

Longevity and Labor.

WORK PRESERVES THE HEALTH, IDLENESS WEAKENS IT.

Ericsson, the veteran inventor, was 81 years old recently. He is in excellent health, and works, it is said, sixteen hours a day, thus proving an exception to the general rule, like many others that are received without a question, that hard work kills. Perhaps it might be fairly asserted that busy men live longer than idle men; that work is, after all, the true elixir of life. Many noteworthy instances where longevity coincides with remarkable mental activity will easily occur to the reader.

Was not Sophocles more than 90 when, to prove that he was not in his dotage—as his heirs claimed, in order to get his money—he wrote one of his greatest tragedies? Did not Humboldt do more bright work at four score than many bright men at forty? Goethe, as every one knows, died with his pen in hand at the age of 82. Van Ranke, the foremost of living historians, has just published another volume of his Universal History; he will be 89 years old next December. Carlyle and Emerson lost none of their vigor until they reached 70.

And, to-day, who imagines that Oliver Wendell Holmes, already on the verge of 75, is old? Longfellow did some of his best work shortly before he died, at 75. Whitier two years older than that. The vast energies, whose sum in many directions are written by Victor Hugo, show no signs of decrepitude, although it is more than 87 years since Victor Hugo was born. Historians, it may be remarked, have usually been long lived.

Voltaire died at 84. Thieray and Michlet at 76. Miguet and Guizot at 87. George Bancroft is now 84, and George Tichnor lived to be 80. In public life we have had several recent examples of great men whose power for statesmanship did not diminish through age. Benjamin Franklin, in the last century, lived to be 84.

These instances suffice to show that there are constitutions which not only can bear, but which actually need the stimulus of hard work up to a very advanced period. Of course, on the other hand, might be cited the remarkable men who died young, but even from their experience the fact might be brought out, not that they were killed by overwork, but by irrational work. Shelley, who is always mentioned among those whose lives stretched but a span, was drowned accidentally, and there is good reason to believe that but for this he would have lived to an old age, because he was physically strong.

Raphael, Mozart, Boroni, Burns, and Schubert, succumbed just at an age when most men reach their prime, but it must not be forgotten that the last three undermined their health by excesses. But on the other hand Michel Angelo, than whom no man ever expended more energy upon his vast achievements, lived to be 90, and Titian was 99. Work preserves the health, while idleness tends to weaken it.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

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LADIES' Wool Underclothing at the London House. Oct 21 61 eod

GREY and White Blankets, very cheap, at J. B. Macdonald's. Oct 23

COTTON BATTING at the London House. Oct 21 61 eod

MANTEL and Ulster Cloths at Weeks & Co's. Oct 3

If you want a good overcoat, well made to order, go to the London House. Oct 21 61 eod

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BUCK Driving Gloves at the London House. Oct 21 61 eod

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