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## TO THE EDITOR.

DEAR SIR.—So much has been said and written under the above heading, that it has become a matter of some difficulty to throw new light upon the subject; or present it in a sufficiently attractive manner, to warrant me in asking a portion of your valuable space, to ventilate a question, which has already (in some of the county newspapers) been so well threshed out:

But in view of the facts, that the ventilation spoken of, was principally confined to the Owen Sound newspapers, and also that in the repeated discussions in County Council of the much vexed question—"Shall we have a House of Refuge in Grey?"—the most decided opposition, emanated from our representatives of South Grey; I trust that a short resume' of some of the aspects of the questions, may not be considered out of place, in a South Grey newspaper.

Naturally, when any matter of public importance is being discussed, the first question asked by the individual is—How will this affect my convenience or circumstances?

—and it is with this feature of the case, that I purpose first to deal.

At the outset, I wish to be understood clearly, in stating that a man in making an estimate of his wealth, is in error, if in so doing he simply adds the balance at his bankers, and loose change in his pocket, to the value of his other goods and chattels in his case; and from the sum total computes his actual wealth. The circumstances by which he is surrounded, contribute largely in making a true estimate of a man's actual wealth; and it follows, therefore, that all other things being equal, a man is better off, from a financial point of view, when these circumstances are favorable to the true appreciation and enjoyment of his wealth.

By way of practical application of this manifest truism, I beg briefly to refer to the history of the poor laws in England; and may just mention incidentally here, that the English nation were, even in the year 1801, so far ahead of us, residuals of the County of Grey, in the year of grace 1900, that in that year, Parliament passed certain enactments, which contained the germ of the present poor laws of England: directing parishes "To relieve the blind, the lame, the impotent," and "appointing overseers of the poor."—But what I wish to note particularly is, that the Parliament of Great Britain reorganized the whole system of poor laws in the year 1834, and established a system of which that adopted in different counties of Ontario is almost a counterpart; and the result was, that while before 1834, one person in every twelve was a pauper, in 1837 the percentage of paupers had fallen to one in twenty-five. Now what reasonable man would for a moment attempt to argue, that under these altered circumstances, there is no material change for the better, in the condition of one who is a resident of the country which shares in the benefits directly resulting from the operation of the Poor Laws?

The pauperism in Great Britain and Ireland had prior to 1834, reached a terrible pitch, whole districts were depopulated, farms abandoned, and villages deserted. Well might Goldsmith say of his native land—

"Ill fares the land, to hastening ills a prey, Where wealth accumulates and men decay."

But the benevolent effects of the Poor Laws, soon began to show themselves, and at the present day, there is no country under Heaven, where the deserving poor are more kindly cared for, than in that old land of which we are all so justly proud.

Another feature which naturally presents itself to a human mind is its moral aspect.

Shall we treat our poor as criminals, or as unfortunate? At once the answer suggests itself—certainly as unfortunate.

But what is the naked truth?

A gaol is defined by Webster, and is commonly understood to be "A place of confinement for persons convicted of crime"—It is not a fact, that soldiers does a month go by, when our more unfortunate, whose only crime consists of the fact of being old, poor, friendless and unable to earn a living for himself, though ever so willing to do so; is obliged by stress of circumstances, to present himself before a Justice of the Peace, and pray to be committed to the common gaol of the county, there to consort with, and be the daily and hourly companion of criminals of every hue?

In these days of high pressure in every line of business, we are apt, so to concentrate our minds on our own particular concerns, as to become partly oblivious to the every day affairs of our friends and neighbors; unless, when some particularly striking event happens, and wakes us up to the true aspect of affairs around us.

Such an event happened in your good Town of Durham the other day, and awakened the writer with a somewhat rude shock; when he was causally informed that an old resident of Durham, a man well known, as being indolent and well disposed, had been committed to the common gaol at Owen Sound as a vagrant.

Need I go further than this, in presenting the moral aspect of the case?

Can it be that we have become so utterly lost to all feeling for an unfortunate fellow being, that we can, without so much as a blush, see him, innocent of all crime, become the unhappy companion of all that is shameful, all that is sinful, and all that is degrading; and not so much as raise one little finger, to, in some degree at least, ameliorate his condition?

I fear, Sir, that I have already trespassed too far upon your space, but my only apology is that the nature of the case demanded it.

Respectfully Yours,  
SENEX,  
Holstein, January 15th, 1900.

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