

The Silver Lining.

By RUTH CAMERON.



A year or two ago a friend of mine passed through a terrible experience. For several weeks her adored husband lay constantly between life and death; night after night they hardly expected he could live until morning; it almost was a miracle that he finally came back to health and strength. The other day this woman and I were talking about trouble, and she said, "You remember when my husband was sick? Those six weeks were the most dreadful weeks I ever lived through. You see this lock of grey hair? It came to me then. I suffered until I couldn't suffer any more. I would far rather die than go through six more weeks like those. And yet, do you know, even if I could, I wouldn't erase that experience out of my life."

"You see, I never had any real trouble in my life before. Little things, as everybody does, but nothing real and big like that. And it seems as if it had opened my eyes and made me see the world in a different and bigger way. Books and plays mean more to me now because I can understand about the people who suffer as well as those who are happy. And then the people I know and the folks I read about in the papers and see in the streets—why, it just seems as if

I were nearer them all." Experience is a great and wonderful teacher and not only in the sense that it teaches us how to conduct our own lives better but that it teaches us how to conduct our own lives better, but that it teaches us how to understand other folks' lives.

As we are looking placidly out upon some narrow corner of the world the great Teacher—Experience—passes by, wields his staff and leaves us blind with pain, but by and by the pain passes and when we look out on the world again, lo, we can see farther and wider than we could ever see before.

Nor is this true merely of big experiences. Every new experience, big or little, widens our field of vision and broadens our sympathies. Not long ago I had my first experience of hospital existence. I didn't like it a bit while it lasted, but as I look back I wouldn't have missed it, for it gave me a new angle of vision on the subject of sickness and a fuller understanding of what it means to suffer and wait.

To welcome bitter experiences because of the wider sympathies they are sure to give, or to see in them anything but a trial while they last, is beyond human ability. But to fail to get that wider sympathy from experience, and even after the wound has healed, to be still too bitter to value their lessons is surely to be "a stupid pupil in the school of life, well-birched and none the wiser."

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With Real Props

When the Genuine Article is Used Behind the Footlights.

On the eve of the production of "Sealed Orders" at Drury Lane—by one of the coincidences that happen so oddly for managers—a genuine George Morland was discovered among the properties of the theatre.

The painting, which is, of course, worth a considerable sum, will be exhibited at every performance of the drama, making its appearance in the scene representing Christie's famous auction-room. This is by no means the first time that genuine art treasures have figured upon the stage, though up to now, none of them have had newspaper paragraphs all to themselves.

In "The Last of the Dandies," at His Majesty's, the scene representing Lord House, the residence of Lady Blessington, was staged with an absolute disregard of expense as regards real bronzes, real bric-a-brac, real pictures, and real antique furniture. Among the silent performers was a genuine Aubusson carpet, costing \$1,000. Indeed, the carpet in a west-end production is not a thing to be looked down upon at all, and the artistic conscience of the modern manager bids him spare no expense in the acquisition of real "properties." When the Duchess of Stood received the key to her boudoir, the bottle of wine which the pair cracked was brought forth from an Italian cabinet (worth a large sum), for which the management had hunted all over London.

The late Sir Henry Irving, as Charles I. wore a pair of silver spurs which were genuinely "of the period," and would have been prized by collectors. These, together with the antique lace and the genuine medal worn by the actor-knight, represented quite a considerable sum of money. Another of the real properties which figured in the same production was an ancient Jacobean chest. The same chest afterwards played a thinking part in Mr. H. B. Irving's production of "Markheim" at the Lyric Theatre.

The interior of the antique-dealer's shop was well stocked with genuine wares. Some good oil paintings and a few sixteenth century bronzes were among the articles displayed, and a very valuable mounted mirror was copied by Markheim, just before the murder of the dealer. The crime was committed with a dagger dating from the Borgias, with which—thrilling thought!—some genuine tragedies may have been consummated.

On a slightly different plane was the feeling for realism which led a manager, touring Sir J. M. Barrie's piece, "The Little Minister," to travel (technical term) a real farmhouse dresser and a concealed bed—both genuine articles from Kirtmuir, famous alike as the birthplace of Sir James and the original "Thrumms."

There was a curious incident, some years ago, in connection with a piece produced at a west end theatre, concerning an easel. The business of the scene required the usual appurtenances of an artist's studio. One of the players had a relative who was a painter, and he was deputed to borrow an easel. This he did without going through the trifling formality of asking leave—his artistic kinsman being out when he called on his quest, but he was careful to select the oldest and least valuable looking easel in the place. Matters were duly explained afterwards; but the painter looked more perturbed than the circumstances seemed to warrant.

"Well, mind you take care of that easel," he remarked, on parting, "it belonged to Sir Joshua Reynolds, and I wouldn't lose it for a thousand pounds."

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To give plaster casts an alabaster effect, dip them into a strong solution of alum water.

Two tablespoonfuls of granulated sugar to one white of egg will make excellent meringues.

Use warm water to sprinkle starched clothes, and the effect will be twice as satisfactory.

The wood of mission furniture may be safely washed with warm water. After it is thoroughly dry, it should be polished with a good oil.

If grease is well rubbed on the stove before polishing the polish will not burn off so quickly.

When the rug curls up, it can be made to lie flat by making it very damp on the under side.

If a pan in which milk is cooked is rinsed out in cold water the milk will not be so apt to stick.

Blankets after being washed and dried thoroughly, should be well beaten with a carpet beater.

Paint-spattered window glass can be cleaned by melting soda in very hot water and washing the glass with it.

Lacquered brass can be cleaned by washing it in hot water, and a little soap may be added if necessary.

Cut glass will be clear and sparkling if a little bluing is added to the soapsuds in which it is washed.

Elasticity is restored to rubber by soaking it in one part ammonia and two parts clear water until the desired results are obtained.

Ducks to be good must be young and fat. The under bill of the duck is young and will break easily. The breast should be plump and fat.

Dry bran is an excellent cleaner for dainty velvet flowers and woolen fabrics. Rub the soiled spots harder than the rest, then brush it all off.

By slipping stiff collars into a glass or tumbler after they are ironed had allowing them to thoroughly dry they can be made to keep their shape.

To freshen a skirt that has become wrinkled and mussed from packing, brush carefully so that the dust may be removed, and hang over a tub of hot water.

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At the City Hall.

A STORMY SESSION.

The weekly session of the City Fathers took place yesterday afternoon. After the routine business was disposed of some matters were introduced that caused a lively time.

In reply to a letter from the Council, I. G. Sullivan said there was no necessity to inform the Water Department of the fire at the St. John's Meat Market. To prevent a repetition of what occurred at the Burns' fire a few years ago, Councillors Ryan and Mullaly motioned that I. G. Sullivan be instructed to report all still alarms to the Water Department.

Re defective street lighting. The Reid Newfoundland Company forwarded a lengthy report from their Inspector.

Ellis & Co. were granted leave to install motor in cold storage cellar.

P. Feehan, who was burnt out recently, asked to rebuild. Deferred.

An application from E. Brennan for a position on the sanitary staff was filed.

An application from Edwards and Whitty to build a paint shop was referred to the Engineer.

The following was then read from the Citizens' Committee:—

"At a meeting of the Citizens' Committee for Civic Improvement it was decided, before proceeding further, information should be obtained as to existing conditions; and sub-committees were appointed to investigate under the following heads:—

Water, sewerage, street repairing and cleaning, health, taxation, fire protection, lighting, housing, and system of government.

"As much of this information is obtainable only from Municipal records, the co-operation of the present Council is absolutely necessary, and we have been directed by the Committee to ask the Mayor and Councillors to facilitate the work of these various sub-committees by authorizing their staff to furnish any information they may have at their disposal, so that a more intelligent report may be made to the General Committee and the Government, with a view to legislation dealing with the matter in the coming session of the Legislature."

Councillor Mullaly made a motion that access be given to the Council's records and that the officials should prepare any information required by the Committee. He (Councillor Mullaly) believed that the Citizens' Committee were whole-souled and enthusiastic and that much good would be accomplished in the way of improvements as the result of their efforts. Still he was not unmindful of the fact that there were persons who attended a meeting of that committee solely to hold up to ridicule the Council Board. This element, he said, were only in the movement—and he regretted to see them there—because they had an axe to grind, and he had had every reason to believe that some of the men who were talking about the present incompetent Councillors were men aspirants for Commissionerships.

Councillor Ryan expressed himself that while everything should be done and matters made as convenient as possible for the Committee to go through yet he did not see why they should be allowed to peruse the arrears book.

Councillors Myrick and Coaker endorsed what the previous speaker had

said inasmuch as the arrears book should not be given access to and further contended that the Citizens' Committee coming to examine the records of the Council was illegal as the public meeting was not called together in the proper way.

The snow clearing question next came up. Councillor Mullaly thought the whole thing a burlesque. He was informed that ten Water Street people were summoned to court for not clearing the snow from their sidewalks. The Councillor was of the opinion that ten times that number were breaking the law with impunity but that the Inspector was neglecting his duty.

When the storm of the snow-clearing question had subsided Councillor Ryan moved that an increase of \$150 be given to the Secretary and Engineer; \$100 to the Accountant and Stenographer; the Water Clerk, \$50 and the Chief of the Water Department, \$50.

Coun. Myrick seconded the motion.

Councillor Mullaly thought it unfair in view of the absence of the Mayor. Councillor Myrick did not think this so as the matter had been discussed at length at previous meetings. Councillor Martin, who was in the chair, considered such a proceeding outrageous. If the Council had any money to spend it was better to utilize it for the benefit of the public. He would not accept the proposition and asked that it be deferred.

Some cross-firing between Councillors Ryan and Martin ensued. The former asked the latter to leave the chair which he refused frequently. Councillor Mullaly told Councillor

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Martin that the position taken by him was an absurd one and asked him to accept the motion. Councillor Martin still refused.

Councillor Ryan thought that Councillor Martin's attitude was to try and brow-beat the Council and that it was perfectly in order to censure him.

Councillor Myrick said that everybody knew the officials were underpaid, that Councillor Martin's action was unjustifiable and that he was willing to withdraw as seconder in order to save himself and others from being the laughing stock of citizens.

Councillor Ryan withdrew the proposition and in doing so expressed the hope that it would be the good fortune of the city and the Board that Mayor would preside at future meetings. The meeting then closed.

Must Banish Rice

To stop growing rice in certain districts of Colombo is said to be the only means of abolishing the malarial scourge. Reports by Dr. Bahr, who with Sir Patrick Manson and Major James have conducted important experiments in the notoriously malarial town of Kurunegalle, have been published by the Government. It was found that mosquitoes breed extensively in paddy fields, and that rice cultivation is practically inseparable from malaria. The only remedy that can hope to be effective is the abandonment of cultivation altogether. In lakes and pools it has been found feasible to stop the breeding of the malarial mosquito entirely by the introduction of larvivorous fish, but this is ineffective in paddy fields.

Sunday Services.

Cathedral of St. John the Baptist.—Holy Communion every Sunday at 8 a.m.; also on the first Sunday of the month at 7 and 8 a.m.; and 12 noon. Other services at 11 a.m., and 6.30 p.m.

Saints' Days.—Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; Matins, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 6.30 p.m.

Other Days.—Matins, 8 a.m.; Evensong, 6.30 p.m.; (Fridays, 7.30 p.m., with sermon).

Public Catechizing.—Every Sunday in the month at 3.30 p.m.

St. Michael's Mission Church, Casey Street.—Holy Communion at 8 and 12 on the 3rd Sunday of the month, and 8 on other Sundays. Other services, 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.

Catechizing.—Second Sunday of the month, 3.30 p.m.

Sunday Schools.—Cathedral, at 2.45 p.m. Mission Church at 2.45 p.m.

Cathedral Men's Bible Class, in the Synod Building every Sunday at 3 p.m.

All men invited to attend.

St. Mary's Church.—Matins at 11; Evensong at 6.30.

Brookfield School-Chapel.—Evensong at 3 p.m. Sunday School at 4 p.m.

St. Thomas's.—Holy Communion on the third Sunday in each month, at noon; every other Sunday at 8 a.m. Morning Prayer at 11 a.m. Evensong services at 3.45 and 6.30 p.m. Daily Morning Prayer at 7.30, prayer and sermon. Holy Baptism ever Sunday at 3.45 p.m. Public catechizing third Sunday in each month at 3.30 p.m.

Christ Church (Quidi Vidi).—Holy Communion second Sunday, alternate months at 8 a.m. Evening Prayer third Sunday in each month, at 7 p.m.; other Sundays at 6.30 p.m.

Virginia School-Chapel.—Evening prayer every Sunday at 3.30 p.m. Public Catechizing third Sunday in each month.

Sunday Schools.—At Parish Church at 2.45 p.m.; at Christ Church, Quidi Vidi, at 2.30 p.m.; at Virginia School Chapel, 2.30 p.m.

Gower St.—11 a.m. Rev. Dr. Cowperthwaite; 6.30 p.m. Rev. J. S. Sutherland, M.A.

George St.—11 a.m. Rev. J. W. Bartlett; 6.30 p.m. Rev. F. R. Matthews, B.A.

Cochrane St.—11 a.m. Rev. C. A. Whitmarsh, M.A.; 6.30 p.m. Rev. J. W. Bartlett.

Wesley.—11 a.m. Rev. F. R. Matthews, B.A.; 6.30 p.m. Rev. W. H. Thomas.

Presbyterian.—11 a.m. Rev. J. S. Sutherland, M.A.; 6.30 p.m. Rev. C. A. Whitmarsh, M.A.

Congregational.—11 a.m. Rev. W. H. Thomas; 6.30 p.m. Rev. Dr. Cowperthwaite.

Salvation Army.—S. A. Citadel, New Gower Street, 7 a.m., 11 a.m., 3 p.m., and 7 p.m.; S. A. Hall, Livingstone Street—7 a.m., 11 a.m., 3 p.m., and 7 p.m.; S. A. Hall, George St.—7 a.m.; 11 a.m., 3 p.m., and 7 p.m.

Adventist Church, Cooktown Rd.—Regular Service, 6.30 p.m., Sunday and Saturday at 3 p.m.

Bethesda Mission.—193 New Gower Street, Sunday services at 9 p.m., and 7 p.m. Service every week day evening, excepting Saturday, commencing at 8 o'clock.

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