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Vacation Days.

It is all but a universal custom nowadays to take a week or a month off from business, and, forgetting its fitful fever, leave the city for the lakeside, the rivershore, the mountain-slope, or the sea-beach.

"They rested there, escaped awhile
From cares that wear the life away,
To eat the lotus of the Nile
And drink the poppies of Cathay."

Many a pessimist would fain persuade us that this is a materialistic age—that men are so absorbed in the accumulation of wealth that religion is neglected and idealism forgotten.

SUNSHINE takes the liberty of differing from the pessimist—naturally.

This age, in our opinion, is not *exceptionally* gross or materialistic. Preceding ages seem to have been less so, because only the utterances of their best thinkers remain.

In spite of the keen pursuit of wealth which characterizes our modern age the study of nature was never more popular. Literature dealing with birds and flowers and other natural objects was never so rich, and the common people at no time flocked in such numbers to riverside, mountain and sea.

As far as the religious element is concerned, let us not fear, "mankind is incurably religious," and it is not more than a step from the love of Nature to the love of God—perhaps not one.

"For the invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly