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SIDE TALKS.

By Ruth Cameron.

WHAT NO ONE WANTS TO DO.

I wonder if any

man ever

achieved big

things who was

not capable of

intense concentra-

tion.

And I wonder if

there ever was a

man who

achieved success

by his ability to concentrate intense-

ly, who, when he knew he had to con-

centrate on some very difficult prob-

lem, didn't sometimes wish he were a

day laborer working for small hire on

some job where he didn't have to do a

thing but follow directions, so that

he need not push himself to the agony

of that intense thinking.

For it often is agony.

Or perhaps a queer mixture of ne-

cessity and agony and satisfaction.

The Horse That Thought.

When I was a small child and used

to go to visit my cousins, I was al-

lowed to beguile the railway journey

with ten cents' worth of limedrops

and my favorite magazine. The one

stipulation was that, before arriving

at my cousin's home I should get rid

of the magazine, as it was not one of

which my aunt, who had very strict

theories on child rearing, would ap-

prove. And yet it was in that fanta-

stic (but not in the least harmful)

magazine that I read one of the few

stories that have always remained in

my mind.

It was about a man who taught his

horse to talk. The horse finally be-

gan to shoot him because,

along with the power of speech, had

come the power of thought; and the

fact that he could never stop thinking

now—that one thought followed un-

on another in his unaccustomed brain—

meant such acute suffering that he

wanted to get away from it all.

I cannot tell why that story made

such a vivid impression upon a child

of ten but it did. And I often find

it coming to my mind in one connec-

tion or another.

Try It Yourself.

Of course we human beings are

used to the fact that we can't stop

thinking. But most of our thinking

is desultory, wandering. When we

try to think things straight through,

when we try to put our minds on

something and not let them wander

for a second, then we know a touch

of that agony which the imaginary

horse might have experienced.

Try it yourself. Sit down and try

to think through some very trying

problem or to write a very difficult

letter and see how quickly your mind

says to you: "Oh, let's think of some-

thing else now." Haul it back by the

scruff of its neck and push it onto the

problem again, and see how long it is

before it has wiggled free again and

you are lost to pleasant day dreams

probably relating to what will hap-

pen after your still unsolved prob-

lem is happily solved.

The Agony of Concentration.

In an article about Lenin there was

a very interesting passage describing

his power of intense concentration

and illustrating it by telling how he

played chess. When confronted with a

difficult chess problem "he would sit

in a petrified position like a stone fig-

ure, symbolizing the superhuman

strain of thought. On his forehead

forehead little drops of perspiration

appeared. His head was hanging over

the board. His eyes were immovably

fixed on the corner where the main

strategic point of the battle was con-

centrated. Not a simple muscle stir-

red on his face. On his wide temples

bluish veins stood out. His whole

power of will was concentrated on the

pawns and figures before him."

And at the end of this period of

concentration he made a move which

won the game when the syndicate of

"led players" who were working

against him, thought it could not be

won.

"Thinking," someone has said, "is

just what nobody wants to do."

And yet we all of us want the re-

sults of thinking.

Danger of Epidemic Past,

HEALTH OFFICERS DECLARE.

APPEARANCE OF SCARLET FEVER

HERE REMINDS AUTHORITIES

OF CAPTAIN MILKMAN WHO

WAS GERM CARRIER.

The City continues almost free

from infectious diseases, the only

cases reported to the City Health

Department of late being three of

scarlet fever, one patient being in

the Infectious Diseases Hospital at

Rockhead, and none of them appear

to be very serious. The patients,

however, are being kept under ob-

servation, particularly in view of

reports from Cape Breton of scarlet

fever having been communicated to

a number of people through the ven-

dor who supplied them with milk.

According to the reports, the vendor

was, unknown to himself, a carrier

of the disease with which a relative

of his home was affected, and it

was not any lack of care on his part

as to the cleanliness of the milk that

was at all responsible for the com-

munication of the disease to members

of households which he supplied.

But investigation of a number of

cases showed he was the milk sup-

plier and it was learned that a rela-

tive of his had been suffering with

it. The vendor himself did not suffer

from it so the indications all pointed

to him as an unwitting carrier.

Hence care is being taken to prevent

any duplication of that situation in

Halifax and the few existing cases

are being kept in view, while the

milk supply is likewise watched.

The last weekly bulletin of the

Department of Public Health shows

cases of communication diseases re-

ported since the issue of the previous

bulletin as follows:

Chickenpox—Sydney, 2 cases, Hal-

fax 1, Truro 1.

Diphtheria—Afton (Antigonish) 1,

Marydale (Antigonish) 1, Baddeck 1,

Chester 1.

Infantile Paralysis—Halifax 1.

Influenza—Westville several. Stel-

arton 4.

Measles—Sydney 12. Liverpool 2.

Stellarton 12. Antigonish 1. Cape

Breton 12. Truro 1.

Mumps—Westville several.

Pneumonia—Westville 1.

Scarlet fever—Sydney 1. Dominion

2. Amherst 1. Cape Breton 4.

Typhoid fever—Dominion 1. Liver-

pool 2.

Tuberculosis (pulmonary)—Syd-

ney 1. Westville 5. Cape Breton 7.

Halifax 1.

Whooping Cough—Liverpool sev-

eral. Lunenburg County 5. Westville

several. Tarbay, Guysboro, 10.—Hal-

fax Chronicle.

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