

A Dangerous Season.

NATURE REQUIRES AID IN THROWING OFF THE POISONS OF WINTER.

Close Confinement Leaves Old and Young Weak, Nervous and Often Despondent—Dr. Williams' Pills the Only Reliable Tonic.

At this season of the year young and old feel the need of some assistance from the medical world to help nature in her work of renewing and rebuilding the system after the trying months of winter. Teachers and students especially feel the effects of long months of mental toil that have been rendered more dangerous to health by hours of study in close, ill-ventilated rooms, and exposure to cold and storm, and chills from wet and bedraggled skirts. The following letter from a well known lady teacher in the west tells how she made use of one of the most wonderful discoveries of the age with happy results. "Every spring for the last eight years I have suffered from attacks of what the doctors called nervous prostration. The attacks were generally heralded by nervous headaches which lasted for three or four days, causing untold agony, palpitation and pain at the heart, loss of appetite and a general feeling that life is not worth living. Only those who have suffered in this way can imagine what I endured or how great has been my joy to find that I have learned of a means of escape from all these horrors. This wonderful medicine, which doctors acknowledge to be a good tonic and of great benefit to weak people, was brought to my attention by a niece who had herself been cured of a dangerous malady by this remedy. She had become weak and unable to continue her studies, her blood turned to water and her face lost every trace of its once fresh healthy color, and a general "breaking up" of her system caused her friends to fear that she was in the first stages of consumption. She became tired of hearing thoughtless people tell her how pale she looked, and seeing an advertisement of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People she bought some in the hope that they might restore a little color to her cheeks. She was surprised and delighted to find that after using them for a few weeks her face regained its bright healthy color and her strength and vitality also returned, and today she is perfectly strong and healthy. Knowing how I had suffered she strongly advised me to try them. I did so and instead of feeling "worn out" as usual at this season I feel stronger and better in every way than I have done for years. Those dreadful headaches and other distressing symptoms have entirely disappeared and I feel years younger than I did a year ago, and my friends say I look ten years younger. I feel so happy that I can perform my duties with zeal and pleasure that I wish to recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to all teachers and students who wish to escape what I have suffered.

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IS CRIME DECREASING?

English Observers Say There is a Change For the Better.

There prevails a comfortable belief that the standing army of crime is steadily diminishing and that, with the aid of school boards and reformatories, we are making sure if slow progress in combating the enemies of society who fill our jails. Mr. Douglass Morrison, in a paper read before the Statistical society, tells us that this belief rests on no solid foundation, and that when the facts are analyzed it becomes highly doubtful whether there has been more than a nominal decrease of crime. There is no doubt that the figures generally quoted in support of the view which every one would fain believe do not substantiate it. The explanation of many of the facts which seem at first sight to justify optimism and self congratulation lies in a movement which influences, consciously or unconsciously, all persons administering the criminal law—the growth of a feeling of distrust of the efficacy of severe sentences and of a conviction as to their mischievousness in many cases and pity or tenderness toward a large class of criminals as the victims of circumstances.

It has been said that Victor Hugo's picture of Jean Valjean, the outcast with noble instincts, who tries again and again to extricate himself from a coil of misfortunes and who again and again succumbs in the struggle, profoundly influenced the administration of the French criminal law, and for many years that spirit of pity and toleration which the French poet depicted in "Les Miserables" has been everywhere in the air, and nowhere more than here. It is therefore right to caution the public against confounding the diminution in the number of offenders detained in prison in consequence of a wise mitigation of the severity of the criminal law with a corresponding decrease in the amount of crime. It is just possible, however, that in avoiding one extreme Mr. Morrison has pushed his point too far, and has given countenance to a despondent view as little justified as the optimism which he condemns. In interpreting the only available figures the increased vigilance of the police is an element scarcely to be overrated. A scarcely less important element is that of publicity. Every offense is noted. The chances of detection are probably greatly increased in these days, when every household becomes aware of the person "wanted" for any crime of magnitude. To know that crime generally is increasing or decreasing is to know very little. It may mean no more than that certain offenses against police regulations have increased or diminished. The morality of the country may be steadily rising though the convictions for breaches of the education acts are increasing.

There is a sensible diminution of certain offenses most indicative of a licentious spirit. Property is respected more than it was, and some crimes connected therewith and productive of others—for example, receiving stolen goods in some towns—bid fair to disappear. On the other hand, there is no sign of reduction in certain other crimes which appear to come in the train of material prosperity. The report we get is both of good and of evil. Of the real causes of crime and of the extent to which it can be prevented by practical measures Mr. Morrison's figures tell one little that is positive. More than 2,000 years ago Euripides expounded the theory of the criminal-law under which Lombroso, Marro and Ferri have lately labored. The Greek writer puts into the mouth of one of his characters the reflection that, whereas land naturally barren may yield a good harvest if the season be good and fertile land be sterile if the season be unkindly, men are always what they are—the good always good, even in the pinch of hard circumstances, the bad always bad—the criminal-ne certain to be in the dock, however carefully the chaplain and the philanthropist look after him. What truth there is in this view, how far the standing army of crime consists of this element, how far of people not much worse disposed but less lucky than others, statisticians do not tell us. Perhaps they never will. But in that direction lies the interest of the present and still more that of the future.—London Times.

Silenced the Court. "Being something of an expert," said the colonel at the club the other evening, "I went to Colorado shortly after the war to testify in a case where a friend of mine was trying to defend his rights in an improved quartz crusher. I found him at a cross between a hotel and a boarding house, where there were a number of congenial spirits and where the nightly amusement was a private game of draw. I sat in and was somewhat surprised that the judge before whom my friend's case was to come up the next day not only played, but acted as banker. I had a fair run of luck, while the judge invariably held those tantalizing hands that are too big to lay down and not big enough to win on.

"When it came to cashing in, mine was the last stack of chips to be presented, and the judge was just \$50 shy. I laughingly tossed a blue chip to him, told him to place his private mark on it, and that he could redeem it upon presentation. My friend kicked me under the table, but I didn't look upon the venture as half bad, even if I lost.

"The very next day I got mixed up with the lawyer on the other side and told him in rather a direct way that he was rascally enough to want me to perjure myself. The judge rebuked me, and I was rash enough to tell him that in the past judges had sand enough to protect a witness when he was being abused. In less time than I can tell you I was fined \$50 for contempt. Reaching from the witness chair up behind the pulpitlike arrangement at which he sat, I placed the blue chip on the judge's knee, and at the same time disclaimed any disrespect toward the court. He promptly remitted the fine, but put the check in his pocket. My friend won his case."—Detroit Free Press.

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IN A LONDON THEATER.

A First Night as Seen by the Artist C. T. Gibson.

A London audience is brilliant. Every one is in evening dress, and the audience is often more entertaining than the play. This is especially true on a first night. At such times the pit is watched most anxiously by the management, as the success of the piece generally depends on its verdict. It has often occurred to me, when I have seen people on a stormy night forming a line on the pavement outside the pit entrance, taking it all seriously enough to stand there for hours before the doors were opened, that by letting them inside, the management might improve their spirits and they in their turn might be more genteel.

And it has also occurred to me when I have seen a stout man standing in the aisle fumbling for a sixpence or a shilling in pockets that probably only contain a bank note and a goldpiece that the management might further improve the spirits of its audience by doing away with women ushers, and by selling the programme at the same time it sells the seat, for it is hardly fair to the first act of a play to make it overcome the fretfulness caused by annoying attendants before it can hope to amuse. But the second act is sure to have a fair start, and if the play is good from there on it will have no reason to complain of the audience.—C. D. Gibson in Scribner's.

Killed the Devil. A burglar recently met with his deserts in a dramatic manner. In the neighborhood of a place called Huntsburg, near Oldenburg, two little boys, aged respectively 8 and 12, were left by their mother at home to take care of the house. A man with blackened face and in black attire suddenly entered and announced himself to the scared little devils as his satanic majesty. "I am the devil. Where do you keep your money?" They instantly pointed toward the massive trunk where the modest wealth of the parents was treasured up. While, however, the murky looking impostor was ransacking the chest, the younger of the two boys whispered to his brother, "Go and fetch the gun and shoot the devil dead."

The brother jumped at the idea, fetched the loaded weapon, crept up to the unsuspecting thief and lodged the whole charge in his back. He fell back dead.—London Telegraph.

Uncalled For Indignity. "That's what I call an insult to the whole human race." "What is it?"

The first speaker pointed to a North Side butcher's window, where, under an array of calves' livers, hung this sign, "Get Your Brains Here."—Chicago Tribune.

The majority of grown people, as well as the children, in ancient Rome rarely lighted a candle unless at dawn. The bedtime in Rome, Athens, Egypt and other parts of the Mediterranean shore was between 7 and 9 o'clock in the evening, according to the season.

Englishmen who have resided in Guernsey for a year and a day are compelled to serve in the local militia.

New Mexico and Consumptives. "It is a shame for physicians to send consumptives to New Mexico to die," said Dr. William Owens, an educated, full blooded Choctaw Indian. "It is one of the grandest and most healthful climates in the world," he added, "but physicians wait until it is too late before they let their patients obtain the benefit of it. More than 50 per cent of the people from the north who go to New Mexico are dying with consumption before they leave home, and some only last a few weeks—some times days—after arriving. These same people, if sent there at the proper time, would gain much benefit from the climate. The majority of them make their headquarters along the Rio Grande and in Santa Fe and Silver City."—Washington Post.

Planet Chaf. Archibald—Some astronomers say that Mars is signaling some other planet. Mary—Maybe that is why Saturn has her ring of lights—to show that she's engaged.—Harper's Bazar.

MESSAGE TO MEN. Proving that True Honesty and True Philanthropy Still Exist.

If any man who is weak, nervous and debilitated, or who is suffering from any of the various troubles resulting from youthful folly, excesses or overwork, will take heart and write to me, I will send him confidentially and free of charge the plan pursued by which I was completely restored to perfect health and manhood, after years of suffering from Nervous Debility, Loss of Vigor and Organic Weakness.

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Extreme Provocation.

"Did you strike that man?" asked the court sternly. "I did, but he made the first assault." "How was that?" "Struck me for \$10."—Detroit Free Press.

Additional Information. "Maw, I know why freedom shrieked when Kosciusko fell?" "Well, Tommy?" "Cause she couldn't pronounce his name!"—Chicago Tribune.

Knew What Was Coming. McKinley's Secretary—Here's a letter from an old school chum of yours. He says that— McKinley—What office does he want?—New York Journal.

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Hunter—Say, boy, was my dog fighting with that beast of yours? Boy—Bet yer life he wuz, mister! Hunter—Do you know where he is now? Boy—Yep. He's inside er my dog!—New York Journal.

A By-law for allowing a Rate of Discount on the Assessments on Real Estate and Personal Property in the City of Charlottetown for general civic purposes for the current year ending the thirty-first day of December A. D. 1897.

Be it enacted by the City Council of the City of Charlottetown as follows:— 1st. A discount at the rate of Two and One-half Per Cent shall be allowed to all taxpayers who shall, on or before the Fifteenth day of July next, A D 1897, pay to the City Clerk, at his office, the taxes severally due by them for the current year on Real Estate and Personal Property for civic purposes.

(Sgd.) W. E. DAWSON, Mayor of the City of Ch'town H. M. DAVISON, City Clerk.

April 15th—dy2w

A By-law for levying and specifying the rate of assessment on Real Estate and Personal Property in the City of Charlottetown for general civic purposes under Statute 51 Victoria, Chapter 12.

Be it enacted by the City Council of the City of Charlottetown as follows:— 1st. The rate of assessment on Real Estate for general civic purposes under said Statute, for the year commencing the first day of January, A D 1897, and ending the thirty-first day of December, A D 1897, is hereby specified and fixed at the rate of one per cent on every dollar of the value of Real Estate, as assessed by the Assessors of the said City of Charlottetown in the General Assessment Book and Valuation Roll of all Real Estate and Personal Property liable to taxation in said City, and of all persons liable to pay Poll Tax therein, made and duly returned by them on the fourth day of March, A D 1897.

(Sgd.) W. E. DAWSON, Mayor of the City of Ch'town H. M. DAVISON, City Clerk.

April 15—dy2w

A By-Law for Levying and Specifying the Rate of Assessment on Real Estate and Personal Property and Poll in the City of Charlottetown for a Waterworks Fund, under Statute 50th Victoria, Chapter 8.

Be it enacted by the City Council of the City of Charlottetown as follows:— 1st. The rate of Assessment on Real Estate for a Waterworks Fund under said Statute for the year commencing the first day of January, A D 1897, and ending the thirty-first day of December, A D 1897, is hereby specified and fixed at the rate of one-eighth of one per cent on every dollar of the value of Real Estate as assessed by the Assessors of the said City of Charlottetown in the general Assessment Book and Valuation Roll of all Real Estate and Personal Property liable to taxation in said City, and all persons liable to pay Poll Tax therein made and duly returned by them on the fourth day of March, A D 1897.

2nd. The rate of Assessment on Personal Property for such Water Works Fund for the year commencing the first day of January, A D 1897, and ending the thirty-first day of December, A D 1897, is hereby specified and fixed at the rate of one-eighth of one per cent on every dollar of the value of Personal Property as assessed by the assessors of the said City in the said General Assessment Book and Valuation Roll, made and duly returned by them as aforesaid. 3rd. The amount of Poll Tax to be paid by every person returned by the said Assessors in said General Assessment Book and Valuation Roll as liable thereto for such Water works Fund under said Statute, for the year commencing the first day of January, A D 1897, and ending the 31st day of December, A D 1897, is hereby specified and fixed at the sum of Ten Cents (10c) on the poll of every person so assessed and returned as aforesaid. (Sgd.) W. E. DAWSON, Mayor of the City of Ch'town H. M. DAVISON, City Clerk. City Clerk's Office, Ch'town, April 15, 1897. dy2w

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