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THE MAN ON THE STREET.

FADS AND FANCIES.—It is wonderful how far in this age we allow ourselves to be led by mere fancy. The craze of the hour is more or less contagious, and most of us "take it bad." There is scarcely a person or class of society that is absolutely unswayed by these passing waves of sentiment or passion, which affect not only communities, but whole nations, and if such an anti-faddist could be found it is probable he would be dubbed as cold and unfeeling, by his fellow-mortals of warmer blood and broader sympathy. The fad may be wise or foolish, right or wrong, the effect is the same in either case. The majority believe it, speak of it, are more or less carried away by it and are directly or indirectly carried away by it whether they will or not.

In this fact lies the strength of advertising. Take the case of Patent Medicines. A skilful use of display type and printer's ink has made many a fortune with little expenditure of hard cash other than the payment of printer's bills. The catchy ad attracts the eye, arouses the curiosity, quickens the imagination, creates a demand. This passing fancy may be, it usually is, based on pure fiction, but it becomes a fad nevertheless, as certainly, and carries people away with it, as if based on the hardest facts.

More than this it usually happens that those who read these ads begin to imagine themselves affected by the diseases so clearly described and the demand for the medicine offered as a specific is increased by a purely imaginary condition in thoroughly healthy persons. So much do people love to be humbugged that the more ridiculous the nostrum, the more eagerly it is sought after and the more readily do they proclaim its merits, whether real or imaginary. It is on this weakness in degenerate human nature that the fakir thrives, the vendor grows rich and the patentee waxes fat, and flourishes like a green bay tree.

How these fads affect the general public will be noticed in future issues, but only one other case will be referred to now. It is that even such cool-headed, practical men as doctors are not entirely exempt from the influence of the passing whim or fancy: for, has it not come to pass that with many every pain in the side is appendicitis, and for every little illness a professional nurse is recommended? Who dares to say that theories have no weight? The most theoretical man is often the most practical. The microbe theory of diseases has had a potent influence, and, whether right or wrong, it has made the professional nurse a necessity. Professional nurses are a great institution, but like many other good things, it is in danger of being over-done, and killing itself by the very exuberance of its demands.

"Our little systems have their day. They have their day and cease to be," sang the Laureate in the days of his sorrow, and so it may be with this beneficent institution, unless used with wisdom and discretion. In the case of children for instance, there is no nurse like the mother if she is a sensible woman and capable of performing her task; no touch like a mother's touch; no caress like hers to cool the fevered brow or soothe the distracted feelings of the dain-stricken little one; no other

can interpret the wistful look, the silent motion, the need of the child, like the child's own mother. Of course if the illness be protracted or the mother's physical endurance overtaxed, it is clearly the duty of the physician to recommend assistance, but that the mothers should be replaced by any stranger, even the kindest and most skilled nurse, is a position against which the moral sense of the community will rebel for many years to come.

On the other hand there are mothers altogether unfit to nurse their own children. Some are physically unequal to the task. Some are by temperament, nervous and fussy, and are hence totally unfit for the work. Some are over-anxious, and instead of soothing would irritate; while others are wanting in feeling and sympathy, and thus lack the kind word, the assuring look, and the gentle touch that brings calm and rest. And then there is a large class of mothers who have never taught their children obedience, who have gratified every wish of the child, whether good or bad, who secured compliance with their wishes only by coaxing, or by promises too often unfulfilled, or by bribing of one kind or another. Alas, how many of these foolish mothers are still amongst us! Is it any wonder that their children lose confidence in them? Such mothers are worse than useless in the sick-room. No physician could be sure they would administer the medicines properly or do the thousand and one things necessary to the comfort and safety of the suffering patient. In all such cases the employment of a professional nurse would appear to be necessary, and the physician should rather be commended as a true friend rather than as a faddist.

Wiarion hotel-keepers decided at a meeting recently held, to close their bars on Saturday night until Monday morning. The law requires all hotel-keepers to do that very thing, but the action of the Wiarion men would give the impression that they have not heretofore obeyed the law. In any case this is a move in the right direction, and if hotel-keepers everywhere would strictly comply with the law as it is, there would be fewer demands by the general public to increase the license fee or to put greater restrictions upon the trade. We have always held that one great cause of so much agitation on this question is the utter lawlessness of a large number of the hotel-keepers themselves. Some of them, not all, we are glad to say, seem to think that the possession of a liquor license gives them unlimited authority to make money by fair means or foul, and they act accordingly. Such reckless disregard of the law can only result in more stringent measures, under which the innocent and the guilty suffer alike. If the hotel-keepers could restrain the unworthy members of their own fraternity from breaking the law in any respect, they would do more to stop public agitation along temperance lines than by the more discreditable method of uniting to pay each other's fines for violating the law. The recent vote on the Referendum, by which nearly two hundred thousand electors cast their ballots in favor of abolishing the bar, is a sound warning to those engaged in the traffic of living strictly within the limits of the law, so that in some measure they may reduce the strong antagonism the country has against an abused privilege.

The School Board is making arrangements of better facilities for the heating of the school building, into which they intend installing a steam heating plant. Excavations are to be made for the boiler and store-room for coal or wood. Unlike many places our town has a board of trustees that are fairly progressive in providing school accommodation and school equipment. We commend them for this, and in the matter of heating we trust that ample provision will be made for proper ventilation as well. Heating and ventilation go hand in hand, and one is not complete without the other. But in this connection we presume to assert that the problem of ventilation is very imperfectly understood by most school boards, in so far, at least, as knowing just how to get the best results. We all know that fresh air is essential to good health, but how to get the fresh air and get it at a proper temperature to be comfortable is a question to which very few of us can give a good solution. Two of the present board, Messrs. Mills and Ramage, are old teachers, who have, no doubt, very unpleasant recollections of the unsanitary, stuffy school-rooms in which they spent many days. Let it be hoped, for the sake of the teachers and children who are to succeed them, that the ventilating problem will be given into proper hands, and that the best results will be secured. Let the youngsters grow up in an atmosphere of pure air even should it entail a cost of a hundred dollars extra.

The following is from a recent issue of the Tara Leader: "Tara is advanc-

ing; the latest wrinkle is the electing of councillors by the game of chance. Electors are not required to make any choice. The whole matter is arranged by a few who choose the men and have them elected by acclamation." This is clever and saves money, but Tara is not alone in this new "wrinkle." The expert manipulation of the resignations and withdrawals after the last nominations, reported in other towns, exhibited a skilful handling of men and things which pushes Tara's open game entirely into the shade.

The Chronicle Does the Trick.

O, idle merchant of this busy burg, Why standest thou moping in thy silent store?
With envious eyes thou look'st along the street,
And see'st the throng about thy neighbor's door.
Then turn'st thy wistful gaze and, sad-eyed, view'st
The empty space in front of thine own floor.
Why dost thou muse upon the contrast great
Between the busy throng and the empty space?
Thou know'st thou hast the goods,
The prices right,
Thou wonder'st why thy custom is so small.
Wouldst thou learn why? Consult the Chronicle,
And see the ads. of those that advertise.
Thine own not there—thy neighbor's writ so large!
If thou would'st share the profits of the trade,
That make thy neighbor's faces glow and smile,
This journal does the trick. Take space right straight
And tell the people what thou hast to sell;
What bargains thou can'st give; what joy to show
The goods thou hast. Then stay with what thou say'st,
And joy and wealth shall crown thy day of toil.

REV. FARQUHARSON CHECKED.

The adjourned annual meeting of the Presbyterian congregation was held in the church on Thursday evening of last week. It proved to be one of the most enjoyable in the history of the congregation. As the meeting was intended to combine business with a social reunion of the members and adherents of the congregation and a special reception to welcome the Presbyterian strangers who have recently come to town or attached themselves to the church, everything was of the most sociable character. From six to eight the ladies, with their usual generosity, provided a capital tea in the basement. It needed no mind-reader to tell that this part of the evening was thoroughly enjoyed. For some time after the tea the people mingled in a free and easy conversation, discussion social, personal or church matters and getting better acquainted in pairs and in groups, larger or smaller, until the whole large gathering was a-buzz with the pleasant chatter. An adjournment was made to the body of the church where a pleasant programme of sacred music was rendered by the choir, and excellent solos were well rendered by Mrs. Frank Livingston, Mrs. Buchan and Dr. Hutton. Beautiful duets by Mrs. A. Jackson and Miss M. Burnet, and Mr. Telford and Miss Burnet were, as usual, well received. That all these were thoroughly appreciated and enjoyed was evident from the prolonged and hearty applause which followed each number.

Mr. W. S. Davidson gave a capital rendering of two selections, which varied the programme and impressed certain wholesome truths which appear to be fundamental in our age of wealth getting and worship of material prosperity.

Mr. Ramage, on behalf of the Board of Managers, was able to announce the entire church debt incurred three years ago for enlarging, renovating and reseating was now reduced to a paltry fifty dollars, and he urged that the efforts already made be continued until this last vestige of debt be wiped out of existence.

Messrs. Allan, Young and Campbell spoke briefly on congregational matters, and urged that the good work being done be continued until a suitable and creditable manse be provided for our minister, as was done in all up-to-date Presbyterian congregations. In connection with the latter question, it is gratifying that the managers were authorized by resolution of the congregation to go forward as soon as expedient to the securing of a site and the building of a proper manse. When they are ready to report progress, it is certain the congregation will authorize them to provide ways and means either by loan or by subscriptions.

Perhaps the most interesting number on the programme was the presentation to Mr. Farquharson of an address by the ladies in behalf of the congregation, accompanied by a bank cheque for \$100 as a free-will offering. Following is the address, which speaks volumes for the good feeling and harmony prevailing between pastor and people:—

ADDRESS.

DEAR MR. FARQUHARSON.—It is with mingled feelings of pleasure and satisfaction that we look back upon the three years we have spent together as pastor and people.

That our church has made progress we cannot doubt, and that much of that progress is under Providence directly due to your wise leadership

as pastor, we freely and willingly affirm. Our activities as a Christian people we believe have been wisely directed. Our annual reports show a gratifying increase in our membership and a steady gain in the several departments of our church. While we deplore how little we have done to assist you in your work, how indifferent and apathetic we have at times appeared, yet we believe and trust that the spiritual results, though not so obvious to mortal eyes, have found favor with the great Head of the church.

As our pastor, you have always been ready to assist us in every proper undertaking, to sympathize with us in our troubles and sorrows, and to minister to our spiritual needs in every legitimate way. As a citizen, you have taken an active interest in the secular affairs of our town, and assisted in every honorable way, all efforts to promote a purer morality and a truer citizenship.

To Mrs. Farquharson we are bound to add, you owe much of your success, and all desire to couple her name with your own in all our expressions of commendation, as she herself is already in the affection of our hearts.

As a token therefore of our appreciation and esteem, we desire you to accept this Bank Cheque as a free-will offering from your congregation, and we pray that God's richest blessings may rest upon you and family, and that you may long be spared to be honored workers in the Vineyard of our Lord.

GLASCOTT.

A gang of men working for Rowe Bros. in Bell's bush, found a nest of bees in a hollow tree. The tree was full of honey for about nine feet. The good natured shantymen divided the honey amounting to about 200 lbs.

Master James Aitkens who has just finished a home college course and a course in shorthand and type writing has been very successful throughout. Very few make a success in home study, but Jim is a hustler and intends to make life worth living. Before starting to study the College Company's agent said they would do what they could to get him a situation if he should be successful. On account of it being a Yankee institution he did not count much on that; but to his surprise the day that he wrote on his last examination he received a letter from the T. Eaton Co. saying that he had been recommended to them by the College with which he was studying and that a situation was awaiting him as a shorthand and typewriter. Jim left to take the position last Thursday. We wish him success. We may say that this seems a cheap way of getting an education, costing about \$15.00 for the course.

Mrs. A. Stafford has been very ill for the last few weeks. Hope soon to hear of her recovery.

A number of horses have changed hands recently. F. Priel sold two for a handsome sum, he also traded a good horse for a better one. Mr. T. Sowerby sold a 3 year old for \$170 and a year old for \$125. Tom Moarn, Joe Moarn, A. Priel, E. Bradley and Beattie Bros. have also sold horses.

Mr. John Aitkens, Sr., has been very poorly all winter. We hope he may improve as the weather gets warmer.

John Aitkens, Jr., has purchased the farm known as the Arthur Chesney farm. Mr. James Perdow who has had the farm leased will have to leave.

The Moarn Bros. who have the contract of cutting 200 cords of cordwood in Ritchie's bush have the work near completed. They are hustlers and do their work well.

A young son arrived at Mr. A. Priel's on the 12th inst. We are not surprised that Andy is thinking of going to a country where land is cheap as this is boy No. 3. Both mother and son are doing well.

Notice to Creditors.

In the matter of HERBERT WILLIAM MOCKLER, of the Town of Durham, in the County of Grey, Merchant, Insolvent.

NOTICE is hereby given that HERBERT WILLIAM MOCKLER, of the Town of Durham, in the County of Grey, carrying on business as General Merchant at the said Town of Durham, has made an assignment under R.S.O. 1897, c. 147, of all his estate, credits and effects to Richard Lee, of the City of Toronto, for the general benefit of his creditors.

A meeting of his creditors will be held at the office of the Assignee, 511 McKinnon Building, in the City of Toronto, on Monday, the 23rd day of February, 1903, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon, to receive a statement of affairs, to appoint inspectors and fix their remuneration, and for the ordering of the affairs of the Estate generally.

Creditors are requested to file their claims with the Assignee, with the proofs and particulars thereof required under the said Act, on or before the day of such meeting. And notice is further given, that after the 23rd day of March, 1903, the Assignee will proceed to distribute the assets of the debtor amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notices shall then have been given, and that he will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed, to any person or persons of whose claim he shall not then have had notice.

RICHARD LEE, Assignee. Dated at Toronto this 14th day of February, 1903.—2t

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