

Books in the Home.

There are too few books in most homes. There is cause for this, at least people offer this as an excuse: "We have no time to read." This is a poor excuse, and little better than none. Every man and woman has time to read if they are only willing to take that time, and none ought to deny themselves that time. Reading improves and develops the mind, and the mind ought to be developed in proportion to the body. If it is not people become mental dwarfs, and physical giants. They have small, indolent minds, and big bodies. The chief industry of the West is agriculture, and for six months in the year the farmers and their wives have little time to devote to mental culture. Winter provides more time for them to read and to study. The writer is of opinion that a regular systematized method of reading should be adopted by farmers, and by people of any, and of all occupations.

This is an excuse such as those who care nothing for books would make. No desire for knowledge can hardly be said to be natural. Most people desire to increase in knowledge as in stature.

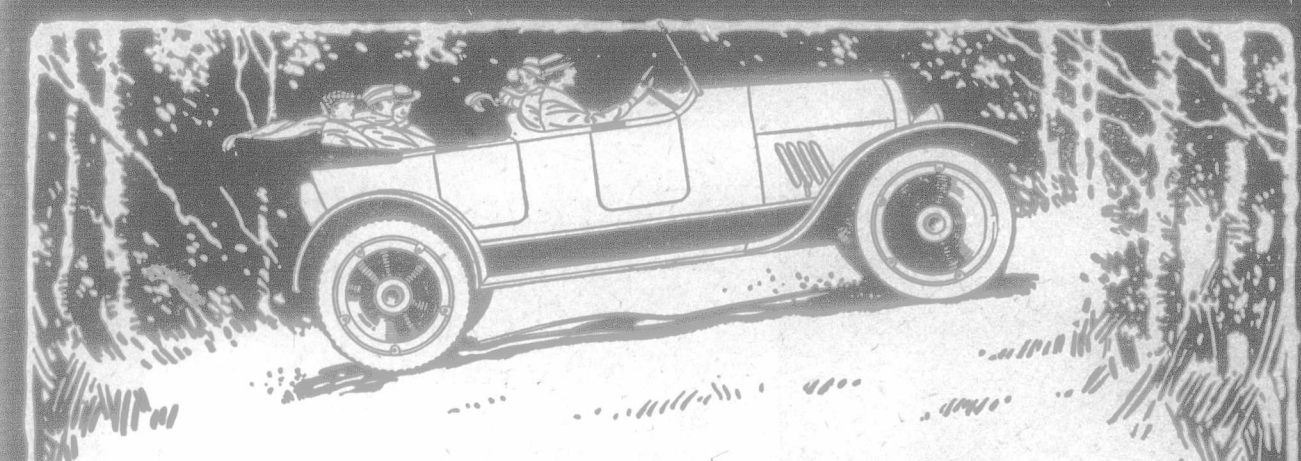
Those who make excuse for not having books do not know the value of books. A book contains the best thought and most grammatical construction of its author. He has put his very best into it, and his work should be read and re-read and mastered because of that. It is a good thing to get another's thoughts and words, and to assimilate them. It is knowledge gained, and is the best way to acquire a vocabulary. It will broaden the vision, deepen the interest in others, and give a different outlook on life.

There is education in books—a wide education. And all that many of our foremost orators and politicians have received, they have received from books which they have read and studied after they have finished school. Many of them got but very little schooling. Abraham Lincoln fitted himself for the presidential chair of America by reading every book he could secure as a boy. Gypsy Smith, though not an educated man, has a beautiful literary style which he has secured from books, and he has been invited to the pastorate of large city churches. The men and women who have done the most for the world's good have made themselves what they are by reading and studying outside the college. Indeed, they were never able to go to college. It was just until a few years ago that any one could take his Bachelor of Arts degree from Queen's University, Kingston, without attendance at college. Men and women have qualified for, and have become proficient in many lines of study by following a course of systematized study at home.

Education is to-day within the reach of all. Colleges and educational institutions have the ablest teachers and professors, specialists in all lines and branches of study. There is free access to many or to most of these institutions at a minimum charge. There are night schools which young men and women can attend who must work through the day. There are correspondence schools which give a good course of training in certain branches where theory alone is required, and practice can be found at home. Text books in all the arts and sciences can be purchased and studied at home. Education is almost free; it only requires ambition to get it.

Just a word about distinction between books. All books do not belong to the same class. There are good books, and bad books, books that will make, and books that will unmake the individual, books that will inspire to the noblest service, and books that will lead to sensuality and crimes. To the first class belong the Bible, Thomas a Kempis' "Imitation of Christ," Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress," Homer, Virgil, Shakespeare, the Poets, Green's "Short History of England," "Arabian Nights," Bacon's "Essays," and Emerson's "Essays," and many others. These are only a few among hundreds of the best books. To the second class belong dime novels, and all like trash which should not have a place on any bookshelf.

It does not take a learned scholar to distinguish between wholesome and unwholesome literature, books that will create and develop pure, high morals, and books that will debase and demoralize. The one who has read good books can soon make this distinction. In many



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