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Although in many States deaf mutes and the blind receive special training to enable them to earn a livelihood, others of the handicapped, such as cripples, are not so provided for, and must frequently beg or go to the workhouse or starve.

But socialism, inheritance taxes, or government regulation of any description will avail but little until fathers, over provident, become wiser in their generation and see to it that their heirs are worthy of receiving the fortunes for which they themselves have toiled.

Why a legless man should not be valuable at a factory bench, or why a lame woman should not earn her board and a little more by doing light housework. Although as a rule they receive small wages, it is surely better for them and for the community that they should be usefully employed and self-supporting.

It is nothing that we produce annually 400,000 bushels of corn and 11,000,000 bales of cotton, if there is no demand for the corn and cotton and if the demand is not at a fair return.

But we have the market. Our 5,500,000 people who produce 115,000,000,000 of manufactured products annually, and receive in wages \$230,000,000, make the market. These figures apply only to finished products.

We get the products to the consumer by 250,000 miles of railroad, which is three times the railroad mileage of Great Britain, France and Germany combined.

When side tracks are taken into account, we have more railroad mileage than all the rest of the world. Our these railroads we have 100,000 engines, carrying millions of cars and hauling 2,000,000,000 tons of freight.

This practically equals all the tonnage carried by all the railroads and all the ships of all the rest of the world. This monstrous task is performed by 5,500,000 of employees, who are yearly paid \$2,300,000,000, and the vast business is conducted by \$150,000,000,000 of bank clearances.

Do we prosper? Only two decades ago we were second to Great Britain in the output of iron and steel. To-day our output equals all the rest of the world.

We live well and have happy homes, filled with comforts and luxuries. Yet we are a saving people. We have in savings banks \$3,500,000,000, in national banks \$4,500,000,000 and in State banks \$5,000,000,000—in all, \$13,500,000,000.

The per capita of money in the country is larger than in any other save one, France, and amounts to \$35 for each of our 80,000,000 people. The business of the country amounts to over \$3,000,000,000 annually. How do we do such a monstrous business which is also profitable? It is because we have confidence in ourselves and the other nations of the globe have confidence in us.—Leslie's Weekly.

Learn from the CHILDREN. Treat the child more as an equal—not as a hopeless inferior. There isn't so much need of coming down to his level as of giving him an opportunity to come up to yours.

It would be difficult to say on which side the balance would be found to fall. The child is not merely the ideal pupil, but also the greatest teacher in the world. The lessons that we learn from him, if we approach him with proper humility, are the most valuable part of our education.—Success Magazine.

THE PASSING OF H. H. ROGERS. Former Grocery Boy of Fairhaven, Mass., Who Became a Money King. The death of Henry Hutton Rogers, an eight-millionaire and Standard Oil magnate, came as a shock to the men of the financial world.

Mr. Rogers' first wife was Libbie T. Quifford of Fairhaven, Mass. She died fourteen years ago and a year later he married Emma Augusta Randall, daughter of the head of a big diamond firm, and former wife of Lucius R. Hart, whom she had divorced.

Mr. Rogers' wealth is estimated at from \$50,000,000 to \$75,000,000. He was exceedingly generous in his benevolences and had devoted at least \$2,000,000 to making Fairhaven a city beautiful. His summer estate has long been recognized as one of the show places of America.

PAPERS BY THE PEOPLE

WHY GOOD PAINT PREVENTS RUST.

Inasmuch as both moisture and oxygen are necessary in order that corrosion may proceed, it can easily be seen that the duty of a protective paint is to exclude both of these elements. It is well known that a lined oil film is an expansive porous structure acting somewhat as a sponge toward moisture and freely allowing the passage of oxygen.

WEALTH OF THE UNITED STATES. By Vice President James Sherman. We have to-day 80,000,000 of people, occupying 3,000,000 square miles of territory, and they own \$120,000,000,000 of wealth.

FLEET'S TRIP MONEY WASTED. By Justice Brewer. The assertion that the best way to preserve peace is to build up a great navy and army shows an ignorance of history.

THE FAMILY DOCTOR. Foods for the Gouty. Dr. Haig, of London, who has attained eminence in the treatment of certain diseases, came to his theory of the uric-acid causation of many cases of so-called neuralgia, rheumatic pains, gouty twinges and headache as a result of observation on himself.

THE LATE HENRY H. ROGERS. In 1874 the union of the chief oil refiners in New York, Philadelphia, Cleveland and Pittsburg brought into existence the Standard Oil Company and Rogers was in on the ground floor.

OTHERS OUTSIDE OF HIS FAMILY APPRECIATED. On the other hand, there have been years in Fairhaven natives who would never speak to him except as "Hen."

HE FOLLOWED INSTRUCTIONS. In a certain city, which shall be nameless, a literary man had asked his wife, as she was starting down-town, to buy a pair of shirts for him.

AT WHAT AGE DOES THE DEVIL DEVELOP IN A BOY? We saw a 4-year-old boy spitting on another boy's shoes this morning, because they had just been shined.

THE EXPLANATIONS YOU MAKE FOR YOUR ACTIONS ARE USUALLY LAUGHED AT BY PEOPLE WHEN YOUR BACK IS TURNED. One way to get this is to do all your own cooking in a chafin dish.

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WANTED—A RIDER AGENT. Sample Latest Model—Hedgehorn Puncture-Proof Self-Healing Tires. \$8.50. A SAMPLE PAIR TO INTRODUCE, ONLY \$4.80.

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