

**DON'T BE CRUEL.**

The statutes of Nebraska impose severe penalties for violation of laws against cruelty to animals. Attention is called to the following sections:

Section 5646. To "inhumanly beat, strike, kick, wound, kill, or mutilate any domestic animal," is a misdemeanor.

Sec. 5647. To "overwork, overdrive, over'oad, or otherwise torment or torture" a team, is a misdemeanor.

Sec. 5648. Neglect to provide sufficient food, water, or shelter at any season of the year is a misdemeanor.

Sec. 5650. Neglecting to properly feed and water impounded animals is a misdemeanor.

Sec. 5651. Neglect of and cruelty to animals in transportation is a misdemeanor.

Sec. 5652. Wilful abandonment to die in any public place of any sick or disabled domestic animal, is a misdemeanor.

These misdemeanors entail a fine of \$5.00 to \$50.00.

Sec. 5656. "Bull baiting or bear baiting, or other torture, either by dogs, whip or spears, entails a fine of \$100.00.

Sec. 5655. Cock-fighting exhibitions entail a fine of \$20.00.

Sec. 5664 imposes a fine of \$3.00 to \$10.00 each for the intentional killing or injury, except on land owned by such person, of any robin, lark, thrush, bluebird, kingbird, sparrow, wren, jay, swallow, turtle dove, oriole, woodpecker, yellowhammer, cuckoo, yellow bird, bobolink, or other birds of like nature that promote agriculture and horticulture by feeding on noxious worms or insects, or that are attractive in appearance or cheerful in song.

Note—Any person has a right to relieve the suffering of animals caused by neglect, or to procure through an officer the arrest of anyone guilty of these misdemeanors.

Be kind to your animals. "The merciful man will be merciful to his beast."

Rest your horses' necks when you tie up, by loosening the check-rein which pulls their heads up in a strained and unnatural position; or else try the check on yourself for a few hours. Issued by Mina D. Plumb, State Supt. Dept. of Mercy, W.C.T.U., Lincoln, Nebr.

Two men of very different training and experience lately expressed views of striking similarity about the place of athletics in education. One was Mr. George E. Woodberry, professor of comparative literature in Columbia university, and chairman of the faculty committee on athletics. When he graduated at Harvard, twenty-four years ago, there was no better example than his of devotion to the intellectual side of college education. He was a distinguished scholar, and apparently as indifferent as any undergraduate of his day to all that part of education which has to do with physical development. His intellectual promise has been richly fulfilled. He is a poet of distinction, and one of the very few American critics whose perception and equipment are such as to give authority to their judgments. But Professor Woodberry seems not to look back with entire approval on the sort of college training that is so advantageously exemplified in himself. When something prompted him to lecture the other day to his classes on intercollegiate athletics, he spoke of the tendency to overestimate the part of book-learning in college training. If the college man succeeds in after life, it is rather, he thought, on account of a peculiar and personal genius or bent than because of what he has learned in books. Athletics seemed to him to cultivate self-control and the daily habit of doing things, and he thought it perhaps easier to study so far as the strain on character is concerned, than to train for athletics.

To hear this sort of discourse from

Professor Woodberry is a good deal like finding Saul among the Prophets, though doubtless these opinions which he expressed are by no means novel to him.

Sentiments to very much the same effect were lately expressed by that typical man of action, Mr. Cecil Rhodes, in offering an annual prize for the boys of a newly opened school at Cape Town. He wished the prize (£250) to go neither to a mere book-student nor a mere athlete, but to a student whose proficiency should include scholarship, success in sports, manhood and leadership. What manhood means to Mr. Rhodes is courage, devotion to truth and duty, sympathy, kindness, unselfishness and fellowship. Leadership, to his mind, would be indicated by force of character and the instinct which in after-life would bring the lad to undertake public duties. Mr. Rhodes evidently wants his prize to go, not necessarily to the best scholar, but to the likeliest lad. It may be hard to award it, but the donor's purpose is clear.

The vital qualities seem to be character, energy and intelligence. No doubt there is a physical side to all of them, and Mr. Woodberry, Mr. Rhodes and all wise men want that side to be sufficiently cultivated. The man we all want the colleges to turn out is the man who will do right, do it skillfully, and do it hard.

About the hardest work there is to make up one's mind right and reasonably quickly when the choice is difficult. That is one phase of effort for which education should qualify a man, and both branches of education help to qualify him for it. Study gives him the requisite knowledge to act upon, and the discipline of mind which strengthens discernment. Athletics give him vigor. Napoleon at one time was a renowned reader. Hamilton, a precocious scholar, was a soldier of signal energy. John Marshall, of the hard head and clear mind, was a fine athletic and loved sports all his life. Lincoln, whose physical education came first, was a noted athlete, and, as every one knows, read all the books he could get hold of. All four of these men were men of great power and tireless energy, who reached out at any given time for what they could get and use at that time. The men who do remarkable things are, as Mr. Woodberry seems to have suggested, the men who have in them, and not the men who have followed this or that system of training. But such men are always reaching out for what they need. They have the power to work and keep working.—E. S. Martin, in Harper's Weekly.

If the republican party permits a war of revenge to be prosecuted by any of the late but defeated candidates for United States Senator in Nebraska, it will be a suicidal policy. The war is over, the battle of smoke has cleared away and it is eminently proper for republicans to accept the inevitable and "get together."—Fairbury Gazette.

Huckster (incoherently, from his wagon)—Oomph-hagerritur-wah-wah-uh-wah-wah!

Mrs. Flint (determinedly from the window)—Don't want it!

Huckster—Don't want what?

Mrs. Flint—Whatever you've got.

Huckster—Aint got it! Gid-dap, Bill! —Town Topics.

Youngly—Do you consider absent-mindedness a symptom of love?

Olebatch—No; I consider it the cause. —Town Topics.



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