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Before you can make money you must first have a true appreciation of the value of $1; not the value of $1,000 or $100,000, but the true value of $1, says a writer in Thrift.

You have often heard the expression: "To him a dollar looks as large as a house." While this expression is usually applied to a person who is miserly, it would, nevertheless, be an excellent thing if every thriftless person would place a higher appreciation upon $1.

The average person does not throw his earnings away in large sums. He wastes $1 here and $1 there in an unthinking manner.

When you enter the office of a successful business man and find the first dollar he made in his business hanging upon the wall in a frame you can, almost invariably, look around and see a great, prosperous establishment. Whatever has been accomplished by that man is largely due to the value he place upon the first dollar he made.

Every large fortune or prosperous business establishment has for its corner stone $1. When you save $1 and put it to work for you in a savings bank you have laid the foundation of your fortune and placed your first dollar saved where it is available for production.

LITTLE AFFECTED BY FILTH

Modern Race of Arabs Are Seemingly Immune From Generally Fatal Zymotic Diseases.

Northern Arabia is a land virtually destitute of lakes and streams, and during the dry season even the infrequent wells cannot be depended upon; so that the provision of a sufficient water is a primary consideration.

The Arabs carry their own drinking supply in large goatskins, two of which are usually slung under the belly of each camel, but the water in these, usually of doubtful origin, quickly acquires a taste which makes it almost undrinkable for Europeans.

When the supply in the goatskins runs low, it is replenished at the desert wells with water so inconceivably foul that no one but an Arab could drink it and live to tell about it. I imagine, however, that every Arab susceptible to zymotic diseases died thousands of years ago, and that by the law of the survival of the fittest, all Arabs born now are immune from filth diseases.

This is the only explanation of why they can drink sewage water with impunity, go for months at a time without bathing, wear garments which are caked with dirt and crawl with vermin, and thrive under conditions which would kill a white man in a week.—E. Alexander Powell in the Century Magazine.

Easy Way to Make Friends.

A Long Island commuter who found it somewhat difficult to make acquaintances when he first moved to his town and who has known of others in a similar plight, says he has solved the trouble.

"Take it from me," he remarked, "it is the simplest thing in the world, and the cost is not burdensome. Get a nest of light and easily-handled ladders and a good, substantial collapsible stepladder, and that's all there is to it.

"At the season when everybody is putting on storm windows, the fellow who has easily handled ladders of various lengths and is willing to lend them is bound to be the most popular chap in the neighborhood.

"The borrowing and lending breaks the ice, and the rest develops in natural course. The fellow with the ladders will be 'it' until spring and then he will share the distinction with the neighbor who is the fortunate possessor of a lawn roller."—New York Sun.

Average Would Be Maintained.

Bret Harte was once lecturing at Harrisburg, in Virginia, and on the morning of his arrival had such a terrible headache that he said he would cheerfully have died there and then. He went for a walk, accompanied by the person who was to take the chair at his lecture. The latter told him that Harrisburg was a very healthy place, the death rate averaging only one per diem.

"Good heavens!" said Harte, who had been telling his companion how he felt, "has today's man died yet?" The other, never suspecting it was a joke, said he would try and find out. Next morning he came to Harte and said: "I couldn't find out exactly about that man yesterday—the coroner said he couldn't say precisely who he was, but whoever it was, he would average all right."

Moving Among the Stars.

The poetry of motion is a phrase much in use, and to enjoy the epic form of that gratification it is necessary to stand on a hill at a small hour of the night, and, having first expanded with a sense of difference from the mass of civilized mankind, who are horizontal and disregardful of all such proceedings at this time, long and quietly watch your stately progress through the stars. After such a nocturnal reconnoiter among these astral clusters, aloft from the customary haunts of thought and vision, some men may feel raised to a capability for eternity at once.—Thomas Hardy.

To Each Man His Part.

To shape the whole future, is not our problem; but only to shape faithfully a small part of it, according to rules already known. It is perhaps possible for each of us, who will with due earnestness inquire, to ascertain clearly what he, for his own part, ought to do; this let him, with true heart, do, and continue doing.—Thomas Carlyle.

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GOLD LURED MANY TO DEATH

Path to California in the "Days of '49" Literally Strewn With Bones of Unfortunates.

"The days of oil, the days of gold, the days of '49," marked the most picturesque gold rush in history. On the heels of Marshall's discovery, following Sutter's lead, excitement became intense and gold in California was the ruling topic everywhere. By January, 1849, 90 vessels carrying 8,000 passengers sailed from various ports for San Francisco and 70 more were ready. During the year 549 vessels entered port carrying 35,000 passengers and 42,000 immigrants arrived overland.

In a few months the population of San Francisco climbed from 2,000 to 14,000 and that year the first Pacific mail steamer passed through the Golden gate. Four hundred sailing vessels were abandoned in the harbor while their owners and crews joined in the mad rush to the gold fields. Labor jumped to $10 a day and was scarce at that figure.

Between the spring of that year and the autumn of 1850, it is estimated that about a million people—men, women and children—left the Eastern states bound for the new Eldorado. But of this vast army thousands died of hunger and thirst amid the burning alkali deserts of New Mexico and Arizona; thousands more lost their way and perished miserably in the gloomy canyons and intricate fastnesses of the Rocky mountains, multitudes fell victims to the tomahawk and scalping knife of the Apaches, the raids of the Sioux and the opposition of the Mormon elders, who, resenting the intrusion of the gold seekers, sought to stem the tide by force.

REALLY WAS PIRATE CHANTY

"Fifteen Men On the Dead Man's Chest" Did Not Come From the Fertile Brain of Stevenson.

It will be news to most persons that part at least of the sea-song in "Treasure Island" is authentic, and certainly was sung by the pirates and buccaneers in the Caribbean in the late Seventeenth and Eighteenth centuries.

Dead Man's Chest is an island in the Virgins which has now lost its identity in the new name "Dead Chest Island." Here the pirates were in the habit of repairing to careen their ships and stretch their legs, and naturally it was an ideal occasion for songs which would have strong piratical and local flavor.

Curiously enough, there is a little church on the Chilian coast which is obviously built of ship timbers, and recently an enthusiast waiting for a coasting steamer bethought him that if the building came from a ship the bell probably did as well. A climb among the rafters did not reveal the name of the ship, as he hoped, but, sure enough, round the edge of the bell were the words, "Fifteen men on the dead man's chest." All that the priest could tell him was that the church bell came from a ship that was wrecked in 1722, which was just the time that the West Indies were getting rather hot for the pirates, and many were being driven into the Pacific.

It is an interesting sidelight on the strange nooks and corners from which Stevenson ("R. L. S.") collected the material for his books.

Counterfeit Currency.

The distinguishing characteristic between real and counterfeit paper money is in the quality of the paper used. Every bank in the country has its own special paper, and each bank has its secret distinguishing mark on every bill issued. It is very difficult for the counterfeiters to obtain exactly the same kind of paper—of the same texture and thinness—and more difficult still to incorporate in it the secret mark, and, although they may issue notes of a similarity that will deceive the public, these notes very seldom pass the scrutiny of the experienced bank official. There are other characteristics in the counterfeit note, such as bad printing and coloring and awkwardness in the insertion of new figures when the notes are raised, but these are more easily detected, as are also clumsiness in the execution of the forged signatures.

New Mexico Wonder.

One of the natural wonders of New Mexico is the Alamogordo, or Tularosa, desert. It is a sandy plain, measuring from 100 to 125 miles from north to south and from 35 to 50 miles from east to west, and it represents, in the opinion of many authorities, the upper surface of a gigantic block of the earth's crust that sank after the deposition of the cretaceous strata. It is surrounded by an elevated border, and on the east, especially, the cliffs rise sheer to a height of 1,000 feet. The curious Organ mountains are on its southern border. Within the plain, where floods of lava once swelled up, are vast deposits of gypsum, which forms as white as snow, which the wind drives into vast drifts. The vegetation is peculiar and highly interesting to botanists.

Neglected Resources.

Hindu sages held that no one using his child's resources need be bereft of happiness.

Poet Moody said that "the adventures of the mind are beyond all compare more enthralling than the adventures of the senses."

Conrad Marlow was "always chasing some notion or other round and round his head just for the fun of the thing."—Boston Transcript.

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A CHESTEHTOWN INTERVIEW

Mrs. Parrott Tells Her Experience.

The following brief account of an interview with a Chestertown woman many years ago, and its sequel will be read with keen interest by every citizen:

Mrs. Jas. P. Parrott, 200 S. Front St., gave the following statement August 17, 1916: "I had been troubled off and on with kidney disorder and backache. My kidneys were irregular in action and caused annoyance. I had spells of dizziness and saw black spots before my eyes. I was tired and miserable most of the time. I began to use Doan's Kidney Pills and they gave me relief."

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