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A number of ladies began to discuss the virtues of their respective husbands, when every other topic was worn threadbare:

"My husband," said one, "never drinks and never swears—indeed, he has no bad habits."

"Does he ever smoke?" some one asked.

"Yes, he likes a cigar just after he has eaten a good meal. But I suppose on an average he doesn't smoke more than once a week."

Some of her friends laughed, but she didn't seem to understand.—Tit-Bits.

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THE PLUNGER'S WOES.

Stock Market Victims—Recent Depreciations Wrought Will Spread Misery in Toronto—Wild Hunts for Margins.

Tragedies of the stock market would form the subject of a woeful narrative if only the operations of the past two weeks were recorded, says The Toronto Telegram. There have been some fatal finishes to these short cuts to wealth.

A man is suddenly transferred to an institution where they curb violent citizens, and it requires no wise physician to diagnose the cause. A lifeless body is discovered in the neighborhood of escaping gas or contiguous to an able-bodied Smith & Weston, and the coroner's mind is pretty nearly made up before he arrives on the scene. Insanity and death are extreme resorts of despairing speculators, but the city of Toronto can vouch for these methods of escape from relentlessly pursuing margins.

Months ago Toronto knew that she was stock mad. Investments in margins totalled such an enormous sum that the Queen City took rank among the first half-dozen cities of America as a speculative centre. All classes of citizens sowed the wind and most of them have reaped the whirlwind. Of course it is those who can least afford to lose who have been engulfed in the rapid depreciation of stocks. The man with wealth behind his margins may hold out until the panic subsides, and serenely await the recovery of the market. For those who rashly risked their all—and they are legion—there is not one break in the clouds. Their investments disappeared in an hour, a day or a week, according to the stock they held and their ability to support their margins.

As for the patrons of bucket shops, they had hardly time to realize what hit the. Their little margins were swept away with the first bear blast, and many there be who lament their adventurous investments. Among the brokers the wreck, if not quite as sudden, was almost as complete. Small holders, who should have been at their office desks, were rushing about besieging friends to "carry" them. No large number of reliefs are recorded, for as a rule the "friends" had also pressing engagements with their brokers, and were themselves gasping.

The past few days must have shown any man who walks about with his eyes open that the city is honeycombed with stock speculators. Beardless youth and venerable age are intermingled in frantic efforts to cover their margins. Institutions which would gasp at the thought of speculating clerks did not lack for representation in the maelstrom of misery that the collapse of the market provoked. Families living happily and comfortably on the income from small but securely invested funds caught the stock fever, and in many a pretty residential Toronto street there are dismal fires to-night. An old gentleman who has been living on one of the best uptown streets for twenty years described his woes thus:—

"It is hard on the young chap, but see what it means to men like me. The young man is knocked down, but he has vitality enough to pick himself up and tackle life a wiser man. The old man falls and he has neither the strength nor the spirit to rise."

What the stock market will do now is a subject of keen interest to many Toronto speculators, but the great majority have passed over to that stage of dejection where they talk of quotations and margins only in their dreams. They have left the market behind, or rather the market has left them behind. Castles in the air have faded before practical obligations which seemed mere trifles in the days of buoyant markets.

The number who have lost their all is a more uncertain quantity than the number who have lost heavily. The truth is that nine out of ten stock speculators have lost money since the market broke. How far they may be able to redeem themselves is a question for those who know what the stock market proposes to do.

While the small speculators were being stripped of their investments excitement found its way in large chunks into the offices of numerous brokers. The brokers saw visions of panics, of crumbling securities, and many of them made demands for margins that simply staggered their patrons. Speculators with ten and fifteen points to the good could not understand why they should be squeezed. But squeezed they were in numerous instances, and for the reason that New York averages every broker's business and when the average was weak the broker did not mince matters in his efforts to restore it. On the street you will hear brokers cursed up hill and down dale, as a disgusted "wiped out" phrased it. There will be a new alignment of customers and brokers when the market settles again, and the gentlemen who lost their heads will miss some familiar faces for more reasons than one.

As the tumult subsides and dejected victims calmly view their losses they will come to conclusions which older heads sought to impress upon them in vain. They will reflect that speculation on small margins or stock speculation of any kind without substantial support is a mere game of chance, more perilous than poker and hardly less disastrous than the roulette machine. Successful operators represent but a small fraction of those who strand themselves upon the rocks of their unreasoning credulity. A final analysis will convince the thoughtful and observant that the shortest cut to wealth is the longest way round—the road which is traveled by faithful labor, by the accumulation of savings, and by the exercise of sound business judgment when a business opportunity presents itself.

Ditto in This Town.

The scriptures teach that it is not good for a man to live alone, but there are a few old bachelors in this town who evidently don't believe the scriptures.—Jim Smith's Gems.

LOSS OF APPETITE

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Perhaps because an elephant sneezes so seldom or because he sneezes so loud oriental folk are very superstitious about the occurrence and believe that to hear an elephant sneeze brings good luck. The effect produced by the sneeze of Jumbo II. at an industrial exhibition is thus described:

Jumbo's sneeze is like the bursting of a boiler, and it created a fairly good sized panic. The elephant began to get ready for the sneeze half an hour before it happened, and as the time for the event drew near, he was rolling about in his cage, apparently in great agony. Suddenly he stopped, gave one bellow and then sneezed.

The look of perfect contentment on his face after the great event was in startling contrast to the terror seen on the faces of the fleeing people. Visitors to the exposition were running in all directions, not knowing what awful thing it was from which they were racing away.

Among the Mohammedans of the oriental and Cingalese villages Jumbo's sneeze caused wild excitement. They rushed to the cage, and bowing before his elephantine highness, began praying at a rapid rate. When they finished, they explained that an elephant's sneezes are of the rarest occurrence, and the event was one of great significance to them. Elephants are susceptible to cold and catch cold easily, but it is very, very rarely that they sneeze.

The Ocean Trip.

Half an hour or so appears to be an important saving in time in the ocean voyage. Columbus and Cabot and Drake would not have thought much of it, but in these days of ship speeding every captain of a liner is ambitious to maintain his record and to beat it if possible. Again, there are people even in this age of hurry and bustle to whom the ocean trip is in itself an agreeable incident. The society is generally pleasant, there are interesting sights on the deep, the fare is as good as that of a first class hotel, seasickness has become unfashionable, there is plenty of reading matter and no disposition to look at it, and the trip is in short a restful loaf till the ship is within range of the wireless telegraph and the meddling world resumes its chatter.

An Ingenious Swindle.

A novel kind of swindle was practiced in a German town the other day. A man struggling along under a heavy burden suddenly stumbled and crashed through a plate glass store window. The proprietor of the store demanded payment. The porter said he had no money. Passersby advised that he be searched. A thousand mark note was found on him, which, he said, belonged to his employer. The storekeeper, however, deducted 100 marks for the value of his window and handed 900 marks change to the porter, who went away swearing and protesting. A little later the storekeeper discovered the thousand mark note was spurious.

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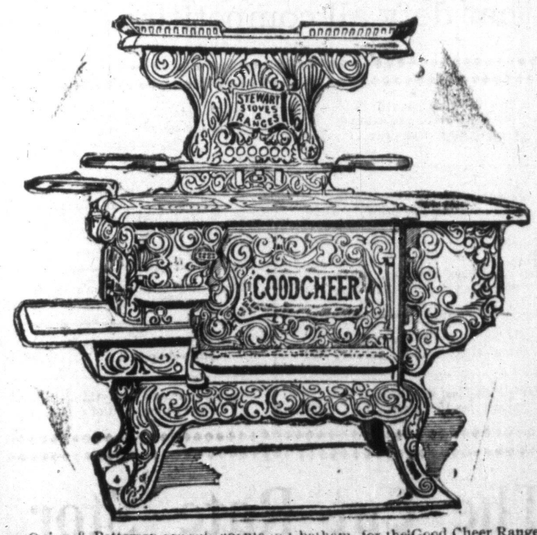

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