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VALUE OF IMAGINATION.

Life naturally must be more interesting to the person of vivid imagination than to one who lives only for the tangible things about him and who fears to dream as his fancy wills because reality bears heavily upon him. We do not think that even the man of affairs would find the indulgence of a few day dreams detrimental to his interests, while to those who look only upon the serious side of life and share only its darker aspects, a few dreams of what perhaps may come to pass would act as a tonic upon tired nerves, says the Charleston News and Courier. Our dreams are often companions to us, and sometimes we find ourselves moving unconsciously with them in a world far removed from our real habitation, but one whose promises seem easy of fulfilment and whose delights compensate for some of the hardships we may, perhaps, be called upon to bear during our waking hours. The world which is our idea of happiness, with all its wonder of accomplishment and all its measure of appreciation—the world in which we naturally play an important part—who has not seen its shining sands, and lofty summits, and flowering paths, beckoning, telling us how good it is to live and defying us to resist its appealing call? We cannot all gain its shores and discover long-hidden secrets, but, at least, we can turn its promises to our advantage and make our day dreams cases, as it were, in the desert spots of life.

James H. Collins, writing of "the orderly German mind," notes that a generation ago the chief exports of Germany were philosophy, poetry, music and emigrants, while today she ships machinery, chemicals, textiles and [illegible] aunee, Ishpemig and other ranges to the west ward of the latter. Possibly a strict analysis of the prophecy of short life for our ore supply would disclose that it refers only to the exhaustion of the Mesaba deposits. Even then they are predicated on the maintenance of a rate of increase in mining equal to the exceptional one of the past two decades. Apart from the correctness of that calculation the fact is well known that there are vast deposits of ore yet practically untouched.

Look into the eyes of the oriental and you look into orbs that are opaque to Occidental discernment. A mystic and alien light hints an appalling gulf of sentiment. But somewhere behind the screen with which the patient Chinaman holds his dignity of solitude there beats a heart as ready to bleed at the story of suffering of his own people as that of the stranger all too prone to call him devil. The "heathen Chinee" is perhaps not so peculiar as his reputation.

A zoo expert says that snakes must be protected. For obvious reasons, those who disagree with him will be afraid to do anything but give an apparent acquiescence, if they do not wish to subject themselves to serious suspicion.

The oldest woman in New York died the other day at the age of one hundred and seventeen. She did not advise the world to follow her mode of living. Blessings on her soul!

"Women always are and constitutionally ought to be tougher than men," says Prof. Tyler of Amherst college. Still, no man ought to leave it to his wife to bring up the kitchen coal.

"Woman is stronger, than man," opines Professor Tyler. At any rate, a good many of us are led to believe that she is stronger in the vicinity of the jawbone.

Finally a good word has been said for the English sparrow. Somebody claims to have found that it eats the cotton maple scale. Go it, birdie.

BOARD OF HEALTH ISSUES PAMPHLET

STATE TO INSTRUCT THE PEOPLE HOW TO SAVE LIVES.

LESSEN NUMBER OF DEATHS

According to the Bulletin, During the Month There Were 178 Cases of Tuberculosis—Typhoid Fever Much Less Prevalent.

Lansing.—With a view to lessening the number of fatalities from drowning and calling attention to the fact that over 300 lives were lost in the water last year, the state board of health has issued a pamphlet teaching people what to do when an accident from drowning occurs.

According to the bulletin there were 178 cases of tuberculosis during the month, which was a decrease over the preceding month, but an increase over the same month a year ago. Typhoid fever was much less prevalent than in the preceding month and also less prevalent than the average in recent years.

Scarlet fever was reported from 119 localities, a half dozen of the larger cities having numerous cases. Smallpox was found in twenty-five localities. Not a single case of infantile paralysis was reported.

Farmers Won't Boycott Detroit.

Nathan P. Hull of Dimondale, master of the state grange, in a letter to the State Fair society denies that he and the grange will use their influence to line up the farmers against the fair because of the attitude of a number of Detroit business men in favor of reciprocity. A report to this effect was sent out from Washington.

The story intimated that if Detroit sent a delegation to the capital to work in the interest of reciprocity the grange would urge the farmers to keep away from Detroit. Mr. Hull's letter to the fair officials is as follows:

"My attention has been called to statements that have recently appeared in a number of newspapers that the grange would use its influence to keep the farmers of Michigan from our state fair in an attempt to spite Detroit. I hasten to assure you that I have never thought of such a thing, nor have I ever heard of it suggested either directly or indirectly until I saw it in the newspapers. In the second place, I have no spite against Detroit in any way. And in the third place, I hope I am not small enough, and know I am not fool enough, to try such a petty reprisal as that, and this would be true were I not officially connected with the fair. I am sure no one connected with the fair took any stock in this story, anyway, but there are some people who are not acquainted with me who might believe it."

Mr. Hull has just returned to his home from Washington. He is vice-president of the fair society.

State R. R. Commission for 2c Rate.

Despite the fact that the interstate commerce commission has ruled that railroads operating in Michigan and other states have a right to charge three cents per mile on interstate passenger business, the Michigan railroad commission will not lie down in its effort to compel the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad Co. to sell tickets to Indiana points for two cents a mile, the same as other roads of the state are now doing.

During the recent session of the legislature Senator Taylor introduced a concurrent resolution, which passed both houses, and was signed by the governor, giving the Michigan commission authority to take up with the interstate commerce commission the question as to the right of the G. R. & I. to charge three cents per mile for tickets sold from Michigan to Indiana points.

Members of the Michigan railroad commission say they will take the question up with the interstate commerce commission and will ask that the matter be tested in the courts, as they are not willing to abide by the decision of the interstate commerce commission. The Michigan commission has no power to regulate interstate business, but they can ask the aid of the interstate commerce commission, and it is thought that body will take some action, as the Michigan commission desire.

New State Corporations.

The following companies have filed articles of incorporation wit the secretary of state: Tilden Saw company, Detroit, increase from $60,000 to $100,000; principal stockholders, George M. Tilden, C. H. Tilden; Independent Farmer company, Kinde, $2,000. The Kuffa company, Grand Rapids, $2,000.

Pardon Board at Ionia.

The state board of pardons is in session at the Ionia reformatory for the first time under the Osborn administration. Owing to the long interval in getting together there are 135 cases to consider, the largest number at any one time under the parole law. The present population of the prison is 665 and inside of 30 days it is expected that at least 75 paroles will have gone into effect. It will take the board two weeks to clean up.

Michigan Authors to Hold Meet.

The state convention of Michigan authors will be held at Detroit June 1, under the auspices of the Michigan Authors' association. This will be the association's first convention and it is planning to encourage literary effort in Michigan by inviting all persons who have an ambition to wield the pen to be present.

The association believes there is an immense amount of material in Michigan from which to develop authors, and that with a little encouragement a literary community of interest may be created which will eventually rank Michigan with Indiana in the number of authors contained within its boundaries.

Many writers of fame have signified their intention of being present, and a program of exceptional interest has been arranged. Governor Osborn, Will Carleton, William Wallace Cook, Will Levington Comfort, Kirk Alexander, Benjamin Comfort, Oliver J. Curwood, Frederic Zeigen, Norman Hackett, Ivan Swift and others will take part in the program.

The Authors' association has decided to admit persons to its membership who have not actually written and published books, but who are interested in writing, have the desire to increase their knowledge in the matter, and have the ambition to ultimately become authors in the accepted sense of the word. Also all press representatives, reporters, magazine writers, historians, poets, essayists, and even people who are literary and write for clubs, etc., will be made welcome in the associate membership, in the hope that thereby will be discovered talent which will ultimately become famed in the literary field. Hereafter the Michigan Authors' association was deemed to be a strictly closed organization.

Only the active membership will be limited to actual professional writers and illustrators. Associate membership, according to the new constitution, is open to all who are interested in the work, and who have the essential qualification. The organization is also arranging with a publishing house to publish in book form many of the best works of its members.

All Agree on Mine Expert.

Governor Osborn indorsed the tax commission's selection of James R. Finlay, 52 Williams street, New York city, as the man to make a new and thorough appraisal of all mining properties in Michigan. The work involves an industry employing 40,000 men and properties of an estimated value of $125,000.

Mr. Finlay, who is an expert mining engineer, working privately and connected with no university, has been notified to come to Michigan and begin work at once. His selection is approved by the officials interested.

The Senator White law, recently enacted, requires the work to be completed and report filed with the commission by August 21, 1911.

Agitation for the appraisal of the mines for a new basis of taxation was begun during the last gubernatorial primary by Patrick H. Kelley. The state grange also declared the huge financial interests in the upper peninsula weren't paying enough taxes.

In acting on this issue the legislature included all Michigan mines in the reappraisal.

Finlay will thus investigate the coal, salt and gypsum mines of the lower peninsula. The act allows $30,000 for the work.

Practically all of the copper mines are in Houghton, Keweenaw and Ontonagon counties, the present assessed valuation of the copper mines totaling $79,286,882. Houghton county, which boasts of the Calumet & Hecla, has copper mines whose valuation has been fixed at $71,471,920. Keweenaw is worth in copper mines $6,628,342, and Ontonagon $1,186,620. They employ 19,250 miners. The iron mines extend over Baraga, Dickinson, Gogebic and iron counties and are assessed at $26,829,332, divided as follows: Baraga, $103,500; Dickinson, $5,754,741; Gogebic, $6,955,800, and Iron, $11,496,291. They employ 15,000 men.

The principal coal mines of the lower peninsula, which employ 2,474 men, are located in Bay, Saginaw and Shiawassee counties.

County Gets More Money Than Tax.

The big primary school fund apportioned for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1911, exceeds the state tax for 1910 by $1,355,369 and for the first time Wayne county draws more from the state than it paid in taxes.

Only 14 counties pay in more than they receive, while the other 69 receive more than they pay. The total amount apportioned was $6,084,369 and the state tax was $4,729,000.

Wayne county receives $33,515 in excess of its state tax for the year and in view of the change in the methods of distribution next year the amount will undoubtedly be larger owing to the exclusion from the apportionment of those counties which have a sufficient amount of primary money on hand to pay the teachers' wages for two years.

Millions of Trout Being Planted.

Brook trout fry to the number of 2,250,000, propagated at the state fish hatchery at St. Mary's rapids, have been planted in upper Michigan streams this spring. Nearly a million others, hatched at the Cleveland Cliffs Iron company's hatchery at Munising, have been deposited in various creeks and small lakes, mostly in Alger county. Similar plantings have been made annually for a number of years past, and only because of this policy is the upper peninsula angler enabled to enjoy his favorite sport.

FINDS TOBACCO TRUST ILLEGAL

U. S. WINS DECISIVE VICTORY AGAINST COMBINE HELD MONOPOLY IN RESTRAINT OF TRADE.

IS GIVEN SIX MONTHS TO MAKE CHANGES.

Tribunal Declares in Decree Corporation Ruthlessly Carried Out Purpose to Crush Competitors; Public Injured, Too, Says Court.

The supreme court of the United States ordered the dissolution of the American Tobacco company, that recording its judgment in the second of the big anti-trust cases. The dissolution, however, unlike that of the Standard Oil company, is to be carried on under the direction of the lower court—the circuit court of appeals for the southern district of New York. The supreme bench places on that court the burden of devising not only a plan of dissolving the combination, but of "recreating out of the elements now composing it, a new condition which shall be honestly in harmony with and not repugnant to the law."

To enter such a decree, it became necessary for the supreme court to reserve and remand the case to the federal court in New York. The decision of the supreme court goes much farther than that of the lower tribunal. It includes within its condemnation the 29 individuals named in the government's bill of complaint, the two English corporations, the British-American Tobacco company and the Imperial Tobacco company, and also the United Cigar Stores company. Chief Justice White, who read the opinion, held that the circuit court of appeals had erred in dismissing the government's bill of complaint against the individuals and the foreign corporations and also in not granting the government's prayer and including within the decree the United Cigar Stores company.

In brief the supreme court completely sustained all of the vital points contended for in the original bill of complaint filed by the government. Attorney General Wickersham in a formal statement expressed great pleasure over the decision.

DIAZ STEALS AWAY IN NIGHT.

Flees to Vera Cruz and Sails for Madrid, Spain.

Private telegrams from Vera Cruz report the arrival there of Gen. Porfirio Diaz. He is on his way to Europe and will make his home in Madrid, probably.

Following his resignation from the presidency, after a dictatorial reign of 30 years, Diaz stole secretly from the capital at 2 o'clock in the morning, accompanied by only a few devoted friends. None besides these knew his plans and he made his way quietly through the streets that shortly before thronged with joyous thousands celebrating his downfall. The crowds had gone, but a few shouts of "Viva Madero" still could be heard occasionally.

So carefully were the arrangements made for the abdicated president's secret escape that the news did not transpire until in the afternoon. Secrecy was due less to apprehension of a popular outburst than to a desire to reach Vera Cruz before marauders along the route could learn of the trip.

Wireless Promoters Get Prison Terms

Christopher Columbus Wilson, president of the United Wireless Telegraph Co., and four of his associates were convicted in the criminal branch of the United States circuit court in New York of fraudulent use of the mails to solicit subscriptions to wireless stock. Judge Martin immediately imposed sentence as follows:

President Wilson, three years in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta; George H. Parker and F. E. Butler, two years each in the same prison; W. A. Dibold and W. W. Thompkins, one year each in some New York prison.

Abandon Annual Squadron Cruise.

Rumors from Washington would indicate that the navy department will abolish at least for this year, the annual squadron cruise of the naval militia on the great lakes.

The report that there would be no squadron cruise and that the ships would sail individually has been circulated among the officers and men in the militia for weeks.

Lumber Trust in West Under Fire.

A federal grand jury, under the direction of United States District Judge K. M. Landis, in Chicago, will investigate the lumber business in the west to see if violations of the Sherman anti-trust law exist or have existed. The special panel ordered will appear for service on June 5.

The German reichstag has passed the second reading of the government's bill providing a constitution for Alsace-Lorraine.

At the direction of Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, superintendent of the Chicago school system, pupils in the public technical schools are building hundreds of simple ice boxes for the use of the poor, in the hope of reducing the high infant mortality of the tenement quarters in summer.

The triennial general synod of the Reformed (German) church of the United States in session in Canton, O., during the last week, has adjourned. The plan for pensioning old and disabled ministers was referred back to the classis, and will be brought up at the general synod three years hence.

STATE NEWS

Kalamazoo.—Officers are attempting to find out who started the fire last week that burned up a portion of Scotts, causing a loss of over $50,000. It is claimed evidence has been found that the fire was started as the result of differences between several well-known residents of the place over the local option question. Sheriff A. L. Campbell declares that there is absolutely no question but what the fire was started as the result of this feud but just who started the fire he has not been able to learn.

Kalamazoo.—One of the biggest snake hunts ever pulled off in Michigan is going to take place soon in this county. Local trout fishermen are now busy organizing a party to go to Campbell's creek and exterminate, if possible, the snakes that infest that section of the county. Campbell's creek is one of the best trout streams in this part of the state, but this year the rattlesnakes, blue racers and black snakes are so thick along the stream that practically no one dares to fish there. To recapture the stream, if possible, from the reptiles is the plan of the trout fishermen.

Niles.—Suit was begun in the circuit court by the city against Dr. Z. L. Baldwin, owner of a private hospital for the treatment of tubercular cases, to compel him to remove his hospital from the residence district where it is located. Suit is begun under a city ordinance that was passed two years ago when the neighborhood agitation against the hospital started. Since that time repeated efforts to dislodge the hospital have failed.

Ionia.—Mrs. Rose Davis, thirty-one years old, swallowed 60 grains of arsenic at her home in Pewamo and died. She denied that she had taken poison. She has been living at the home of her mother at Pewamo with her three little children. Mr. Davis, who is separated from his family, has been teaching school at Clio. Despondency is supposed to have caused the woman to take her life.

Kalamazoo.—While playing in the street Alfred Cavanagh, aged eleven years, ran directly in front of a street car and was hit with terrific force. He was thrown a distance of 20 feet through the air, one leg was broken and he was terribly cut about the head. It is feared that he received internal injuries. He was taken to the Burgess hospital, where it was said he might recover.

Kalamazoo.—Rev. I. M. Boersma, pastor of the Third Christian Reformed church, realizing that it will be but a short time until he is dead from tuberculosis has tendered his resignation. Mr. Boersma recently went to Colorado for the benefit of his health.

Kalamazoo.—As the result of a sunstroke received Monday C. H. Kelmer, aged fifty-two years, died. He is the first heat victim of the year. Kelmer was working in the garden at his home when overcome.

Eaton Rapids.—A. G. Foote, aged seventy-two, well-known resident of this section, attempted to commit suicide by cutting his throat. Members of his family discovered him in time to save his life.

Saginaw.—The townships of Maple Grove and Lakefield have voted to bond for $80,000 for good roads this summer.

Mason.—Two pioneer settlers—Reuel Doolittle, aged sixty-four, and Mrs. Ellen Marshall, aged seventy—are dead on farms near here where they had lived more than half a century.

Marshall.—Local officers are of the opinion that the counterfeit money that is being passed here is some that was made two years ago when the William Kulp gang was arrested. They believed that Kulp had a large amount of the money hidden and that it is now being circulated by other men who were in on the deal but who were not caught when Kulp was arrested.

Stambaugh.—The farm which is an adjunct to the Iron county alms house is to become an agricultural experiment station, similar to the upper peninsula institution which the state maintains at Chatham, Alger county. The proposition has been presented to the board of supervisors and it has been received with favor. An agricultural college graduate will be put in charge of the work.

Kalamazoo.—Kalamazoo will make a strong effort to land the 1912 convention of the A. U. V. The 1911 meeting will be held in Detroit June 12-15 and a large delegation is going from this city to try and win the next meeting.

Lansing.—Capt. F. L. Wells, Eleventh United States infantry, has been recommended by the war department for detail as instructor for the Michigan National Guard.

Battle Creek.—Taken very ill on a street car, Fred Hill asked the conductor to telephone his wife to meet the car. Mrs. Hill responded and assisted her husband to their cottage at Park Bieder, but just as Hill crossed the threshold he fell dead. Hill, who was custodian of the Moose lodge and club rooms, was bothered with neuralgia of the heart, but his attack was without warning.

Ionia.—An inquest was held at Pewamo on account of the death of Mrs. Fay Davis, who took poison. The jury decided that it was a case of accidental poisoning.

TRUE COURAGE.

Natalie—Yes, he was paying attention to her quite a long time.

Estelle—Perhaps he hadn't the courage to propose.

Natalie—Oh, I don't know. Perhaps he had the courage not to propose.

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He Used Good Material.

Rembrandt and Michael Angelo were playing checkers under a spreading tree in the golden sunlight of the Elysian Fields.

The famous Italian looked up.

"Remmy," he said, "did you notice the price somebody has just paid for that 'Mill' of yours?"

"I heard about it."

"Well?"

"Well, I'm glad I had enough money when I painted that picture to buy a good quality of canvas. It's your move, Mike."

And the game went on.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Unless he is home where he can rage before the family about it, a bald-headed man will pretend he doesn't know there are such things as flies.

Some men will do more for a cheap cigar than they will do for a dollar.

DOCTORS FAILED TO HELP HER

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