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"HOT NOVELS."

Sir James Crichton-Browne, called upon to address a congress of Sanitary Inspectors, spoke of books among other things as possible vehicles of infection. He was not aware, he said, that any book had ever been caught in the very act, "but a book circulated from a public library might have been repeatedly coughed over by a consumptive reader, and so carry a fatal dose of bacilli." In other ways, however, books might be very dangerous, and as something not too remote from the subject in hand the influence of literature itself was touched upon by Sir James as follows:

Worse still was the mental poison of "hot novels" and scurrilous journalistic rags that ought to be touched only with the tongs and dropped in the purifying flames. It was not some literature of the kind which caused so many boys to go astray at an age of peculiar susceptibility.

A PHRASE MAKER.

The late Sir Henry Parkes, who was known as Australia's Grand Old Man, was a coiner of picturesque and impressive phrases. His was "The crimson thread of kinship," which Mr. Deakin used in a message of welcome to Admiral Sperry. Another of those felicitous oratorical inspirations was "One people, one destiny," in which Sir Henry, advocating Australian Federation, crystallized the movement into a captivating phrase of four words that traveled through the length and breadth of the island-continent, and became a really potent factor in the creation of the commonwealth. The Earl of Jersey was governor at the time, and Lady Jersey contributed a poem to a Sydney magazine under the title of "One People, One Destiny."

A CONTRAST IN GAMES.

Golf is a go-it-alone sort of game; indeed no other opponent is necessary than Col. Bogy or your own best previous score. Moreover, nobody can be too young or too old, too rich or too poor to make a round of the links, whereas the grand old men of baseball hardly come to "forty-year" before they retire. Nevertheless, if a man can be too old to quarter over the diamond he can never be too old to sit in grandstand or bleacher and feel the sap of youth stir reminiscences in him as he witnesses the prowess of his youthful successors, for the next best thing to playing baseball is to see it played. The fun of golf is all in playing it. Baseball is good to watch as well. They are great games, both.

LIMIT TO COLD STORAGE.

Cold storage is a scientific process by means of which perishable commodities may be kept in fairly good order for considerable periods. It is a conservator of supplies, a regulator of prices and an insurance against scarcity and waste. To be fair to the consumer and profitable to the warehouseman, however, there should be a limit to the storage, and we should say that fresh fish sixteen months old had gone about as far as it could.

SYMPATHY TEMPERED.

Sympathy for the motorists who are caught by a railroad train at a crossing is always somewhat tempered by the reflection that automobiles are being driven at such reckless paces that they are making dangerous grade crossings of all the city streets. It is none the less the obligation of the railroad companies to eliminate their own death traps, so that all road users, whether they drive horses or propel small locomotives, may be safe.

THE BASIS OF LIFE.

Constant oxidation is the basis of life, and the biologist argues that even should the meagre atmosphere of Mars be composed entirely of oxygen, it would simply burn up the animals that breathed it. The atmosphere there seems to him a troublesome thing to cope with, and he sees little chance for birds unless they are so gauze-like in structure as to float on the exceedingly thin air.

THERE IS HOPE.

Tuberculosis, which in its more familiar form hereabouts is known as consumption, is the insidious disease claiming the greatest number of victims in our mortality list. It is the infection against which our sanitary authorities have issued precautionary decrees. And yet, in its prevention it offers the readiest means of aid.

If a man didn't waste his money on his own favorite foolishness he would on some other fellow's.

PARENTS ARE PRIGS.

The fact is that most parents, educated or uneducated, are hopelessly incompetent to minister to the literary recreation of their children. In the first place, they do not give the object serious thought, and they will not keep in touch with the "movement" in the world of juvenile literature. With all the talk among elders of the Augustan, Romantic, and Realistic Ages, no one has appeared to recognize any corresponding development of taste in boys and girls. Otherwise why should Johnnie have to read "Pilgrim's Progress," when the governor is reading "The Jungle"; or Mary, "Little Susy's Six Birthdays," when the mother is gushing "The Fruit of the Tree"? Partly because Mary's mother and John's father would be stumped to name half a dozen good children's books written within the last ten years. Partly also, because the average parents, especially fathers, are, in relation to their offspring, prigs.

THE THING THAT ENNOBLES.

The scriptural injunction is: "Seekest thou great things for thyself? Seek them not." Men are not appraised among their fellows by the thing that they seek to do and their successes or failure to achieve it. However shining the goal of their pilgrimage, the world will want to know what happened along the way—whether the pilgrim had a cherry word for his fellow travelers, whether he lent a helping hand even though it stayed his progress, whether there was a good report of him in the inns along the way. The thing that ennobles a concrete ambition is the wish to do the service for which honors and responsibilities may provide the opportunity. If those distinctions are sought at the sacrifice of postponement of service they are unworthily sought.

THE READING OF CHILDREN.

Considering the number of children who have been in the world at one time or another it is surprising how little organized attention till quite recent years has been given to their reading. A collection of bulletins from the public libraries of several cities reveals the astonishing fact that juvenile readers first gained official recognition a little over a decade ago. Previous to that time boys and girls under twelve or fourteen years of age were frequently barred from the people's books as irresponsible nuisances. Of course, they always have access to the dull and pious slush of the Sunday School library; but excepting that treatise diet their intellectual fare was much neglected.

TRIUMPH OF SANITATION.

It is highly improbable that such cities as Paris, London, Berlin, or New York will ever again suffer from serious epidemics of cholera. Their sanitation is so good and their prophylactic machinery so effective that the possibility of general infection is extremely remote. Single cases or even groups of cases are, however, likely to creep in despite the greatest care, and such occurrences always create more or less public apprehension and derangement to commerce.

FARMS THE BASIS.

The farm is the basis of our permanent wealth. To lessen the value of farm products is to strike at the heart of our national prosperity, and to neglect the fullest advantages of the farm is to waste irrecoverable opportunities. Modern and progressive farming is what this country needs. The loss of every bushel of wheat or corn that could have been produced by the same labor is a preventable diminution of the wealth of the whole country.

CIVIC ENCUMBRANCES.

The kickers on the farm are not so hard to get along with as the kickers in town. On the farm there is the kicking cow and our long eared mule while in town there is the old mossback who wants all the municipal improvements without paying for them. The cow may be sold for beef, the mule traded for a shotgun, but nothing but a funeral will get rid of the town kicker.

BAD ROADS MEAN POVERTY.

A poor county can be more surely kept poor by bad roads than by any other medium, for poverty is not so much a cause as an effect of disreputable roads. By the same token, the rich county may become poor by neglect of its highways or be preserved in its wealth by jealous care of them.

The Only Way.
The Woman—If I asked you how old you thought I was what would you tell me? The Man—A darned lie, of course.

TEN GREAT CHINESE WALLS.

Dr. Geil Makes Interesting Discoveries of Pigmies North of Tibet.

Dr. William Geil of Doylestown, Pa., has arrived in London after an expedition in China, the main feature of which was tracing the Great Wall for 1,800 miles from the coast of Shanghai to Klayukun, on the northern border of Tibet. He discovered about 200 miles of the wall that has not hitherto been mapped. There was little of the masonry remaining.

Dr. Geil's investigations convinced him that there were at least ten great walls apart from the famous one. Among other things he was able to confirm reports of the existence of a race of Chinese pigmies, wild creatures covered with hair, whose ancestors, according to tradition, were driven or fled to the mountains in the north when the wall was built. The descendants have dwelt in the same mountains for twenty centuries.

Fancies of a Fashion Leader.

Particularly in hats was only one of the niceties of the Earl of Harrington, who, as Lord Petersham, before his father's death, was a leader and inventor of fashions. The "Petersham" greatcoat was his own design and even more than that, for he used to cut out his own clothes and made a boot polish which he declared would supersede all others. He composed his own mixture of snuff, and devoted one room entirely to storing jars upon jars of snuff and canisters of every kind of tea. His snuff boxes were numbered by hundreds, and his meticulous choice led him to reply, when a beautiful Servres box was being admired, that "it was all right for summer, but too cold for winter wear."—London Chronicle.

Approximating European Conditions.

The sight of a woman performing the heavier kinds of labor once deemed fit only for men is still sufficiently novel. Yet the census returns show that nearly 25,000 women are employed as workers in iron and steel. Women find employment as blacksmiths, wood choppers, stovemakers and printers.

Sentiment may depreciate their increase of numbers in industries requiring strength and endurance. But where they possess the requisite physique and are under no illusions as to degrees of respectability in labor it is not apparent why they should not engage in masculine occupations as freely as they like.—New York Herald.

Where His Luck Came In.

Whenever physicians' fees seem extortionate it is comforting to recall a certain famous eye specialist, one of whose patients coming to pay his bill growled: "Doctor, it seems to me that \$500 is a big charge for that operation of mine. It didn't take you over half a minute."

"My dear sir," the other answered, "in learning to perform that operation in half a minute I have spoiled over eleven pecks of such eyes as yours."—From Lippincott's.

A Historic Schoolhouse.

On the Isle of Wight stands the old Jacobean grammar school where Charles I. held his court during the abortive negotiations with the parliamentary commissioners who sat at the old town hall. The schoolhouse stands on the road to Carisbrooke castle, where the king was a prisoner. The royal apartments were in the gabled front facing the street leading to Cowes, and the school room was used as the king's presence chamber.

River of Natural Ink.

The River of Natural Ink is a curiosity said to exist in Algeria. It is caused by the junction of two streams, one of which drains a region strongly impregnated with iron, while the other flows from a peat-bog and holds a large quantity of gallic acid in solution. The union of these two streams causes the iron and gallic acid to combine, and thus produces a genuine ink.

Muzzling a Wolf.

The fighting wolf, that a gash in his throat might be cauterized, was muzzled. "It's easy to muzzle a wolf if you know how," the keeper said. "You just take a good whip, and push the stock at him. He grabs it between his teeth. Then like a flash you make a noose with the lash around upper and lower jaw. And there he is, muzzled. It's a dodge I learned out west when I was cowboyin'."

The hedgehog bounty law in Maine, recently repealed, had an indirect benefit not anticipated. The hedgehog is very fond of partridge eggs, and as a result of the reduction of the numbers of the beast partridges are more abundant now than they have been in many years before.

When the muckraker gets his proper niche in the Valhalla of evolution it will perhaps be possible to say that he found everybody's business nobody's business and left nobody's business everybody's business.

PAPER FROM BAGASSE.

Great Results Claimed for a Trinidad Invention.

Consul-General Richard Guenther, of Frankfort, furnishes the following information, published in a German journal, concerning the invention of a Trinidad planter for the manufacture of paper from sugar-cane bagasse:

For a long time the bagasse had been experimented with in order to make cellulose out of it for paper manufacturing, but without success. It is now reported that a Trinidad sugar planter has, after several years of experiments, arrived at the conclusion that a superior article of paper can be made from the bagasse of sugar-cane, as also of the bagasse of other plants of that district. It is stated that he has erected paper works in connection with his sugar factory at an expense of \$85,000.

The bagasse, after having been three times ground and pressed in sugar presses, is carried, automatically, to the paper mill and is there treated by a process of the inventor. It is then boiled for several hours, passed through rotating millstones, put into the usual machines for manufacturing paper pulp, and afterwards cut up under hydraulic pressure.

Coronation Luncheon.

The most unceremonious coronation snack upon record is undoubtedly that piece of cold chicken which was thrown to and devoured by the late Lord Gwydyr in the gallery of Westminster Hall 89 years ago. But even the authorized refreshment of the highest personages is apt to be rather unconventionally served on these occasions. Queen Victoria tells in her journal how, after she had been crowned, she "repaired with all the peers bearing the regalia, my ladies and trainbearers, to St. Edward's chapel, as it is called; but which, as Lord Melbourne said, was more unlike a chapel than anything he had ever seen; for what was called an altar was covered with sandwiches, bottles of wine," etc., etc. Lord Melbourne took a glass of wine, but the queen does not say whether she took any refreshment herself. — London Chronicle.

The Wisdom of Saadi.

Two persons took trouble in vain and used fruitless endeavors—he who acquired wealth without enjoying it, and he who taught wisdom without practicing it. How much so ever you may study science, when you do not act wisely you are ignorant. The beast whom they load with books is not profoundly learned; what knoweth his empty skull whether he carrieth firewood or books.—From the Gulistan of Musle-Huddeen Sheik Saadi, Twelfth Century.

To Be Looked At.

"Of course, madam, I would not be expected to light the fire?"
"Certainly not."
"Nor sweep the floors?"
"Certainly not."
"Nor attend to the door?"
"Of course not."
"Nor to wait on table?"
"No; I want none of these things," said the lady with her sweetest smile. "The only thing I require a servant for is to look at her and for this you are too plain."—Royal Magazine.

Wears a Bonnet of Her Own.

Adelberg is a town in Suffolk, England, that is not worth much, the men are fishermen and the women keep lodging houses for those who come from the cities for the change of climate. The men are, possibly, too busy to attend to civic affairs, at any rate, they elected a lady mayor, Mrs. Garrett Anderson, M. D. She is a woman in every sense of the word, and would not wear the cocked hat that mayors are expected to wear, but purchased in London a black bonnet instead.

Advantage of the Lower Berth.

"I see that the Pullman Company is going to make a difference in rates between the upper and lower berths."
"Yes, and I suppose the lower berth will be the higher priced one."
"No doubt."
"So that the man who sleeps in the lower berth will have to pay something additional for the chance of getting his face stepped on by the man in the berth above?"

New England Society.

There is a National Society of New England Women that has branches in many of the state, co-operating often with the men's New England societies, but making pleasant opportunities for women to take up the thread of remembrances with one another. Miss Lizzie Woodbury Law is the president, residing in New York.

A King's Bank.

The practice of hiding money away in all manner of out-of-the-way corners is by no means modern. In the old days, according to "Gleanings After Time," secret receptacles were often made in the bedsteads, and contributed both to safety and romance.

The wise man despiseth not applause, but he knows how to live comfortably without it.