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LIVING IN CITIES

Residents Are Not as Neighborly as in Country.

Life in Metropolitan Municipalities Is a Battle for Existence, With No Time for Sociability.

"Who, then, is my neighbor?" the man "in the city pent" asks himself, as he regards a row of similar house fronts and reflects on the fact that he has only a nodding acquaintance at best with the majority of the inmates.

Interdependence is fostered by the conditions of living in the country. Ordinarily we do not need the help of the next house, near or far. But let fire come, or a destructive storm, or a predatory visitor, or a serious illness, and the neighbor may be as welcome as angels, says a writer in Philadelphia Ledger.

City life is often a battle of the strong, because there are crowds and there are many mouths to feed and many shuffling feet to be shod. If we let ourselves think of it, the vast multitude of identities striving to establish themselves is almost terrifying. Where did so many people come from? Where are they all going? How are they to find a lodging for the night? Each of the moving swarm is the center of a circle of friends. The humblest, unless deeply unfortunate, has ties that bind him to earth and make life—in a degree—dear to him.

Out of the pagan wilderness to the urban lights and roarings comes bucolic youth. What will the city do to that unsophistication? Or in what way will its rugged, innocent power in time come to prevail upon the city?

Your shrewdest, hardest captain of business closes his eyes at his desk and is taken back to murmurous water brooks and bees, to the aroma of hay, of kine, of burning leaves, to the sound of the whetted scythe or the sight of baked apples in the window of the woodshed.

Why can't they brown flapjacks or bake beans or concoct apple sauce or cook oatmeal as they did down on the farm?

The table was always big enough for the unexpected guest. An egg or a quart of milk was no such great event as it is in a city. There used to be time, too, to settle the affairs of the borough and the nation, to discuss Florence Greeley and to wind the clock, between supper and early bedtime.

We have filtration, and the vacuum cleaner, and the servant question, and all the other city advantages. But it was something to know the neighbors, and somehow or other "the men that were boys when I was a boy" mean something in a lifetime that the brisk, ambitious, clean-shaven, up-pushing generation does not convey. It would do these take-it-or-leave-it fellows good to study the large, leisurely, tranquilizing ways of their forebears in the days when "civilization" was not on a tear from the cheap lunch to the bargain counter, and home was not a way-station betwixt the joyride and the moving pictures.

Dispersing a Crowd.

"I have just come back from forty-eight hours' duty in Paris," writes an officer in a Highland regiment. "My servant and I, both in the kilt, were buying some stuff outside a shop, as one does in Paris, when a crowd of about twenty people gathered round, and simply stared—some amused, some open-mouthed, and some doubtless in admiration. I was amused at first, but it got a bit too much of a good thing, and my servant, who is a wag, said: 'Shall I hand round the hat, sir?'"

So, not thinking he would, I said: 'Yes, do,' and—if he didn't whip off his Balmoral and take it round perfectly seriously, with a childlike expression on his face. They cleared off all right, some grinning, and others looking very sheepish. But we got nothing."

Prepare to Care for Themselves.

Nowhere have the French shown their remarkable national vitality more striking than in the way they have kept up the pursuits of peace while bearing the brunt of the most exacting war in history. So far from having their industries broken by conflict they have developed scores of new ones, writes a correspondent. An exhibit now being held in Paris is given over entirely to products manufactured in France, which were formerly imported. The first division consists of articles formerly brought from foreign nations, largely from Germany, while the second is made up of articles formerly made in the northern French districts now occupied by the invader, which are now being manufactured in southern France.

Interesting Experiment.

Experiments just completed by two French scientists have reopened the

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controversy whether rudimentary manifestations of life can be produced in inorganic matter. These men took a glass tube containing a solution of colloidal silica, sealed it by melting the glass and subjected tube and contents to a high temperature, long enough to sterilize them thoroughly, according to all current ideas of sterilization. The tube was then kept moderately warm for two months, and when opened the contents were full of living bacteria. Objectors contend that the colloidal silica probably operates to protect bacteria originally in the solution from the effects of the heat sterilization.

Watches, Thick and Thin.

Although some of the early watches were very small in circumference, they were thick, and the front and back fairly bulged so that they were more the shape of an apple than a cookie, which they really resemble today. The waferlike watch is an invention of very recent times, and the process of thinning it is even now going on. The obvious advantage of the thin watch is that it can be placed in the belt or pocket without making a bulge. If watches had always been worn round the necks they might still be spherical rather than disklike in shape.

Substitute for Sugar.

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"Number Four!" cried the sergeant; "what's the idea of all that mugging?"

"Why," said the recruit, a former movie actor, "you want me to register hate or fury or something don't you?"

Back-Handed Comfort.

"They say men of brains live longer than others."

"Don't worry about that, dear boy; you may be one of the exceptions to the rule."

Getting Even.

Because the newly-commissioned major on the way to Toronto looked like ready money the porter had been very active in his attentions. His movements were of the "hot-foot" variety whenever the officer appeared to require service. Also he was careful to address the major as "gin'ral." And when the train neared the Union Depot and, following the assiduous use of the brush, the sable servant discovered himself in the possession of a dime, he was equal to the emergency. He clicked his heels together, saluted and remarked, "Corporal, Ah tank yo', sah."

His Comment.

An amusing story of an ingenious Canadian sailor comes from the Y.M.C.A. hut in the Strand, London. The waitresses are most of them American ladies, who, of course, give voluntary service at the canteen. The other day a sailor proffered a tip to the "waitress" when he had finished his meal, and it was refused. "What! Have you really plenty of money?" said the sailor in astonishment. She assured him that she had, but was somewhat taken aback when the sailor, looking her up and down, remarked: "Well, you don't look it."

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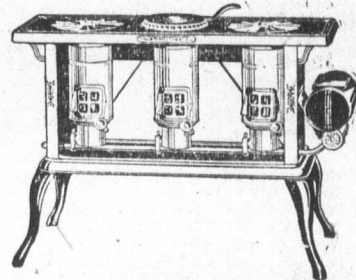
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