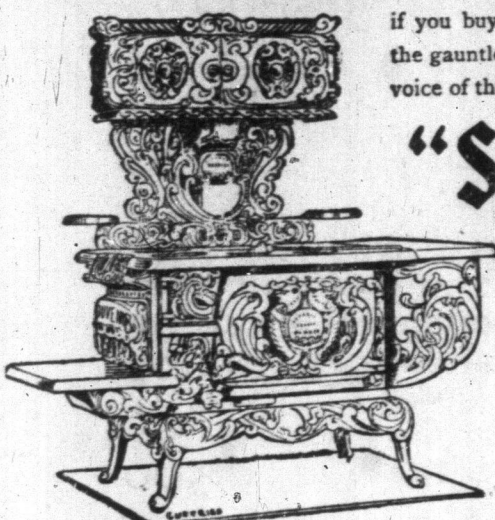


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THE FEAR OF DEATH

IT SHOULD FIND NO LODGMENT IN ANY RATIONAL MIND.

Yet This Dread of Meeting the Inevitable is So Universal That Our Entire Social Fabric is Largely Built Upon It.

Do we dread death on the same principle that half a flock of sheep leap through a certain hole in a fence—because the other half has done so? For unless the fear be traditional and hereditary it is hard to account for it.

Death is a change, occupying a moment, from one form of life to another. Whether it come in the course of nature or by accident or design, it is seldom painful; never probably so painful as a bout of the toothache. It brings us from a condition of bondage and uncertainty at best to one of freedom and security. But often it is a change from slavery, both physical and moral, to emancipation comparatively perfect, or, if we hold the materialist view, to everlasting unconsciousness. The spiritual state is emancipated from the inertia of matter and the tyranny of space; therefore thought will be presence, and a man's surroundings as to both thing and person will be inevitably such as are most desirable to him. The evil will be emancipated from the opposition of the good, and the good will not be grieved and hampered by the machinations of the evil. The whole chapter of accidents which here looms so large will be eliminated. Time, which now makes us long for the arrival of an appointed hour and now dreads its too speedy coming, will be no more. But we shall measure life by its intensity and by its opportunities. In other words, we shall be the makers of our own times and seasons.

Death takes us from a world of effects to one of causes. The soul is made of will and thought, and, as we may daily perceive, it is only the obstruction of matter that prevents us from immediately accomplishing our desires and beholding the realization of our thoughts. Again, death is inevitable to all and to any one who chooses is at any moment attainable. By what logic can our fear of it be defended?

Yet we fear it so much and so universally that our entire social fabric is built largely upon that fear. Our law makes death the supreme penalty. Our funerals are occasions of mourning, and the medical profession, one of the most numerous extant, spends its existence in combating death. We seek eagerly all nostrums or elixirs that promise us continuance of life. We ascribe supreme merit to the soldier who risks his life for his country or to the individual who sacrifices it for others. We laud the stoicism which affects to despise death, but which bases the virtue of that despising upon the acknowledged terror of the event. Our humanitarians spend sympathy and money in attempting to prolong the miserable condition of the poor and diseased. We shudder to hear of a vast natural calamity like that of Martigny or of avoidable accidents such as are furnished daily by railways and other instruments of civilization. And all the while it is the survivors who suffer, if any one does, though they, too, are soon comforted by time or the insurance companies. The dead man, the man who has entered upon the new and spiritual life, whom we absurdly pity, is free, and his troubles are over. Suicides, it is true, are said to increase with civilization. But few philosophical suicides occur. The majority are induced by dread of life, or by the thought of death. It may be doubted if suicide be ever uniformly and positively agreeable. Fear, on the other hand, is one of the worst and basest of evils, and fear of death the most irrational. It must have originated in sheer ignorance and thoughtlessness. It ought to vanish before our modern enlightenment and sagacity, and with its disappearance will appear social changes that cannot but be revolutionary and salutary—Julian Iraworth in Brandur Magazine.

Professor Edward E. Phelps, M. D., L. L. D., has given to his profession a positive and permanent cure for all forms of Rheumatism now so common in the autumn season. To the rheumatic this truth should prove encouraging and comforting. Men and women suffering intense agony from a disease that frequently stiffens the joints, cripples the limbs and renders its victims helpless, can be restored to activity, vigor and health if Paine's Celery Compound be used for a few weeks. There is every reason why sufferers should pin their faith to this best of medicines. Your friends and neighbors have used it with success; the honest physician is prescribing it every day in cases where all other means have failed, and they are delighted with the grand results. It is your only hope; your safety and life depend upon its use. Mrs. M. McKillop, Campbellford, Ont., writes about her cure as follows: "I was a sufferer from rheumatism for a long time, and endured great pain. The cords in the palms of my hands were drawn up in knots and I despaired of getting relief. After using Paine's Celery Compound I have banished all my pains and troubles, and find myself strengthened in every way. I think Paine's Celery Compound is the best medicine in the world for rheumatism and all nervous complaints."

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Where Shots Strike. Of every 110 shots which strike some soldier, forty-three will lodge in the legs, thirty-three shots will lodge in the arms, twenty-two strike between neck and waist, and eleven shots some part of the soldier's head.

Repudiates It. "Where did that child get her manner?" "Not from my side of the house." "Why not?" "Because she hasn't any."

YET CAN-DA IS SHUT OUT.

Facts About "The Roast Beef of Old England"—English Breeders Turning Attention to Dairy Farming.

"The Roast Beef of Old England" is mostly derived from the carcasses of foreign cattle, and the tendency of home-bred stock to decrease is growing. Many English breeders now devote more attention to dairy farming than to "cattle-breeding." It is becoming a serious question whether we are to have any beef at all, except at prohibitive prices. The consumer is at present paying nearly 20 per cent. more for his beef than last year, and in the opinion of trade experts prices will go still higher during the coming winter. A number of small shopkeepers, as our representative has ascertained, have been financially crippled by a shrinkage of business resulting from the inability of the poorer classes to purchase at the present rates. The wholesale trader inevitably suffers in his turn from the failure of retailers to meet their business engagements. In view of this serious position of affairs, which threatens one of the most important sources of the people's food, there is a growing demand that the embargo shall be removed from the importation of Canadian and Argentine cattle. For nearly two years our ports have been closed to Argentine cattle, as a preventive against the introduction of the foot-and-mouth disease. But the Argentine is stated to be now free from the disease, and a departmental official of the Board of Agriculture admitted to our representative that an offer of the Argentine Government to defray the cost of the expert examination of its herds in order to demonstrate their immunity from disease had been "heard of" at the Board of Agriculture.

Mr. Hanbury (the president of the board), however, saw no necessity for accepting it. The Minister's claim to be acting in "the interests of the English farmers" certainly suggests that his action is dictated more by the desire of protecting British cattle-breeding from foreign competition than by the fear of a disease which is, as far as he has any reason to believe, extinct in the country on which his embargo is laid. As the interests of the whole people are of more importance than the interests of the farmers, and this insidious form of protection deserves the indignation which it has raised. It is as futile, as it is unjust, for it has not encouraged the British farmer to engage more extensively in cattle-breeding.—London Chronicle.

Forbes' Story of the Commune. News-gathering, not fighting, is the trade of the war correspondent. But it is news at any personal cost, and a fine unpremeditated heroism often goes with the gathering of it.

One morning after the siege of Paris, when the city was beleaguered, London to be still in the hands of the Commune, Sir John Robinson, manager of The Daily News of London, reached his office to find the late Archibald Forbes lying on the floor asleep, his head on a post-office directory, while the printers were hard at work on his manuscript, the story of "Paris in Flames," a most vivid description of the last days of the Commune.

"Forbes had telegraphed from Dover announcing his coming," said Sir John Robinson, at the recent unveiling in St. Paul's Cathedral of a memorial to the famous war correspondent. "The printers had been waiting, and thus the country heard of those terrible days for the first time."

"London was ablaze with excitement," Dover Times was impassioned, and through the townships shrieking for copies, and in Parliament Mr. Gladstone was questioned that afternoon and could only say he hoped the story was exaggerated.

"When Forbes was asked to assist the Communists in defending a triangular space upon which three detachments of the Versailles troops were firing, and had actually taught the citizens how to build a barricade."

By aid of dummy despatches, addressed to Lord Granville and the Queen, Forbes escaped from the beleaguering triangle and wrote all the way to London, being the solitary passenger on the mail boat across the Channel.

Education and Leadership. A few weeks ago Lord Selborne illuminated his speech by remarking that leaders were born and not made, and that character counted for more than intellectual attainments in the Navy. This is perfectly true, provided the promotion is based on the assumption that the reverse is the case. It is undeniable that French and German officers possess more general knowledge than the British officer, and a sounder knowledge of their profession. It is, however, he who leaves them far behind as a leader of men. It was character that made England what she is, and it is by character that her position will be maintained. The man who lacks the true quality of leadership is the man who despises knowledge, not the man who possesses it. We shall have arrived at a noble conception of life again when we pay homage to both. A few years ago we paid homage to neither, hence the diplomatic and military humiliations in South Africa.—Broad Arrow.

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