

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Dr. David Starr Jordan, who is a thorn in the flesh of jingoes and hypocritical peace-war men, has been lecturing in London on eugenics and war. Some of his statements, though obvious and familiar, sound startling and lend themselves to misrepresentation.

The nobler the war, of course, the better the quality of those who rush to the front and get killed or maimed. A war to which reason and conscience are opposed keeps many true patriots at home, and they become the fathers of the next generation.

The true friends of eugenics, of race preservation and improvement, Dr. Jordan holds, will denounce all forms of avoidable warfare. They will favor arbitration and peace as a means of insuring physical, mental and moral progress of the human race.

A merchant, who died recently, bequeathed \$250,000 upon his employees. By the terms of his will not only the men working for him at the time of his death but the widows of those men who died in active service of the company are presented with sums, all considerable, and some amounting to a small competence.

The act of this merchant is quite novel, for it deviates from the accepted methods of philanthropy. A hospital founded for the money might have perpetuated the name of the donor more conspicuously.

This bequest of a quarter of a million dollars by a merchant to his employees, like the acts of so many more merchants and manufacturers who are active promoters of movements which aim to make their help profit sharers in their concerns, are symptomatic of the times.

Viscountess Curzon, the most noted young matron, has the reputation of the most beautiful young matron of the 1913 season. She is a superb dresser, a fact which enhances further the charm of her slim fairness and beautifully cut features.

Were she to live for a century Queen Alexandra would also hold a place among beautiful women. Queen Mary is a remarkable example of the woman whose looks are enhanced as she matures.

Princess Alexandra of Teck brings sunshine wherever she goes, and is certainly the prettiest of the younger royal ladies. The Duchess of Portland is another of the beauties whom treacherous years seem helpless to alter.

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Fashion Hints

Fads and Fancies. The felt hat seems to be an established summer garment. At the same time that dispatches come from Paris announcing that society has donned furs and felt for summer wear, the big shops are showing summer felt hats on this side of the sea.

The three-tiered skirt is a mid-summer style that pleases the slim and graceful. Frocks with such skirts are especially pretty made of lawn and some of the other materials that do not lend themselves gracefully to drapery.

White is a popular midsummer color and in a cool and refreshing tone it is a restful change from the shades of red and brown that have been popular this year.

Effective girdles for summer frocks of lace or lingerie are made of ribbon of two colors or two shades of the same color. The ribbon, six or eight inches wide, is arranged in two inter-twined lengths so that first one shade, then the other, shows.

Black is still popular above all other colors for belts and sashes and girdles. It is worn with frocks of every color. The cry in the spring was for black-and-white combinations.

Stockings with embroidered butterflies about the ankles are made for evening wear. Each wing of the butterfly is spotted with rhinestones. Other white silk stockings show embroidered anklets, done in white, and still others show lace anklets, made of baby Irish lace insertion.

What Your Tongue Tells. The latest "scientific" whim, a substitute for palmistry, hailing from Germany, is the pastime of reading character and telling fortunes by the tongue.

Wedded to Gods. Most of the dancing girls in India, belonging to the temples are called the wives of the gods. At an early age they are united in wedlock to the images worshipped in the temples.

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Great! If 70 per cent. of the convicts on parole make good they put it all over the men who never were in jail.

HEALTH

Important Western Division Point Named After G.T.R. Official. Right in the heart of the great fruit orchard of British Columbia—that picturesque spot known as the Bulkley Valley—surveyors and engineers and all such are busy on a new town.

The first is the fact that it is the only general freight and passenger division point between Prince Rupert and Fort George. The second is—Smithers.

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A clean, cool sheet is most grateful and refreshing to a sick person in the hot summer months. The correct way to put it on—which many amateurs do not know—with practically no disturbance of the patient, is first to roll the sheet evenly on a roller, like a blind.

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GOD AND THE REIGN OF LAW

He Knows So Fully That There Can Never Be But One Thing That He Can Do. With him is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.—James 1, 17.

Such seems the essential conflict between the theological idea of God and the scientific idea of law. But is the case really as bad as it appears?

A Serious Public Crisis. At once we speculate as to what certain statements who are in positions of responsibility will do. Of one man, it is promptly said: "Heaven only knows what stand he will take. You never can tell what he is going to say or do. First he's here, and then he's there, and again he's somewhere else."

Some instances, mothers will not bring their babies because they have been told that it is unlucky to have a baby weighed until it is a year old.

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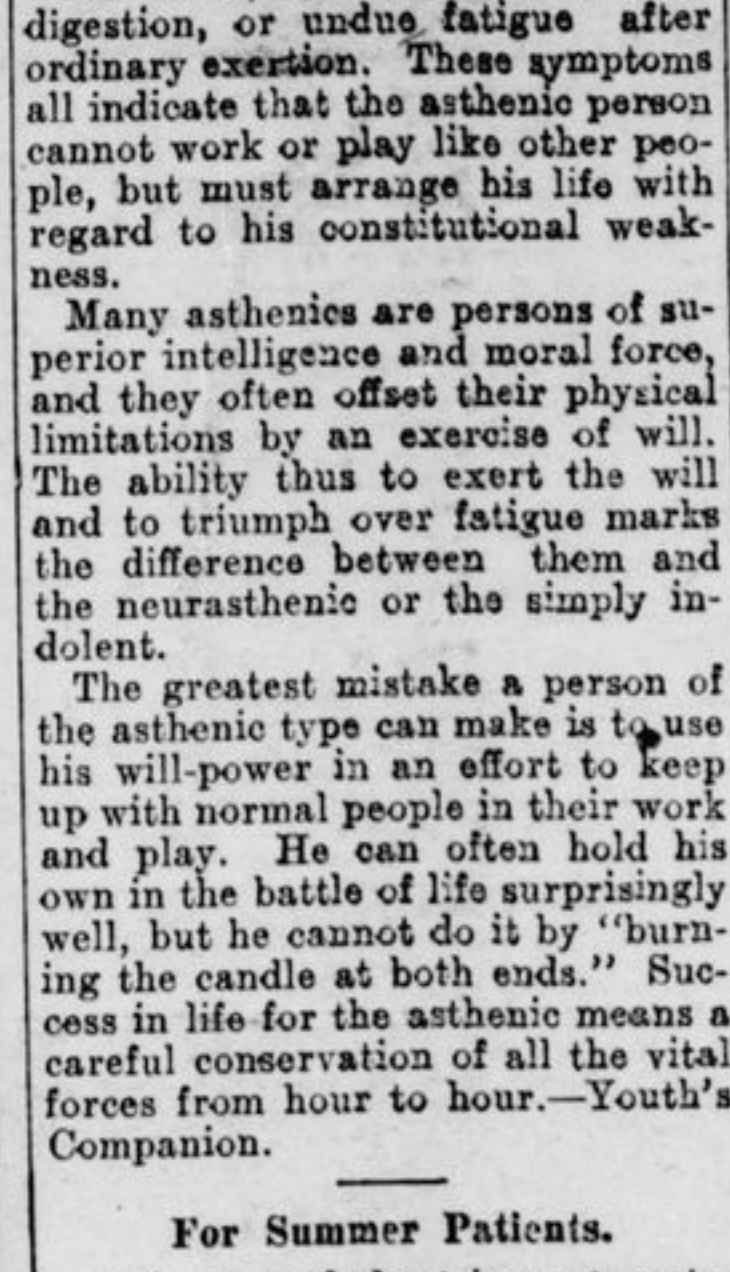
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Young Folks

Goosey, Goosey Gander. A miller once had a flock of geese, and he lost them all except one old goose, that for a long time swam round alone on the mill pond.

Two particularly tall women are the Duchess of Portland and the Duchess of Marlborough (Consuelo Vanderbilt), and they run to the same number of inches, and the same number of inches and Sutherland are only a trifle less stately.

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At last he found a friend of his own kind. An old gray goose became blind, and the flock turned her. Swanny took pity on her, led her about, and provided for her all the food she needed.

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