

A LONDON OLD BOY'S MEMORIES OF DICKENS

[Thomas Martindale, Philadelphia.]

A man now fifty-five years of age, with rapidly whitening and thinning hair, mailed me a torn piece of the editorial page of The Advertiser, dated Feb. 7, 1912, some few days since. I carried it around in my pocket for a week or more, and tonight I read the editorial entitled, "The Dickens Centenary."

The time when the man of fifty-five, who sent me the clipping, and who is one of the brightest among many bright men who have left London, was but a youth and working upon The Advertiser. He had come into possession of a copy of Pickwick, and he revelled in its pages by day and by night.

It was my custom then to walk from my place of work to my home—a distance of a mile. Now to walk that mile home, back again, and eat my frugal meal and saw and split a few sticks of wood, left no time for stopping or idling. Frequently on my road back I would meet the stuttering boy on his round home for his dinner. Then he would fairly shout—"Tom, have you read about Sa-sa-sam-in Wei-l-er and the widdler?" "No, I haven't."

"Le-le-le-t me t-t-t tell you ab-out it," and I had to wait until he emptied himself of the story.

The next day it would be a repetition in the recital of some other portion of the immortal book. But I changed my route, yet only to fall into the clutches of another enthusiast of Dickens, who would stop me to tell of the adventures of Martin Chuzzlewit, and of the rich good humor of the optimistic Mark Tapley. This last one, however, had learned some of the passages off of "art," as he called memorizing, and I vain must see and hear him declaim the wonderful story.

The weather was sometimes bitterly cold, and I yet have recollections of my restlessness during these friendly "hold-ups." Ah, what a deal Dickens had on the youth and "grown-ups" of the land then. How the jokes were told over and over, and how we used to recite the famous court scene in the trial of Pickwick; how we would shout "Chops and Tomato Sauce for two!"

"The Boy at Mugby Junction" was another classic favorite. "Miss Whiff," "Miss Pitt," and "Mrs. Smit" were to our minds real, living women of flesh, and "Our Misses," with dilated nostrils, "take a fresh, crisp, long, 'Well,' said Our Misses, the whitest and best flour. Cut it longwise through crusty penny loaf, made of the whitest and best flour; tie a smart piece of the middle—insert a fair and nicely-fitting slice of ham; tie a smart piece of ribbon round the middle of the whole to bind it together; add at one end a neat wrapper of clean, white paper, by which to hold it." And the universal French refreshment sandwich bursts into our disordered vision.

There was Popsy for you that everyone could understand.

About this time an occasional elocutionist visited London Town, and one of the favorite readings that was often given was "The Burning of Newgate."

From Barnaby Rudge. There's a story now that would curdle "yer" blood and make you lie awake for hours, going over and over again the wonderfully dramatic situations that followed each other as fast as the brain could take them in and digest them. Listen to this:

"The clash of iron ringing upon iron, mingled with the deafening tumult that sounded high above it, as the great sledge-hammers rattled on the nailed and plated door; the sparks flew off in showers, men worked in gangs, and at short intervals relieved each other, that all their strength might be devoted to the work; but there stood the portal still, as grim and dark and strong as ever, and save for the dints upon its battered surface, quite unchanged."

How strong and yet how simple were the words the Master used. The boy or girl, in the beginning of their teens, could grasp their meaning, as well as the men and women of mature age.

But I started to praise an editorial and my reminiscent thoughts have run away with my purpose.

MAKING PEACE; A SERMON

[By Rev. Dr. J. H. Jowett.]

What is peace? First of all it is well to remember that it is not the opposite of tumult. We have somehow got it into our minds that peace is described by such words as serenity and quietness. It is regarded as the ever-quiet, the ever-peaceful, the ever-peaceful passing sense of the great American prairies by night. The noise of the engine, the shrieking of the whistle, the ringing of the bell, the general rumble of the train kept me awake far into the morning we came to a stand, out on the wild, spreading plains. And the quietness was almost startling. But it was not peace. Peace is not the quietness of stagnation. Serenity is a symptom of peace. It is not peace itself. When we make peace we do something that may produce quietness, but the quietness is not the peace. What then is peace? Peace is the opposite of dislocation. A tiny wheel in my watch may get out of its socket. There is quietness, but that it not peace. When the wheel is adjusted, and the dislocation is ended, the quiet, rhythmic movement marks the recovery of peace. Peace is the opposite of disorder. It marks the ending of perverse relations. Peace

is harmony with the Divine order of things.

Now let us see what this implies. First of all, peace is blissful harmony with the Father's will. That truth is gloriously obtrusive in the life of Christ. Again and again the Master refers to His own perfect harmony with the Father's will. "I came not to do Mine own will, but the will of Him that sent Me." "My meat it is to do the will of Him that sent Me." "I and My Father are One." There was no dislocation between the two wills. There was perfect adjustment and perfect harmony.

And, secondly, peace is healthy communion with the Father's children.

Dislocation in the one relation inevitably produces dislocation in the other. We are selfish and angular. We do not "fit in" to one another. We are isolated items, not the confederate parts of a family. When the Fellowship is despised, brotherhood is ignored.

And, thirdly, peace is delightful relation with the Father's world. I am convinced that no one who is dislocated from God can enter into the secret delights of the things which He has made.

If we are out of harmony with the Maker we shall be out of touch with His creation. The Bible abounds in suggestion that a restored humanity implies a wonderful unfolding of the glory of the natural world. "All the trees of the fields shall clap their hands." "The desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose." "I will make a covenant between me and the beasts of the field." "All things are become new." And so peace is harmony with the Divine order of things. It is open communion with God, with God's children, and with God's beautiful world.

Christ came on the holy business of

THEY ALL FALL FOR IT



making this peace. He came to end the dislocation by making us right with God. And He dealt at once with the cause of the dislocation. He was more than reformer; He was Redeemer. He probed beneath social wrong to personal sin. He grappled with the only cause of alienation and dealt with the guilt and power of sin. He made peace with the blood of the cross. He smote the deadly thing by the vital energies of sacrifice. "We are made high by the blood of Christ." He is the great peace-maker, and blessed be His name.

Our Part In It.

And we, too, are to be peace-makers if we would share the blessedness of our Lord. And what is to be our part in the sacred business? What instruments can we use in bringing dislocated souls into harmony with the Divine? We have a gospel of peace. We have a spirit of peace. And we have our own blood, which we can

MOTOR LINER IN LONDON

New Epoch in Ocean Travel—
Steam Coal Superseded
by Oil.

London Daily News: London was visited on Feb. 28 by the first large ocean-going vessel driven by oil engines. Except that she is without funnels, there was nothing in her outward appearance to distinguish her from steam-driven liners. As she sailed gracefully up the Thames on her way to the West India dock, the only remark offered by river men was, "There goes some poor captain who has had bad weather in the channel and lost his funnel."

Yet the advent of the first motor liner, but a recently materialized dream of the marine inventor, marks a new epoch in the history of ocean travel. The Selandia, the name of the newcomer, is as notable a pioneer as was the first paddle-wheel steamer that left the Clyde, or the first Cunarder that crossed the Atlantic. A vessel of 7,400 tons dead weight, she was built for the Danish East Asiatic

Company, and is making her maiden voyage from Copenhagen to Bangkok. She is the first of twelve big motor liners that are building or are about to be built in this country and in Germany. Her estimated speed with full cargo is twelve knots, but during her trials she attained a speed of thirteen knots through base ice. She is driven by two main Diesel motors, each of 1,250 horsepower, and two auxiliary motors, each of 250 horsepower.

Many famous engineers visited the Selandia as she lay berthed at the dock. No coal smoke can prevent her from putting to sea. She carries no coal, she has no boilers, and no coal bunkers, and her clean, smooth decks and white hull are free from soot and ashes. Thousands of tons of petroleum, her fuel, are stored in tanks at the bottom of the ship, and she has sufficient on board to carry her to Bangkok and back. The exhaust fumes escape through pipes fitted to the mast at a height of nearly 50 feet from the deck.

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Passenger accommodation, which is reminiscent of that of a millionaire's yacht. Electrical cycles add to the comfort of the dining and smoking saloons. Each cabin is fitted with a mechanical settee, which may be converted into a bed, a washstand, a writing table, and a chair.

With the remarkable success of the Selandia, a new ship-building contest may be said to have begun. The Jutlandia, a sister vessel, is nearing completion on the Clyde, and a motor liner which will be the largest afloat, with 8,000 tonnage, is being constructed in Germany. But the Danish East Asiatic Company has now ordered two motor liners, each of 10,000 tons, and other companies are beginning to realize that the motor-driven liner may soon become a serious rival to the steam-propelled vessel.

GENEROUS EMPLOYER

Welcomes Lloyd George's Insurance Bill, and Will Pay Over
£4,000 Yearly.

Sir Jesse Boot recently announced at a large meeting of the employees of Boots, cash chemists, Nottingham, England, that 5,000 of the employees had expressed a desire to join an approved society which is to be formed under the new insurance act.

Sir Jesse stated that something like 6,500 employees would come under the act. The contributions for the firm would amount to over £4,000 per year. Sir Jesse said that the act, health and sense of security of the employees, would not be grudging. (Applause). The Government scheme proposed that in the case of sickness for the first 26 weeks 10s for men, and 1s 6d for women. He hoped to be able substantially to increase this amount, probably amounting to, say, 14s per week for men, and 16s 6d for women. (Applause).

A number of the staff who were paid a fixed salary, had expressed anxiety as to what the firm intended to do. It had been the custom in all cases where the employee had been any length of time with the firm, and given good service, to continue their salaries when ill unless they had been away for a very long period when they had made special arrangements. Last year the firm paid over £1,500 in salaries to employees who were away ill.

"We do not propose to alter our attitude in this matter," said Sir Jesse. "To every employee belonging to the club we will pay the full salary when ill, we will add a sum to the amount he draws from the society, and make it equal. Thus, supposing a young clerk was allowed 10s benefit under the act, and he had 20s in wages, we should add 20s per week, and in addition he will get free medicine and medical advice."

PRIMITIVE IDEAS OF HYGIENE.

Hindu ambassadors once sent to England by a native prince were regarded as so polluted that on their return to India they were to be burned again would purify them, and they were accordingly dragged through a gold image of the sacred Yoni.

A writer describes a curious custom of the Barotsse in South Africa. A few days after the death of a man the doctor comes and makes an incision on the forehead of each of the survivors.

Death Follows the Surgeon's Knife

Surgery is the fad in medical treatment, and many doctors still recommend a surgical operation for piles. Too often the results are fatal to the patient and even when the operation is a success there is not always a cure.

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ors of his relatives and fills it with medicine to ward off the contagion and the effect of the sorcery that caused his death.

Leland calls attention to a custom of taking medicines on the threshold in ancient Tuscany, the idea being that the threshold was the border line between the outer world, where evil spirits freely roamed, and the inner world, where the soul must be destroyed or thrown away as well as everything which had come into contact with the deceased.—Dietetic and Hygienic Gazette.

A READY GIVER.
[Housekeeper.]
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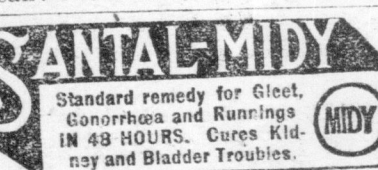
to contribute a quarter of it."

"Oh, well," said Mr. Titewad, hastily, "I don't mind giving an other quarter. Can you change a half?"

WELL OFFICERED.
[Life.]
"Mamma, who is in command of the army of the unemployed?"
"The captains of industry, my son."

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