

Home Training at Root Of Juvenile Delinquency

The Great Need of Proper Parental Control and Education—The Use of the Rod a Preventative—Decrease in Halifax.

It has been recently stated in our public press that the official records of Canada concerning our juvenile Courts show a marked increase of crime in number of juvenile delinquents. During a period of three years it was stated more than twenty per cent. of indictable offences were committed by children under sixteen years of age and in twenty years the increase has been three hundred per cent. One child, we are informed, in five, between the ages of five and sixteen is a criminal, according to the records.

lofty hopes and aspirations, as to the future of her child, the result will soon be seen in the child itself. Happy the mother and happy the nation who sees in their children what God intended them to be and trains them to the fulfillment of the duties of that intention.

No child should be so sacred to its mother as her own, and no duties so paramount as that of her own home. May it never be said of our mothers that they were made keepers of the vineyards, and their own vineyard they have not kept. Mothers cannot guard their children so carefully, especially have they to be kept from bad influences and bad companions. Fish take their color from the water in which they swim, so the lives of our children are colored by their surroundings. When our homes are what God intended them to be, where the light of a mother's love shines bright and that light kindles a fire in the heart of a child. When our homes become light-houses for the erring child, and a temple for the one who has gone astray, a resting place for the one who is tired and weary of a home of joy and refreshment, a home where "the kettle is ever singing and the water is always hot," then will be said of Canada that no country on earth surpasses her in well being of her rising generation.

Canada needs more than ever to impress upon her people the need of home care of their children, especially now as mothers are seeking so much work in public life. I repeat, the great peril of our country lies in the lack of good homes. Our children who live after us fix the moral standard of our race, and that standard depends on that which is placed before them in their youth.

One thing more to be mentioned, and I refer to it simply in the language of Scripture. It concerns the use of the rod, which mothers are told must not be forgotten. The proper use of it prevents many an act of delinquency. We are told in that Book that "The rod and reproof gives wisdom, but the child left to himself brings his mother to shame." (Prov. 29-15) "Chasten thy son while there is hope, and let not thy soul spare for his crying." (Prov. 19-18) "Withhold not correction from thy child, for if thou beatest him with a rod he shall not die. Thou shalt beat him with a rod and shall deliver his soul from hell." (Prov. 23-13) "A foolish son is the heaviness of his father." (Prov. 10-1)

Santa Didn't Bring 'Em Back; Was Drear Christmas For Mama Bergdoll



Above THE BERGDOLL HOME IN PHILADELPHIA Center Grover C Bergdoll. Erwin Bergdoll Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll

Philadelphia, Dec. 27.—It was a sad Christmas for Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll, wealthy Philadelphia widow, mother of America's two most prominent draft dodgers. Both of the sons she so industriously preserved from the rigors and discomforts of army life were conspicuously absent from the family board on Christmas Day.

Germany, where he is something of a matinee idol for having succeeded in a mad race being drafted into the U. S. army and the prison sentence that followed. His pardon has been asked for Erwin R. Bergdoll, the other son, now serving a four-year term in Fort Leavenworth for evading the draft.

When the news got that "Mamma" Bergdoll had ordered turkey with cranberry sauce and set a plate for Erwin at the Christmas dinner this year, District-Attorney Coles got busy. He had a bench warrant issued for Bergdoll's arrest on civil charges pending since 1920. The minute he is freed this will be served on him, and he will be returned to jail.

CHOOSES BRIDE FROM PICTURE

New Empress of China is Unusually Beautiful and Her Father is Very Wealthy.

Peking, Dec. 1.—(By Mail).—Although young Emperor Hsuan Tung had never seen his bride face to face until in the midst of the wedding ceremony the other day, he had a fairly good idea of what she looked like, having studied the photographs of various Manchurian princesses last spring and from them he selected his wife.

The wedding which brought an influx of Manchus from all parts of the ancient empire, was solemnized on December 1. The princess was carried in a sedan across the moat that surrounds the Emperor's Palace within the Forbidden City and through the great triple-arched gateway.

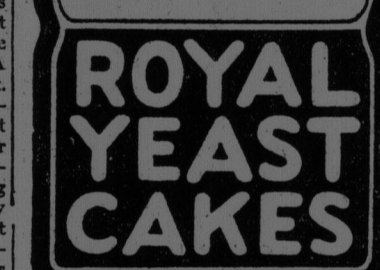
Practical application of psychology to business. "The selection of employees is of fundamental importance, but all do not have equal skill in judging character, intelligence and ability. Letters of recommendation and personal appearance are often misleading. General intelligence and special ability, which can be measured, give more useful information. Indeed, a test such as we can make in the case of typists, stenographers, clerks, bookkeepers and secretaries psychological methods of selection are now adequate. By the use of these methods perhaps \$100 on the average is saved in time and in better results each time a new employee is engaged, and there is a possibility of obtaining one worth many times that amount."

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Similar to Army Tests. "The intelligence tests which the corporation would apply to business in connection with its work for the general advancement of psychology are similar to those employed in the selective assignment of recruits during the European war. Psychological tests have been adopted to determine the fitness of prospective students by many of the largest universities and colleges of the East."



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Senator De Veber Comes East. Lethbridge, Alta., Dec. 29.—Senator Leverett George De Veber, M.D., pioneer medical man and politician, is leaving Lethbridge and moving to Ottawa early in the New Year. After twenty-nine years as medical health officer of this city, the senator has resigned. He will be succeeded by Dr. Lavery.

FORGER USED LAWYERS' LAXITY

Prisoner Says it was Easy to Find Blank Checks and Signatures to Copy—Captured in Office Building.

New York, Dec. 27.—Lawyers careless of the way they leave yalms papers and money about their desk said William Carpenter when he was arrested on the sixteenth floor of 165 Broadway trying to get into a lawyer's office. That is the reason he gave for making a specialty of forging lawyers' names to checks, which, the police records show, had gained him eight convictions since 1913 under the name of William Calder. A pawn ticket with the name on it was found in his pocket.

He was found in the office building at 7 o'clock by Michael Moomi, a special officer, who took him to the Old Slip police station. When he was taken to police headquarters it was said that he had a record of having served time in Elmira and Sing Sing. He said he has been living in the Mills Hotel at Seventh Avenue and thirty-sixth street.

The Doka Minstrels held their first rehearsal last evening in the Pythian Castle Hall under the direction of H. W. Brounfield. The practice was very successful and some real talent was displayed by many of the performers.

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TESTS TO JUDGE WORKERS' FITNESS

Psychological Corporation Plans Examinations to Determine Ability of Applicants. New York, Dec. 28.—Tests to determine the fitness of individuals for clerical positions, similar to the intelligence tests by which psychologists graded nearly 2,000,000 recruits in the late war, have been worked out by the Psychological Corporation. In a statement issued after the first annual meeting of the board of directors of the Psychological Corporation announced its readiness to give tests "in the validity of which we have confidence."

Mr. Cattell was re-elected president of the Psychological Corporation; Walter Dill Scott, first vice-president; Lewis M. Terman, second vice-president; Dean R. Brimhall, secretary and treasurer. Professor Edward L. Thorndike of Columbia was re-elected chairman of the board of directors; and for terms of four years on the directorate the following were also re-elected: James R. Angell, president of Yale University; W. V. Bingham, Carnegie Institute of Technology; Professor Cattell Raymond Dodge, Wesleyan University; S. I. Frans, Government Hospital for the Insane, and G. Stanley Hall, Clark University.

A horrible feat seized juvenile Brereton, New York, on Christmas Eve, and worry kept many pairs of youthful eyes wide for hours after bedtime. Spreading fast, his ill-dignified came this dreadful report: Santa Claus off a box at Broadway and Gates Avenue, lost his whiskers and cut his head and would not be able to come down the chimney. The worst of it was that parents could not explain that they really were not any occasion for anxiety. Some, in truth vented the belief that it was Santa's brother, Kringle, who fell off the box, but none dared say anything about Ralph V. Ballard, who fell off the box, but none dared say anything about Ralph V. Ballard of the Volunteers of America.

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