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THE EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS.

Observations of Passing Events.

SOMETIMES one almost questions the use of literary training when he hears people who ought to know better use so many incorrect expressions. The double negative, which so mars one's sentences, is one of the most common errors at all. College bred people are almost constantly using this form of expression, when the pupils of a grammar school should know better. "I don't know nothing about it," is a fair sample of the many expressions which so many people use in violation of the rule concerning double negatives. It is just as easy to say "I don't know anything about it," as to say "I don't know nothing about it." But most people persist in using the double negative. And now and then we find a newspaper writer committing to print expressions that are incorrect. For instance, one often sees the expression "surrounding circumstances." Why use the word "surrounding" at all? The word "circumstances" expresses all that both words together can express. And we remember to have seen in the head lines of a newspaper the word "forecasted." According to our best recollection of the formation of the past tense and perfect participle of verbs, "forecasted" is a little too long. Well, most of these incorrect words and expressions are not the result of ignorance, but of simple carelessness. Would it not be well for people in the homes to make effort to keep their expressions correct? If this were done there would be less cause for one to think of the uselessness of school training.

COLLIER'S makes the statement that one adult woman out of every five, according to the Census Bureau report, is at work in the industries, and that only eight industries out of three hundred and three are held exclusively by men. This is hard for one in the rural districts to take in. Here we see comparatively few women at work in the "industries," for the opportunity does not exist. It is mostly in the cities and larger towns that women are so generally engaged in the various kinds of work which opens up to them. Collier's describes the great throng of women who work in the "industries" as follows: "One who is looking for flesh-and-blood verification of census statistics needs only stand by the Metropolitan Life Building, in New York City, at nine o'clock in the morning. This is the largest office building in the world, and holds the widest range of occupations. In the solid procession passing, at that hour, from the subway to its engulfing doors, there are three women to one man. They are mostly quite young, proving that the business woman does not eschew marriage when she can get it; they appear well-fed, prosperous, and happy. To this picture add the very probable consummation of a movement that is just now beginning strongly, the organization of women workers into trade-unions as compact and powerful and militant as the present labor organizations of men. Who can guess what vital social and economic changes will follow twenty years of this?"

"TAXES are indeed heavy, but we are taxed twice as much by Idleness, three times as much by Pride, and four times as much by Folly."—"Poor Richard's Maxims" contain few things of greater force than the foregoing quotation. And as the season for listing taxes has just closed perhaps the average man in North Carolina has been concerned about taxes as much for the past month as anything else. Many a man, doubtless, has scratched his head under the effort to bring his conscience and his poverty on good terms so that his property value might shrink at least fifty per cent. for one day. And doubtless for some the shrinkage in value has been of more importance than the consultation with conscience, and the decreased value has tallied all right without the aid of conscience. But many have gone to the assessors' table, and like true men that they were, they have been true to the instincts of good citizenship and have valued their property at reasonable figures, or have not objected when the assessors have fixed what they thought was the proper value. Now, to all, those who have pinched conscience, those who have left conscience out of the question and those who have "just done right," let us consider in a few words "Poor Richard's" declarations quoted above. How much the land is taxed by Idleness! It would be only a matter of simple calculation for many a man who grumbles about taxes to find that he wastes time enough every year to make up two or three times over for the taxes he has to pay. That time saved and properly utilized, and he would be in much better condition, perhaps physically, certainly morally and financially. Then what ravages Pride does work upon the lives of some people! Desiring to make a show equal to some others, who perhaps can ill afford their own style of living, they spend many a dollar and bit of energy which, if turned into the proper channel, would count largely towards paying the taxes of which they grumble so heavily. And the Folly into which so many people tumble, and which "Poor Richard" said costs four times as much as taxes, is too many-sided to be discussed in a paragraph like this. We heard one man who is now perhaps fifty years old, and who has handled a reasonable share of money, perhaps, say that he had never spent a hundred dollars for which he could not show value received. We think his statement even then might have been taken CUM GRANO SALIS, and we very much doubt if he could say it now, since a few more years have been added to his life. Few persons who are ever in a condition to spend money at all take anything like fair account of what they spend foolishly. We have made these observations with the hope that they might be suggestive to the tax grumblers. Idleness, Pride and Folly are still with us and are still taxing us just as heavily as they did when "Poor Richard" wrote, and perhaps they are increasing their burdens.

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—John Hutchins, in the Outlook.

To Develop Power From The Ocean.

(Electrical News.) Is the cherished dream of scientists to come true after long years? A German electrician claims to have invented a machine which utilizes the power of the ocean waves so that dynamos on shore can be made to develop electricity enough to light streets and buildings. If this be true, he has solved the problem of future fuel supply, for no longer would coal be required for cooking, heating or power when electricity could be had so cheaply. All the power, light and heat the world required would be at hand to last as long as man. The economical saving of such an invention would be beyond comprehension and could hardly be spoken in figures. Food-stuffs, clothing, transportation and a thousand luxuries and conveniences would be greatly reduced in price. Electric lights would displace all other luminants. Electric power would move the trans-continental trains and all vehicles, besides turning the wheels of labor. The cooking and heating of the home would be done by electricity. A few years ago this discovery, if it be a discovery, would not have meant so much to the world as it does to-day, because the inventive geniuses of the General Electric Company had not then solved the problem of long distance power transmission. After this concern introduced the first oil-cooled, high-power transformers long distance transmission of high voltage was made possible, and to-day current generated on the sea coasts could be carried to almost any part of the country. Such transformers are used in carrying the power from the Kern river project to Los Angeles, a distance of 112 miles; from Niagara Falls to Syracuse, and in a dozen other places in this country, Canada and Mexico.

Schurz Describes Gettysburg.

In the July number of McClure's Magazine, Gen. Carl Schurz tells of "The Battle of Gettysburg," and with this instalment his reminiscences reach a great climax. The whole scene of this most eventful American battle was spread out before General Schurz in his positions on the crest of Cemetery Ridge, he saw the whole action and comprehended it with the sure knowledge of an experienced officer, and his description of it is so simple, so graphically dramatic that the scene is spread before the reader in a vast panorama. Schurz brings out clearly that neither General Meade nor General Lee desired or expected to fight a battle at Gettysburg, but both were drawn into it by an unexpected encounter of the Confederate general, Heth, "who hoped to find 'some shoes' for his men at Gettysburg," and a Federal cavalry general on reconnaissance, both instructed not to bring on a general engagement, but rather cautioned against it." From the very inception and the first skirmish, through the whole terrific engagement, Schurz leads one step by step. He makes the reader see the two armies gradually marshaling for a battle for which neither was ready, and Lee, "who had wished and planned for a defensive battle, obliged to fight an aggressive one against the Union army established in a firm position." The tremendous heroism of Lee and his army are finely brought out. It is useless to try to tell in short space this article in detail. Schurz has done it so well that any one interested will want to read the author's words and it is safe to say you will agree that you have never read a better description of a battle than this.

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FERTILIZER FROM AIR.

Muscle Shoals Power to Be Utilized in Deriving It.

(Manufacturers' Record.) Thomas A. Edison, the electrical genius of the age, in an interview June 11 predicted that nitrogen from the air would be used for fertilization of the soil within 10 years. But a Nashville (Tenn.) man is accomplishing this achievement for the South in a much shorter time than Mr. Edison's limit, and it will be less than two years before fertilization from this source is an absolute fact. Mr. Frank S. Washburn of the Muscle Shoals Hydro-Electric Power Co. and also president of the American Cyanamid Co. has devoted years of study and experiment to the subject, with the result that the company he represents will place in operation a plant with the capacity of 20,000 tons initial capacity as soon as the Muscle Shoals power plant is ready for operation. This plant will represent an investment of \$1,000,000. It is already well advanced in construction, and the South is practically ready to cope with one of the greatest problems of the day in agriculture.

The question of using this nitrogen from the air for fertilization involves the food supply of the whole world, and the immensity of it is staggering even to the most advanced scientists. The first cost of putting this substance on the market is difficult to estimate, though it has been assured that the price of the commodity in marketable form will be much less than that of the regulation ammoniacs now in use.

The product will be manufactured in Alabama, though the brain power behind the work belongs to Tennessee, Mr. Washburn being a resident of Nashville, with office in the Cole Building, where the permanent headquarters of the American Cyanamid Co. will be located. The bulk of the factory's output will also be used in this State.

When Mr. Edison discussed this subject he said that he expected to see atmospheric fertilizer on the market in this country within the next 10 years; that such a product would soon be absolutely necessary, and that every shipload of corn and wheat which goes abroad leaves the United States so much the poorer in nitrogen. He further said:

"Until recently the utilization of atmospheric nitrogen was regarded as merely a laboratory demonstration. Business men said it would never be obtained cheaply enough to sell the farmer as fertilizer. In Norway a plant has been established with such good results that I expect to see atmospheric fertilizer on the market in this country within the next 10 years."

The wizard of electricity did not know at the time that much nearer home than Norway a company had been formed and had purchased the exclusive American rights for the manufacture of atmospheric nitrogen and to have the exclusive use in America of the machinery for this purpose, which anticipates an output of 40,000 tons of nitrogen annually, to be increased gradually to 220,000 tons per year.

Mr. Washburn, president of the company, will address the Board of Trade on this interesting and important subject at the membership meeting June 27. Muscle Shoals, where the plant will be located, is one of the few spots which offer advantageous ground for this industry, which requires a large amount of hydro-electric or other natural power that is cheap.

In discussing the topic and the causes that have made its present manufacture a pressing need, Mr. Washburn said:

"The increase of population and the decrease of plant food in the soil create a danger of cutting off the food supply of the world—a fact that has been recognized by scientists for some time. Vast sums of money and incalculable time have been spent in determining exactly when the world will feel the pangs of hunger from this cause unless other sources of supply are discovered besides the existing stores of nitrogenous deposits. Depleted soils must be supplied with the food supply of which they are robbed by the success-

sion of crops. For a number of years there have been three plant foods which have constituted plant fertilizer. They are nitrogen, phosphoric and potassic compounds. The only natural source of nitrogen is in Chili, and is called Chilean nitrogen. These deposits are being exhausted, the quantity exported is increasing and the price per ton advancing every year.

"In this country the by-products of packing-houses and cottonseed meal are used for their nitrogen more than the Chilean product, but all of the nitrogenous compounds, wherever found, are restricted in production.

"For 100 years scientists have been trying to obtain nitrogen from the atmosphere, and during the past 16 years the situation has been such that investigation has been redoubled, with the result that a nitrogenous substance suitable for fertilizer has been developed. The cost of production is considerably less than the present price of other nitrogenous compounds."

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(Charlotte Chronicle.)

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