

GHEAP KNOWLEDGE

WHEN at times it happens to me that I get to be weary of the sun, and to find the fair apple of life dust and ashes at the core—just because, perhaps, I can't afford Melampus Brown's last volume of poems in large paper, but the performance comes upon the million—then I bring myself to a right temper by recalling to memory a sight which now and then again in old days would touch the heart, and which, in the long, dark winter evenings, outside some shop window whose gauntlet flared brightest into the chilly street, I would see some lad—sometimes even a girl—book in hand, heedless of cold and wet, carelessly jostling passer-by, of rattle and turmoil behind and ahead, about their happy spirits far in an enchanted world; till the ruthless shopman turned out the gas and brought them rudely back to the bitter reality of the street.

For myself, public libraries possess a special honor, as of lonely wastes and dragon-haunted fens. The stillness and the heavy air, the feeling of restriction and surveillance, the mute presence of all damned, "all silent and all damned," combine to set up a nervous irritation fatal to quiet study. Had I to choose, I would prefer the windy street. And possibly others have found that the removal of checks and obstacles makes the path which leads to the divine mountain-top less tempting, now that it is less rugged. So full of human nature are we all—despite the Radical missionaries that labour in the vineyard.

But even when the element of human nature has been fully allowed for, it remains a question whether two of Free Libraries will evolve or is not the one that the world most desiderates; and whether the spare reading and consequent fertile thinking necessitated by the older, smaller results is not productive of the good results of the newer, larger ones.

And whether he take to literary expression by pen or only way the tongue of him, the grocer's boy of letters is sure to prove a prodigious bore. The Free Library, if it is fulfilling the programme of its advocates, is breeding such as he by scores.

After all there is balm in Gilead; and much joy and consolation may be drawn from the sorrowful official reports, by which it would appear that the patrons of these libraries are continuing their reading, with a charming unanimity, exclusively to novels. And indeed they cannot do better; there is no more blessed thing on earth than a good novel, not the least merit of which is that it induces a state of passive, unconscious enjoyment, and frees the reader to go out and put the world right. Next to fairy tales, the original world-fiction—our modern novels may be ranked as our most precious possessions; and so it has come to pass that I shall now occasionally pay my five shillings, or ten shillings, or whatever the money is not wasted in training exercises of the subjectivity of this writer and the objectivity of that, nor in developing fresh imitations of dead discredited styles, but is righteously devoted to the support of wholesome, honest, unpretending novel-reading.—From "Pagan Papers," by Kenneth Grahame. London: John Lane, 3s. 6d. net.

THE WEEK'S ANNIVERSARIES

April 7.—Canada discovered, 1499; St. Francis Xavier born, 1506; Sir William Davenant, poet, died, 1668; William Wordsworth, poet laureate, born, 1770; William E. Channing, founder of Unitarianism in the United States, born, 1780; Sir Francis Chantrey, sculptor, born, 1780; Giambattista Rubini, "the greatest of tenor singers," born, 1795; Rev. William Mason, poet, died, 1797; William Godwin, novelist, died, 1836; Most Rev. Randall Thomas Davidson, Archbishop of Canterbury, born, 1848; D. McNeill, former Vice-President of the C. P. R., born, 1852; Hon. T. Aracy McGee assassinated, 1868; Lloyd Osbourne, American author, born, 1868; P. T. Barnum, showman, died, 1891; April 8.—Easter Sunday, Ashura, 1898; Lorenzo de Medici, died, 1492; Dr. Thomas Gale, divine and editor, died, 1702; Edmund C. Genet, first Minister from French Republic to United States, arrived at Charleston, S. C., 1783; Dual between Heil Clay and John Randolph, 1826; Albert King of the Belgians, born, 1875; Anglo-French Treaty signed, 1904; First Parliament of the Chinese Republic met at Peking, 1913.

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April 10.—Toulouse, 1814; Hugo Grotius, Dutch writer, born, 1628; William Hazlitt, English critic, born, 1778; Admiral John Byron died, 1786; Dr. Erasmus Darwin, poet, died, 1802; Benjamin West, American painter, died, 1820; "General" William Booth, founder of the Salvation Army, born, 1829; Alexander Nasmyth, Scottish painter, father of James Nasmyth, and painter of the one authentic portrait of Robert Burns, died, 1840; John Howard Payne, author of "Home, Sweet Home," died, 1852; Father Damien, missionary to the lepers at Molokai, Hawaii, died, 1889; April 11.—Pope Gregory XIII, reformer of the calendar, died, 1585; Treaty of Utrecht signed, 1713; Christopher Smart, poet, born, 1722; George Canning, statesman and contributor to the Anti-Slavery Cause, died, 1826; Charles E. Hughes, reformer, died, 1883; End of the American Revolution proclaimed by Congress, 1783; John Galt, Scottish novelist and founder of the Town of Guelph, Ontario, died, 1839; War for the American Union began, Fort Sumner summoned to surrender, 1861; Hon. Charles F. Hughes, American Presidential candidate, born, 1882; Charles Reade, novelist, died, 1884.

April 12.—Lord Rodney's naval victory, 1782. Seneca, Roman philosopher, ordered to death by Emperor Nero, 65; Siege of Constantinople by French and Venetian crusaders, 1204; Dr. Edward Young, poet, author of "Night Thoughts," died, 1766; Henry Clay, American statesman, born, 1779; Earl of Durham, statesman, born, 1791; Hon. A. S. White, Justice of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick, born, 1855; Cardinal Taschereau, Archbishop of Quebec, died, 1898; Great Fire in Chelsea, Mass., 1908.

April 13.—Magdala, 1868. Sir Walter Raleigh's expedition landed at Virginia, 1585; Edict of Nantes, 1598; La Fontaine, French writer of fables, died, 1695; Lord North, statesman, born, 1732; George Frederick Handel, composer, died, 1759; Dr. Charles Burney, musician, died, 1814; Catholic Emancipation in Great Britain, 1829; Sir Henry de la Beche, geologist, died, 1855; Hon. O. S. Crockett, Justice of Supreme Court of New Brunswick, born, 1868; Opening of sixth Parliament of Canada, 1887.

PLAN FOR THE ASSISTANCE AND ENCOURAGEMENT OF URBAN POULTRY KEEPERS

The present year will see a great increase in the number of urban poultry keepers. The almost prohibitive prices of eggs and poultry during the past winter have caused many consumers to consider seriously the home production of these very necessary and useful commodities. It is important also that any efforts put forth in this direction result satisfactorily.

FEDERAL ASSISTANCE

In order that greater effectiveness may be given to this proposal, the Dominion Live Stock Branch is prepared to extend, to all Associations qualifying under these provisions, the same assistance that is given to Associations desiring to purchase other kinds of pure bred live stock, namely, the payment of reasonable travelling expenses, during the time required to conclude the purchase and transport the stock to destination, of representatives of Associations in any section of Canada desiring to purchase pullets in lots of 300 or more. Should it be desired, the Live Stock Commissioner will also nominate a suitable person who will be directed to accompany this representative and assist him as far as possible in the selection and shipping of the pullets.

ANIMAL CONSERVATION

Albany, March 9.—Theodore Douglas Robinson, State Senator, nephew of Theodore Roosevelt, the author of the great Ontario Game and Fish Act, is going around with a long face these days, and all because a warm-hearted colleague of his named J. Henry Walters saw a few frogs meet an untimely death one day on the shores of Oneida Lake, and wept that such things should be. The result is the great Walters Frog-Protecting Bill, which has just made its appearance as a part of this year's revision of the Conservation Law, and threatens to deprive Senator Robinson of his unique prestige in the field of animal legislation.

Did you ever hear a bullfrog scream? No, the chant d'amour of the swamps, the raising silver of the swamps, the unromantic man translated as a mission to deprive Senator Robinson of his unique prestige in the field of animal legislation.

DIFFICULTY OF FROG-FARMING

Of course, frog-farming is one of the most exasperating professions in the world, not excepting the raising of silvers, raising silver foxes. There never was a more pernicious animal, or one more fastidious and varying in its tastes, or one more likely to show his innate ingratitude by dying on you just as you were getting him raised right. I say think you've ever raised a frog? I say think you've ever raised a frog? I say think you've ever raised a frog? I say think you've ever raised a frog?

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CANADA'S EXAMPLE

Canadian speakers are appearing with increasing frequency at the patriotic gatherings that these troubled times are witnessing in our large cities, and they usually bring a message that is well worth while. Canada has found itself in the past two years and a half, it has been through the fire of a test such as few other nations have ever had to face, and it is coming out of the fire not only welded closer to the British empire, but of empire strength itself. It has set an example and has had experiences that are very likely to prove of much value to us on this side of the border in the months ahead.

Remember that to do things on the scale that Canada has been doing these months since the summer of 1914 and equip an army of 50,000 men in a little over two years and ship 4,000,000 of them across the Atlantic. It would raise and spend no less than \$12,000,000,000 for war purposes. Yet when the waters were burst over the world, Canada was fully as unprepared as we have been. Its army, which has grown to 400,000 soldiers, was smaller than the militia of Massachusetts, and its resources and its equipment and its organization and its efficiency were smaller than the militia of Massachusetts, and its resources and its equipment and its organization and its efficiency were smaller than the militia of Massachusetts.

NEWSPAPER WAIFS

"Did you say Algeron has more money than brains?" "No," replied Miss Cayenne "I don't speak from information, I speak from the frog-pits of Oneida Lake."

BOCACBE, N. B.

April 2. On Friday last, while engaged in cutting wood with his wood cutter for Mr. Stanley McCullough, George McCullough of this place, had his leg broken just above the ankle. The cause was a tree trunk with numerous stripes of card-board and bandages made the patient comfortable till Dr. Taylor arrived.

ROLLING DAM, N. B.

April 2. Mrs. James McCrum, who is in the hospital at St. Stephen, was some better when last heard from.

WHITE HEAD, G. M.

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PHASES OF THE MOON

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1st Quarter, 14th	12h. 12m. p.m.	
New Moon, 21st	10h. 11m. a.m.	
3rd Quarter, 28th	1h. 22m. a.m.	

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