

DEATH, THE FRIEND OF PROGRESS.

Russell Sage advises young men in this wise: "Advised live as far below your receipts as you can." While it must be said that in this respect at least, Mr. Sage consistently practices his preachment, there are those of misanthropic mind who will contend that he is not the most exalted example for a young man to emulate. Perseverance is not a positive virtue. It is a subject for serious question if the Lord can love a "near" man, while it is certain the latter is disliked by his fellows. It is perhaps as well to scatter one's substance along life's way to brighten the path as we go. It is better to have nothing and know something than to have much and know little. Hoarded wealth gives nothing of compensation, while very dollar reasonably expended brings an adequate return. Much of soundness of mind must be purchased, and whoever faces the future without a dime still is rich if he has been wise, for the years can never rob him of the rare experience of a beautiful past. As a matter of fact, proved in every-day life, the man who hoards and saves is a nuisance in any community. It is the man who spends who is really the useful citizen. He puts money in circulation, keeps things moving, stirs up business, gives employment, and is a live tissue to the body corporate. But every community has its minor Russell Sages. They keep the world back, make it miserable in their respective and immediate vicinities, and are no good to their friends or anybody else. Here is where nature has shown her foresight. People can hoard and save and deny themselves and those around them the comforts and advantages of modern life for the time being; but the inconvenience is only temporary. Death is the great reliever and when these disease-dispositioned people are swept away as they will be, the good old world will wag along just as fast as ever. Others will spend or lose the money they have hoarded, and all will come well in the end, thanks to Death, for Death is the friend of progress. It will some day sweep even Russell Sage's millions and in a few years more he will simply be remembered as one of the closest men who ever lived and one who did the least possible good while he lived with the greatest amount of money.

PREVENTABLE DISEASES ON THE DECREASE, OTHERS ON THE INCREASE.

The annual report of Dr. Bryce, secretary of the Provincial Board of Health, has been presented to the Ontario Legislature. It shows that during the year 1899 there were 23,426 deaths, which was 10 to every 1,000, probably the lowest in the world.

The great improvement in contagious diseases. Of this form of disease, in 1897 there were 1,755 fatal cases; in 1898 there were 1,527, and in 1899 only 1,094. In 1887 there were 1,786 deaths from diphtheria; in 1894 there were 1,075; in 1897, 976; in 1898, 634; and in 1899, 363.

However, Dr. Bryce closes his report with this note of warning: "Marvellous as by comparison have been the stages of progress in 'life-saving' during the century, it would be idle to suppose that these notable illustrations of life-saving in the matter of so-called preventable diseases are the measures of progress in a life which, not marked by material poverty, may yet be marked by a poverty of practical knowledge, of, and belief in, the effects of these conditions, an artificial life, growing out of that very material progress in the arts which have brought scientific conveniences to increase the comforts of life in the home of every town dweller.

"On its purely material side, it produces the evils of hot-air furnaces, the poisonous products of water gas, the injurious results of electric light on the eye, the disturbances of digestion and nutrition by the enormous consumption of sugars, especially the glucose, and a long line of evils, to which an earlier generation were not exposed.

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Wise people are also rich when they know a perfect remedy for all annoying diseases of the blood, kidneys, liver and bowels. It is Hood's Sarsaparilla, which is perfect in its action. It so regulates the entire system as to bring vigorous health. It never disappoints.

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cer, seeming to be especially associated with those vices of nutrition, are becoming notably more prevalent. "It is apparent to one who would study these current influences that the ascent of Parnassus is difficult for man in any sphere; and during recent years, and not in Canada alone, it has been easy to mark the bearing upon public health work of this false aestheticism.

"Very much might with reason be added to indicate movements inimical to the highest interests of our public health, and we have said enough to point out, with our causes for rejoicing at the progress of a century in the amelioration of human misery, and of the marvellous increase in the means for making the lives of every class more enjoyable, the existence of parasitic growths, which seem like those in Nature to be particularly prone to attach themselves to our most luscious fruits, and to our flowers of the most delicate perfume."

The county council thought it had worked itself out of a job, but now Mr. Justice Falconbridge proposes to give it one improving the court house improvements.

Railway Promoter (Clergue) is to get 1,600,000 acres of Ontario's finest agricultural lands for building a railroad from his pulp factory to the source of his raw material.

The street paving boom in Chatham continues. Another load of broken stone has been dumped on King street opposite the Grand Opera House. It is uncertain yet whether this will be paid for out of the current year's taxes or by the issue of thirty year debentures as a permanent improvement.

Amid the suffering and distress entailed by a great fire like that at Hull and Ottawa there is always one redeeming feature to look at. Such conflagrations usually wipe out the worst built and most dilapidated sections of a city, and make room at one sweep for fine new structures. From a sanitary standpoint they are of incalculable value.

There are for Ontario at present two Separate school inspectors. The Government proposes to increase the number to three, and W. J. J. Twohey, M. A., will likely be the third. In the selection of Mr. Twohey the education department will show excellent judgment, as a more capable and conscientious official for the duties involved in the position could not be found.

Losing Flesh

indicates insufficient nourishment. It leads to nervousness, sleeplessness, general debility, and predisposes to Consumption and other prevailing diseases. To guard against these take

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Calls for aid are coming pretty close together these days.

If the Ross government continues to give this province away in million acre lots to railway boomers, there will soon be none of it left.

The St. Thomas Journal expresses the opinion that the party who are searching for lions in Essex are on a wild goose chase. Doesn't it think the people of Essex can tell the difference between wild lions and wild geese?

In some instances the more pious persons in Hull as a last hope hung out sacred pictures in their doors to try and stay the flames, but even these proved inefficacious. However, they were just about as useful as the Hall fire brigade. It is said to have consisted of a hose reel drawn by hand.

Jim. Conmee appears to be making hay while the government's majority is so small that it cannot do without his support. It is said the measure giving away 1,500,000 acres to a man who at first told the legislature that all he wanted was a charter to build a railroad for his own convenience, is simply a case of hold-up. The Ross government has to submit to the robbery of the province, or lose Jim's vote.

Toronto is talking of a school boys band similar to the one in connection with McKeough school in this city. It is proposed that the school board supply the instruments and the expense of uniforming the boys. Here the band boys supply their own instruments and clothes and do not ask the public for anything except the encouragement they deserve on their merits as a musical organization. The efficiency of the band is due more to the interest taken in it by the Principal and staff of the school and the parents of the boys than by the citizens generally, and yet other cities covet and are willing to pay handsomely for just such an organization.

It seems as if the gas business is on the eve of a great change and development. The patents on incandescent mantles taken out by the famous scientist, Count Leopold Auer von Welsbach, of Vienna, have expired, and will expire before the end of the present year, and the incandescent gas lamps known as the Welsbach and the Auer will become very cheap. Mantles which cost fifty cents apiece in Canada, are sold three for a quarter in the States, and the complete lamps, for forty cents apiece. These lamps, even at present prices, are very economical, as they produce at least twice the light of the ordinary bat-wing burner with the same consumption of gas. The high candle power of the gas is of no use in the Welsbach burner, except to increase the heat and consequent incandescence of the mantle, and it is possible to make a gas of good heating power which will be even better for these burners and for cooking and heating than the ordinary illuminating gas, and which will cost less than half as much.

"No man has more reason to be grateful than a minister, for I know no servant who is more kindly treated," writes Ian MacLaren of "the Minister an Idler." "While there are no doubt, in so large a body as the Christian Church, censorious hearers and ill-mannered congregations, just as there are lazy and cantankerous ministers, yet the average congregation is charitable in its judgment of its minister, patient under his failings, keenly appreciative of any good work he does, and most responsive to all his good offices. There are not many substantial complaints which a sane-minded, and good-tempered minister can bring against the average congregation, but he has sometimes a grudge against his friends which he does not express, but which often rankles in his heart. It is not anything they say nor anything they do; it is the quiet and perhaps unconscious assumption on their part that he has not enough work to do, or that he has a considerable quantity of time at his disposal."

POLL TAX DODGERS CAUGHT.

Wallaceburg News. A couple of citizens were called upon to appear and give reasons why they were not on account of not being so placed should pay poll tax or give reasons why not. They had to put up the poll tax, pay a fine, and pay costs. They have been taught a good lesson.

GONE ON OUR GIRLS.

The Ridgeway Dominion has the following to say of a number of Chathamites who recently took part in a concert in that town. Of course the Chatham Mandolin Club was the chief attraction. The club was represented by Miss Adele McLean, leader, and Misses Angela McDowell, Rene McLain, Josie Eberts, Nellie Rhody, Pauline Rose and Mabel Scott. This bevy of fair Chathamites, clad in white, turned the stage into a portion of fairy land, and they were tendered a most hearty reception. The music was sweetly weird and pleasing to the ear, and every number was applauded. Miss Angela McDowell proved herself an eloquentist of the first rank. She had a fine stage presence and a tenderness of expression that added to the charm of her elocutionary powers. In

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HOW RELIEF CAME

A WELLAND COUNTY MAN'S INTERESTING EXPERIENCE.

He Had Suffered for Years from Kidney Trouble—Many Medicines Were Tried, but Failed—Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Saved Him.

Mr. James Upper, of Allensburg, is a gentleman well known in Welland county. Mr. Upper was proprietor of the village hotel for over thirty years, and no better landlord ever catered to a traveler's wants. Mr. Upper's acquaintance also extends over Ontario as a sequel to his prominence in Orange and Masonic circles. His present occupation is farming and in this calling he has been very successful. Mr. Upper has been a sufferer for years from kidney trouble and began to think him by; but the time came when he found a complete cure and is again strong, happy and vigorous. In regard to Mr. Upper's "cure" and cure said to Mr. Upper: "In 1897 I was afflicted with a severe form of kidney trouble. Previous to this I was slightly afflicted in the same way, but at this time the matter came to a climax as the result of exposure and over-exertion. To say that I suffered does not express it; the pains in my back were terrible. I gradually grew worse and was compelled to keep my bed and for months I existed as though in a hideous dream. I had considerable nausea and loathing for food, was greatly reduced in flesh. The pain grew more intolerable, I got little sleep; was left weak and exhausted, and despaired of getting well. Different remedies were tried without benefit. Finally I was persuaded to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and procured six boxes. This was about March 1st, 1898. I took the pills faithfully and at the end of two months I experienced a slight recurrence of the trouble and again used a few boxes of the pills and now consider my cure complete, as a year has since passed and I have not experienced a pain or ache. I am now able to follow farm work with perfect ease. My wife also speaks warmly in favor of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills as I do, having used them for headache, dizziness and loss of appetite; the pills always giving comfort and relief. Since my illness I have learned that a good remedy is none the less good because its cost was so much less than I expected."

DOLCINO TO MARGARET.

The world goes up and the world goes down
And the sunshine follows the rain,
And yesterday's sneer and yesterday's frown
Can never come back again.
Sweet wife,
No, never come back again.
For woman is warm, though man be cold,
And the night will hallow the day;
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To its work in the morning gay.
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