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OUR GREATEST LOSS.

Our Death Rate--Financial Loss to the Country From Preventable Diseases.

In the United States during the next three or four minutes ten or twelve people will die; the next sixty minutes will be the hour of death for 175 others, and today's sun will set on 4,000 new-made graves, while as many undertakers will make preparation for tomorrow's repetition of today's tragedy.

This means, according to the United States Census Report, 1,500,000 deaths in the United States every year. It means, in addition, an amount of sickness productive of a loss of labor equivalent to the total incapacitation for the entire year of 3,000,000 people. Forty-two per cent of the 1,500,000 deaths, or 600,000 deaths, are preventable. The testimony of expert opinion, of scientific facts, and of actual results to the truth of this statement is convincing.

Political economists estimate that the productive energy wasted through preventable disease amounts to a financial loss to the United States of over \$1,000,000,000 annually. This is more than enough to pay the entire annual expenses of our national government; enough in one year to both dig and fortify the Panama Canal. Preventable diseases is, therefore a grave public concern.

But, is it not a problem of tremendous importance to the individual,—to you? Let's see. Divide the total loss to the United States from this cause by the total population—\$1,000,000,000 divided by 95,000,000, and we find that preventable disease taxes the individual \$11.75 per annum. Satisfy yourself on this point. Take ten neighboring families; estimate their expenses from sickness from tuberculosis, malaria, typhoid, and hookworm; add to this 30 per cent of the expenses from summer diarrhoeas, and 50 per cent to the contagious diseases of childhood; add losses from death estimated as follows: child under one year of age, \$90; child five years old, \$950; child ten years old, \$2,000; persons twenty years old, \$4,000; thirty years old, \$4,100; fifty years, \$2,000. Then remember there are many losses from physically defective eyes, ears, throats, and other organs which should have been recognized before the damage was done. All these expenses compounded will make a per capita tax from ten to twenty times larger than the government per capita tax of a citizen of this State.

But it is the part of human nature to think of self as the exception to the rule. I have in mind now a family living on a farm where no case of typhoid has occurred in the fifty years in which this place has been used as a home. The head of this family has frequently boasted of the freedom of the place and family from the disease. The country isolation of this home, the surface contour of the yard and surroundings, the depth of the well, and the unknown occurrence of the disease on that hill might persuade one to regard this family as an exception to the rule of 1 case of typhoid to 6 of a family; might persuade the head of such a family to feel a bit indifferent to the typhoid problem. The children are growing up, like all other children, one by one they are leaving the place of safety and coming under the

general rules which govern their kind. The two oldest, the two that have been away from home the longest, have both had typhoid, giving even in that apparently typhoid-free family, the rule more than it does, 1 out of 5, instead of 1 out of 6.

The wise man governs his life by rules, by probabilities, not by exceptions. If you are wise, so live that preventable disease will long delay taking toll of you and yours; this means, study the question of health.

Margaretville News.

Rev. B. H. Black filled his regular appointment at Sharon M. E. church Sunday morning.

Mr. J. G. Bottoms and family were visitors in the home of Mrs. Henrietta Bottoms Sunday afternoon.

We are glad to report little Mae Bridgers, who has been sick so long of typhoid fever, convalescent.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Norvelle of Seaboard were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Garriss Sunday.

Mr. J. E. Piland and family visited Mrs. Piland's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kinchen Taylor, Sunday.

Mrs. R. E. Railey, after spending some weeks with her daughter, Mrs. E. R. DeBerry, of Alexandria, Va., returned home last week.

Mr. A. L. Ford and family visited relatives in Seaboard Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Taylor of near Galatia spent last Thursday night and Friday in the home of Mr. J. E. Piland.

Hon. Wm. R. Grant of Raleigh, State Deputy Head Consul, in behalf of the Modern Woodmen of America, delivered a most excellent address on wood craft last Friday night to a large and attentive audience. It is hoped that Mr. Grant's visit here will not be in vain but will result in many new members being added to the camp here.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet with Mrs. H. P. M. Garriss Tuesday after the first Sunday in March, at two o'clock.

Giant Melons in Asiatic Turkey.

(From consul Wm. W. Masterson, Harput.)

Both the water and the muskmelon of Diarbekir are the largest I have ever seen. Watermelons grown in Diarbekir each as large as a flour barrel, and muskmelons but little smaller, only the muskmelon is rounder like a pumpkin.

These melons are raised in the bed of Tigris, as after the spring rains are over and the snows have all melted from the mountains the river shrinks to comparative insignificance, and large tracts of the bottom land are thus exposed. This land is plowed, and in each hill where the seeds are planted a quantity of pigeon manure is mixed in with the earth. There are people in Diarbekir engaged in breeding pigeons for no other purpose than to sell the manure to the melon growers.

As the melons are growing over the moist soil of what was a river for six months of the year, irrigation is necessary, although it seldom rains during the summer, the melon vines never dry up. The meat of these water and muskmelons is, however, very coarse and not nearly as sweet as the melons of smaller varieties grown in other districts of this country.

A freckled person always wears specks. Did you notice that?

TWO FAMOUS KENTUCKIANS.

How Col. John M. Harlan Banged Away at Private Lurton Fifty Years Ago.

Chicago Inter Ocean.

Morgan, the raider, along about 1863, swooped down upon the Federal garrison at Hartsville, Tenn. Morgan had only about 1,200 men, while the Union forces numbered about 2,000. Still, Morgan usually knew what he was about—result: Several hundred Federals killed and the rest captured.

As soon as the battle was over the Confederates recrossed the Cumberland River. Among the rear guard was private Lurton, of the Third Kentucky cavalry. He was the last man to recross the river and just ahead of him was the last Confederate wagon, loaded with Federal muskets, and other captured articles.

In the meantime the sound of Morgan's guns had disturbed the slumbers of another Kentuckian. This one was a Union soldier, Harlan by name, and he was colonel of the Tenth Kentucky infantry at Castalian Springs, 6 miles from Hartsville. He immediately started with his regiment to the relief of the garrison at Hartsville.

Harlan and his regiment reached the top of a bluff back from the river just as Lurton and the last wagon of the Confederates was in the middle of the Cumberland. Harlan had a field piece along and he pointed it at the Confederate calvaryman and banged away. He didn't hit the calvaryman; so he tried again and kept trying.

Nevertheless, Harlan's shells hit the river in the immediate vicinity of calvaryman and wagon, and they made a mighty splash. The driver cut loose his mules and made record time to the shore. If Lurton tarried, there is no record of it.

Today, in black robes, the colonel behind the cannon and the private on the horse sit side by side on the bench of the most august tribunal of the world. For the Federal was John Marshall Harlan and the Confederate was Horace Harmon Lurton—and both are associate justices of the Supreme Court of America.

This United States of ours is a great country—and it is just such things as this Harlan-Lurton affair that make us sure of it.

When one of these Kentuckians banged away at the other our country was in the throes of the fiercest and bloodiest civil war of all history. And that was just about half century ago.

In these 50 years we have grown to be the wealthiest and most powerful nation on earth. But, better still, we have outgrown the things which set Union soldier against Confederate until the presence of these two fighting men of the civil war side by side upon the Supreme Court bench is truly typical of a sectional strife forgotten and a country reunited.

It takes a great country and a great people to make such things not only possible but actual realities.

For Sale.

I will offer for sale at public auction my home and lot at Margaretville N. C., on March 11th, 1911, at 2 o'clock p. m. House contains 5 rooms and closet. Good barn and shelter, good stables. 2 acres of land, nice orchard. A good chance for anyone looking for a home. Will sell shop, tools and material. A good chance for anyone wishing to engage in the shop business. I am doing a good business here.
This February 27th, 1911.

Respectfully,
A. L. FORD.

Lost Accomplishments.

The Christian Herald.

There are women who look back regretfully on lost accomplishments and waning powers. They have dropped into the whirl of housekeeping, have been caught and held and have done nothing else. Others there are with as much to do, as many children to care for and with means as small, who have resolutely raised a barrier against the waste of their mental powers and have continued to take in new ideas.

I can think of the wife of a minister who taught her boys Latin and prepared them for college over the mending basket and the kneading board. I remember a woman who amid varying fortunes, including a battle with real poverty, never intermitted her piano practice. She is beyond sixty to-day, and her playing is up to date, so that she can still not only find delight in it herself, but is able to add much pleasure to a social evening, and at any time can aid at a concert, if required. Were it necessary she could teach as thoroughly and successfully as the youngest recruit in the ranks. Do not permit moth and rust to invade the field of your life, dear sister woman. If you have already done so, change the situation at once.

Don't Give Up.

The Christian Herald

An aged woman was supposed to be on her deathbed. Her life had been one of particular usefulness in many directions, she had worked hard, age had come upon her, and she felt her service was past, and that there was nothing more for her to do, so she began to regulate her affairs and prepare for the end. As she lay on what she thought was to be her deathbed, her son came into the room. The feeble woman raised her eyes and looked upon him as she murmured, "My dear boy, my time has come."

"Why do you think so mother?" he inquired. "Because there is nothing more for me to do," she wearily exclaimed. "Oh, yes, there is, mother, something more for you to do, some one wants your help. An aged Jew was here yesterday, begging for your assistance. He is in want; can you not help him?" On hearing this, the apparently dying woman exclaimed, "I shall help him, I shall help him, send for him immediately." When the old man came, she arose from her bed to minister to his wants. She now felt that her usefulness was not past; she would do more, so the vigor of life returned to her limbs and she lived eight years longer to help all who came to her door for ministerial assistance or helpful advice.

A word to the wise is sufficient, but a whole volume wouldn't convince the otherwise.

Some men are like a laying hen, they set up a big cackling every time they do anything.

Attacks School Principal.

A severe attack on school principal, Chas. B. Allen, of Sylvania, Ga., is thus told by him. "For more than three years," he writes, "I suffered indescribable torture from rheumatism, liver and stomach trouble and diseased kidneys. All remedies failed till I used Electric Bitters, but four bottles of this wonderful remedy completely cured me." Such results are common. Thousands bless them for curing stomach trouble, female complaints, kidney disorders, biliousness, and for new health and vigor. Try them. Only 50c at Rich Square Drug Co., T. H. Nicholson of Murfreesboro.

MR. TAFT ON INTOXICANTS.

President of United States Says Total Abstinence is the Safest Plan.

Columbus, Ohio, February 12. President Taft, in a letter dated December, 29, 1910, and read in 3,000 Sunday Schools in the United States, sounded the keynote of a total abstinence movement. The letter is addressed to Sunday School pupils as "My Dear Young Friends," and read:

"The excessive use of intoxicating liquor is the cause of a great deal of the poverty, degradation and crime of the world, and one who abstains from the use of such liquor avoids a dangerous temptation. Abraham Lincoln showed that he believed this in writing out for his boy friends the pledge of total abstinence, so often quoted. Each person must determine for himself the course he will take in reference to his taste and appetites, but those who exercise the self-restraint to avoid altogether the temptation of alcoholic liquor are on the safe and wiser side."

Dr. Howard S. Russell, of Westerville, Ohio, founder of the Anti-Saloon League, also is founder of the Lincoln Legion, which instigated today's services throughout the United States.

The movement will be directed as the Total Abstinence Department of the Anti-Saloon League, with national headquarters at Westerville.

Notice.

North Carolina, Superior Court, Spring Term.

J. H. MacLeary vs

W. E. Trenchard and T. G. Trenchard partners trading as W. E. and T. G. Trenchard, Thos. W. Mason receiver of the Westcott Trenchard Lumber Co., Northampton and Hertford Railway Company, Chas. T. Westcott, Baltimore, Md., trustee under deeds of trust recorded in books 137 and 138 for Northampton County [action for release on laborers and mechanics lien] defendants.

Chas. T. Westcott of Baltimore, Md., trustee above named, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Northampton County for release of a certain laborer's and mechanic's lien duly filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court for said county; and the defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of the said county to be held on the 4th Monday after the 1st Monday in March, 1911, at the Court House in said county in Jackson, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

Witness my hand and seal of said Court, this March 1, 1911.

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H. Stuart Lewis, W. H. S. Burgwyn, Attys. for Plaintiff.

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The defendant Chas. T. Westcott of Baltimore, Md., trustee above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Northampton County for release on a certain laborer's and mechanic's lien duly filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court for said county; and the defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of the said county to be held on the 4th Monday after the 1st Monday in March, 1911, at the Court House in said county in Jackson, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

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