ulysses Grant, or James Lee, the names of his heroes? He thought of the child "Albany" or "Vibbard" was suggested to him. He made up his mind that Molly should have the name of a child. "She's got most rights to him, my mind," then he felt kind of melancholy with the idea that somebody might come later and claim the child. Bill had never read a story book in his life, so no romance of a rich father and mother coming in a carriage to demand their long baby presented itself to his imagination.

Bill became parsimonious, and that week he saved almost every cent of his wages. He begrudged himself even the tobacco he chewed. He only kept sufficient money for his most meagre wants. He never took a drink and decided to be treated. To Molly he gave his money.

So, enough, the little boy, when Bill saw him, had on a new lawyer, and with which Molly exhibited him to her brother!

"He just looks like a daisy, Molly, isn't he pretty? Kind of sleepy, ain't he, Molly?"

"He does sleep a good deal, but that's natural, Bill. Much you know about babies? Bill, with this pile of money, for I ain't spent all you say, and I don't want it and the child don't. His coat for keep is so little, it's mighty good of you, Bill, and now that you've got the bit of clothes. As you say, when winter comes the poor little lamb will thicker things, and they cost more money. Here, I ain't going to let you do that. You'll get your hard-earned wages," and Molly made a motion as if to return the handful of silver.

"But, Moll, just hold hard a minute. He mayn't want it now. Suppose you was sick and I didn't get nothing. You have got to keep it, and I'll give you a new pair of shoes. He's got to go to school, and has got to look as nice as any other boy. He's to be bedecked in the best of the best, nor handling bricks. Don't he do a lot of sleeping, Molly?" inquired Bill anxiously.

"Oh! I don't you keep worrying about him. He's been a good deal better, and with one of them children what talks late in life, and they, so I hear tell, is always the smartest in the long run. Fact is, Bill, I have a surprise for you. He've said a word before yesterday. I was afraid myself he was kind of dumb."

Bill kept right on in the good way he had planned for himself, and never swerved a hair's breadth from his righting bank. Brother and sister contributed to the child's support. In a month Bill was richer than he had ever been before. Then he insisted that Molly should rent a better room. "One she lived in, he said, looked out on a dingy, rickety back yard. 'Stand to reason,' said Molly, 'I ain't got no money, and I ain't got no truck and things a-moving about in the streets. It makes 'em lively.'"

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So it went for another week or two. Bill who was always coming and going, when he left New York for a trip up the river, was happy, for the child was bettering fast, so he believed.

It was an October evening when, as the brick sloop was being brought up to the wharf, Bill saw Mr. Jones, the captain of the big wooden posts of the sloop. Bill was busy with the bawser, but at once he saw that his sister did not have the child in her arms. "I ain't got no money, and I ain't got no truck and things a-moving about in the streets. It makes 'em lively.'"

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Household Information. Eggs should be cooked either very soft or so hard as to be easily crumbled to a powder.

Allow one teaspoonful of tea for each person, and one for the pot. The same for coffee.

The water in which vegetables of a strong odor have been boiling, as beans, cabbage, etc., should not be used for cooking the kitchen sink, for the odor will ascend through the pipes to the very upper stories of the building.

Mosquitoes, flies and other pests will not, it is stated, enter a room in which the castor oil plant is growing; or if they should enter it they are soon found dead beneath the leaves.

PERSONAL.

MONTEKKA is engaged in translating the tragedies of Shakespeare into Polish. JOHN B. GOUGH was taken suddenly ill on Wednesday night after lecturing at North-Bald, Mass. The symptoms indicate prostration from the heat.

GRANT wrote the following epigram on one of his tablets addressed to Dr. Douglas: "I am not a person, but a name, but a name, a verb is a thing that does, or is, or suffers. I find in myself all three of these."

MRS. M. MOORE, the distinguished prima-donna of the Lyceum at Lancaster as the guest of Mrs. R. Frank Saylor, and will sing "Jesus be Thy Rest Eternal" at the Lutheran church during Sunday morning services.

ORRIN BOWLES, an aged resident of Lisbon, N. H., started to walk home from North Carolina two months ago. Last week he arrived in Oxford, having nearly finished his journey, after he was thought dead by his relatives.

COLLECTOR GARWALDEN, of Philadelphia, has appointed J. W. VAUX, son of Richard VAUX, to be cashier in place of Colonel Sylvester Bonaffon. Mr. VAUX is about 30 years old, and has been in the insurance business.

MRS. SAM. JONES, wife of the noted Georgia evangelist, is a native of Kentucky. She was asked a few days ago if she was not very proud of her husband. She replied that she would rather be Sam Jones' wife than the wife of the president.

THE POSTMASTER GENERAL has appointed William DUFF HAYNE, of Bloomsburg, Ill., chief clerk to First Assistant Postmaster-General Stevenson in place of James H. Marr, transferred to another position. Mr. Hayne is a lawyer and an intimate friend of Mr. Stevenson.

THE LATE CHARLES SPALDING, of Norwich, Conn., left an estate of \$60,000 to \$100,000. He left \$100,000 in special bequests to friends and the balance in trust for his wife for life, then to go to the deserving of Norwich, preference being given to widows.

SENATOR HILL, of Georgia, is said to have received the largest fee ever earned by a Georgia lawyer. It amounted to \$120,000. He left \$100,000 in special bequests to friends and the balance in trust for his wife for life, then to go to the deserving of Norwich, preference being given to widows.

MERLY, the noted French baritone, lately deceased, allowed politics to ruin his career as an artist. He left the stage in 1840, and he was a great favorite at the opera. One evening soon after he began his engagement there, the emperor and empress came to see him, and he sang the "L'Independence ou la Mort" in the imperial box, and during the words at its occupants, shaking his fist in their direction at the same time.

HE FORGOT HIMSELF. How an Unfortunate French Waiter Lost His Situation. From the New York Times. Alphonse, a French waiter, stood on the Montague street dock, Brooklyn, looking gloomily into the water. The hideous sight of the floating refuse of the city, and his nervous limbs. A casual friend halted him with a slap on the shoulder that shook the color back to his pallid cheeks and the firmness of hope back to his knees.

"None of that, now," said his friend warningly. "What's the trouble with you this time?" "Oh, monsieur," sobbed the Frenchman, "I am so ready to kill myself, I do despair!" "What's the row? Is it Marie this time?" "Ah, no, monsieur, not Marie—she is one angel. No—no—no Marie!" "Well, what then? I could die! I have again my situation lost!"

"To be sure, monsieur, but how did it happen?" "I was too good for my own habits, as I remember."

"Alth, thanks, monsieur; most exonerate; I am sure I have insulted you Madame de so house?" "Insulted the lady of the house? You amaze me!"

"Insult to Madame—that what she say, and turn me so red in the face, Oh, monsieur, I could die, I do despair!" "I'll give the story, you fool, or I'll throw you into the river," said his friend impatiently.

"It was this way: I serve in a cafe down town, and my weakness is to get up my best, and well to situation in general. I am poor. I go to one of my boarding house and work hard for my money, and I forget myself, and I eat meat, and do boarders no compulsion obtain. It is hard for me to get on, and I think all the time of my cafe where my situation is."

"The cool weather came, and my boy seemed to acquire new words. Molly weeded at them at times, and thought that she had taught them to the child; but then again the little fellow's eyes were as wide as his, and he would repeat them over and over again, and he would repeat them at first hesitatingly, then giving them a slight emphasis, as if to fix them on his mind, somewhat like a bird that pipes the first faint tune it has heard."

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