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THE BLESSING OF WORK.

Some one, we believe, Cowper, said that "labor, though the primal curse, has been softened into mercy." Apart from the authority of the poet or of any other there are few who have not felt the burden and the labor of idleness. Even the holidays, so eagerly looked forward to as a respite from the ceaseless grind of every day life, soon begin to be harder to bear than the toil itself and one is glad to get back to life's activities again.

Necessary rest and idleness are entirely different things. Occasional rest is necessary to ensure the fullest activity and usefulness. Idleness is a curse, usually self-inflicted, and invariably leads to an abnormal and unnatural condition of life. This applies to the so-called rich as well as to the poor and nine-tenths of the world's criminals come from the ranks of the idle whether they be poor or rich. Criminality is by no means confined to the poor although it may be regarded as almost exclusively confined to the idle.

Dr. Stanley Hall, President of

Clark University, Worcester, Mass., in a recent lecture is reported to have said that it was worth remembering that to keep the mind in action by excitement of the right kind was to keep away from it excitement of an evil kind and to move in the direction of right thinking.

"Excitement of the right kind" is perhaps a vague expression. Excitement is an abnormal condition but enthusiasm and excitement may be so nearly akin as to justify the latter, especially if it be of the "right kind." No work can be done right without enthusiasm, "excitement" if you will, and directed in right channels, towards useful achievements, it will certainly serve as an antidote to the excitement that leads to crime.

Work is a blessing although imposed upon the race as a merciful form of punishment. In the training of the young the one thing to be kept constantly in mind should be that idleness is a crime; that all honest work is elevating and helpful, not only to the worker but to the world which should be the better for his having lived in it.

FICTION.

It is probably true, as we are frequently told through the press and other reliable sources of information, that seventy-five per cent of the literature bought and sold today is fiction. So pronounced is the taste for fiction, that even the most important ideas in philosophy and science must be sugar-coated with fiction to be made sufficiently palatable to the average reader.

Fiction, as such, is not objectionable, provided it is wholesome education or even entertaining. The trouble is that it is crowding out and vitiating the taste for wholesome reading. Fiction is to mental food what sweets and confections are to physical food, and an over-indulgence in either is likely to produce dyspepsia, mental or physical.

Perhaps a reason for the growing taste for fiction may be found in the growing desire for entertainment. We read to be entertained rather than to be edified and the practice is hurtful.

Appetite, physical or mental, is a matter of cultivation. The child fed on plain wholesome food will have no unhealthy craving for the seasoned and sweetened, and the child taught to read good literature, history, biography, science, etc., will acquire a taste that in after years will not degenerate into a craving for the sensational and the exciting.

This tendency towards highly seasoned and sensational reading is an evil and a rapidly growing one, and

every effort should be made to counteract it. It is exemplified in many ways that are not creditable to our supposedly advancing civilization. The edifying and profitable lecture is usually delivered to a half-filled hall; the vaudeville and the grotesque and even the questionable to a full house. The fate of the heroine in the latest novel is fluently and even intelligently discussed while profound ignorance is displayed regarding current history-making events. This is regrettable and the condition is not confined to the illiterate but to men and women and especially the young.

Youth is the time in which to establish healthful tendencies with respect to reading and intellectual enjoyment. A healthy taste once developed will continue to grow and will manifest itself in an intelligent grasp and keen and healthful enjoyment of the good and the true.

The Chinese Government is very much worried over an agreement about to be signed between Japan and Russia. The treaty, it is believed in Peking, certainly does not consider China's "special interests" in the zones which the treaty doubtless affects. The agreement between Russia and Japan, it is said consists of two parts, one dealing with the delimitation of the spheres of influence of Russia and Japan in Mongolia and Manchuria, which is similar in scope and character to the Anglo-Russian accord of August 31, 1907, regarding Persia, etc. The second part deals with the duty of the two Powers for a joint defence in case either is attacked.

To possess the friendship and affection of one sincere and loyal human being, to put the welfare of another ahead of your own, finding happiness in that, and to feel when you reach the end of the string and the time comes to fall off into the grave, you have done what you could, have not neglected those who had a right to count upon you—that makes life worth while and wipes out its disappointments.

To the credit of Charlottetown and its citizens the celebration in honor of the vice regal party, which filled the city with visitors yesterday and today passed off agreeably, entertainingly and soberly. There were but few evidences of drinking, there was practically no rowdiness, everybody was in the best of humour and the welcome accorded to the distinguished visitors was as clear as it was warm and cordial. It is a pleasure to record this. There are many temptations, when crowds assemble, there are many varieties of the human type in every crowd and a few exhibitions of unseemly conduct are usually to be expected. These exhibitions on this occasion were almost entirely absent, a most creditable and encouraging feature of the very large gathering.

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The contingent was headed by a large car drawn by eight horses, containing a brass band of about fifteen instruments. Then came the wild animals in their cages, all of them, however, not being in the procession. This was followed by a large car of clowns, who were backed up by 25 riding ladies on white horses. The next in order was a minstrel band which came in the lead of a large calliope and a wagon organ. A number of camels and three performing elephants concluded this cortege of amusement features, which seemed to greatly please the large crowd assembled to witness the procession.

An important feature of this show is that no gambling devices or games of chance will be allowed to run in connection with it, and its own staff of detectives will see that the public are not robbed or cheated by any "kakis or crooks."

Sixty-four different acts will be displayed in two rings and on a large stage. The big tent is of waterproof canvas and no amount of rain will prevent the performance of the show, and the spectators will not be inconvenienced. Among the feature acts will be a number of educated horses and three performing elephants.

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The menagerie is quite large, with about twenty-five cages and contains animals from every country in the world. The show comes from Shreveport, La., and has made eighteen transatlantic tours.—Halifax Exc.

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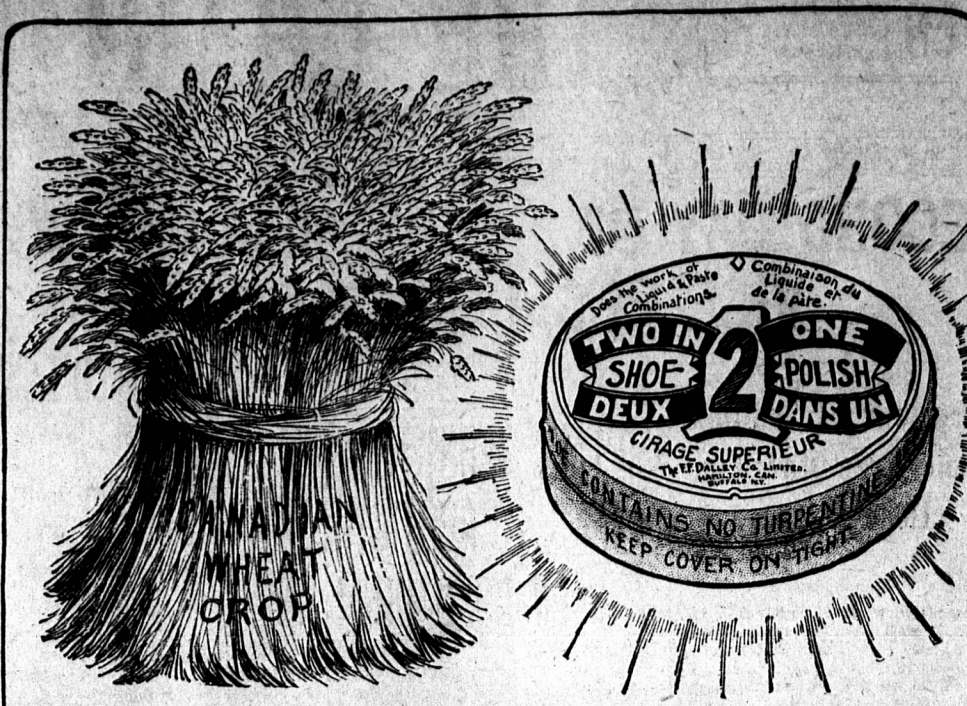
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