

A Voyage.

WHEN sleep is coy and slumbers flee,
I hasten down to the dream-land sea,
Where Fancy's boat
Dots lightly float
On the silent waters, awaiting me.

I care not where the far shores be
Of the waters that sparkle so bright and free;
I leap from the strand;
And oar in hand,
I ride on the tide of the mystic sea.

I slip away from the cares of day,
And silently drift away, away,
Till dream-clouds dense
Hide the shores of sense,
And the land and the sky and the sea grow gray

Now glides my boat into darkness deep;
No.. cease my oars their rhythmic sweep;
For full in view,
A fairy crew
Is spreading the shadowy sails of sleep.

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Some Missing Rounds.

He has just found it out—away up on the ladder—that there are several missing rounds, and he very much needs them! Rather awkward, is it not? It is hard to supply those missing rounds for this very stubborn reason: there is a heavy hod on his back, and it is filled with brick or mortar, and his hands are already mortgaged. Fancy John, the carrier, halting on the ladder and pulling out a jack-knife to whittle a round while the boss above shouts, "More mort! more mort!" He ought to have taken a ladder that had the needed number of rounds.

Are you aware that some day you may find out that there are missing rounds in your ladder, and that it will interfere with your advancement in life? Put in the rounds now. Put arithmetic in, geography, grammar, writing, spelling—splendid rounds to be under a boy's or girl's feet. If not supplied now, it will be hard to insert them by and by, when your back and brain are loaded with cares.

And what of good habits, what of a good name, what of character? Put these rounds into the ladder now. You will not then be shedding tears over any gaps in life's ladder by and by, nor your advancement hindered by deficiencies now.

A Talk with Young Men.

OBSERVE that pale young fellow crossing the street. You see a good many of that kind just now. Some folks say that it is the climate. The truth is that the climate of America, with a fair chance, produces not only the best complexion, but the best health, in the world. Did you notice the thing he was carrying in his mouth? Well, it is that meerschaum that is doing the work for him. It is busy with three millions of our men.

Let us study one of the meerschaum-suckers. We will take a young man. He shall have money and plenty of time for sucking. Pale, nervous, irritable, thin in chest and stomach, weak in muscle, he is fast losing his power of thought and application. Let us get near enough to smell him. Even the beasts of prey will not touch the corpse of a soldier saturated with the vile poison.

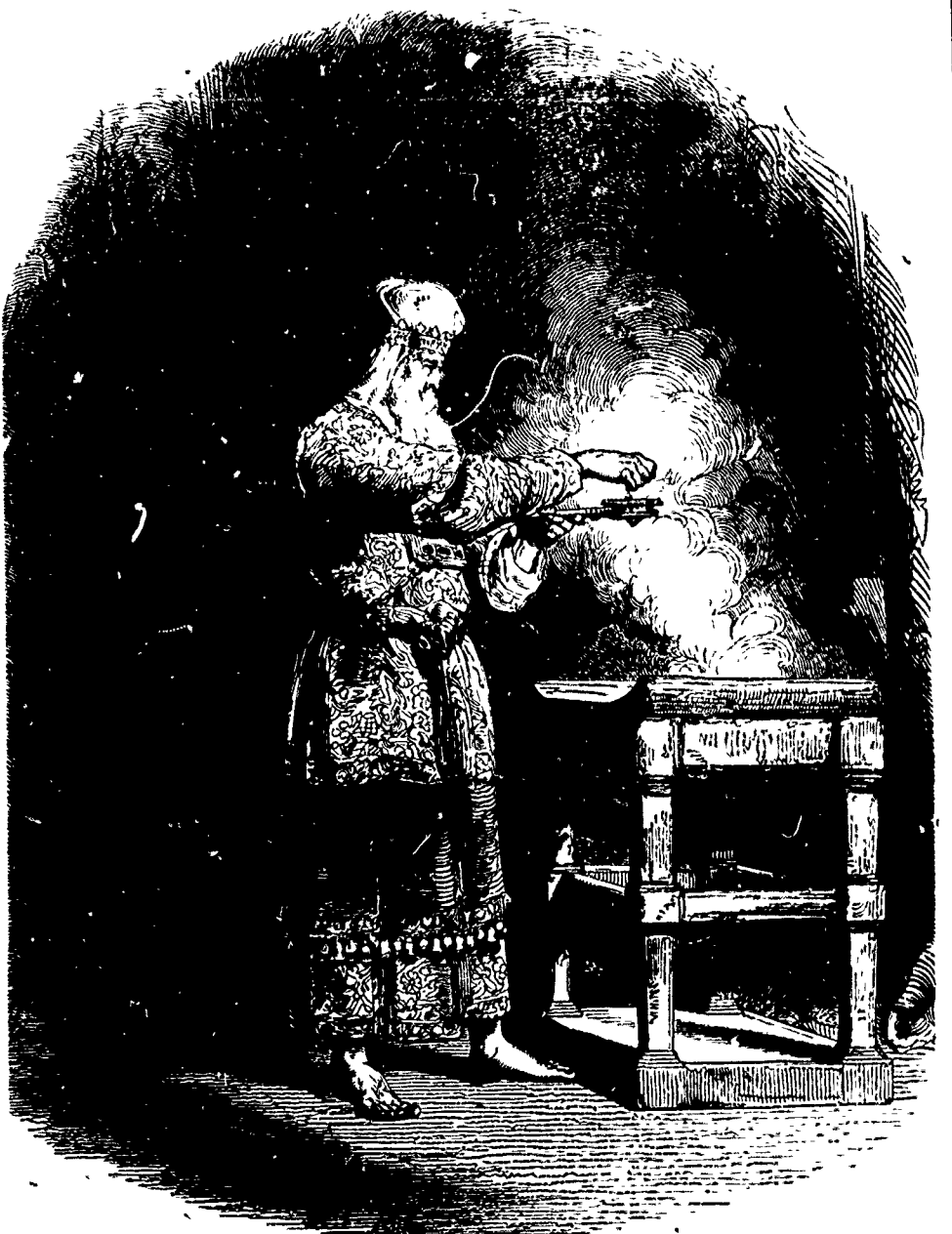
Chowing is the nastiest mode, snuffing ruins the voice, but smoking, among those who have time to be thorough, is most destructive.

Young K—graduated at Harvard (no devotee of the weed has ever graduated with the highest honours at that institution), and soon after consulted his physician with reference to his pale face, emaciation and low spirits. He weighed but one hundred and eight.

"St-p smoking!" was the prescription. In four months he had increased twenty-eight pounds and become clear and healthy in skin, his digestion all right and his spirits restored. One or two million of our young and middle-aged men are in a similar condition, and would be restored to health and spirits by the same prescription. On the whole, the cigar is worse than the pipe.—*Dio Lewis.*

Jewish High Priest.

OUR picture represents a Jewish high priest as he appeared when, in the days of Israel's prosperity, he offered sacrifices in the temple for the sins of the Hebrew people. The clothing that he wore was very beautiful and very costly, and nearly every article had some significant meaning. He wore a long, violet-coloured robe fastened with a belt or girdle which was richly embroidered. The skirt of the robe was fringed around the bottom with a row of little bells and pomegranates and on his breast he wore a golden breast-plate which sparkled with jewels. The turban on his head was snowy white and on the front of it, in golden letters, were these words "Holiness unto the Lord."



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WITH the June number completes the 23rd volume of this MAGAZINE, which is in every respect the most successful yet issued. Of some of the numbers a second edition had to be printed; and the circulation is far ahead of any previous period. The illustrations, too, for number and variety and artistic merit have never been equaled in any previously Canadian periodical.

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"Swiss Pictures," "In the German Fatherland," "In the Carolinas," "Among the Zuni," "Jamaica and its People," "Wanderings in South America," "Picturesque Canada," and several others. The illustrations will equal, if not surpass, any that we have yet presented.

Of the other contributions promised we would invite special attention to Dr. Williams' paper on the "Less Known Poets of Methodism," to articles by Dr. Carman, Dr. Dallinger, Dr. Dewart, Dr. Burwash, Prof. Shaw, Hon. G. W. Ross, Dr. Thos. Nichol, Dr. Daniel Clarke, and others too numerous to mention.

The English Princes at the Antipodes, from the Journals of Prince Edward and Prince George of Wales; Ohivalry, by Rose Elizabeth Cleveland, sister of the President of the United States; and Wesley and his Helpers, by the late Thomas Guard, will also be of special interest. A condensed record of the Annual Conferences and of the approaching General Conference, in a form convenient for permanent preservation, will also be furnished. The present is a very convenient time to subscribe, only one dollar to the end of the year.

It will generally be found that a man's own good breeding is the best security against other people's ill-manners.