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EDUCATION AND CRIME.

The greedy rage for other people's property, or as it sometimes appears the "get rich quick" impulse which is characteristic of the present day is resulting in a world-wide increase of crime. From time to time criminal epidemics seem to spread over individual communities and a certain class of investigators jump to the conclusion that there is a general cause which brings about this result. In New York just now the authorities are endeavoring to grapple with a series of assaults; a few months ago the police of several cities were in a panic over Black Hand assassinations. These outbreaks, however, are only local and statistics do not show that there is any increase in crime against the person at present, more than might naturally be expected through the increase in population. On the other hand the number of offences against property and of offences committed by persons who do not belong to the criminal class form an unpleasant factor in the records of different countries. In all criminal courts it is shown that the more serious offences are increasing while petty crime is decreasing and the great majority of cases brought to trial are for offences against property; indeed, nine-tenths of the convictions in Great Britain are of this class and this proportion, high as it is, is steadily increasing. Violence is giving place to cunning, for evidence of this is found in the fact that offences against property accompanied by violence are steadily becoming fewer. The British police authorities attribute this diversion of the criminal habit to education which has converted the assaulting robber into an ingenious thief and many ingenious thieves into highly fraudulent persons. The weapon of offence instead of being a revolver or a club is now a cunning trick, a clever stratagem, a lying prospectus, fraudulent juggling of stocks, embezzlement, adulteration and the like. Now do statistics show that there is a sudden leap upwards at the present time, which may be followed by as sudden a decline. The statistics from various countries for the past six or eight years indicate that there has been a steady crescendo in crime and a particularly rapid advance in dishonesty and theft. It is well known that an enormous number of criminals escape prosecution. Innumerable civil cases in which fraud is alleged the defendant might be tried criminally, but financial manipulations are now so clever that it is often hopeless for the person who has been wronged to attempt a criminal prosecution. Perjury is found on every hand but prosecution rarely follows. The head of Scotland Yard speaking on this subject says it would be dangerous to attribute the increase of theft and larceny to any one cause but he is inclined to the opinion that a great deal of it is due to education which has penetrated everywhere and has taught the dishonest to use their brains, thus leading to many criminal actions which are beyond the power of the police to prevent.

BAND CONCERTS.

A band concert was given last evening on King street east, and was enjoyed by a very large number of residents. Why cannot there be two or three such concerts each week during the summer months? St. John is one of the few cities in the east which utterly fails to provide any such form of entertainment for its citizens, and this is the more to be regretted when it is remembered that this city possesses four or five bands, some of which are really splendid musical organizations. The bandmen are not wholly free from the charge of selfishness in this respect. Frequently they get up affairs for their own benefit and call upon the public for financial or other assistance which is always willingly extended them. In return it might reasonably be expected that such bands would give a few concerts each summer, and with such a start there should be little difficulty in persuading the city, the tourist association, and generous private individuals that a continuation of the entertainment would be judicious. St. John people are given no free entertainment but are compelled to walk aimlessly about or else patronize the theatres. There are many who are too idle to do either, and for pure unadulterated enjoyment, open air band concerts cannot be surpassed. May not a series be arranged for the remainder of the summer?

Sir Charles Hibbert Turpin speaking in Halifax warned the Conservative party to be prepared for an early election. This is not the first time Sir C.

It has proved himself a poor guesser, but with the approach of autumn political gossip is to be expected and an early election is so much more interesting than one in the dim distance.

Earl Grey has successfully withstood one dinner and is not yet complaining of indigestion. He must save his energies for what is before him tonight when the corporation banquet comes on. His Excellency is certainly earning his salary.

Once more a United States yacht has been successful in competition with those of Canadian design. The Seneca is more than a match for the Adela.

WHEN SILENCE IS GOLDEN.

"That reminds me," he said, And he paused for the while When Jones shook his head With an all telling smile As Perkins went through The back cellar door where The rich Mountain Dew Was kept under the stair.

"That reminds me—" A pause Came again to dispel The rest of the clause Of the tale he would tell. For Perkins came out, And he winked his left eye: "Thurs tansy, no doubt, In the yard handy by."

"That reminds me—" But he Quickly ceased his harangue When Jones said: "B'gees! But this stuff's got the tang." And Perkins agreed With a snuff and a snort: "Ole tansy's the weed Fur this here sorter sort."

No words then offended; 'Twere sacrilege, aye, For talk to be blended With Mountain Dew say, Whose rich aromatic Aroma arose To prick the cerebral Keen sense of the nose.

A FALSE PROMISE.

(When the web is on the grass No rain can come to pass. Old Saying.)

"I'll put my old umbrella by. My rubbers fling away; The first that comes to pass. It cannot rain today."

She wore her very daintiest gown, Her filmy hat was white; Within an hour the floods came down—Alack, the precious sight!

Oh, all the jeweled webs were out By trusting off to pass; And shall the little people doubt The fealty of the sun?

THE LABOR QUESTION.

Old Money Bags was staving And thinking day and night, Connecting plans and scheming, And making things go tight. At daybreak he was stirring, At midnight went to bed; For eighteen hours daily He labored with his head.

Seven days a week he labored, With scanty time for sleep, His mighty undertaking In rhythmic swing to keep. And while he thus was toiling In this incessant way, His workmen struck demanding Of him an eight hour day.

Elachen—"Mama, is papa very brave?" Mother—"He is always brave, I hope. But what made you ask?" Elachen—"Because I thought if he was he wouldn't let my governess pull his ears so."—Fliegende Blätter.

Passenger—"Hi, porter! Have you seen anything of my wife and my luggage?" Porter—"I've no doubt I have sir, but as I don't know them I'm afraid that won't help you much."—Bon Vivant.

Friend—"How is your poetical journal getting on?" Editor—"Not well. At present we have 200 people on the staff and eighty subscribers."—Pele Mele.

"My life is made perfectly miserable by my wife's temper." "O, my wife is always the same." "I congratulate you." "You needn't. It's true she is always the same, but she is much worse than yours."—Bon Vivant.

Visitor—"And is your milk good here?" Villager—"Yes, sir, very; we send all that isn't to Paris."

Uncle Pierre—"Yes Toto, it is quite possible that there are people in the moon." Toto—"Well, what becomes of them when there isn't any moon?"—Pele Mele.

CALAMITOUS.

One day a Dutchman, in his shirt-sleeves, was shaving himself before the glass. His hand trembled so that he cut off the tip of his nose. The pain caused him to drop his razor, which fell on his foot and cut out a portion of his big toe. He promptly picked up the fragments, applied them, still warm, to the open sores and bound them up.

A fortnight later on removing the bandages he discovered to his horror that he had made a mistake. He had put the toe in the place of his nose, and vice versa. Now when he wants to scratch his nose he is obliged to take off his boot.—From the German.

A DISTINCTION.

He was young, and thought that he knew much, but he confessed an occasional desire for further enlightenment. This time it was a legal point, and he propounded the question to his counsellor:

Mr. Jacques, can a man get a divorce from his wife because she is not religious? I read the other day that infidelity was a cause for divorce.

HOW TO OBTAIN MORE SUNLIGHT

Proposal to Change the Hands of the Clock

Advance of Twenty Minutes on Four Sundays in April and Recession During September.

LONDON, Aug. 13.—An interesting discussion has arisen in the English and French press as to how a man can make more use than now of the available hours of daylight. William Willett has just published a pamphlet on the subject. He writes: "For nearly half a year the sun shines for several hours each day while we are asleep and is rapidly nearing the horizon when we reach home after the work of the day is over. Under the most favorable circumstances there then remains only a brief spell of declining daylight in which to spend the short leisure at our disposal."

"Now if some of the hours of wasted daylight could be withdrawn from the beginning and added to the end of the day how many advantages would be gained by all, and particularly by those who spend in the open air, when the light permits them to do so, whatever time they have after the duties of the day have been discharged."

"By a simple expedient these advantages can be secured. We can have eighty minutes more daylight after 6 p. m. every day, during May, June, July and August, and an average of thirty-five minutes more every day during April and September. The expedient which I propose is that at 2 a. m. on the first Sunday in May, the clock should be advanced twenty minutes, and on each of the four Sundays in September shall recede twenty minutes."

ANOTHER METHOD.

"Another means of arriving approximately at the same end would be to alter the clock thirty minutes on six Sundays, the last three in April and the first three in September. We lose nothing and gain most substantially. Having made up my mind to be satisfied on four occasions with a Sunday of twenty-three hours and forty minutes long, or twenty-three hours and thirty minutes long on three occasions, the advantages aimed at will follow automatically without any trouble whatever. Everything will go as usual except that the later hours of the day come around which will bring more light with them."

Mr. Willett calculates that on an average 210 hours of daylight are wasted every year by every person. The expense of the artificial light which this time will be saved bodily. A man who left work at 5 p. m. would have as much daylight before him as a man who leaves now at 2.40. Saturdays if he left at 12 o'clock would be equal to stopping under present conditions at 10.40 a. m.

PEERS WERE STARTLED

Reckless Lord Wore Straw Hat in the House

First Time a Peg in Cloak Room Has Borne Anything Less Than a Sil.

LONDON, Aug. 13.—The Earl of Mayo is an innovator of a bold type. The House of Lords has ever been remarkable for its punctilious observance of conventions in the matter of dress, and even the Marquis of Clanricarde, whose whole history shows that he is not afraid of running counter to public opinion or to that of his noble colleagues, has never dared to appear in the upper Chamber except in a tall hat and a frock coat, although it must be admitted that the latter garment sometimes concealed a waistcoat of such vivid coloring that the Lord Chancellor's robes were cast in to the shade by it.

Now, however, Lord Mayo has appeared within the hallowed precincts of the upper House in a straw hat. He did not wear this headgear in the gilded Chamber, but it was seen hanging on a peg in the lobby which the Lords used as a cloak room, and never within the memory of the oldest visitor of member has any hat been seen on these pews save a silk one till Thursday last. This day is, possibly, destined to be a historic date in Parliamentary annals, for on the same day Lord St. Aldwyn sat on the front Opposition bench in a morning coat of light tweed, while Lord Courtney, on the Government side, sported a buff waistcoat, which was almost as startling as some of those in which Lord Clanricarde delighted.

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WIDOW POISONED, DOG DIES AT SIDE

Faithful Animal Licks Deadly Liquid From Owner's Lips as She Lies Dying.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 13.—Mrs. Lena Mason, a widow, thirty-five years old, committed suicide today by swallowing poison in her flat. Her pet dog licked the poison sprayed lips of his mistress and died at her side. The woman left behind her a pathetic letter to her mother in which she mentioned a sweetheart. The police are searching for him to get an explanation. The discovery of the suicide was made by a woman who lives across the hall from Mrs. Mason's apartment. The neighbor entered the flat with no intention of making a call. As she opened the door she became aware of strange fumes, and on further investigation, found Mrs. Mason dead in bed. A tiny fox terrier crawled across the bed as the visitor approached the couch and licked her face. The dog also was dead. It was discovered that the faithful animal had leaped upon the bed, probably as the result of the groans of its mistress, and licked her face. The poison clinging to the lips of the dying woman had been transferred to the animal's tongue.

A letter to the dead woman's mother was found on the bureau. It was addressed to Mrs. Catherine Nicholson, of Yates City, Ill., and reads: "Dear Mother—When you read this I will be in another world. Forgive me for what I have done. It was for the man I love that I have done this, but do not blame him. Goodbye." LENA.

PARIS, Aug. 14.—Londre Halevy, the author and playwright, is said to be seriously ill.

MARSEILLES, Aug. 14.—There is no truth in the report circulated in London that St. Léger Gould, the confessed murderer of Emma Levin had hanged himself in prison.

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PURE TIGER TEA.

DEATHS.

BRENNAN—Suddenly at Glenwood, on the 13th inst., Charlotte T., wife of N. W. Brennan.

FUNERAL on Thursday, the 15th inst., from her late residence, 17 Horsfield street. Service at 3.30 p. m. Coaches taken at the door.

WHIPPLE—In this city, on August 11, at 78 Forest street, Katherine Winifred, daughter of Walter and Margaret Whipple, aged 10 days. Notice of funeral hereafter.

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CHANGES PROPOSED IN INSURANCE LAW

Draft Insurance Bill, Based on Insurance Report is Being Distributed.

OTTAWA, Aug. 13.—The draft insurance bill, a single copy of which accompanied the report of the Insurance Commission, was sent out on Saturday to the newspapers, etc. The long delay attending the general distribution of the bill has excited a great deal of interest in insurance circles. It was reported that it had been decided to discard the bill and that the Hon. A. B. Aylesworth and Mr. Shepley had drafted a different measure. There would appear to be no truth in this report and the bill which accompanied the findings of the Commission will doubtless be introduced in its present form next session. It will probably be referred to a special committee to the House for preliminary consideration.

The proposed act says: "Every Canadian Co. before receiving a license must deposit \$20,000 in securities, and every Company incorporated elsewhere than in Canada, must deposit \$100,000 before being licensed to do business in Canada. A complete statement of affairs must also be filed. This statement of affairs will be made annually. A superintendent of insurance will be appointed, having the rank of a deputy head of a department.

"Besides his clerical duties in connection with the companies, he will visit the head office of each Company in Canada, at least once every year, examine the affairs and condition of the business, and report fully thereon. Special inspection visits may be made, and the affairs of the Company shall always be open to inspection, and the superintendent may examine officers of agents of the Company under oath.

"Once every three years or oftener the Superintendent shall value all the life policies of Canadian insurance companies and other companies doing business in Canada.

"Funds may be invested in the purchase of Dominion or Provincial securities, bank stock debentures, bonds or other securities (not including stocks of any building society, loan or investment companies), trust companies, waterworks, water power, gas, navigation street railway, electric light or power, heat, rolling stock bridge construction, harbor trust or commission, telegraph, cable or telephone, dock, fire insurance or the debentures or bonds of any steam railway which has earned and paid regular dividends, life endowment

or other policies or contracts issued by the company or any other life insurance company, British or United States securities, ground rents, and mortgages on real estate in Canada, and securities accepted by the treasury board as real estate or interest in real property in Canada."

LIVE WITHIN YOUR MEANS.

So apportion your wants that your means may exceed them. With \$100 a year I may need no man's help. I may at least have "my crust of bread and liberty." But with \$5,000 a year I may dread a ring at my bell. I may have my tyrannical master in servants whose wages I cannot pay. My exile may be at the flat of the first lord against me. For the flesh that lies nearest my heart some Shylock may be dusting his scales and whetting his knife. Every man is sadly who spends more than he has. No man is needy who spends less. I may so ill manage that with \$5,000 a year I purchase the worst evils of poverty—terror and shame. I may so well manage my money that with \$100 a year I purchase the best blessings of wealth—safety and respect.—Bulwer.

HOUSEHOLD NOTES.

Never fill a lamp quite full, or when it is brought into a warm room the expansion of the oil will cause it to overflow, and the result will be decidedly unpleasant.

Soda used in the laundry should be dissolved before the garments to be washed are placed in the tub. Yellow stains, which soon form holes, are caused by soda touching wet linen.

Saucepans should be kept clean on the outside as well as inside. To prevent the smoke from sticking rub the outside of a new saucepan with fat before placing it on the stove. Wash with soda fl. ...; scrub with fl. ...; wash with hot water and soda.

If possible leave a wet umbrella open to dry so that the silk will not rot or crease. If it cannot be left open, turn it upside down, so that the moisture will not collect in the ferrule end and so rot the silk while evaporating.

The colored frock or blouse that has become faded with frequent launderings, or from wear in the sun may be bleached to a clear white by boiling in cream of tartar water. The correct quantity to be used to make the garment a pure white is a teaspoonful of the powder to a quart of water.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Aug. 13.—The plant of the International Flax Twine Company at Hazel Park, a suburb of this city, was almost completely destroyed by fire tonight.

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