

LITTLE GOOD IN ARGUMENT

Many Men of Note Have Set It Down as a Useless Form of Bickering.

Lord Fisher, not arguing, of course, with his opponents, but just telling them, renewed a discussion with the remark: "It is only fools who argue."

Something of the sort has been said before. In Plutarch you find:

"Euripides was wont to say, silence was in answer to a wise man; but we seem to have greater occasion for it in our dealings with fools and unreasonable persons, for men of breeding and good sense will be satisfied with reason and fair words."

Jonathan Swift wrote: "Argument, as usually managed, is the worst sort of conversation, as in books it is generally the worst sort of reading."

James Russell Lowell gave this advice:

"There is no good in argument with the inevitable. The only argument available with an east wind is to put on your overcoat."

In Samuel Butler's Notebook, which holds much common sense, is an entry to the point:

"Argument is general waste of time and trouble. It is better to present one's own opinion, and leave it to stick or no, as it may happen. If sound, it will probably in the end stick, and that is the main thing."

If you are still fool enough to argue don't let the other fellow do so. Remember Mr. Godkin's penetrating warning that "hearing both sides confuses the mind."

SCULPTOR FOUND IN ERROR

Stonemason Had to Be Called In to Shave the Bust of John Howard Payne.

"The man who never had a home"—meaning John Howard Payne, of course—also never had a beard.

When the author of "Home, Sweet Home" had died in Tunis and his body was being brought back at the expense of W. W. Corcoran the newspapers broke out all over in a beautiful something about "the man who never had a home and was coming home at last." And when Mr. Corcoran had erected a monument at the poet's grave in Oak Hill, about all Washington attended the dedication ceremonies, either as privileged spectators inside the cemetery or just plain people packed against the railings on the street side—which, generally speaking, folks, is a good place to be, so far as graveyards are concerned—but, anyhow:

The bust of Payne that topped the marble shaft showed a dreamy face bearded like unto the gentleman of western literature usually mentioned as a "pard." And everybody said what a manly man he must have been, but—you know how things get around—after the impressive ceremonies were over—say about two weeks—the town became aware that the late Mr. Payne never wore a beard.

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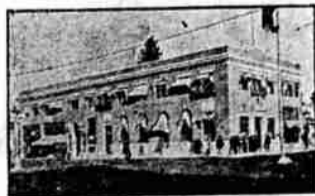
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