

640, where he is buried. His paintings which are seen in almost every gallery in Europe, number about two thousand and treat of most every subject. "When he died there ended a career that hardly finds a parallel in the history of art for its eminent success in achievement, in brilliancy and in fame." "His treatment is healthy, manly and rational, always as far as it goes pure, forcible and refreshing, consummate in composition and marvellous in color." But his figures are small, fat and coarse.

At the upper end of the north aisle, I like to be exact when I can, is a Head of Christ in marble, by Oda Vinci; a very impressive painting, rich in color but to me lacks character.

In front of the cathedral upon an iron canopy over a well is Quinten Matsys' iron statue of Brabo. Mr. Matsys was a blacksmith, but being enamored of a lady of fastidious nature, one day threw down the hammer on the anvil and took up the brush. He became so famous that the lady fell in love with him. Love being mutual, they married; at least I suppose so, it would spoil the story if they didn't.

The museum at Antwerp contains many celebrated paintings. Rubens' Crucifixion, considered by many to be his best work; Matsys' Dead Christ, and others by Rembrandt, Jordaens, Van Dyck, Murillo, Holbein and Steen. Every artist knows what a feast this is.

Leaving Antwerp we pass Brussels with its magnificent buildings. At the station we became somewhat interested in seeing the railway employes in priestly looking costumes switching cars with horses; a rather primitive method we thought.

The country along the route is more or less hilly. At Herbesthal we were obliged to pass the customs and submit our baggage to the gaze of a curious officer. When ready to start off we managed to get into the wrong train and it took a deal of promiscuous French language and more or less excitement to get us where we belonged. But in due course of time we arrived at Cologne.

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"There's no place like home," groaned the organ.

Tears sprang to the eyes of the man with the dusty hat.

"There's no place like home."

"I hope not," sighed the man, for his thoughts were with bare, wet floors and a dinner of cold potatoes on the top of the sewing machine.

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God pity the man who is bereft of all sense of humor; who goes through life with a shrunken heart and solemn face; who has in him nothing that responds to that which produces genuine mirth in other people. Aye, God pity him; for he has need of all the pity he can get. His life is barren of that which makes life enjoyable; he doesn't really live; he only exists. His funeral countenance is a pall on any company, a thing depressing and to be avoided.

The man who doesn't laugh has no valid excuse for living. For you can depend upon it, the man who is sans an appreciation of humor is sans a great many other things. He doesn't properly enjoy anything. The birds may sing, but he doesn't hear the music. The sun may shine, but to him the day is cloudy. The golden apples of life are but Dead Sea fruit in the palms of his shrivelled hands. He is confined to a narrow field. His ideas are limited. He is generally a crank, afraid of draughts and fond of black coffee without sugar or cream in it.

On the other hand the man who can see the point of a joke; who sees and appreciates the humor in things done and said about him; who has a taste for wit, and whose laugh rings out whole-souled and free—that man doesn't need anybody's pity. Life yields to him the greatest measure of enjoyment. Whether the sky is overcast or not, whether troubles come or the way be clear, he is always an optimist; and the wear and tear of life doesn't prevent him from having a good time. His heart is big. He is big all over; nothing little about him. I have in mind a well known young man whose sense of humor is particularly well developed, and this sixth sense is the key-note of his character. It enables him to thoroughly enjoy living. It makes him big hearted and companionable. I know of no one who has a better time than he; and because he looks on the bright and light side of things people like to be with him. His presence acts as a tonic to a jaded spirit. He quickens and enthuses all around him.

When a funny story is told in a company he is the first to see the point, and his laugh is so hearty and full of mirth, that it generally becomes epidemic. His mind is quick to comprehend, and he is a keen observer. He goes through life seeing things and enjoying himself. He finds humor and a laugh in the common things that happen ever day. He loves humor and admires any one who is capable of producing it. He tells a story well, bringing out all of the ludicrous possibilities. He is brimful of cheerfulness and good nature. Liking a good laugh, he likes good clothes, good dinners and good fellows.

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"I've given the matter deep thought," said the sire.

"Concluding 'twere folly to yield your desire.

I can't give my daughter in marriage to you,

E'en though your proposal seems earnest and true."

"Dear sir," quoth the suitor, "you don't understand,

I really don't ask any gift at your hand;

My purposes are far more simple; you see,

I merely propose that you sell her to me."

"In that case, of course," cried the sordid old man,

"I'll take further time to consider your plan;

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