

Thousands of Feeble Minded Children Grow Up Without Restraint

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FEEBLE MINDED CHILDREN AND FEEBLE MINDED MEN ARE ROAMING ABOUT THE STREETS TODAY AS FREE AGENTS. PARENTS ARE NOT COMPELLED BY LAW TO PUT A FEEBLE MINDED CHILD IN CUSTODY. YET THAT FEEBLE MINDED CHILD UNSUSPECTED AS SUCH, AMIABLE AND CARE FREE AS HE USUALLY IS, IS POTENTIALLY A CRIMINAL AND AT ANY MOMENT MAY COMMIT A CRIME.

That child is permitted to GROW UP WITHOUT RESTRAINT except such as the parents exercise, and this has no effect whatever in these cases. The child is allowed to marry and bring forth children of his own kind more feeble minded and more dangerous. There is no system designed to pick out from the community persons so afflicted and no law whatever to prevent their untrammelled movements.

The city street is a recruiting ground for the gangster because it is FULL OF DEFECTIVE CHILDREN, mental and moral, who are potential criminals. This question has never been seriously considered.

When brought under corrective restraint it has hitherto long been the custom to herd all the cases together while serving time. But in 1894 the German government woke up to the fact that 3 to 7 per cent of city children and those of isolated rural communities contain the "moron," or intellectually defective type, together with the moral imbecile.

There is only one way to prevent these types from becoming a menace. RESTRAIN THEM WHILE THEY ARE STILL DEVELOPING; keep them from becoming free agents in the community they menace.

PAID TO "THINK AHEAD."

The Part Imagination Plays in the Business World.

There is a man in an office in New York whose business it is to think ahead on behalf of the community and prepare for coming events, writes T. Sharper Knowlton in the Century, discussing "The Uses of Imagination in Business." He sits at a big table, and before him is a map of New York with its environs by land and sea. The problem is to determine what shipping accommodation will be required in the future and to begin the work of reconstruction now. During the last century the story was one of growth, growth, growth, and the story is to be continued. How? That is the question which the man with the map has to settle. He is not on piecework; he is paid for thinking. In other words, whatever his official title may be, I shall call him acting professor of imagination to the shipping interests of New York.

In every progressive house of business there is or ought to be a similar officer. Generally he is the principal himself. That is one reason why he divides his business into departments and pays men high salaries to superintend them. He wants time to think. But the farseeing element in imagination is not the only one. There is one which concerns itself with details. If I might say so, imagination is tele-

scope for big things and microscopic for small things. You can imagine a billion dollar trust and you can imagine a new way of pointing a needle. Probably no man makes a sure advance without using both instruments, but the essential work of the imagination is always the same. It creates the things which are not. Judgment passes its verdict, and action brings realization.

Quick Measurements.

A traveler was detained at a little country railroad station in England for half an hour and was chatting with the station master when the bell rang sharply half a dozen times. Instantly the three employees—station master, ticket agent and porter—ranged up in a line on the platform and stood at attention. A moment later a locomotive with a single saloon car slowed up. The solitary occupant of the car regarded the men sharply from the window, made hurried notes and quickly retired.

"Who was that?" the traveler asked the station master after the man had gone. "Some prominent officer of the line?" "Oh, no," was the reply. "That was the railroad company's tailor measuring us for new suits."—Boston Transcript.

Evil spreads as necessarily as disease. Elliot.

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Tucker's Bridge Closed.

Tucker's bridge is closed by order of the county court while construction of the new steel bridge is under way. The bridge will probably remain closed for ten days to two weeks.

City of Weiser Declares for Bitulthic Contract Let for Street Pavement after Long Investigation

The list of progressive cities of the Pacific Northwest has another important addition, in so far as formal notice is concerned by the announcement of the choice Weiser has made as the material to be used for paving her streets.

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All friends of quality and sympathizers with the policy of giving reward to whom reward is due, solely upon the basis of merit, will be glad to take note of this victory for bitulthic in Weiser. It

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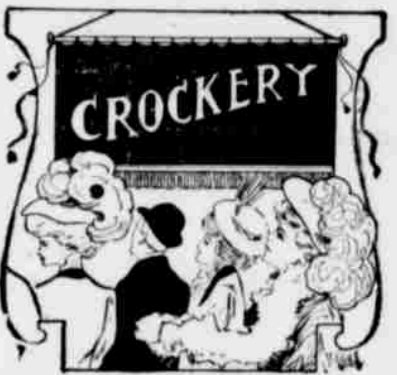
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