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FAMOUS GEMS OF PROSE

A PERSONAL TRIBUTE By Robert G. Ingersoll

AGAIN we are face to face with the great mystery that shrouds this world. We question, but there is no reply. Out on the wide vast seas, there drifts no spar. Over the desert of death, the sphinx gazes forever, but never speaks. In the very May of life another heart has ceased to beat. Night has fallen upon noon. But he lived, he loved, he was loved. Wife and children pressed their kisses on his lips. This is enough. The longest life contains no more. This fills the vase of joy. He who lies here, clothed with the perfect peace of death, was a kind and loving husband, a good father, a generous neighbor, an honest man—and these words build a monument of glory above the humblest grave. He was always a child, sincere and frank, as full of hope as spring. He divided all time into today and tomorrow. Tomorrow was without a cloud, and of tomorrow he borrowed sunshine for today. He was my friend. He will remain so. The living oft become estranged; the dead are true. With him immortality was the eternal consequence of his own acts. He believed that every pure thought, every disinterested deed, hastens the harvest of universal good. This is a religion that enriches poverty; that enables us to bear the sorrows of the saddest life; that peoples even solitude with the happy millions yet to live—a religion born not of selfishness and fear, but of love, of gratitude and hope—a religion that digs wells to slake the thirst of others and gladly bears the burdens of the unborn. All wish for happiness beyond this life. All hope to meet again the loved and lost. In every heart there grows this sacred flower, immortality is a word that hope through all the ages has been whispering to love. The miracle of thought we cannot understand. The mystery of life and death we cannot comprehend. This chaos called the world has never been explained. The golden bridge of life from gloom energies and on shadow rests. Beyond this we do not know. Fate is apocalyptic in destiny is dumb, and being secret of the future has never yet been told. We love; we wait; we hope. The more we love the more we fear. Upon the tenderest heart the deepest shadows fall. All paths, whether filled with thorns or flowers, end here. Here success and failure are the same. The rag of wretchedness and the purple robe of power all difference and distinction lose in this democracy of death. Character survives; goodness lives; love is immortal.

A PAROLE PLAN THAT WORKS

Effective System in the New Jersey Reformatory—Sixty Per Cent. of Young Men Released on Parole Become Useful Members of the Community—Charles S. Moore Tells Story of Success

Charles S. Moore, chief parole officer of the New Jersey Reformatory, believes there is no truth in the old saw "Once a thief, always a thief." He believes in giving a man a chance. "After eight years' experience," he says "I think the parole system is successful. The first time a man is paroled in September 1, 1910, to parole prisoners. They have started on the right way to give the convicted man an opportunity to redeem himself. "The inmate of the New Jersey Reformatory who was paroled in 1909 now holds a good position as a travelling salesman, at \$3,000 a year and commission. He has a wife and two children. He was committed for "breaking, entering and larceny." He almost killed the owner of the house before the parole could be given. Until he was paroled, he had never worked a full month. He was sent to the reformatory for grand larceny. He made up his mind that he would not live up to the rules. He was one of those we call "bad ones." A change came over him all at once, and he made up his mind that he was going to be a good man. After while he earned his parole and later a full release. Today he holds a position in the fire department of a large city. "People are always ready to criticize when a parolee makes a second mistake. It is impossible to be successful with every case, but 60 per cent. of those from this institution who are paroled are successful. After 15 per cent. of the cases is unknown, 5 per cent. relapse, and 20 per cent. have neither bettered their condition nor have they committed a second offense. "Some, while on parole, make the best of men, and when granted a full release, knowing there is no check upon them, fall again, and commit crime. The longer they are kept on parole the better are the results, because they understand that if they violate their parole conditions they will be brought back. "Teaching the Prisoners "In our institution those who are unable to write their names when admitted are allowed to leave until they have learned to write a letter intelligently. We try to give the young men as much elementary knowledge as we can. We have more than three hundred a year. No one is permitted to leave until suitable employment has been found for him, and the employer must know who he is, and sign a form stating that he will try to help make a man of him. "I have never found an employer who in need of help would not give a parolee job. I have had as many as a hundred job opportunities to prove themselves. I have had many a man, working as laborers, ironworkers, and electricians. They receive the same pay as the regular employees. "There are two things which make a boy bad, too good a home and too bad a home. One young man I know is the son of a man who has a fine business, with a number of men in his employ. He had plenty of spendable money from his mother. She found that the boy at last had more than she could give him. Next he robbed his father's store and sold goods to get money to buy cigarettes, and for movie pictures. The father suspected one of his employes and had him arrested. This man told the police and the father what the son had been doing. The father lodged a complaint against his son for "breaking and entering." "The young man was paroled in due time to suitable position. About a month later his mother wrote that she had taken him away from his work and was going to keep him home and pay him three dollars a week to be a good boy. I found other employment for this young man and instructed him that if he did not keep this position he would be returned for violating his parole. He kept this place four months and the next day was returned to the institution. Today he is a regular employe of a man and has settled down. He has a pleasant home, three children, and a good trade. He is only one step away from release for two years. Effect of a Bad Home "Another case will illustrate what I mean by too bad a home. A boy who was sent to the reformatory for highway robbery in his home and was paroled to his home, which was not fit for a parolee to enter. The father and mother were both smoking day pipes, and three or four men were drinking. It was one

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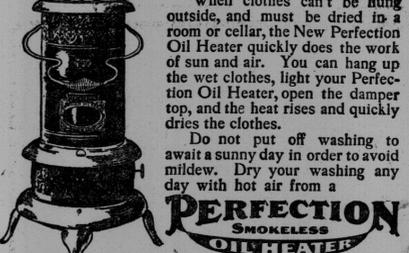
Was Able, Too, to Pay For Language Lessons and Ate Well Enough to Gain 60 Pounds Weight

New York, Dec. 24—Edward Fielding, who at the time was a "super" in the Metropolitan opera house, measured his daily living for three years. On an income of \$7 a week he was able to take lessons in German, Italian and French and bank \$10 a month. "It's easy," he said, "if you make yourself adhere to your schedule. I weighed only 122 pounds when I started and now I weigh 180 pounds. Last September, I got a better job, and while I pay a little more for my room, I adhere generally to my schedule, am paying off some bills I owe and am still banking money. "After I had saved a few dollars I invested in a \$200 first mortgage bond. I said \$10 a month for writing the best analysis of the third act of a play. That helped me some. When I wanted to buy a book I would go for money, and I would combine that with my lunch and save 10 cents. In two days I had 20 cents which would purchase a book. "If you know where to buy things in New York you can buy more cheaply than anywhere else in the world. Look at this suit." Fielding stood off and squared his shoulders. "Doesn't it look like a \$15 suit? Well I bought it for \$8 brand new. I paid \$3 for my overcoat and I keep all my clothes up in shape. "Mr. Fielding gave a list of things he ate and what he paid for them. He also gave these rules: "Pick out the morning restaurants that are invariably cheap. Different restaurants have special dishes. This is what he ate: Breakfast—Two eggs, two french rolls, butter and coffee—10 cents. Lunch—Lentils, corn and cabbage, bread, butter and coffee, 10 cents; or hamburger steak, fried potatoes and bread and butter, 10 cents; or beef steer, bread, butter and coffee, 10 cents. Supper—Soft shell crabs, bread and butter, 10 cents; or fried scallops, bread and butter, 10 cents. Variations—Pig's knuckle, sauerkraut and potato salad, 10 cents; Hungarian goulash, bread and butter, 10 cents; spaghetti, bread and butter, 5 cents; bean soup, or potato soup, or split pea soup, 10 cents. Fielding named many restaurants where he had eaten during his three years. Then he gave the following schedule: "Learn to say no when you think you want more than your stomach can stand, then stick to it. "Play a limited game—namely, limit your expenses to a certain amount per day. "There is too much money spent on extravagant meals. I ate nothing but plain money eaten that on liquor. "Don't eat by the clock; simply because it is 12 does not make it necessary to dine. Let your stomach be your guide, only eat when you are hungry, and eat only enough to satisfy the craving. "Mr. Fielding is 40 years old, clean-cut and healthy looking. He is a working timekeeper in a large uptown hotel. He says that although his pay has increased, he keeps pretty close to his old schedule, and is still studying his languages and banking \$2.50 a week.

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BIG OPIUM SEIZURE

Ten Chinese and \$5,000 Worth of the Drug Captured in Buffalo. Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 24—In a raid by federal officers here \$5,000 worth of crude and smoking opium was seized, ten Chinese, including laundrymen, restaurateurs, keepers and merchants were placed under arrest, and as a result, an opium ring alleged to have been operated on a large scale was broken up. The charge against the prisoners is that they were connected with the crude opium into smoking opium without paying the internal revenue of \$10 a pound on the latter. The time of crude opium seized here, no customs stamp, indicating the officers stated that they had been smuggled into the country. The raid was made by L. S. Nutt, of Pittsburg, special revenue officer of this district, on information furnished by John Lord O'Brien, United States district attorney. Mr. O'Brien learned that a large quantity of crude opium was being shipped here from Rochester, N. Y. Two revenue officers under Mr. Nutt and ten police officers made the clean-up, which occupied two hours. In several places the Chinese were found busily engaged in boiling down the crude opium. MARINE NEWS: The C. P. R. steamer Empress of China arrived at Hong Kong at 9 a.m. Thursday. Schooner George Pearl, which arrived yesterday from Boston, will lay up for the winter.

CAPE TO CAIRO TRIP TO BE TAKEN IN AUTO

Berlin, Dec. 24—The Neuste Nachrichten states that a journey is to be undertaken through Africa from Cairo to the Cape in an automobile. The travelers, the well-known geologist, Herr Muller and Lieut. Detlef Schmaude, are supported in their enterprise by the government. The object of the undertaking is to prove the utility of the motor for transport purposes in German Africa. The car to be used on the journey is to be especially constructed with double tires and movable rims. A trailer will be towed, the wheels of which will be only 3 feet 3 inches in diameter. Gallagher Trial Put Off New York, Dec. 24—The trial of James J. Gallagher for the shooting of William Edwards, street cleaning commissioner, while the latter was trying to protect Gallagher on August 9, last, has been postponed until January 3. The postponement was on motion of Prosecutor Pierre P. Garven, who said that two of the physicians who had been called into the case by the state desired more time for the examination of the accused man to determine his mental condition.



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