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Cultural or Vocational Training.

Advocates of vocational training are pursuing their campaign with remarkable persistence, and are achieving notable results, not, however, to the utter rout of those who stand for the purely cultural.

If production of wealth is the chief object of life, then vocational training deserves prominence. Unless we are ready to admit that the end of our civilization is mistaken, however, we can not subscribe to the proposal that mere production is all there is to life.

When these elemental facts are admitted, and a reasonable allowance is made for the divergence of individual tastes and inclinations, the problem is greatly simplified. Cultural training will not inevitably produce a capacity for full appreciation of all the beauties of art or literature.

Motor Trucks Where Ox Teams Pulled.
"The American railway system is the marvel of the age," wrote a Nebraska historian in 1880.

No one elected to travel by stage when the railroad came, and now with service of well-equipped trains proffered many prefer to travel or ship by automobile.

"Each of the old overland trails which crosses Nebraska from the Missouri river to the mountains has a story," Addison E. Sheldon remarks in his "History and Stories of Nebraska."

Another important highway started from the Missouri river near Omaha and followed the north side of the Platte to Fort Laramie. The

Mormons made this a wagon road in 1847, when they left Florence for Salt Lake. The Denver trail was another, with one end in Omaha and cut-off running from Nebraska City.

These trails lost their importance when the railroad came; for the most part their last vestige was erased by the plow of the farmer.

A Word for Rain-in-the-Face.

The Bee today reproduces an editorial from the Boston Transcript, dealing with Rain-in-the-Face, and some denials of the widely published account of his escape from custody at Fort Abraham Lincoln and his run of 300 miles on snowshoes through a blizzard following.

This, however, does not entirely justify the Transcript in characterizing him as a Munchausen. In order to understand Rain-in-the-Face one must keep in mind that he belonged to that time when chieftainship among the Sioux tribes carried with it certain prestige, to sustain which the possessor must ever be ready with deeds to boast of.

Long ago the incident on which Longfellow's poem was based was disproved by testimony of officers who served under Custer, but who were with Benteen or Reno that dreadful June day when the Sioux warriors reached apogee on the Little Big Horn.

Rain-in-the-Face was not the only man to let his fancy play with facts concerning the Custer affair, nor does his imagination in its freest flight notably excel that of some palefaces who have dealt with this and other episodes in the winning of the west.

Britain Offers Up a Sacrifice.
As the Prince of Wales set forth on his voyage to India, his sister, Princess Mary, wept. Tremendous crowds of loyal subjects gave him an enthusiastic send-off, some, of course with no thought of the perils of his tour, and others realizing the bravery of his act and admiring him the more for it.

Mysterious, unfathomable India is teeming with unrest. British troops and native rebels have clashed in several localities. Assassination has been resorted to, for, though the movement for independence is organized on the basis of nonresistance and nonco-operation, yet it has stirred some to resort to violence.

The visit of the young prince to this part of the empire was announced long ago. To have abandoned it now would have been to confess weakness and give encouragement to those of rebellious tendencies.

No one can know what faces the Prince of Wales. He goes forth perhaps as a sacrifice to the spirit of empire. By his display of spirit he may win the plaudits of the masses of India.

Now that a baby's cries saved its parents from death in fire, some of those new-fangled mothers and fathers who never got up to walk the floor but sleep right through all outcries, may wonder if they are being as good to themselves as they might.

The excellent folk who now announce that Darwinism is dead are interesting only through the fact that they have been twenty years finding it out. If they are looking for an argument, let them attack neo-Darwinism or neo-Lamarckism.

THE HUSKING BEE - It's Your Day - Start It With a Laugh

HALLOWEEN.
The soapy windows will attest
The roasting schoolboy's errant zest,
Where he to spirits high gives vent
In crowds on harmless mischief bent;

Perchance the Ford car on the roof
Will give a glimpse of Satan's hoof,
The tick-tack on the window pane,
The dripping, open water main,

But who philosophy employs
Will merely say "Boys will be boys!"
Girls, too, these modern times may run
A race with Life in search of fun—

PHILO-SOPHY.
Childish pranks at least please the children,
even if they do annoy the neighbors.

When a woman misses the street car she always blames the conductor for not waiting.

It must be aggravating for a girl to have so rare a complexion that people think she is made up.

See where it cost a man \$5,000 for breaking his engagement after courting a girl for two years.

It is a moving spectacle to see a tenant whose place of abode has been sold.

CUCKOO.
Ouch: I think your wife's new fall hat is a bird.
Grouch: I thought so too, when I saw the bill.

HANDICAPS OF THE HOT STOVE LEAGUE.
How can we tell a winter's tale,
Heroic deeds now past and gone,
When there no longer is a rail
To rest the foot upon?

NO BEER, NO VOTE.
And now we have the "National Association Against the Prohibition Amendment," whose fight is, they say, to curb fanaticism and restore liberty, prosperity, and self-respect to America.

And now they tell us that sauerkraut makes a good home brew. Sapp ought to get some kind of a head on cabbage.

Diogenes solved the high rent problem in his day by living in a tub. He had the original kitchenette, bedroom and bath.

Faith will move mountains, but it won't hire a van to move the furniture.

Swicide will cut down the living, but the cost rattles on like a Ford car.

That waiter must be rather strange,
Who does not hope to keep the change.

HAPPY HOUSEHOLD HINTS.
To keep apron pockets from catching on the door knobs, carefully remove the doors and place them in a secluded spot in the basement.

Unless you have umbrellas enough to go 'round, wieners should be punctured before serving.

Never use gasoline to start the furnace fire unless you have another place in view. Houses are scarce these days.

Always order your coal at least three days before you shoot the last lump. Remember it takes almost as long to get a load of coal as it does to get a telephone number.

Economy is a good buy-word for the one who does the family shopping.

Local movie house is showing in its advertising slides a bottle of dandruff cure. It is said to be a hair-raising picture.

SPOT-LIGHT CLUB.
There is a swell dancer
In waltz or in lancer,
To emulate him others strive—
The girls think him sweet,
He's so light on his feet,

UNIMPORTANT ITEM.
If all the energy wasted by gum chewers could be properly harnessed it would be sufficient to roll all the cigars consumed in the United States.

ISN'T IT THE TRUTH?
A man's idea of heaven
Is a place where quiet reigns,
Where peace and plenty find
Where angels sing in subdued tone—
A land of milk and honey.

AFTER-THOUGHT: Don't forget to take in the tinware tomorrow night, Ford car and all.

How to Keep Well

By DR. W. A. EVANS
Questions concerning hygiene, sanitation, and preventive medicine, submitted to Dr. Evans by readers of The Bee, will be answered personally, if possible, or by mail, if a stamped, addressed envelope is enclosed.

THIS IS CANCER WEEK.

This is Cancer week. The American Society for the Control of Cancer has set aside this week as a time in which all those interested will try to advertise cancer to the people of the United States and Canada.

It cannot work to good advantage except in the dark. It is at its best when people are unsuspecting, careless, indifferent or ignorant.

It may be that people are more honest about it now and call a spade a spade—call a cancer by its right name instead of saying they have a "tumor," a "persisting ulcer," or "other term used to gloss over."

Shoulder Orthopedic Care.
"Shoulder" writes: "I am a girl of 19 and one of my shoulders is larger than the other. I went to a hospital and the doctor told me that my spine was deformed and nothing can be done for it."

REPLY.
If you have a spinal curvature that would throw one shoulder up and the other down, you should be carefully examined to determine what your trouble is.

For Infected Fingers.
G. P. H. writes: "In your column I saw a request for something for infected finger nails. I have had the same trouble."

REPLY.
The lecturer was talking to kill time. How about eating ice cream and puddings, not to mention other foods composed of milk and eggs?

REPLY.
1. Is it, very.
2. Take to your bed. Get a physician and take his advice.

REPLY.
This child should be examined without delay by an experienced ear specialist. It is possible that he can be made to hear, though it is improbable.

REPLY.
I hope some day to go to heaven. Where every hour is filled with sweet repose.

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I long for robes of white and golden highways,
And have that bid celestial music sound.

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A Great Fictionist of the Past

(From the Boston Transcript.)
Whether Rain-in-the-Face, Sioux chieftain, was a great runner in his youth or a great liar in his advancing years is not a question of such vital importance as it is ever likely to divide families or seriously influence human thought.

Rain-in-the-Face is a dead Indian. According to Mr. Doane Robinson, secretary and superintendent of the department of history of the state of South Dakota, he confessed in his last hours to the missionary, Miss Mary C. Collins, that he would have been a better Indian, even when alive, if he had been a good man.

It would seem, passed on the large scale, "Perseus and the Centaur," Robinson, "have been so glorified by imaginative writers as this same commonplace Indian, Rain-in-the-Face."

But according to Mr. D. F. Berry, Rain-in-the-Face got into trouble by murdering two white men and boasting afterward of the murder, and the guardhouse in which he was confined was reasonably comfortable, and Rain-in-the-Face had no personal hatred for General Custer, and did not cut out his heart after the massacre.

It seems likely that Rain-in-the-Face was an aboriginal Munchausen. What historically is more important, the point is, it seems demonstrated that General Custer's attitude, and the accommodations afforded by his guardhouse, were not such as to justify any sympathy whatever with Rain-in-the-Face's revenge motive.

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The Sin of Religion

(From the Philadelphia Ledger.)
A communist council in Russia differs in some particulars from a council in Philadelphia. It has more members. The council in Nihil-Novgorod has just expelled 985 councilmen.

But the specific charges were various. Of the 985, drunkenness was the cause of the downfall of 125, and 87 were thrown out for being religious, as compared with 114 stigmatized as cowards and 225 evicted for "indifference to party."

Of course, religion is a grave offense to the guiding minds of a regime one of whose central pillars is atheism. Religion, if it is worth anything, indicates unselfishness, fidelity to the guiding mind of a regime and self-control. The philosophy of

the commissars, on the contrary, is to get while the getting is good and to live high at the expense of the lowly. Their tenets are antithetic to the teachings of the awakened and partly regenerated churches; and it is not surprising that they find themselves in conflict with the devout temper still surviving even amid the famine-ridden, plague-stricken population of Russia.

CENTER SHOTS.
The real Chinese puzzle is China. —Arkansas Gazette.

Volva of Zion City says there is no such force as gravitation. It can demonstrate by stepping from the top of a 20-story building. —Augusta Chronicle.

Japan's position seems to be that she is willing to give back Shantung to China, diplomatically, but insists on keeping it, actually. —Tulsa Tribune.



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