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OVER-MODESTY BAR TO SUCCESS.

Don't be afraid to express an opinion, even if it is differut from the opinion of the boss. He may like a man with spirit and with brains enough to have an opinion. But don't have opinions unless you have studied from both sides. One of the most annoying types in the business world is the man who always wants to start an argument. Don't let one mistake make you lose your nerve. Lots of times a mistake has helped a man, first by making him more careful in the future, and second, by bringing him into the limelight. It's better to be noticed once in a while, even for a mistake, than to be ignored. If your work has been satisfactory your good work will shine by contrast, and you won't be unduly blamed for your error. A whole lot of men have failed to rise because they were too modest. If you believe you can do a thing, try it. Express belief in your own ability, but first be sure you have the ability. Nobody but yourself knows what you can do, and if you are too modest to let people find out what you know, you have only yourself to blame if the boss doesn't seem to appreciate you. It's all right to learn the duties of the man next higher up in case you get a raise, but there are hundreds of men who never get the raise because they are so busy learning the higher up work that they forget their own duties. Do your own work carefully first, and then after you have finished it's time enough to want to do the work of the other fellow.

The success of the anti-typhoid inoculation in the United States army has been such that the authorities have decided to extend its protection to the families of soldiers. Colonel Surgeon L. Mervin Maus, chief medical officer for the department of the east, who has been stationed at Governor's Island for a year, has obtained typhoid anti-toxin from the army laboratory at Washington. All women under forty-five and all children over ten years of age are to be made immune to the fever. Undoubtedly the confidence of the army in this prophylactic will influence the extension of its employment in civil life. Among the first to resort to it as a class might be expected to be the traveling men, who continually take fresh risks with strange drinking water.

Doctors told the members of the Illinois Society for the Conservation of Vision, at the first public meeting of that organization in Chicago, that inattention of nurses at the time that infants are born is the cause of most cases of congenital blindness. Throughout the country there is activity at the present time in disseminating information regarding the simple method by which the shocking calamity of infantile blindness in most instances can be prevented.

Foreign countries would not wonder at the braininess of Americans could they make a study of our national game. Baseball is a contest of skill, demanding nimble minds and nimble bodies, quick thinking and quick action. No less alert than the players are the fans in the stands, as they follow every play, judging it instantly, and estimating its effect upon the outcome of the game. It's a great mental tonic is baseball.

The health commissioner of New York city asserts that many manufacturers of pies and other pastry are using benzoate of soda more freely than is good for the human stomach. For this reason he proposes to promulgate regulations that will force the restaurateurs and others who sell these viands to display placards or print a line in the bill of fare that will convey notification of the presence of the chemical preservative to the ultimate consumer. It is entirely proper that the individual who pays for what he supposes to be "like mother used to make" and is given something else should know what he is getting for his money.

A Chicago police magistrate declared from the bench that girls are more responsible for flirting than men, and that mothers are responsible for their daughters. The last part of the saying is true, even if the first clause furnishes matter for debate.

A Massachusetts man says the world will come to an end in 13 years. It is easy enough to predict the end of the world. The hard part is thinking up an excuse when the world fails to flicker out at the appointed time.

Owners of New York skyscrapers are asking tenants to request their employes to shorten their hatpins in order to increase the elevator capacity.

The Divine Healer

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TEXT—"Why marvel ye at this? . . . yea, the faith which is through him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all." Acts 3:12, 16.

These two verses are very important; they mark the crisis in the story of the first apostolic miracle after Pentecost; the story sets forth the type of the ministry, message and motive of the church; we see that spiritual work (even along physical lines) went hand in hand with spiritual power, and we must face two or three plain questions as to matters of fact.

Is Christ the same as he was then? Is he able to do now what he did then? Are we in the same condition of need—difficulties, habits, sins? How far may I expect help from Jesus? If God's word shows me what Jesus is able to do, will I trust him for it, as men and women did then? The study of the story and of the entire word of God will give me an affirmative answer to all these questions except the last one—that I must answer for myself; for it is still true that, although Jesus is able to save to the uttermost, he can save only those who come to God by him and who will accept the healing power of the Great Physician.

The gospels tell us of many varieties of sickness dealt with by Jesus; these are all types of sin and of Christ's power to heal. Take four typical illustrations: Leprosy, or the guilt and defilement of sin; palsy, or the impotence of sin; fever, or the passion of sin; demoniac possession, or the slavery of sin.

Or, take three typical cases from the gospel according to St. Luke: (1) 5:17, palsied limbs; (2) 6:6-10, the withered hands; (3) 13:10-13, the bowed-down woman. In all these cases Jesus not only healed the body, but he stands forth as able to heal the sin of which the bodily ailment is a type. No case is too hard for Jesus. His diagnosis is thorough and correct; his treatment is appropriate and adequate; his power is "unto the uttermost." There will be no need to come again. He cures in different ways, but always with perfect understanding and with satisfactory results.

The man at the Beautiful Gate of the temple expected only alms from Peter and John, but he got what was of surpassing quality and value—healing, in the name and through the power of Jesus of Nazareth. "And they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened unto him." That hour of prayer became an opportunity for the manifestation of the power of Jesus Christ, an unexpected blessing to the lame man, and the occasion of a great sermon by Peter. How graciously and generously God deals with us! "Exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think." Not alms, but healing; not silver, but salvation; not gold, but grace and gladness; not outside, begging, but beyond the Beautiful Gate, inside the temple, "walking, and leaping, and praising God."

Is Christ the same today? Can he do that work of forgiveness and sanctification now? And is he willing to do it? Thousands can testify and say "Yes." On which side of the gate are you? Are you outside, distressed, diseased, despairing, dying? Do you cry out in vain for help? There is no reason why you may not be on the other side, rejoicing in the sense of sins forgiven, righteousness imputed, life imparted, joy planted. Only one reason—"Wilt thou be made whole?"

"Perfect soundness," and in a moment, "And immediately." He is the healer divine. As such he is able not only to make "better," but to make well. "My case is too hard." I do not know how far your disease has gone, how dark the night may seem, how deep the sin dwells, but I do know the power of this healer in each and every case intrusted to him—nothing is too hard for God. His ability is omnipotent and his love matches his power. He may deal painfully, but it will also be effectively.

In the days of his flesh he healed by a word, or a touch: now by the Holy Spirit. Still the Great Physician stands in the presence of sin-burdened ones saying, "Arise," "stretch forth thine hand," "thou art loosed from thine infirmity," "I will, be thou clean." Put him to the test, and find "Jesus Christ, the same, yesterday, today, yes, and forever." "Yea, the faith which is through him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all."

The origin of all men is the same, and virtue is the only nobility.—Seneca.

The only way to have a friend is to be one.—Emerson.

No man is so great as mankind.—Parker.

FORCIBLY FEEDING MILITANT SUFFRAGETTES

This illustrates how the militant suffragettes of England describe the method used in forcibly feeding the "hunger strikers." Shrieking, struggling and fighting women are held down by wardresses, while a physician pours liquid food into a tube stuffed into the mouth.

EVOLUTION OF LIFE

Artist Depicts It in a Striking New Group.

Officials of American Museum of Natural History Highly Commend Roy W. Miner's Exhibition as One of the Best There.

New York.—A new group at the American Museum of Natural History recently arranged by Roy W. Miner is highly commended by the museum officials, who regard it as one of the best there. It shows animal life on the wharf piles and is intended to give a striking illustration of the process of evolution from animal to almost plant life. Mr. Miner himself thus describes the exhibit.

"The group illustrates a balanced association in which the struggle for existence between animals is not apparent, the majority of the species being plant-like and either incapable of locomotion in the adult stage, or in possession of it to a very limited degree.

"On the broken pile in the center of the foreground, for example, growing over the mussels which have completely covered its stump, are hundreds of delicate pink hydroids clustered in feathery colonies. Here and there among them peep forth the transparent solitary polyps of the white armed sea anemone, while the larger brown sea anemone extends its fringe-crowned disks on this and the neighboring piles, interspersed with coral red masses of the red-beard sponge.

"Although these flower-like forms are relatively stationary and inactive, underneath their apparent peacefulness and beauty the struggle for existence goes on as relentlessly as among fierce free-swimming species, but with this difference, that their prey is invisible to our eyes. The waters in which they are immersed are swarming with myriads of microscopic creatures, while every polyp, with open rapacious mouth and extended stinging tentacles, is but a trap to entangle and engulf them, and every sponge-colony, with its million pores, sucks in the nutritious draft of organisms which are the ultimate basis of food for all sea life.

"In a word, sponges and polyps, in spite of their size and wide diversity of form, are but little above the simplest of all animals, the one called protozoa, and have developed as typically digestive organisms.

"Since their good is everywhere present, organs of locomotion are not needed to obtain it. Special senses and directive intelligence, or instincts, have not been definitely evolved, since the evolution of these powers always goes hand in hand with that of locomotor organs.

"It is true that certain polyps possess somewhat aimless and imperfect methods of locomotion, such as the slow-creeping movement of the sea anemones and the umbrella mode of propulsion peculiar to hydromedusae and the true jellyfishes—a beautiful example of which is shown lazily swimming near the broken pile in the group. But the polyps as a whole may be considered as mere sac-like stomachs, this specialization in digestion being their most striking advance, aside from their multicellular structure, over their protozoan progenitors. Yet there is a good reason to believe that a polyp-like condition such as this is ancestral to the structure of all the higher and more complex groups of the animal kingdom.

"Associated with sponges and polyps upon the wharf piles are many other sedentary animals which, like them, feed upon the micro-organisms of the sea. At first glance these seem to be of hardly higher organization than the polyps, but an examination of their structure at once shows them to be members of much higher groups in the scale of life.

"These animals are so closely adapted to an attached mode of life and diet of micro-organisms that the average observer, unacquainted with their affinities, would fail to recognize them as being included in the same great phylum.

"Finally, everything on the piles are various species of the sea squirts or ascidians, singly and in colonies. These small sac-like creatures, each with a projecting pair of tubes, or "siphons," though apparently insignificant, are in reality highly interesting from an evolutionary standpoint. One species is represented as growing in large yellow masses on the upper part of one of the piles. Some of the individuals of this species are marked with dark star-like colonies of another ascidian which grow upon their surfaces. Here and there stand out the conspicuous masses of the pink "sea-pork."

WIFE 'TOO OLD' FOR HUSBAND

Woman Expressed Hope That "Spoiled Spouse" Will Find a More Beautiful Girl.

Chicago.—Called "too old" and "not pretty enough" by her husband, Paul H. McCain Mrs. Jessie L. McCain voiced the sentiment that he may find solace in the charms of a younger and more beautiful woman. As McCain was branded "spoiled by his mother," by Judge Petit, Mrs. McCain expressed some doubt of any woman being able to come up to the standard.

Mrs. McCain blamed Lottie James, a rescue mission worker, for her trouble.

Detectives, at the hearing of Mrs. McCain's suit for separate maintenance, testified that they had discovered Mrs. James and McCain in a secluded spot of Douglas park, late at night. The McCains were married 13 years ago, and have one daughter, Irene, aged nine. Mrs. McCain is thirty-five years old, but looks younger.

Mrs. Jessie L. McCain.

It was for the sake of the nine-year-old daughter of the McCains that Judge Petit stopped the hearing at intervals with a suggestion that they become reconciled. Each time McCain refused to do so, and Mrs. McCain broke down and wept.

The Judge, after hearing McCain's testimony, said he did not care to have the attorneys for Mrs. McCain cross-examine the man, and gave judgmen at once. In so doing he criticised McCain as a man "spoiled by his mother," laying stress on the fact that the man had rushed from a family quarrel at 2:30 o'clock in the morning to tell his mother.

MISS BOOTH QUELLS BURGLAR

Daughter of Salvation Army Head Finds Thief in Room and Converts Him.

London.—Captain Mary Booth, daughter of General Bramwell Booth, head of the Salvation Army, discovered a burglar in her bedroom at two o'clock in the morning. Instead of calling the police she confronted her visitor and talked seriously to him about his wickedness. Learning that he was driven to crime by hunger, she promptly took him to her kitchen and gave him a good, square meal. While he ate she continued to talk to him, and when the meal was finished she knelt down and prayed with him. She insisted on the man praying for himself. Then he promised to turn over a a new leaf, and, with the counter-promise to be his friend if he would live a better life, she saw her guest off the premises.

Captain Mary Booth.

RISK LIVES TO SAVE MEN

Priests Go Into a Conduit Where Laborers Have Been Overcome by Gas.

Buffalo, N. Y.—Three priests risked their lives to rescue workmen who had been overcome by gas in a conduit on Alabama street here.

Armstrong, foreman; with two of his men, went into a manhole opposite the Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in search of a leak in one of the mains. The break proved to be a bad one, and all three were overcome. A passerby, hearing faint cries from the men, called for help.

The priests, who were just leaving the church, responded. Father Hunt and Father Clancy dropped into the manhole and hoisted two of the workmen to the surface.

Armstrong had penetrated the conduit a long distance, and was lying face downward unconscious. Before the priests could get him back to the manhole both were partly overcome by the gas fumes.

Father Lynch saw their predicament, and, jumping into the manhole, succeeded in dragging all of them to comparatively fresh air. The four were lifted to the street by the crowd that quickly gathered.

Changes Name—Inherits $2,000,000.

Seattle, Wash.—Judge French's decision in the suit brought by Henry Wharton Shoemaker, millionaire poet, against his former wife, Mrs. Beatrice Shoemaker Perry, to annul the adoption of his five-year-old son, Henry, enables the boy to change his last name from Perry to Shoemaker and thereby inherit $2,000,000 of the estate of his grandfather, Henry F. Shoemaker, who lived in New York.

Wanted No "Sky Pilot" at Death.

New York.—"I want no pageantry or discourse from paid 'sky pilots.'" So reads the will of Philip S. Staats, an actor and song writer, for probate here. The will ended with an iteration of a curse upon anyone attempting to break the document.

GOOD TIMES IN CANADA

BUSINESS PROSPERING, TRADE INCREASING AND FINANCES IN GOOD SHAPE.

The present tightening up of money must not be looked upon as being in any sense brought about by financial stringency. It is really more a period of stock-taking resorted to by the banks to ascertain the true condition of the finances and trade of the country. Legitimate business enterprises are not affected. Throughout the States there are those who if allowed to continue borrowing, would inevitably be a means towards precipitating something a good deal worse than they feel now. In Canada, the conditions are excellent, and it is safe to say business was never better. The pulse of trade is carefully watched by the Finance Department of the Dominion government, and it is illuminative to read portions of the address of Hon. W. T. White, the Finance Minister, delivered a few days ago before the House of Commons. Mr. White's remarks are in part as follows:

"It falls agreeably to my lot to extend my most hearty congratulations to the House and the country upon the prosperous conditions which it continues to be our good fortune to enjoy. I am happy to announce that the outcome of the last fiscal year, which ended on March 31, will prove even more satisfactory as reflecting by far the highest pitch to which our national prosperity has yet attained. I have every expectation that when the books are closed, it will be found that the total revenue will have reached the splendid total of $168,250,000, or an increase over the year 1911-12 of over $32,000,000. Some indication of the magnificent growth of the Dominion may be gleaned from the fact that this increase in revenue during the period of one year almost equals the entire revenue of the country seventy years ago.

"The augmentation of revenue to which I have referred has not been irregular, spasmodic or intermittent in its nature, but has steadily characterized each month of the entire fiscal year. It was of course mainly derived from Customs receipts, but the other sources of revenue—excise, post office and railways—also gave us very substantial increases."

"That in a period of great financial stringency not only have we not been obliged to resort to the congested markets of the world, but have been able to reduce so substantially ($23,000,000) the debt of the Dominion, must be a matter of gratification, both to the House and to the people of Canada.

"I believe that during this period of exceptional money stringency the credit of the Dominion as reflected in the quotations of its securities has maintained itself among the highest in the world."

Owing to the favorable state of its finances Canada was in a position to pay off a heavy loan in cash without recourse to the issue of bills or securities.—Advertisement.

Opposing Tendencies.

"When you insulted Jaggs, did he hesitate before giving you a soft answer?"

"Yes; he swallowed hard."