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To Be Well Shaken, Before Taken.

So the teachers of Rochester are organizing a fair to raise \$30,000 as a "nucleus for a pension fund." After this, the deluge. Is there no more gratitude left in the world?

Prayer.

Let us never forget that the great work itself we want done is, after all, not done by men, but by God himself, using or not using men, as seems to him good.

Weekly Church Calendar. Sunday November 29—Gospel, St. Luke xii. 26-33—St. Saturninus, martyr.

Pray, Be Logical.

"I feel my immortality o'erweep All pain, all tears, all time, all fears— and peel, Like the eternal thunders of the deep, Into my ears this truth—Thou liv'st forever."

To tell Catholics that they have a soul and that it is immortal is on a par with taking coal to Pennsylvania. Still as the subject is just now agitating the breasts of many of our non-Catholic fellow citizens...

What is he, the ass, doing with the word "morality" in his mouth? It is no concern of his if retribution closes with his death agony, then morality is but a creation of the brain, a fantastic chimera.

Father Eugene.

Ever a kind word for the sick and the weary, Ever a smile to brighten a day so dreary, Ever a word of hope to those in despair.

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THE POSSIBILITIES OF RADIUM

The marvelous properties of radium are now being investigated by scientists in all countries. Their expectation seems to be that experiments with the new chemical element will develop more startling results than any yet reached.

M. Curie, who, led on by his wife's enthusiasm, first discovered radium and succeeded in separating it from pitchblende, states in an interview in McClure's for November many interesting facts developed by his later experiments.

M. Danyez is quoted as saying that all forms of life would be destroyed if exposed to the influence of radium in sufficient quantities. He has no doubt that "a kilogramme of radium would be sufficient to destroy the population of Paris, granting that they came within its influence."

Extremely interesting is M. Curie's further discovery that solution of radium gives a violet or brownish tint to a glass vessel containing it, this tint being permanent unless the glass be heated red-hot—a fact likely to prove of importance in the coloring of glass and crystals and possibly of gems.

Paris railroad men are to experiment with "memory pictures" to enable passengers to regain their own cars in a train. A cat, a dog, a rose, a balloon is more likely to be remembered than a number.

The World's cable despatches to-day tell a pathetic story of a Parisian Countess who is earning her living at the washboard. It is an honest living honestly earned, and none in a republic need honor her less than when she rode upon the crest of the wave of influence.

When Dowle was in Boston he used his English with its coat on. Japan is perhaps wisely finding discussion the better part of valor.

Winter's advance agent arrived with mild samples.

If You Would Live Long.

It is well known that women live longer than men. Out of a million people 225 women and only 82 men reach the age of 100 years.

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THE DESPAIR OF A SCHOOLGIRL

The importance of the movement to afford special classes and a larger share of teachers' attention to backward pupils in the public schools is strongly indicated by the individual case of Edith Caldwell.

Not quick at her work with her books, Miss Edith is yet a child of an extremely sensitive temperament. There is every evidence that she is affectionate and willing. In a crowded classroom, however, there is too little time for a hurried teacher to appeal to the love and patience of a single pupil.

Special small classes will not plant intellect where there is none. But they will afford teachers time to be tactful and to meet individual needs. They will remove the bugbear of scheduled promotions—a trouble to more than the absolutely dull pupils.

It is to be remembered that the chief and most useful points about learning bear no relation to the quickness with which it is acquired, nor to the percentage marks scored during the period of acquisition.

THE GREATEST AMERICAN FACT.

Last sight of in the excitement of the elections, the Federal Commissioner of Education's report on the school work of the country for the year that ended on June 30 last was nevertheless the most important national document of the past week.

Its salient features are these: 1. The total enrollment of the common schools alone for the year was nearly 16,000,000 or more than one-fifth of the entire population of the United States.

2. Adding the enrollment of private schools of all grades, of public, high and special educational institutions and of business schools, the grand total enrollment for the whole country was 18,080,840 pupils or very nearly one-fourth of its total population.

These figures are exclusive of the students in our colleges and university. Obviously, then, if we include those who teach as well as those who learn, more than one-fourth of all the inhabitants of these United States are occupied in the work of education.

This is the one stupendous fact that characterizes America and differentiates it from all the countries that now are or ever have been. The world has never before seen a nation of eighty millions of free people and twenty millions of them in school!

An assessment of \$5,000,000 on personally and \$5,000,000 on real estate does not seem on its face a very extravagant valuation for the owner of \$300,000,000 of taxable bonds.

Fresh air and cleanliness are commandments of the modern gospel of health. Fresh air and sunshine are foes of tuberculosis. Increasing cleanliness—cleaner streets, more public baths and more sanitary tenements—have done much to reduce death-rates.

Consumption is still the unsolved riddle of New York. One in every three deaths in the city is caused by it, and Dr. Biggs estimates the city's annual economic loss from it at \$25,000,000.

Sixty-two years ago to-morrow England went wild over the birth of a male heir to the throne. But none of the enthusiasts dreamed that more than sixty years must elapse before the heir could ascend that throne.

Like Clockwork.

Young Housewife (enthusiastically)—My house runs like clockwork. Old Housewife—So does mine, but I never look to see whether the clock is keeping good time or not.

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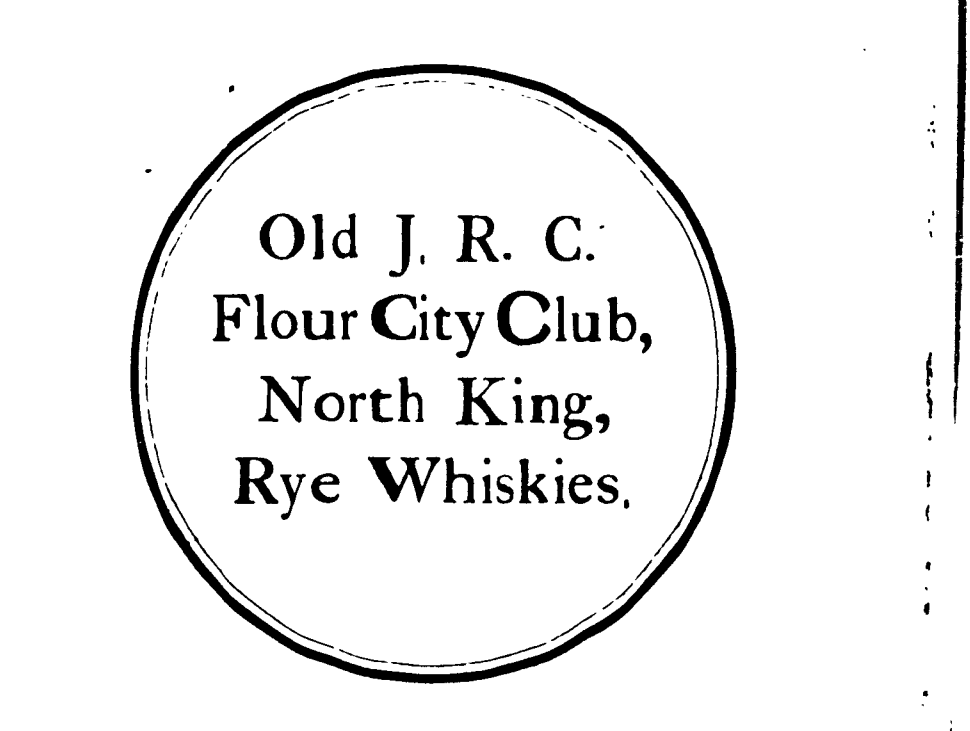
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TWO EXPERTS ON SUCCESS.

Ex-President Cleveland, who has achieved the capture of some of the chief prizes of life, said some time ago that the principal requisites for success were courage, persistence and determination. Senator Beveridge, whose swift rise in politics has astonished the old war-horses, ranks the indispensable qualities in this order: First—Sincerity. Second (and almost first)—Courage. Third—Reserve. Fourth (and lowest)—Intellect.

Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Beveridge agree, it will be seen, upon the rather surprising proposition that superior mental ability is not a very important element in worldly success. Mr. Cleveland does not seem to think it worth taking into account at all, and Mr. Beveridge puts it at the bottom of the list. It is so plentiful, he holds, that you can get it in the market on easy terms if you happen to be short of it yourself.

And a moment later he sailed into the enemy with the result now known to everybody.—Chicago Tribune. "As I came home in the shower," remarked Mr. Murry Hill, "I saw Miss Homewood out with her rainy day costume on."

"Oh, tell me all about it," replied Mrs. Murry Hill, eagerly. "I am deeply interested in rainy day costumes." "Well, I can't tell you very much, for I noticed nothing especially except her hettotrope stockings." — Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph.