

Side Talks by Ruth Cameron

WHAT A FOREIGNER TAUGHT ME.

Not long ago I met a foreigner who has been living in this country about twelve years and who although he had a slight (and delightful) accent, spoke English more fluently, more vividly, and with a fuller vocabulary than nine out of ten of us to whom English is our native tongue.

I complimented him upon this fact and he was much pleased. He went on to speak of his experiences in learning English and told me two things that interested me enough to pass on to you.

Went About With a Note Book.

One was his method of learning English. This is what he did. He knew just the English taught in the Danish high school when he came to this country (anyone who has tried out high school French as a working language in France knows what that means), and he wanted to supplement it, as soon as possible, as he had his living to earn in the new land. So he went about with a note book

jotting down in it the Danish names of the objects that he saw on his walks or his trips to shops or visits to homes.

For instance, a walk might yield him the Danish words for trolley car, straw hat, necktie, schoolboy, school, automobile, potatoes, onions, carrots, telephone post, and so forth. As soon as he got home he would look up the English equivalent in his Danish-English dictionary and this method of identifying the object with the word, he declared, helped him get a vocabulary far quicker than studying any list of words in a book.

Why Wait to Go Abroad.

Anyone who is going abroad might try this method in the new country. Though come to think of it I do not see why one need wait; one could pretend one was in France, or Spain, or Italy, and do it here, couldn't one?

The other fact concerned the results of his study. He said that he

and several native born Americans tried this experiment. They took up the dictionary and opening it at random took down the top word on the page. They did this on 30 pages and then each tried to define the words. "And I did not come out so badly," he said. Knowing him I knew that that means he came out very well.

Try This On Your Family.

"Immediately I asked myself: 'How well should I come out?' and reaching for my dictionary I tried it. The first word I found I could define, the second I had a pretty good idea of, the third, 'tacosnacha,' was a little worse than Greek to me. The fourth was 'wast' and seeing it thus aloft from its family and not knowing whether it was a noun, adjective or verb, I actually found myself at a loss. Of course I laughed when I read its definition.

It is an interesting test. Try it some day with a group of friends when time hangs heavily and you are sick of hearing and saying the same familiar bromidioms.

Obects to Women as Ministers.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 21.—Declaring that the ordination of women as ministers of the gospel would be prejudicial to the best interest of the church, and would increase the occasion for factional and unhappy ecclesiastical quarreling, the Rev. Dr. C. E. McCartney, pastor of the Arch Street Presbyterian church of Philadelphia, discussed recognition of women in the church before the general council of the alliance of reformed churches throughout the world here.

Dr. McCartney said it would tend toward the complete feminization and more and more increase the disposition to throw the whole responsibility of church work upon the women. The church, in time would become a sort of women's guild.

Dr. McCartney declared that the record of women as interpreters and leaders of religious thought was not an enviable one.

Dr. Martin Yeast, of Lithuania, answering Dr. McCartney, said he hoped the views expressed by the Philadelphia minister were his own personal opinions and not that of the Presbyterian and reformed churches. The women also were defended by Dr. S. Lewis Robertson of London representing the Presbyterian church of England and Dr. Arthur J. Brown of New York City.

Four Entrants.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Sept. 20.—The entry list for the American elimination race was increased to four to-day, schooners Elsie and Ellen T. Marshall being entered by their respective owners. Yachets already in are the Josephine De Costa, of Boston, and Ralph Brown. The entry of the Elsie was tentative, and on condition that she arrives from the Banks in time for the race October 12.

A meeting of the committee of five to raise funds was held at the Chamber of Commerce this evening. Everyone was brimful of enthusiasm for the coming trials to pick a defender for the International Trophy, and nearly \$25,000 to care for the expense of not only this year's event, but also future races. The matter of having more seafaring men on the Race Committee was brought up and advocated by Capt. Geo. H. Peoples. This body held a short session immediately afterward and added Captain John Matheson and Charles H. Harty to the committee.

The Auction Block.

The marketing of laborers on the auction block, as in the days of slavery, Boston, was fantastically spectacular, as it was undoubtedly intended to be, but without practical bearing upon the present industrial situation. Workers with their services to offer do not display intelligence in asking bids from an audience composed of unemployed. Even when the negro slaves were sold we have no doubt that means were adopted to see that

the best prospective bidders were notified of the event, and the auctioneers were specially qualified to advertise the various good points of the slaves offered.

And after all, does not the auction block signify the process by which all workers—laborers, artisans, managers or executives—market their services to the best advantage. Most of us are for sale to the highest bidder, even though there may be other considerations than the mere monetary. We want in exchange for what we do, the highest reward that the world will pay. But must of us have more sense, if we are out of employment, than to try to sell our service to those who are also out of work. In fact we are inclined to think that if there was more of the auction block idea, in trades unionism there would be less unemployment. The idea of the union agents seems to be to get better wages for their members than the market can afford, rather than work for the highest bidder. When others in the

community have not the purchasing power to buy the goods produced at the cost of these high wages, unemployment follows.

Perhaps, after all, labor can take more lessons than capital from the Boston auction block incident.—The Financial Post.

DELIBERATION.

The things we do in foolish haste make heart and conscience sore; rash impulse causes half the waste that prudent men deplore. Like auction leaves the money flies, because the joyous skate won't ask himself, "Now, is it wise, this splurge I contemplate? Oh, shall I blow this bundle bank? I've earned by labors hard, or put it

safely in the bank, where moth and rust are barred?" He won't sit down and view his wad, and think how much it cost, the strain that bends his shoulders broad, the efforts that exhaust. He won't call in his wife and aunt, their counsel wise to win; he'd think it was some sort of plant, if those girls butted in. Oh, oftentimes I am impelled to seek the marts of trade, where bargain counter sales are held, and blow the coin I've made. But long ago I made a rule to think such yearnings over; and in a day said yearnings cool, and I am sane once more. To-day I'd buy the car that flies our gasping village through; tomorrow more I'll realize that my old boat will do. It's impulse leads the boys astray; the rash and thriftless gink should buy himself a bale of hay and sit on it, and think. And he should think how foolish 'tis to waste the hard-earned bones, while foolish spenders round him whiz, and yonder pauper groans.

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Thinks U. S. is Greatest Nation.

London.—(Associated Press).—The Rev. Reginald J. Campbell, who has just resumed his London ministry after his visit to the United States, told his parishioners in his first sermon at Christ Church that America was "now the greatest nation in this world, stronger than our, richer than ours, able to do materially what it likes, and to give spiritual leadership to mankind if it chooses."

Dr. Campbell said he had found traces of anti-British feeling, but that he was also made aware of "a warm and widespread friendliness, of which too little is heard on this side."

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