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Could yet feel the old exultation through fibre and steel-riven form
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Set free from their mountain snow-prisons, with strident clamour and cry,
As the strong tempest calls to the ocean, the shuddering earth to the sky.
Hark to the roar of the river, the grinding of ice in the bay;
His solid entrenchments abandoned are bursting in feam-hells and spray.
Hark to the rush of the rain, and the trample of legions in rout,
"To the North, to the North I boot and saddle, to horse and away!"
His war-trumpets sounding, his cloud banners trailing, thus March like a lion goes out!
—Kate Seymour MacLean, in Week.

NEWSPAPER READING V. BOOK READING.

There has been from time to time considerable discussion as to whether newspapers are literature, as if the term literature could be properly confined to writings possessing the qualities of permanence and of artistic finish. Unhappily, literature is whatever large bodies of people read. Newspapers may be bad literature, but literature they are. The hold they have taken, and are taking, as the reading matter of the bulk of the population in all the more highly civilized countries of the world, is one of the most serious facts of our time. It is not too much to say that they are, and have been for the last half century, exerting more influence on the popular mind and tor the last half century, exerting more influence on the popular mind and the popular morals than either the pulpit or the book press has exerted in five hundred years. They are now shaping the social and political world of the twentieth century. The new generation which the public schools are pouring out in tens of millions is getting its tastes, opinione, and standards from them, and what sort of world this will produce a hundred years hence, nobody knows. One of the most important peculiarities of newspapers is that but year few who read them much ever read anything also. The that but very few who read them much ever read anything else. The notion that a confirmed newspaper reader can turn to books whenever he pleases, or that the newspaper reading as a general rule forms a taste for any book reading, except, perhaps, novels, finds little support in observed facts.

The power of continuous attention which book reading calls for-attention of the eye as well as the mind-is acquired, like the power of protracted bodily exertion of any kind, by continual training, ending in the formation of habit. Anybody who neglects it in youth, or lays it aside for a considerable period at any time in life, finds it all but impossible to take it up again. The busy man who e-chews literature, or postpones culture, until he retires from active industry. usually finds book reading the most potent soporific he can turn to. Now, nothing can be more damaging to the habit of continuous attention than newspaper reading. One of its attractions to the indolent man or woman, or the man or woman who has had little or no mental training, is that it never requires the mind to be fixed on any topic more than three or four minutes, and that every topic furnishes a complete change of scene. The result for the habitual reader is a mental desultoriness, which ends by making a book on any subject more or less repulsive. So that the kind of reading newspapers lead up to for those who wish more mental food is, at most, books or periodicals made up of short essays, which will not keep the attention strained for more than half an hour at most.

The view of the effect of newspaper reading is not weakened by anything we know of the increase in the number of books and book readers which we see all over the world. The number of books, serious as well as light, undoubtedly increases rapidly, and so does the number of those who read them; but they do not increase in anything like the same ratio as the number of newspaper readers. They form a constantly diminishing proportion of the reading population of all the great nations, and their immediate influence on politics and society is undergoing the same relative decline. Side by side with this segregation cf the newspaper reader from the book reader, there has grown up a deep and increasing scorn on the part of the book reader and book maker for the man who reads nothing but the newspapers, and gets his facts and opinions from them. This is true to-day of every civilized country. Go into a circle of scientific or cultivated men in any field, in America, or France, or Germany, or Italy, and you will have the mental food which the newspapers supply to the bulk of the population treated with ridicule and contempt, the authority of a newspaper as a juke, and journalism used as a synonym for shallowness, ignorance and blundering. What the journalists oppose to all this is, usually, accounts of their prodigious circulation and large pecuniary receipts, and their close contact with the practical business of life. But this mutual hostility of the two agencies which most powerfully affect popular thought and shape the conduct of both nations and men, cannot but be regarded with great concern. Their reconciliation—that is, the conversion of the newspaper into a better channel of communication to the masses of the best thought and most accurate knowledge of the time-is one of the problems, and perhaps the most serious one, that the coming century will have to solve.-E. L. Godkin in the North American Review.

ABOUT THE VIKINGS.

Paul du Chaillu differs with many leading historians as to the social condition of the Vikings, the direct ancestors of the English speaking people, whom he believes to have been well civilized. He insists that "the people