RELATIVE MISERY

There is a saying of a great French writer that he who has ten needs is not happy when nine of them are satisfied. It is true that we all of us have needs that cannot be satisfied and that they will make us unhappy, if we let them. It is true that there is no complete and absolute happiness. Fortunately, it is also true that there is no absolute misery.

When things go wrong, our own personal misery is likely to seem to us absolute, whereas the ills of others seem unreal and insignificant. Even trifles prick so deep that we forget that they are trifles, unimportant not only in the larger movement of the world but even in the total current of our own lives. The great preacher Wesley once visited a wealthy parishioner to get assisance for some overwhelming charitable need. The visit was mainly occupied with an account of the parishioner's fireplace, which would smoke, no matter what was done to remedy the difficulty. "Would you believe it, Mr. Wesley, I have had the best advice from London and still it smokes? These are my troubles, Mr. Wesley." To this man the life and death of Mr. Wesley's proteges was of little consequence compared with the smoking fireplace. How often is it so with all of us.

To appreciate the relative quality of our own troubles we should keep an open heart for the troubles of other people; not brood over them, not wear our lives away in useless pity, not lose the possibilities of joy that are given to us by vague complaining over the sorrows of the world, but remember, when vexations come, that they come to all and to most more thickly than to us.

It is sometimes urged that this relative cure for unhappiness is a selfish one, and that we have no right to cultivate our own contentment by dwelling on the sufferings and the wretchedness of others—but that is not what is meant at all. We are not to gloat over others' misery, not to emphasize whatever truth there may be in the remark of another great Frenchman, that there is something not wholly disagreeable to us in the misfortunes of even our best friends. The sense that we are not alone in trouble, that millions of people daily endure far more than we endure, ought to soften us and render us more considerate and forbearing and helpful. At any rate, it will teach us that our own miseries are not monstrous and that, viewed relatively, they are in most cases insignificant.

When your fireplace smokes, do not complain, "These are my troubles, Mr. Wesley," but mend it or forget it.

The Greatest of These.

The world has need of greatness; men who rise
Upon the stepping-stones of Yesterday
To the to-morrow of their dreams and aims;
The world has need of power; the power to build,
The strength to break down barriers; to erect
The gleaming edifice of betterment
Upon the new foundation-stone of faith—
Faith in mankind—and staunch and tender trust.
The world has need of hope invincible;
Of daily effort crowning daily prayer;
The world has need of vision; ere it sees
The first dawn of that fairer, nobler sphere
Rising from out the soil of sacrifice.
Great is the world's need! All the gifts of might
And power and will to conquer Destiny;
The gifts of service, tolerance, loyalty—
Of strenuous purpose and of honest toil;
Of gladness and good cheer, of merry hearts,
Of knightly zest and gallant bravery;
But most of all the world has need of love!

What All Prospective Bridegrooms Know.

That he won't be able to find the wedding ring at the fatal moment.

That his hands will look as big as the broadsides of a barn during the ceremony and that it is a confounded shame that it isn't permissible to hide them in his trousers' pocket.

That it would be an immense relief to elope instead of going through the fuss and flurry of the church wedding.

That his pal has too much of a smile on his face and is sure to play some sort of a trick before the ceremony is over with.

That all the women in the congregation will wonder what on earth it is that the bride sees in him.

That all his bachelor friends are sadly shaking their heads and saying, "Another good man gone."

That though the bride's father has protested vehemently that he doesn't want to give up his little girl, he still seems remarkably happy over the fact that she is getting married.

That while the fact remains that he isn't marrying the whole family the whole bunch has laid out a schedule of visits they are going to pay him during the next few months.

That if the bride's mischevious little brother pulls off any of his so-called "cute little tricks" during the ceremony it will be with extreme difficulty that he will restrain himself from upending little brother and giving him a splendid little paddling.

KEEP HEALTHY DURING WINTER

Colds and Diseases May be Avoided if the Blood is Kept Pure.

Do not let your blood get thin this winter. For people who have a tendency towards anaemia, or bloodlessness, winter is a trying season. Lack of exercise and fresh air, and the more restricted diet are among the many things that combine to lower the tone of the body and deplete the blood.

As soon as you notice the tired feeling, lack of appetite and shortness of breath that are warning symptoms of thin blood, take a short course of treatment with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Do not wait until the color has entirely left your cheeks, until your lips are white and your eyes dull. It is so much easier to correct thinning of the blood in the earlier stages than later. This is well illustrated in the case of Mrs. E. Williams, Elk Lake, Ont., who says: — "I take great pleasure in letting you know the benefit I have found in the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I was in an anaemic condition and was very weak and run down. The least exertion would leave me breathless and it was with difficulty that I did household work. I was advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and after the use of four boxes I felt like a new person. In fact, my system seemed filled with new energy and new life. I strongly recommend this medicine to all who feel weak or run down."

The purpose of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is to build up the blood. They do this one thing and they do it well. They are for this reason an invaluable remedy in diseases arising from bad or deficient blood, as rheumatism, neuralgia, after-effects of the grip or fevers. The pills are guaranteed to be free from opiates or any harmful drug and cannot injure the most delicate system.

You can procure Dr. Williams' Pink Pills through any dealer in medicine, or they will be sent you by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for $2.50 by writing direct to The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Signals From Another Planet?

Interruptions of the Marconi wireless instruments by mysterious undecipherable signals, which were noted before the war, and have been publicly referred to since, are specially featured in the Daily Mail, London, and discussed by Marconi in an interview published by the paper.

"We occasionally get very queer sounds and indications, which might come from somewhere outside the earth," said Signor Marconi. "We have had them both in England and America. The Morse signal letters occur with much greater frequency than others, but we have never yet picked up anything that could be translated into a definite message.

"The fact that the signals have occurred simultaneously at New York and London with identical intensity seems to indicate that they must have originated at a very great distance. We have not yet the slightest proof of their origin. They might conceivably be due to some natural disturbance at a great distance, for instance, an eruption of the sun causing electrical disturbances."

Asked whether possibly attempts were being made by another planet to communicate, Signor Marconi said:

"I would not rule out the possibility of this, but there is no proof. We must investigate the matter much more thoroughly before we venture upon a definite explanation."

He added that the mysterious sounds are not confined to any particular diurnal period; they are equally frequent by day and night.

New Restaurant Plate.

In addition to food a new plate for restaurants holds in separate compartments a knife, fork, salt and pepper shakers and a butter dish.

New Postage Stamps.

It has been calculated that about 2,000 new postage stamps have been issued in Europe since the end of the war. This shows how useless our old atlases are when we come to study the political geography of that continent.

VARIED DESIGNS FOR WOMEN

No. 9236—Ladies' and Misses' Breakfast Coat. Price, 20 cents. In ankle length. Cut in 3 sizes; small, 34, 36; medium, 38, 40; large, 42, 44 inch bust measure. Small size requires 5¼ yards 32 inches wide, or 3⅝ yards 40 inches wide.

No. 9175—Ladies' Dress Price, 25 cents. With or without vest and tunic; two styles of sleeve; two-piece skirt, instep or shorter length. Cut in 7 sizes, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44 and 46 inch bust measure. Size 36 requires, instep length, with tunic, 5 yards 36 inches wide, or 3¼ yards, 54 inches wide; instep length, without tunic, 3⅝ yards 36 inches wide, or 2¼ yards 54 inches wide. Width around bottom, 1⅝ yards.

No. 9117—Ladies' Mannish Shirtwaist. Price, 20 cents. Adjustable collar, two styles of sleeve, French cuffs. Cut in 8 sizes, 34 to 48 inch bust. Size 36, with French cuffs, 2⅛ yards 36 inches wide, or 1⅝ yards 45 inches wide; with gathered sleeves, 2 yards 36 inches wide, or 1⅝ yards 45 inches wide.

No. 9231—Ladies' Two-Piece Skirt. Price, 20 cents. High waistline; 38 or 36-inch length. Cut in 8 sizes, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36 and 38 inch waist measure. Size 26 requires, 38-inch length, 2⅝ yards, 40 inches wide, or 1½ yards 54 inches wide; 36-inch length, 2¼ yards 40 inches wide, or 1⅝ yards, 54 inches wide. Width around bottom 1⅝ yards.

These patterns may be obtained from your local McCall dealer, or from the McCall Co., 70 Bond Street, Toronto, Dept. W.

Keep Minard's Liniment in the house.

The Thoroughbred Auction Sale.

Swift foot, single foot down the orchard lane;
All the old, deserted farm still beneath the stars;
Nickered soft a low good-by till hoofs beat home again,
Satin nose from satin nose across the orchard bars.
Swift foot, single foot down the valley road;
Iron shoe and flint fire up the rocky hill;
Slanting ear for stranger voice—does some evil bode?
Past the empty pastures where the shadows lie so still.
Brown cast, velvet coat, pointed ears alert,
Jasmine, the stable's pride, had blocked the swinging door;
Shying from the waiting crowd as though she feared a hurt;
Heedless now of man's command as never once before.
Thin hair, silver hair, shaken voiced and slow,
Came the master to her side, at the word they sent,
Laid his hand upon the rein, with his head bent low,
To lead her to the auction block—then at last she went.
Swift foot, single foot—dying far away.
Empty stalls, a vagrant rat prowling to and fro;
Silence where the hammer fell on the bids to-day;
Silence, where were stamping hoofs only hours ago.
Swift foot, single foot over all the ways;
Alien hands upon the reins, silver tears, the stars.
Apple bloom and clover bloom—but never through the days
Will satin nose touch satin nose across the orchard bars.

You cannot do anything in the world, achieve any success, unless you believe in yourself.

Tea or Coffee often disagrees with some one in the family. An easy way to get away from such annoyance is to drink

INSTANT POSTUM

It agrees with everyone in the family. No sleepless nights, disturbed digestion or irritated nerves follow its use. "There's a Reason."

Spiders' Threads For Telescopes.

The threads of the garden spider are fixed by astronomers in their telescopes for the purpose of giving fine lines to the field of view, by which the relative positions of stars may be accurately measured.

For a century astronomers desired to make use of such lines of the greatest possible fineness, and procured at first silver wire drawn out to the extreme limit of tenuity attainable with that metal. They also tried hairs (1-500th of an inch thick), and threads of the silkworm's cocoon, which are split into two component threads, each only 1-200th of an inch thick. But in 1820 an English instrument maker named Troughton introduced the spider's line. This can be readily obtained three or four times smaller than the silkworm's thread, and has also advantages in its strength and freedom from twist.

In order to obtain the thread the spider is carefully fixed on a miniature "rack," and the thread, which at the moment of issue from the body is a viscid liquid, is made to adhere to a winder, by turning which the desired length of firm but elastic thread can be procured.

CHILDHOOD CONSTIPATION

Constipation—that disordered state of the digestive tract which is nearly always caused by improper feeding—can be readily regulated by the use of Baby's Own Tablets. These Tablets are a mild but thorough laxative. They are easy to take and are absolutely free from injurious drugs. Concerning them Mrs. Joseph Dion, Ste. Perpetue, Que., writes:—"I have nothing but praise for Baby's Own Tablets. When my baby was three months old he was terribly constipated but the Tablets soon set him right and now at the age of fifteen months he is a big healthy boy and this good health I attribute entirely to the use of the Tablets." They are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

As Friend to Friend.

By cheering speech,
By loving deed,
By friendly smile
Give joy awhile;
To those in need
True courage teach;
Let love beguile
And kindly lead
From selfish greed
And passions vile
To the up-reach
Whence God would lead,
Where all are freed,
Nor sins defile,
As each to each
Gives loving heed.

MONEY ORDERS.
The safe way to send money by mail is by Dominion Express Money Order.

Bubble in a Sapphire.

There is exhibited in the British Museum a sapphire weighing nine carats which contains a bubble that appears and disappears with changes of temperature.

It is believed that a cavity in the gem enclosed a quantity of carbonic acid gas under great pressure. When the temperature is such as to correspond with the 'critical point" for that gas under the particular pressure to which it is subjected in its brilliant prison house it liquefies and becomes visible as a bubble.

The publisher of the best Farmer's paper in the Maritime Provinces in writing to us states:

"I would say that I do not know of a medicine that has stood the test of time like MINARD'S LINIMENT. It has been an unfailing remedy in our household ever since I can remember, and has outlived dozens of would-be competitors and imitators."

Carved Himself in Wood.

The most marvelous woodworker in the world is Hananuma Masakichi, of Tokyo, Japan, who has carved a figure in wood so like himself that when the two are placed side by side it is said to be almost impossible to tell which lives and breathes and which does not.

By several connoisseurs in art this wooden figure has been pronounced the most perfect image of a man ever made. Masakichi has faithfully reproduced every scar, vein and wrinkle to be seen on his body. The figure is composed of two thousand pieces of wood, dovetailed and jointed with such skill that no seams can be detected.

He drilled tiny hairs to receive the hairs and placed in the wooden figure eyelashes and glass eyes that as far as anyone can see are exactly like his own.

The Japanese artist posed between two mirrors while modeling this figure and for some time after its completion he posed frequently beside it, to the confusion of spectators, who were often unable to tell which was the artist. The figure stands with a little mask in one hand and an instrument for carving in the other. The lifelike eyes are apparently gazing at the mask, and the face wears a look of intense absorption.

An ounce of assistance is worth a pound of advice.

RHEUMATISM

This is just the season when Rheumatism with its grinding pain and stiffening of joints gets hold of you. Fight it with

Templeton's Rheumatic Capsules

Templeton's Rheumatic Capsules bring certain relief, and permanent results. They are recommended by doctors, and sold by reliable druggists everywhere for $1.04 a box, or write to Templetons, 142 King St. W., Toronto. Mailed anywhere on receipt of price.

ASTHMA

Templeton's RAZ-MAH Capsules are guaranteed to relieve ASTHMA. Don't suffer another day.
Write Templetons, 142 King St. W., Toronto, for free sample.
Reliable druggists sell them at $1.04 a box.

Made a Hit, Anyway.

Mr. Higginson had been away from home for a week and on his return found that burglars had visited the house during his absence, and, although one had been wounded, they had succeeded in getting away.

"And so you shot a burglar while alone and unprotected," he said to his wife. "You are a brave little woman! What became of him?"

"The other man carried him off," she replied.

"The other man?" he asked.

"Yes," she said, "the one I aimed at."

Price of Radium.

Radium, which was discovered in Paris by Madame Curie, and which is used in medicine and for many other purposes, is worth about $5,000 a grain.

Regardless of our own necessity, we should work because of the need of the world.

SUFFERING CATS! GIVE THIS MAN THE GOLD MEDAL

Let folks step on your feet hereafter; wear shoes a size smaller if you like, for corns will never again send electric sparks of pain through you, according to this Cincinnati authority.

He says that a few drops of a drug called freezone, applied directly upon a tender, aching corn, instantly relieves soreness, and soon the entire corn, root and all, lifts right out.

This drug is a sticky ether compound, but dries at once and simply arrivels up the corn without inflaming or even irritating the surrounding tissue.

It is claimed that a quarter of an ounce of freezone obtained at any drug store will cost very little but is sufficient to remove every hard or soft corn or callus from one's feet. Cut this out, especially if you are a woman reader who wears high heels.

"SYRUP OF FIGS" CHILD'S LAXATIVE

Look at tongue! Remove poisons from little stomach, liver and bowels

Accept "California" Syrup of Figs only—look for the name California on the package, then you are sure your child is having the best and most harmless laxative or physic for the little stomach, liver and bowels. Children love its delicious fruity taste. Full directions for child's dose on each bottle. Give it without fear.

Mother! You must say "California."

Coughs and Colds Mean Restless Nights

which sap the vitality. Danger lurks in every hour a cold is allowed to run. Assist nature to bring your children quickly back to health and strength and avoid serious complications by the prompt use of Gray's Syrup — over 60 years in use.

Always buy the Large Size

GRAY'S SYRUP of RED SPRUCE GUM
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BITS OF HUMOR FROM HERE & THERE

Swiftness of Revenge.

Timothy Brown was a commercial traveller and a valuable asset to his employers.

On one of his periodical rounds he included in his list of calls a certain yarn merchant, Jones Perkins by name—a crotchety, ill-natured individual—who invariably treated him with the greatest discourtesy, and who on more than one occasion had torn his card up in his presence and thrown it on the floor. As becomes a good commercial, however, Timothy was undaunted, and vowed to be revenged.

In due course he called on his friend again and presented his card.

"Hallo!" shouted old Perkins, giving the card the usual wrench. "What the——" But here he interrupted himself with a yell of pain, accompanied by a miniature war dance.

Timothy's card was made of enamelled tin!

BULLY!

If Bilious, Constipated or Headachy, take "Cascarets."

Feel grand! Clean up inside! Your system is filled with liver and bowel poison which keeps your skin sallow, your stomach upset, your head foggy and aching. Your meals are turning into poison and you can not feel right. Don't stay bilious or constipated. Feel splendid always by taking Cascarets occasionally. They act without griping or inconvenience. They never sicken you like Calomel, Salts, Oil or nasty, harsh Pills. They cost so little too—Cascarets work while you sleep.

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Kidney troubles are frequently caused by badly digested food which overtakes these organs to eliminate the irritant acids formed. Help your stomach to properly digest the food by taking 15 to 30 drops of Extract of Roots, sold as Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup, and your kidney disorder will promptly disappear. Get the genuine.

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A Busy Implement.

The shovel never on the go,
Doth not express the soul,
'Tis either pushing out the snow
Or throwing in the coal.

Ask for Minard's and take no other.

Shadows of History.

The small boy read from his history, "William the Conqueror landed in England in 1066 A.D."

"What does 'A.D.' stand for?" inquired the teacher.

The small boy pondered.

"I don't really know," he replied at last. "May it mean after dark."

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Let "Danderine" save your hair and double its beauty. You can have lots of long, thick, strong, lustrous hair. Don't let it stay lifeless, thin, scraggly or fading. Bring back its color, vigor and vitality.

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