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OVER-SENSITIVENESS.

To Employer and Employed on a Common Trouble.

One of the most disagreeable characteristics in a workman is over-sensitiveness. Some men require to be fed on praise to keep them in good spirits. They cannot brook restraint nor bear opposition. A simple suggestion in the way of change in their method of work is often taken to heart as reflecting upon their character or ability, and is the means of keeping them in the dumps for a long time after the transaction has escaped the offending party's mind. It is exceedingly annoying to be obliged to do business with this class of men. Either one has to ride over their feelings rough-shod, or they have to be treated as tenderly as one would handle a china vase. Obviously, the latter course cannot well be pursued in a busy shop where time is money, and the object is to do the most work at the least outlay. Over-sensitive men, if they stand in the way of the progress of business, will have little heed paid to their failing, and this is as it should be. Men should school themselves to give and take in this world. If they have views that are wrong, or if their actions are not in accordance with the opinions of those who have the right to sit in judgment upon them, they should be willing—nay, glad—to be criticised, especially if such criticism is given with a view to future improvement. He is a very narrow-minded, conceited person who thinks that all he does is right and proper.

How to deal with the over-sensitive is a matter requiring much thought and discretion. This fault—for such it is—is one hard to remedy, and yet many possess it who are otherwise very estimable persons. Some have discernment to see the folly of their course, and after a time grow out of this childish weakness. But when the victim is really ignorant, and mixes low-bred jealousy with his over-wrought sensitiveness, there is little hope for his reformation. The quicker one gets through doing business with men of the latter class the better it is. Ordinarily, when troubles arise from this weakness on the part of a workman, the best plan is to have a frank talk with him, explaining the situation of affairs and showing him in as pleasant a manner as possible his error. But this course sometimes has its drawbacks, because it frequently happens that the attempt to make such a friendly explanation gives the person an undue idea of his importance, and leads him to become more and more exacting and whimsical.

A man who stands ready to take offence at anything or everything, upon whose shoulder there is constantly a chip waiting to be knocked off, is a nuisance—to be tolerated only because he has other traits which on the whole overbalance the most disagreeable one. The workman who feels that he is singled out as an object of dislike should stop to consider what reasons the foreman or the employer has for pursuing such an apparently unreasonable course. This of itself should lead to self-inquiry, to ascertain if the fault does not lie in the realms of imagination rather than in the domain of fact. If it is discovered that such is the case, a strong effort should be made to eradicate such feeling from the mind. It is healthful to look the facts squarely in the face, and when one finds himself in the wrong to institute a radical change in both thought and action.—[Toledo Blade.

Feeling and Sense in Brutes.

"The lower animals, like man," says Mr. Darwin, "manifestly feel pleasure and pain, happiness and misery. Happiness is never better exhibited than by young animals, such as puppies, kittens, lambs, etc., when playing together like our own children." He describes them as subject to terror and suspicion, to courage and timidity, to anger and love, to jealousy and shame, etc. He might add much more in his premises. Thus, he might consider that all affections, emotions, all perceptions, energies and activity, which by any possibility matter can be raised to in this universe, all this should by every right be attributed to annimated organic matter; for animation is strictly the highest actuation of matter; and this is the grade of the animal, brute creation. Hence animals see, hear, touch, taste, and smell with their exterior senses, by which their organism leads the "life of relation" with the outer world. Thus the beast instinctively seeks things useful and flies things hurtful. The inexperienced lamb runs away from a hurtful wolf, and the bird gathers straw as useful for building its nest.

Just the Ordinary Taffy.

"Well, we are penniless, or mighty near it," he said as he reached home and threw the evening paper to his wife.

"Wh—what is it?"

"The Mechanics' bank has busted, and we had $4,000 on deposit there."

"But, Richard," she said, after glancing at the article, "the President says he hopes to pay all depositors in full."

"And didn't I say the same to my creditors when I failed in the grocery business, and did a single one of them receive five cents on the dollar?" he howled.—[Wall Street News.

Lincoln at Gettysburg.

Mr. John Russell Young, ex-United States Minister to China, is now on the high road to recovering from his late severe attack of Eastern fever. He has been telling some of his interesting reminiscences, and among others relates the following: "The celebration at Gettysburg was on Cemetery Hill. I was sent to report it for the press. I sat behind Mr. Lincoln. Mr. Everett delivered the oration. I remember the great orator had a way of raising and dropping his handkerchief as he spoke. He spoke for two hours, and was very impressive, with his white hair and venerable figure. He was a great orator, but it was like a bit of Greek sculpture—beautiful, but cold as ice. It was perfect art, but without feeling. The art and beauty of it captured your imagination and judgment. Mr. Everett went over the campaign with resonant, clear, splendid rhetoric. There was not a word, or a sentence, or a thought that could be corrected.

You felt that every gesture had been carefully studied out beforehand. It was like a great actor playing a great part. Mr. Lincoln rose, walked to the edge of the platform, took out his glasses and put them on. He was awkward. He bowed to the assemblage in his homely manner, and took out of his coat pocket a page of foolscap. In front of Mr. Lincoln was a photographer with his camera, endeavoring to take a picture of the scene. We all supposed that Mr. Lincoln would make rather a long speech—a half-hour at least. He took the single sheet of foolscap, held it almost to his nose, and, in his high tenor voice, without the least attempt for effect, delivered that most extraordinary address which belongs to the classics of literature. The photographer was bustling about, preparing to take the President's picture while he was speaking, but Mr. Lincoln finished before the photographer was ready. I remember it was a beautiful October day, and there were four or five thousand people present. Very few heard what Mr. Lincoln said, and it is a curious thing that his remarkable words should have made no particular impression at the time. The noticeable thing was the anxiety of all on the platform that the photographer should be able to get his picture. I remember we were all very much disappointed at his failure, and were more interested in his adventure than in the address."

Home Study.

Cramming is a cruelty. A score of things well learned is better than a thousand things half known. A few hours' study a day makes a boy mentally healthy; too much study makes him top heavy. A brain that is made alert by knowledge is a good thing, but a brain that is water-logged with poring over books is a very poor thing. Children should be made to study hard in school, but not a lesson should be learned at home. Emerson once said very tersely: "We are students of words, we are shut up in schools and colleges and recitation rooms for ten or fifteen years, and come out at last with a bag of wind, a memory of words, and do not know a thing." Our present methods are defective, but we shall apply better ones by and by. The system of the future will have this fact in it, and all through it—that a boy is an out-of-door animal and ought not to do a man's work until he acquires a man's strength.—[New York Herald.

"Mollie, is your husband rich?" "Well, he isn't rich, but he's going to be. He's a plumber's help."—[Louisville Courier-Journal.

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