

SOCIAL DIFFERENCES INEVITABLE.

Dr. J. M. Buckley Explains the Impossibility of Human Equality.

Were a single family to be cast upon the shores of a desolate but uninhabited island, the struggle between man and nature would begin at once. They might live to the full limit of human life without once having the problems of civil and social inequalities thrust upon them. Such terms as "civil government," "rights of property," "laws of inheritance," "private property," "capital and labor," "higher and lower classes," and the ideas for which they stand, might never be known to them.

But as the population increased, restrictions on the use of property and government in some form would be required. After a few generations, among the multitude varying degrees of ability, physical and mental, would be found. Social differences would arise, and be perpetuated by dissimilar environments.

That which would inevitably occur on such an island manifests itself in all parts of the world. Customs and laws differ, but wherever society exists several general distinctions appear. The poor, including not only paupers and the indigent, but those who earn barely enough to support them, and whom the sickness of two or three days would transform into objects of charity, constitute in most countries an immense majority.

In the United States, owing to extent of territory, fertility of soil, mineral resources, timber, navigable rivers, sea coast, variety of climate, isolation and the need of development, the poor have been less numerous than in the Old World, but they are now increasing more rapidly than heretofore.

At the other extreme are the rich, the mere income of whose possessions at current interest, with only the care necessary to superintend their investments, is sufficient to support them in luxury, though many of them may continue in business for its pleasure and power, or in the hope of adding to their wealth.

Between these is the great middle class, having "neither riches nor poverty," subdivided into those who are hopefully pressing upward to the envied station of the rich, and those who, from infirmity, losses, the rise of new modes of transacting business to which they cannot adapt themselves, and misfortunes, are declining toward poverty.

Intellectual gifts and acquisitions make other distinctions. In all nations the number of the ignorant is far greater than that of the learned, while in the first powers of the globe a large number are well informed.—Dr. J. M. Buckley in Harper's.

A Feather Duster.

When you dress a white hen for market or your table be careful to keep the wings clean and unbroken. Sprinkle the joints with a little salt, that they may dry and cure more perfectly, and then cover the joint end of the wing with a bright scrap of plush or velvet to the depth of three inches.

I made several of these dainty white dusters for Christmas presents, and they were very pretty as well as useful. I feather stitched the blue plush that covered the handle with old gold embroidery silk, making three bars of stitching down the back of the plush, finishing the duster with a pretty bow and long loop of blue or old gold ribbon.—Clarissa Potter in Good Housekeeping.

Cultivating the Rubber Tree.

The threatened dearth in the world's supply of rubber has led to the formation of a syndicate to cultivate the rubber tree on a large scale. In Ceylon steps have already been taken to carry out the same idea by sowing the seed of the cerea in patches of jungle, and the supply of rubber from that island promises to be, in a few years, double what it is at present. Encouraged by the apparent success of this experiment, the syndicate proposes to carry on the rubber cultivation on several large estates in the southern part of Mexico, not far from the gulf, where the climate will be most favorable for their operations.

The rubber tree grows with great rapidity, and a tree of average size will yield about twenty gallons of milk, which is equal to forty pounds of dried rubber. From the testimony of experts it is found that this yield will give a handsome return on the capital to be invested.—New York Telegram.

Mistook a Snake for a Fence Rail.

Joseph Graham, of Jones district, had fed his hogs the other morning and was leaning on the fence looking at them eat when he felt something chilly fondling and caressing him in a peculiarly earnest way about the head, face and neck. He saw at once that he had placed his elbow about midway on the body of a king snake, several feet long, and was holding him fast down on the rail, and, as you would suppose, both ends of the snake being loose, they cut up vigorous and rapid capers about Mr. Graham's countenance. Mr. Graham says he took his elbow off as soon as he found that the snake did not want it to stay on.—Eastern Times-Journal.

An Old City.

Little Brother—Is Boston an old city? Little Sister (who has been there)—Deed it is. Why, the streets are bent most double with age.—New York Weekly.

Queen Victoria now rules a population of 367,000,000—a greater number of people than ever acknowledged the sovereignty of any one other person in either ancient or modern times.

Oh, that alternate ebb and flow of the spirits! It is a disease, and, what is most distressing, it is no real change; it is more sickeningly monotonous than absolute stagnation itself.

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THE HILLS OF LYNN.

We wandered down the hills of Lynn,
My love and I together;
Cicadas chanting fine and thin
Made musical the haifer;
Within the vale the lamps, like stars,
Spoke in the dusk, and ruddy Mars
On his high horizon floated;
O love! O love! a song bird there
Sang for us silver-throated.

Oh, pleasant are the hills of Lynn,
In summer greenly growing!
When stars the twilight usher in,
The reapers from the mowing
Come whistling homeward through the
Gate glade;

And the birds watch for the maid
To him meet dear and pleasing,

While down the lanes the loaded wains
Creak after, loudly wheezing.

The hills of Lynn, to me so dear,
How shall I tread them here?

My noon marks are shape only—

On shadow drawn across the grass,

Where once were two, dear love, ablast

I'd fain be here laid sleeping;

For wandering down the hills of Lynn

Alone, sets me a weeping.

—Elizabeth Duprey.

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