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("To Every Man His Own.")

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SWITZERLAND DURING THE WAR

THE small neutral countries in Europe have all been sufferers since the war began; some of them have been pillaged, such as Belgium; others shorn of every vestige of independence, such as the Duchy of Luxemburg. Though intact and, so far inviolate, no country in Europe occupies such an embarrassing position as does the Helvetic Republic. Encircled by France, Germany, Italy and Austria, without any maritime outlet, peopled by groups of German, French, and Italian origin, the position of Switzerland is somewhat precarious. Since the beginning of the war, the Republic has kept her army mobilized at a tremendous cost in order to make the belligerents respect her neutrality. And to add to the difficulties, she is absolutely dependent upon the latter for supplies of all kinds. This will explain an item in the public news of a few days ago that Germany had delivered practically an ultimatum to the Republic which presumably has not been willing to become a clearing-house for supplies of cotton, rubber, and other necessities in such quantities as Germany requires. The supplies of Germany have been practically cut off in every other direction; so this item is a positive admission on the part of the Teutons that they now face a disastrous shortage of such supplies.

Switzerland, though neutral has had serious internal difficulties arising from the fact of its composite population, each group being naturally in sympathy with the nation whence it originated. There have been very keen contests between what we may term the Romanesque and Germanic parties, many public demonstrations in the streets, and hot debates in the Federal Assembly. Yet notwithstanding these events, Switzerland has preserved a perfect neutrality.

The French journal *Correspondant* has just given an illuminating chronicle of events in the Republic since the beginning of the war; but it is too long to reproduce in these columns. Two events, however, we mention as significant of conditions existing in the Republic, proving the intensity of feeling which exists in the rival camps,—the severe condemnation of corporal Amann representing one faction, and the punishment of colonels Egli and Wattenwyl representing the other. These were responsible for certain army "scandals" or, in other words, they made certain revelations regarding the constitution of the Swiss army. These revelations, in the case of Egli and Wattenwyl, were made to the military attaches of Germany and Austria-Hungary.

When the facts became known, they were regarded as a violation of the country's neutrality; and the Federal Council was requested by the State Council of Geneva to punish the delinquents as

REVEILLE BY CALCAR

YESTERDAY we spoke of the false ideas which popular writers entertain of success. Let us examine this question a little closer to see if we can detect a something more worthy of the crown of success than the grotesque thing which those false and superficial judges have set up for example. We would reveal a something more ideal in its nature than this brazen idol, whose worshippers, to reach its feet, trample upon, insult and ignore.

We will have to ask the readers of this column to revise their standard by which they estimate a man's success. We think this is necessary because the standard for success is regarded, as a general thing as the standard of dollars and cents. This idea of a man's worth is the universal idea, for in a hurried and thoughtless way we take our opinions ready made from one another, never troubling to analyze them. The habit of thinking is becoming a lost art. We think about as much as a flock of sheep, that blindly charges pell mell hither and thither under some impulse that is the very opposite of reason.

A hiss or any sudden and unexpected noise will set a flock of sheep in a blind stampede. We are pretty much the same and politicians are the ones who know this and make use of it. How often are the voters stampeded, carried out of their reason, and off their feet by some senseless jingle of words or shibboleth.

A false idea of values has taken hold of the popular mind, and may be it will entertain people a bit to learn how peculiarly this is so when we come to place the badge of success upon the breasts of men. What is in the popular conception the successful man. It is he who has accumulated the most dross, commonly called money. We give the laurel wreath to the man who can show the biggest bank account, who owns the most stylish and commodious house or automobile. Him, only we adore. Ignoring him of greater worth perhaps, who lives in a cottage and trudges his way on foot. If the getting of wealth were the great aim of existence then of course we do right in honoring him who has fulfilled this great plan for which he has been created. He is the great success, but all thinking men must cry out in horror against so crude and blasphemous a doctrine.

Who is the successful man? Is it not he who has rounded out his life in an honest endeavour to live according to the teachings of religion, and he who has fulfilled to the utmost of his ability his duties to church and state. Is it not he who manfully keeps up the fight against whatever odds, and either dies in harness or gives in only when the arms fall from his weakened grasp. This applies to him with wealth as to him without distinction, for in the scales in which men are weighed money has no power to effect the beam, and the poor man weighs as much as the rich, and the rich as the poor, if only their virtues are equal.

Walking down one of our city streets the other day, the writer beheld an aged man sitting by his humble door, evidently enjoying the warmth of the breeze which fanned his furrowed cheek and blanched locks. Being in contemplative mood we watched him for some time as he abstractedly lifted his walking stick and let it fall in rhythmical beats upon the flat stone which formed a low step to his door. We wondered what were his thoughts as he watched the children play about him.

Did his thoughts wander back to the days of childhood when he

severely as possible. What adds considerable interest to the question was that the German press commenting upon the punishment meted out to the offending colonels declared that the "faults were considerably exaggerated, and that the punishment inflicted was severe beyond measure." This shows how the Germans were working in Switzerland in order to seek out the weak spots of the Republic, with a view doubtless to playing the same game there as they did in Belgium. Then there came another incident,—the tearing down of the flag from the German Consulate at Lausanne by a young Swiss who doubtless had French sympathies. The difficulties seem now to have passed away; and Switzerland's neutrality is beyond question.

too played around the chair of one as aged as he is now; likely enough, and then just as likely memory again trod the troubled paths that led from the golden days of the then to the grey declining evening of the now.

Likely he was a fisherman as the majority of his countrymen. In this case he was tossing again on the sea or perhaps treading the frozen pans, and in either case enduring privation and facing untold dangers. There was little variation in the monotony of his life. He wrestled with the storms year in and year out. The finny harvest, which by his unremitting toil he garnered from the ocean, he exchanged for food and clothes, and the few simple luxuries which the fisherman can get. He worked hard and honestly paid his debts. He gave of his meagre savings quite generously to support of his church and the help of those more distressed than himself.

He married and raised a family, toiling late and early to support a noble woman and their children. To the best of his ability and not sparing himself in the effort he looked after the well-being of his offspring. If his toil brought him nothing but the means to balance his accounts, leaving nothing to put in bank, may be it is because some swollen "putter-over," got more than his just share of the product of his toil.

His evening now finds him with nothing of wealth such as the world in its superior way puts any value upon, but let us ask, is it just to call that man a failure, while you put the crown of success upon some putter-over, who is largely responsible for the poor man's indigent condition. To flaunt wealth and to extol its possessor as the very cream of manhood and salt of the earth is just and injurious to the honest toiling poor. Not that, mind you, that all the poor are worthy of esteem or that all the rich deserve no praise. What we object to is this giving of praise indiscriminately to wealthy men, while with as little discrimination forgetting that many of the poor are worthy of all praise. They bear the heat and burden of the day with splendid fortitude and toil on in the face of every grim-cisaged disappointment, keeping their faith in God and the light of hope still burning.

As an example of what the popular writers, those whose warped brains conceive such grotesque phrases as "hacking a way to destiny" wish us to bow the knee of adoration to, take some fellow from out the crazy throng that makes a bedlam of some of the great exchanges. Take one of those greedy money-mad creatures from say Broad Street, New York. He is poor, and every day passes unnoticed. He is "hacking his way to destiny," but as he has not yet been rewarded for his hacking, those who see every virtue in the rich are not disposed to notice him.

Some day he hacks a good hack and wealth is rolled into the lap of the new god in the temple of Mammon. Straightway the stinky creepers who bring their devotions to the feet of the wealthy discover that this man is possessed of all the virtues, and he is crowned a peer among men. This is how those fake writers do their own particular hacking to destiny. They hack down the true temples wherein for ages men have offered praise to noble worth and set up altars of idealistic beauty, and in their place they build temples to Mammon and their high priest is bloated wealth.

Those hackers at ideals forget the scripture example of the unhappy fate of the rich man and the happy end of poor Lazarus, who when the deed was carried by angels into the bosom of Abraham. Many cannot buy one necessity of the soul, and in the words of one of the greatest essayists of the last century, "superfluous wealth can buy superfluities only." Superfluities may possibly be regarded as ornaments in a material sense, but the soul cannot put them on.

RUSSIANS ROUT AUSTRIANS

PETROGRAD, July 6.—The Russians have cut the Delyn-Korosez railway, the principal line of communication for Austro-German forces defending Lemberg and have routed the enemy on the right bank of the Dniester, according to an official statement issued by the War Office.

ONLY 27 WERE LEFT

LONDON, July 6.—A Canadian officer in a London Hospital stated when he started in the recent attack he had one lieutenant and 144 men under him. At the finish the lieutenant was dead and he himself badly wounded and only 27 men were left.

HINTS FOR COD LIVER OIL MANUFACTURERS

In order to enable Newfoundland exporters to compete on favorable terms with Norwegian oil, it is very desirable that an effort be made by the best manufacturers to make a lighter coloured oil than what has been made in the past, even by the best manufacturers. Dark color is caused mainly by over-steaming the livers, or by steaming them too long before dipping off the oil, and this must be carefully guarded against if our oil is to hold its place in competition with Norwegian oil. If you take a pride in the quality of the oil you manufacture and want to make this industry a permanent one for Newfoundland you must not try to boil every drop of oil out of the liver and try to pass it all off as refined oil. You must dip off only the nice light coloured oil, and keep the darker oil separate, and let this darker oil sell on its merits, either as a cattle feeding oil for which it will pass if perfectly sweet, even though somewhat dark, or as common cod oil.

Expect Declaration Actual Blockade

LONDON, July 5.—Neutral diplomats express the belief that existing Orders in Council will be superseded by the declaration of an actual blockade. In pursuance of Britain's avowed intention of strengthening her legal position. No evidence of any actual change in the administration of the blockade has been procurable since the announcement of the abandonment of the Declaration of London, however. The increased economic pressure on Germany, which has recently become apparent, is due, according to best informed neutral diplomats, to the British campaign in Holland and Sweden, resulting in the purchase of products which, otherwise, probably, would have found their way into Germany.

GLEANINGS OF GONE BY DAYS

JOHN McNEIL born in Scotland, 1842. Market House first opened, 1850. Father O'Neil, Trepassey, died, 1861. John V. Nugent appointed sheriff, 1863. Brig. Titania lost near Cape Race; the mate was drowned, 1880. William E. Wood admitted to Bar, 1892. Duke of York married, 1893. William Mews married, 1893. John Howley died, 1892. Miss Morison (daughter of Mr. D. Morson) died, 1899. Rev. Edward Galway visited St. John's, 1892. Gerald Fitzgibbon won bicycle race at Quidi Vidi, 1899. Halifax sent \$6,000 for relief of St. John's fire sufferers. The Imperial Government sent \$5,000 for the same purpose, 1846.

ARMY AND NAVY MEN RETURNING.

By the express which is due here at 4 p.m. there will return nine Naval Reserve men and four of our boys in khaki on furlough. They will be taken, on arrival, in autos to Government House and will be favorably welcomed back by the Governor. Included in the number is Dr. Parsons of Hr. Grace.

Scanned That Way.

Albert—"Pa, was Robinson Crusoe an acrobat?"
 Pa—"I don't know. Why?"
 Albert—"Well, the book says that after he finished his day's work he sat on his chest."

ACT OF SCOUNDREL

About 8 o'clock Tuesday evening a man stood near the entrance of the dry dock and acted in a most brutal manner. His attentions were particularly directed to children passing that way. Only when some boys who were passing threatened to call the police did he decamp. The bestial conduct of this brute in human guise should not go unpunished and if we get his name as we have been promised we will not hesitate to hand it over to the police.

SCHOONERS FOR LABRADOR

The Energy, Martello, Beulah, Exotic, Tidal Wave, N. Duncan, Strathcona, Reginald, Daisy Minnie, Ada C. Young, Annie B. Ophir, Elmo Gordon, Halley's Comet, Mayflower, Gerfacon, M. P. Cashin and Sea Lark, left Twillingate within the last few days for Labrador. The Anti-Confederate, British Empire, Polster, Speed and Vigora also left Hr. Main.

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N.F.L.D. PUPILS TAKE PRIZES

On the 3rd. inst the annual distribution of prizes took place at Mount St. Vincent Academy, Halifax, when the following Newfoundland young ladies took prizes:

Miss Mollie McNamara, Silver Medal for Sewing—Senior Division, Silver Medal for Domestic Science. Prize and Certificate for Instrumental Music. Honors in Christian Doctrine, English, French, Algebra, Arithmetic, Botany.

Miss Kathleen Farrell—Silver Medal for Penmanship. Special prize for General Games.

Miss Nellie Power—Bronze Medal for Typewriting.

Miss Pollie Byrne—Prize for Music.