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THE LECTURE BUSINESS.

The Pleasures of a Lecturing Tour as Portrayed by Bob Burdette.

When the train rolled away from Kenton the jester announced his calm determination to run away from all his engagements. I am tired to death, he said; I have talked six nights a week ever since the ninth of January; I have sat up until one and two o'clock a. m. entertaining people after the lecture, and then been called for six o'clock trains; I have visited 32 coal mines, inspected 53 coke ovens, gone through 67 iron works, visited 94 schools, admired 118 handsome churches, gorged myself at 120 banquets, walked through 173 wagon shops and 29 pump factories; walked up and down the long streets of 198 towns and admired everything I saw; I have climbed 86 endless hills to gaze at 86 endless views that "Bayard Taylor said when he was here was far superior to anything he saw in Europe;" I have taken my nose in my hand and lounged through 2 glove factories, 5 tanneries and 3 fertilizer works; three weeks ago I lectured Saturday night, sat up and talked with friends until 2 a. m., got up to a seven o'clock breakfast, went to church with friends at 10:30 a. m., lunched with some other friends at 12, went to Sabbath school at 2, sat in the Bible class and made a nice little speech to the children, dined with some other friends at 4; attended evening service at 7:30, went to a friends house after service, and when we broke up at 11:30, because I had to take a train at 4:15 a. m., a good old brother shook my hand warmly and said: "Well, well, we're all glad to have met you; and you've had a good long rest here with us, and you'll feel fresh for your weeks work." If I felt as fresh as his remark, I would be even as a June cucumber. I have umpired at two baseball matches, rode at a horse race, have written two commencement essays for high-school girls, held the cat in my lap (and I love the devil a little better than I do a cat), heard the children say their prayers and taken a hand at draw poker to please the boys. "I don't complain," the jester said, tucking his cap and bells away in his valise. "I don't complain a bit. All the people I have met are lovely and lovable people, and they did their best to make me have a good time, but seven good times a week for six months is too much for one man to stand; I am all broke up; I am clean gone, and the setting sun to-night shall see me flying away from the rostrum field, headed for Philadelphia." And headed that way he was, and fly in that direction he did, followed in his homeward flight by a long cloud of wrathful imprecations from disappointed audiences and impotent protests of indignant committees and long and important bills on expenses from the same, and earnest, but unheeded expostulations from the bureau. "Let 'em howl," the Jester chuckled, as he tucked his head under the Pullman blanket. "Let 'em howl; I will sleep with sealed lips from here to Philadelphia, and if any man wakes me up at 3 o'clock in the morning and asks me to tell him a funny story, I'll tear out his quivering heart and feed it to the monkeys at the Zoo. That's the kind of a funny man I am." And the train rolled on.

Li Hung Chang, the Chinese viceroy, has very sensible ideas on national policy. His latest utterance is a letter on the Korean question, in which he advises treaty relations with England and the United States as the best means of guarding against the designs of Japan and Russia. When one remembers the foreign policy of China a generation ago, it seems well nigh marvelous to hear a statesman of that country advising a course which his own nation resisted so desperately.

The Modern Greeks.

It would be hard to name any other people, undeniably clever and possessed of considerable educational appliances, that can boast neither of authors, painters, sculptors, nor composers. There are no native theatres; native literature is confined to journalism; and the fine arts are so utterly neglected that even the jangling of a pianoforte is an unusual sound. Hence, if the creative power of a nation really bears a constant ratio to its general vigor, we cannot estimate very highly the vitality of the Hellenes. A powerful consideration strengthens this conclusion—the hopeless backwardness of agriculture and of the rural population. M. About calculated that Continental Greece contains 5,000,000 acres of mountain and pasture, a similar extent of arable land, and about 1,350,000 acres of forest. Of the 5,000,000 acres of arable land less than 200,000 were actually under cultivation—that is, something under four per cent. The proportion may have been somewhat increased in the last twenty years, but still remains appallingly small. Even on the wide Argive and Beotian plains which boasts something resembling roads, cultivation appears in insignificant patches; on the table-lands of Arcadia it is even sparser, while in the beautiful mountain hollows, on strips of soil that, in the semi-limestone formations of the Derbyshire or Craven hills, would be rented at £3 per acre, it is almost non-existent. The traveller is appalled by the surrounding desolation; and yet there is scarcely a product of the temperate zones that will not flourish. Tobacco and cotton grow well in the plains; rice could be introduced with success; and the mulberry, with due management, would provide for the rearing of an indefinite quantity of silk-worms. Figs, almonds, apricots, oranges and lemons are unsurpassed. The olive grows everywhere well nigh untended. In rocky districts all cereals thrive, with the exception of oats; the Cornelian currant is almost a speciality of the Peloponnese, and since the appearance of the phylloxera in France, has found a fresh market amid the wine manufacturers of that country; the other grapes are among the finest in the world. Such are the capabilities of a land that ignorance and intolerance have turned into a wilderness. The vintage is so clumsily trodden and fermented everywhere, except in the islands and near the seaports, that wine which ought to command the markets of Europe, not only is unable to bear exportation, but would spoil before the end of the year unless mixed with resin, a practice highly noxious to the uneducated palate. In fact, dislike of field labor amounts to a mania, and except at harvest time no male is ever to be seen at work; like other noble savages, he sits at home at ease while his helmsman scratches the soil and bows her head beneath her weight of burdens. The result upon the interior economy of the dwellings is such as may well be imagined. Even in a priest or farmers house furniture rarely extends beyond a rude table and two or three wooden stools; whole villages are without a fire-place; the process of sweeping or cleaning is unknown, and the entire family sleeps curled up in rags upon the floor in company with the insects of the establishment.

Watering-place trunks are made with two wings and a back door this season. They are put on rollers and drawn to the hotel by horse-power windlass. They are then attached to the building and the belle of the resort goes inside and lives. A neat thing in the way of a breeze ventilator has been attached to the lids and the trunks are every way more comfortable than an entire suite of rooms in the hotel.

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FACTS AND SCRAPS.

Since a calf only one hour old has been sold in New Jersey for \$2,500, the cow creation may be said to be looking up.

We do not advise any fellow to be born in June if he can help it. Fellows born in June never make any money. Such at least has been experience.

European tours will soon become unfashionable. The horrible discovery has been made that it is cheaper to summer in Europe than at an American watering place.

The 25,000 Americans who will visit Europe this summer will spend more money abroad in three months than the 200,000 immigrants to this country will spend in ten years.

Seriously wounded: Miss Lilliwite, who is about to marry, remarked on Memorial Day that she could sympathize with the boys in blue, having lost her hand in an engagement.

Some philanthropist has said that a man who truly loves a horse cannot be wicked. He must be in the wrong; for Texas jails are full of men who love other peoples horses, no wisely, but too well.

"They do not die on the premises," is the recommendation given for a patent rat poison. It makes the rats feel so bad that they go away and die at the house of a neighbor. There is nothing like it.

The summer resorts, it is said, are generally paying particular attention to drainage. Jones, who knows what he is talking about, says they always did pay particular attention to drainage. They drained his wallet pretty effectually wherever he has been.

"I'll teach you how to lie, and steal, and smoke, and use profane language," said an irate Galveston parent to his oldest offspring, at the same time swinging a good sized sapling. "I'll teach you, you young scamp!" "Never mind, father, I know all of them branches already."

English holders of Confederate bonds want the United States government to redeem them. English holders should hold on to those bonds. They are only worth a cent and a half a pound now, but during the next war, when rags become scarce, they will sell for ten cents.

"Are you fond of Wagner's works?" asked Mr. Sharpe. "Fond of them!" exclaimed Miss Postiguse. "I think they are just splendid! So easy and comfortable, you know. Why, I rode in one from Boston to Chicago, and I wasn't one bit tired when I got there." Mr. Sharp sighed a sorrowful sigh, but he managed to call up a sickly smile and say that he didn't refer to car tines.

Brannans Boy.
Boston Post.

Just what should induce a boy to leave two beer bottles under a board near the top of a flight of stairs was the conundrum Mr. Brannan proposed to investigate after finding, on coming down stairs with a hod of ashes, that his son had done so, and that the thing was not firm to step on, in consequence of which he had been slung a triple sousersault down the stairs and had wrenched all his joints, nearly broken his neck, bruised himself in eighteen places, raked the skin off in nine, and got his mouth, ears, hair and eyes full of ashes beside getting a lot down the back of his neck and scattering the rest on the floor, so it took the house-maid two hours to clean them up. The boy took no pleasure in the investigation.

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Ingersolls Infidelity.

Dr. J. L. Yule, the noted orator of California, will be here about the 20th of this month on his way to eastern Oregon and Washington territory, at which time he will speak on Ingersolls' infidelity and its results.

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