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THE YOUNG MILLIONAIRE.

How many of our readers, especially the young men, envy the wealth that is showered upon a few. Few of us can make ourselves believe that wealth does not bring happiness. In this connection the following appeared in a leading Illinois Daily and contains much more truth than poetry. It says the telegraphic dispatches the other day carried extended accounts of an all-night reception given by a young New York man who has just attained his majority and received \$1,000,000. The affair was given at his father's estate and 200 guests attended. Widely diversified entertainment features satisfied the wants of as widely varied desires of his friends. There were midnight yatching parties on the expansive artificial lakes. There was all-night dancing in an immense ball room for those who favor that pastime. There were card games. There was fleet of canoes for those who wished to steal away and under the shade of great trees, hidden from the moon's fit away the hours. Unparalleled decorations in keeping with the rest of the function only added to the gayety of the event. The palatial home was a glare of lights from top to bottom and throughout the the great estate were hundreds of lanterns and lights.

"John Smith, of everywhere, a few days ago reached his twenty-first birthday. He received a nice silk handkerchief from Mary Brown. He worked at his bench all day. Home he went, tired but happy. Washed up, he ate and then went over to see Mary. There in the sitting room on the porch of the unpretentious home they spent the evening. A million dollars was greater than any dream John ever had and 200 society persons were more than he had ever seen. But there under the indulgent moon, they never missed the million nor the party.

"Envy the young millionaire if you will! But a man who really has lived a man with a wholesome heart and who knows full well of the warp and woof of life, will envy John Smith. His industry and love are linked with health and hope. No better riches are known to mortal man. Without these, in spite of a cool million and society friends, life to him would be a wilderness of unsatisfied longings. But for John Smith—and they are found everywhere—industry, romance and civilization would perish from the earth."

... We are persuaded in our own minds that the cause of a great many disasters and ruined homes is owing to lack of concord between husband and wife in the manage-

ment of family concerns. We could mention a score of women whose husbands have failed in business, or died insolvent, who did not have any idea of the state of his financial affairs, until the cruel blow came which turned them out to wrestle with poverty for the remainder of their life's day. Then oftener than otherwise, the world would say, "It was her extravagance that ruined him." Such an astute judge of things is the world.

SKELETON IN THE CLOSET.

With the observation of years we are almost tempted to believe there are few in any home that are truly happy. There is no truer adage than that, "there is a skeleton in every closet," no tenet of sacred writ so sure of verification as that which declares "in the world ye shall have tribulation." Sooner or later our share will come. Knowledge will not save us; many a bright cultured intellect has carried the heaviest weight of woe. Education and good scholarship increases our wants and calls for refinements and luxuries that money cannot always be honestly obtained to procure. "He that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow," says the preacher. Neither can riches lift us above the hill that beset life. Gilded misery is perhaps the hardest to bear. The rich envies the poor man who is obliged to earn his bread by the sweat of his brow and considers him "Rich from the very want of wealth, In Heaven's best treasures, peace and health."

High positions are thorny paths and those who scramble to attain them do not find the bed of down they expected, and too late learn it is better to "range with humble livers in content" than carry a weight of responsibility that makes a man a target for the envious. He who has great influence and authority looks upon the man in humbler walks as a favored creature; he has only his own affairs to attend to, he can find rest. But the little man doesn't feel that way; he has his own standpoints to view from, and he clearly sees himself dependent upon the patronage of others. He doesn't feel like a man—and he longs for the freedom he cannot have while in another's employ, and liable at all times to be dismissed, may be for no neglect of his duty, but because his employer has a favorite or relative he wishes to oblige. There are two sides to everything—all situations are somewhat like what has been said of the married state, "those who are in wish to get out and those who are out wish to get in." The woes we make for ourselves are legion; envy, jealousy, suspicion, unkindness, disobedience

selfishness, perversity, falsehood and a long line of those cheerful attributes that distort the human race, and bring down sorrow and suffering, like coals of fire, on defenseless heads.

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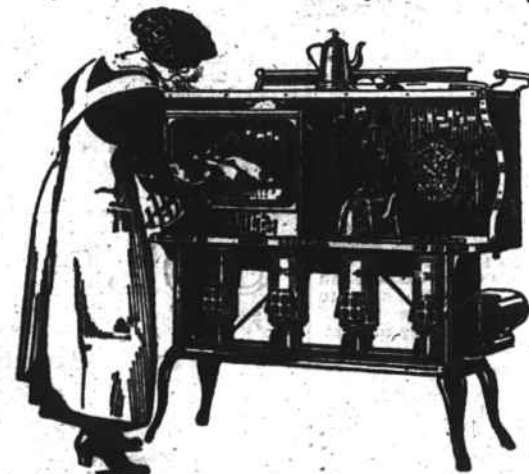
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