Trees Before School-houses.

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Bare and gaunt, flat, naked and uninteresting as old brick walls can be, stands a village schoolhouse we have in mind. There is not a tree nor shrub to relieve its uninviting nakedness. In summer it looks at the sun like a very red sort of eye open, without any lashes of green foilage to screen it. How much good it would do to plant a few trees in that barren school-yard! What an ornament to the spot! What a pretty picture the school-house would make, half hidden behind the trees, with children running in and out like birds that tenant a nest half concealed by the foilage! Do we realize that as it is, we are allowing an ugly picture to hang before the children? Would that it might literally be hanged, and so ended.

This is a generation quick to interest the young through pictures. The brightest minds are busy with efforts to devise the most entertaining pictures for the young. We carry the idea into our instructions. Object-lessons are popular as June picnics. The lyceum has caught the fever. With the speaker comes the stereopticon. Some are introducing the blackboard into the pulpit. The chalk competes with the pen. Ideas must be pictures, they tell us. Now look at that gaunt, bare, univiting schoolhouse. What kind of a picture are we putting before the young? They will surely receive an impression of some kind, and of a lasting kind. Because the natures we are dealing with are so susceptiple, and, through life will go stamped with what we impress them, therefore we should have the schoolhouses and school-furnishings as tasty and beautiful as possible. What about the neglected yard before that old education box? Plant a tree or trees there. Put vines at the base of the walls; and may no penny-squeezing committee say the vines will rot the shingles when the roof is reached. Slate the roof, sir! What a pretty spot the school-yard becomes! And as the scholars grow up to make homes for themselves, their trained interest in the picturesque will repeat itself in their tasty surroundings.

But the school-yard becomes a picture to all passers-by. They receive impressions. They catch hints. That tree-planted, shrub-decorated yard, these ivy-draped walls, tell all the people to ornament the surroundings of home. We have been speaking of looks; there is the item of comfort. The summer-aspect of things from any point of view in a school-yard is apt to be a hot, white sky above, and a yellow furnace floor below. There is no space of shade to cool the young people, unless they shrink up close to the brick or wooden walls and find relief in their shadow. Give them, amid the fiery summer heat, a good umbrella of maple leaves, or elm-leaves to stand or play under.

For all these reasons, we must see that the tree and shrub-planting will prove to be a very useful measure. It cannot be ranked as something beautiful and nothing more. We may recall what Victor Hugo makes one of his characters say: "Madam Magloire," replied the bishop, "you are mistaken. The beautiful is as useful as the useful." He added, after a moment's silence, "Perhaps more so."

Now, then, shall not something be done about the old school-house-yard? Shall not a beginning be made this month? If the committee have neither power nor disposition to set out trees, those wide-awake teachers with which America is crammed can fix it. Call for volunteers from the much-whittled, long-suffering seats in the old brick schoolhouse. Rally the scholars around the tree-planting proposition. They will readily give pennies enough to buy an elm or maple. Let it be a class affair if preferable, each class as it leaves the schoolhouse leaving tree or ivy behind as their mementos. It certainly will not cost much to dig the hole for the tree, and need not cost anything, as there is any quantity of unemployed power about the boys, and they would be delighted to use it in digging half-a-dozen holes, provided it is in school-time. Now may the day be propitious, a bonny, blue, April day, with sweet, tender sky, and soft, sunny air. May the birds be on hand with an "opening piece"; the scholars will certainly make music enough afterwards. It will be a happy procession that will go singing from school-door to the tree-hole, and it will be an eager circle that will line the whole, each pitching in his or her shovelful of brown earth.—*N. E. Journal of Education.*

ORDER.—Order is the key to comfort in the home, and not only that, but it has everything to do with the happiness of the family. If things can never be found in their right places when wanted—if house linen, street garments, children's playthings and the old magazines are jumbled promiscuously into one closet—if the napkins and table-cloths repose among the china, and the knives and forks have no settled abiding place—depend upon it that fretfulness and ill-temper will be provoked continually. One of the first and easiest lessons for a child is orderliness, and if rightly taught it soon becomes a confirmed habit as well as a source of pleasure. But if we make our children orderly we must see that they have a place in which to put everything, or all our teaching will be lost. Then having allotted a niche to all their childish belongings, require that they return each one to its place when not in use, and you will save yourself many weary steps, besides laying the foundation of methodical habits, which, once formed, will never be forgotten. Of course, there is a decided difference in children—one is naturally careless and requires constant attention while others develop orderliness in the very beginning—but still, much may be done by precept (well weighted with example) and the charm and comfort of an orderly home is the most potent of all lessons —*Christian Intelligencer.*

A man named Horan was completely buried by falling earth while digging in a sewer in Hamilton. He died before being extricated. Two others in the same sewer had narrow escapes, one being wedged in up to his waist while standing in an upright position.

MORAL COURAGE.—Have the courage to discharge a debt while you have the money in your pocket. To do without that which you do not need, however much you may admire it. To speak your mind when it is necessary that you should do so, and to hold your tongue when it is better that you should be silent. To speak to a poor friend in a threadbare coat, even in the street, and when a rich one is nigh. The effort is less than many take it to be, and the act is worthy a king. To face a difficulty lest it kick you harder than you bargain for. Difficulties, like thieves, often disappear at a glance. To leave a convivial party at a proper hour for so doing, however great the sacrifice; and to stay away from one, upon the slightest grounds for objection, however great the temptation to go. To dance with ugly people, if you dance at all; and to decline dancing if you dislike the performance, or cannot accomplish it to your satisfaction. To tell a man why you will not lend him money; he will respect you more than if you tell him you cannot. To cut the most agreeable acquaintance you possess, when he convinces you that he lacks principle. "A friend should bear with a friend's infirmities," not his vices. To wear your old garments till you can pay for new ones. To pass the bottle, without filling your glass, when you have reasons for so doing; and to laugh at those who urge you to the contrary. To wear thick boots in winter, and to insist upon your wife and daughters doing the same. To decline playing at cards for money, when "money is an object," or to cease playing, when your losses amount to as much as you can afford to lose. Lastly, have the courage to prefer propriety to Fashion; one is but the abuse of the other.

Charles Landseer, an English painter, brother of the late Sir Edwin Landseer, is dead.

General Walker estimates that the coming census will add ten millions to the official figures of the population of the United States, making it 48,000.

Did you ever notice the fact that all 'amateur' politicians who have proved recreant to their former principles and are reduced to the base position of selling to the higest bidder what little intellect they have left, are invariably to be found doing the dirty work for some second-class Tory newspaper? "Did you ever notice" another fact, that these individuals make up in rockyessness and low personal abuse what they lack in intellect, and what a century or two ago would have been punished in much the same manner as a man now kicks a dog off his premises? "Did you ever notice these things?"—*Mercury.*

A bed of coal one hundred and sixteen feet thick has been discovered in Pierce county, Washington Territory, on Carbon River, and close to the projected line of the Northern Pacific Road. The quantity that can be mined from this bed without pumping is 26,000,000 tons, enough to supply the Pacific coast for nearly fifty miles. From the accessible situation of the coal, it can be mined and delivered in San Francisco for $4.50 per ton. It is of very high class, showing on analysis 57.9 per cent. of fixed carbon and 36 per cent. of volatile combustible matter, with only 5.8 per cent of ash. It is free from sulphur, and therefore is fit for smelting purposes.

A Soldier went into a shop in Brighton to purchase some trifling article, and observing some red herring on the counter, asked what they were. To which the shopkeeper replied, "soldiers, my friend!" "Are they so?" rejoined the son of Mars. "Then I'll take them as deserters," and walked off with his prisoners, to the great amusement of the by standers, and the chagrin of the witty tradesman.

A French statesman lately deceased had a remarkable knack of getting rid of office-seekers, so that he was not bothered by them. On one occasion a place-hunter bribed the porter in order to gain access to the minister. The latter, guessing how the thing occurred, remarked to the porter the next day, "I wonder you should let in that fellow who came to me yesterday. Do you know what he's after? He wants me to make him porter in your place. The next time the importunate applicant presented himself the enraged porter greeted him with such a thrashing that he never showed his face near the bureau again.

READY WIT.—Marshal Suvoroff, when receiving a despatch from the hands of a Russian sergeant who had greatly distinguished himself on the Danube, attempted to confuse the messenger by a series of whimsical questions but found him equal to the occasion. "How many fish are there in the sea?' asked Suveroff. "All that are not yet caught," was the answer. "How far is it to the moon?" Two of Your Excellency's forced marches." "What would you do if you saw your men giving way in battle?" I'd tell them that there was a waggon-load of whiskay just behind the enemy's line." Baffled at all points, the Marshal ended with "what's the difference between your colonel and myself?" "My colonel cannot make me a lieutenant, but Your Excellency has only to say the word." "I say it now, then," answerd Savoroff, "and a right good officer you'll be."

TOUGH PREDICAMENT.—Upon the arrival of a C. S. R. freight train from the West at St. Thomas, one evening last week, a passing wayfarer heard a scraping noise, as of wood being gnawed by rats, and upon glancing in the direction of the sound observed chips falling from a bonded car. Investigation revealed the presence of a man upon the interior of the car busily engaged in cutting through the side with a common pocket knife. On enquiry, the man stated that he had entered the car at Toledo, with the intention of stealing a ride, and his feelings may be imagined when within a short time he heard the car locked and the bonded seal placed upon it. He had been an unwilling prisoner for two days and a night, and having nothing eatable was about famished. Some kind-hearted brakemen procured a generous supply of bread and meat, which, with several pieces of ice, was passed into the prisoner, who continued his involuntary journey, vowing that he would never—well, hardly ever—attempt to beat his way on a railway again in such a manner.

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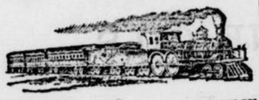

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