

CARNEGIE AND LIBRARIES.

He Has Chosen as a Special Field the Advancement of Those Who Desire to Learn.

Andrew Carnegie recently made a statement explaining why he feels so much interest in libraries and why he is devoting millions to the establishment of free libraries that may be at all times accessible to aspiring young men eager for knowledge. He says: "When I was a working boy in Pittsburgh, Colonel Anderson, of Allegheny—a name I can never speak without feelings of devotional gratitude—opened his little library of four hundred books to boys. Every Saturday afternoon he was in attendance at his house to exchange books. No one but he who has felt it can ever know the intense longing with which the arrival of Saturday was awaited, that a new book might be had. My brother and Mr. Phipps, who have been my principal business partners through life, shared with me Colonel Anderson's generosity, and it was when reveling in the treasures which he opened to us that I resolved, if ever wealth came to me, that it should be used to establish free libraries, that other poor boys might receive opportunities similar to those for which we were indebted to that noble man."

This explanation is creditable alike to the heart and head of the millionaire. He has been successful in business far beyond the wildest dreams of his boyhood, but he has not forgotten his early ambition to place the means of acquiring knowledge within the reach of other poor and struggling young men. No doubt he built many castles in the air in those far away days of his poverty, but now he finds himself about to found his castles on solid ground. Hereafter thousands of men and women will rise up to bless his memory for having placed within their hands the keys to the treasure house of knowledge.

Carnegie has very limited opportunities for obtaining an education in his boyhood, but he made diligent use of the means within his reach, and he became not only an uncommonly successful business man but a scholar of no mean attainments and a vigorous and entertaining writer. His example goes far towards proving the truth of the old saying, that where there is a will there is a way.

He might have frittered away his spare moments in idle sport or dissipation, as so many young men of fine natural endowments have done, but he utilized his intervals of leisure by improving his mind and storing his head with useful knowledge. Now he is setting an example to other millionaires which cannot fail to stimulate them to employ at least a portion of their wealth for the public good. He has chosen for his special field the establishment of libraries, because he knows from personal experience that when a man has mastered the art of reading and has access to books he can improve himself in any branch of science to an unlimited degree though he may never have had the advantage of college training. There are many other directions in which wealth may be employed for the public good, such as the endowment of institutions of learning or of hospitals or the erection of homes for the aged or for orphans, or schools for the defective classes, or a hundred other ways that will alleviate suffering and bring untold blessings to humanity.

The privilege of bestowing benefactions on so grand a scale comes to comparatively few, but even men of moderate wealth can do something on the same line, and if all men of moderate wealth would do what is in their power the world would be infinitely better through their beneficence.—Lynchburg News.

Caught A Dreadful Cold.

Marion Kooke, manager for T. M. Thompson, a large importer of fine millinery at 1658 Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, says: "During the late severe weather I caught a dreadful cold which kept me awake at night and made me unfit to attend my work during the day. One of my milliners was taking Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for a severe cold at that time, which seemed to relieve her so quickly that I bought some for myself. It acted like magic and I began to improve at once. I am now entirely well and feel very pleased to acknowledge its merits. For sale by Hood Bros."

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Russia's Interests in Manchuria.

M. Tatitcheff, Russian financial agent in England, was interviewed yesterday by a newspaper representative on the Manchurian question. He pointed out that he had nothing whatever to do with its political aspect; all he could deal with was the economic side. To an inquiry as to what necessitated Russian entering into a treaty with China with respect to Manchuria, he replied: "Russia has vast interests in Manchuria, greater than any other power. She has spent something like £50,000,000 (\$250,000,000) on the greatest of enterprises in modern or ancient times—the Siberian Railway—and not by any means a small proportion of that has been expended in that part of the line which is laid down in Manchuria. One of the most important portions of that great railroad is the Manchurian section. It gives us the outlet into the sea which is necessary to the whole undertaking—I mean the Port Arthur outlet."

"Surely, therefore, it is only natural that Russia should take all possible and necessary precautions to protect the property and the money of her people. This is all she desires to do. Russia has stated in as clear a manner as possible that she has no idea of annexing Manchuria."—London Telegraph, April 1.

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Universities and Labor.

There are in this country 44 universities or colleges which contain more than 1000 students each. Fourteen of these institutions have more than 2000 students each, and in each of six leading universities there are more than 3000 students. These six are: Harvard 4288, University of Michigan 3700, Minnesota 3410, Georgia 3295, Chicago 3183, and California, 3025. There probably are over 100,000 students in the various universities and colleges of America at present, and the whole number of persons who are being educated in the schools and colleges combined is given as 16,738,323. The Chicago Record-Herald says this general tendency towards education means one thing—labor in this country must be dignified socially. It is going to be impossible for all the boys and young men who are now in the schools and colleges to get into professions. Many of them will have to work with their hands. Manual labor will have to be done even after everybody is educated.

He Kept His Leg.

Twelve years ago J. W. Sullivan, of Hartford, Conn., scratched his leg with a rusty wire. Inflammation and blood poisoning set in. For two years he suffered intensely. Then the best doctors urged amputation, "but," he writes, "I used one bottle of Electric Bitters and 1½ boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve and my leg was sound and well as ever." For Eruptions, Eczema, Tetter, Salt Rheum, Sores and all blood disorders Electric Bitters has no rival on earth. Try them. Hood Bros. will guarantee satisfaction or refund money. Only 50 cents.

The Depopulation of India.

The depopulation of India through famine and cholera is assuming alarming proportions. The latest advices from Simla say the census returns of the central provinces show a decrease of over 1,000,000 since 1891, when an increase of 1,500,000 might have been expected. It is estimated that 5,000,000 have died in India since 1896 from causes directly due to the famine. In western India things are even worse. The Oodeypoor state returns show a decrease of \$40,000, or 45 per cent. of the population; the state of Bhopoul shows a decrease of 808,000; the district of Banda shows a decrease of 124,000; and so on; in Bombay city the population will have diminished by 50,000. The localities which escaped the plague show a satisfactory, though incomensurate, increase—for instance, Madras, which has gained 8 per cent over 1891.—Springfield Republican.

Points from a New Boarder.

When the new boarder went into the dining-room and sat down there was only one other person at the table, says the Chicago Times-Herald. The new boarder had a kind heart and thought he would be affable.

"I s'pose you've boarded here for some time?" he said to the other man.

"Yes. Quite awhile."
"How is it? Any good?"
"Yes, pretty fair. I have no complaint to make."

"Landlady treat you decent?"
"Well, perhaps I ought to"—
And then he hesitated.

"Oh, never mind, old man," said the new boarder. "That's all right. I'm on. But say, mebby you never tried chucking her under the chin once in a while. That's the way to get on with 'em. I never had a landlady that didn't treat me A1 yet. It's all in the way you handle 'em. Call 'em 'sister' and give 'em soft, oozy talk about their looks. That's the way to fetch 'em. I'll bet you I can live here a month right now without bein' asked for a cent. Watch me nudge her when she comes in. Before this time to-morrow she'll be tellin' me her family history. Poor old girl! Probably got tied up to some John Henry who was about man enough to shoo chicken out of the yard, and that's all. My name's Hudson. Let's see, I haven't heard yours, have I?"

"N—no, I believe not. But it doesn't matter. I'm just the landlady's husband."—Ex.

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The Facts Are All In.

Sunday-school teacher—Who gathered the floating atoms out of chaos and combining them formed the great round world and sent it spinning on its course through space?

Little Richard—J. Pierpont Morgan, but I don't know whether anybody seen him when he done it or not.—Chicago Record-Herald.

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An important feature in connection with the establishment of civil government in the Philippines will be the selection of an officer who will rank in authority between the President and Governor Taft.

Contagious Blood Poison

There is no poison so highly contagious, so deceptive and so destructive. Don't be too sure you are cured because all external signs of the disease have disappeared, and the doctor says you are well. Many persons have been dosed with Mercury and Potash for months or years, and pronounced cured!—to realize when too late that the disease was only covered up—

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