

Sermon From Shakespeare

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Beggars mounted, run their horse to death.

—Henry VI., Part III., Act I., Sc. 4.

Shakespeare has used the old adage "Beggars mounted, run their horse to death" with powerful effect. The figure is an excellent one. The beggar who creeps slowly and painfully along the highway, looking to charity for his daily bread, is in a new and unaccustomed world, when he finds himself mounted on a powerful steed. In his changed circumstances he loses his head and rides so furiously that he is in danger of running his steed to death. For the moment he is a king, and, exhilarated by the thought, he knows no restraint.

Wealth or power suddenly thrust upon most men has the same effect as the possession of a horse by a beggar. The American continent gives abundant examples of this general truth. There are on it thousands of men who from poverty have come to affluence. Lumber-jacks, brakemen, miners, have become millionaires. So long as these men are actively engaged in producing, there is but little danger to themselves. Their work keeps them from injuring their lives by excesses or ruining the force that has made them what they are. If they cease their activities they are in grave danger. The rich American is a joke in Europe,—a joke that many Continental parasites thoroughly enjoy. He flings his money recklessly about him, he plunges into excesses, he buys costly pictures and curios which he cannot enjoy and which are frequently frauds. He goes from excess to excess. Mounted on his wealth he rides to the devil, to give the old adage its most common form. There are many exceptions. There are men who have risen from the ranks of the poor on whom wealth has but little or no deleterious effect. It is merely an instrument in their hands to enable them to accomplish greater things in the future. But so often is it true that the new rich abuse their opportunities, that Shakespeare's aphorism may be accepted as generally sound.

There are abundant instances to prove it. The youth comes from the farm or village to the city. He is dazzled by the splendor, the luxury, the amusements. The unaccustomed world is too much for him, and he plunges into excesses which wreck his life. On the other hand the city has many men, who have come from the country, occupying high positions. They have been tempted; the resistance has made them all the stronger, and holding a tight rein on their steed they have won the race and kept their mount in good condition.

Society gives many examples of the same tendency to ride a newly-acquired horse to death. King Cophtuas no longer go about the world wooing beggar maids; princes rarely cast their eyes on Cinderellas; Lords of Burleigh do not in these times wed peasant girls. However, men of great wealth are often attracted by pretty faces which are frequently masks of empty or vain minds. Suddenly raised

from poverty, such women often play a ludicrous part. In their efforts to appear great ladies, leaders in society, possessors of culture and refinement they make laughing-stocks of themselves. The world is still not without its Mrs. Malaprops. The extravagance and pride of vain women have dissipated many fortunes. They desire to shine in the world, to be in the public eye. They think that by the glitter of their jewelry and the gorgeoussness of their apparel they will win homage. The divorce courts, the society scandals, the suicides and murders in high places show where this life of vanity and display may lead.

It is the same with power. Richard III. and Macbeth, by their energy and scheming, achieved crowns. They abused their positions. From one degree of tyranny to another they advanced until the spirit of justice rose up and, in the person of a Macduff and a Richmond destroyed them. Had Napoleon been born to the purple his end might have been different. The vast power that was his got control of him. He was, in a way, a beggar mounted and rode his horse to death.

The woman who has been a servant often becomes the unkindest mistress; the man who has used the pick and shovel frequently makes the harshest gang-boss. The politician who has never known power or wealth not uncommonly is the most tricky legislator and the most shameless grafter.

How are such beggars to learn to ride? Common sense is all that is needed. Wealth and power are excellent steeds; they carry far and swiftly, but their should be a strong hand on the rein. They are sturdy beasts in a natural state, wild and untamed, and if the rider is careless they will take the bit in their teeth and get beyond control. A heart attuned to virtue, a soul serious of purpose and unselfish need have no fear. Power and wealth will be accepted as are life and health,—good gifts from the Infinite to be used for noble ends. The man of humblest origin in the saddle with such a point of view will hold his seat like a king. His steed, in the journey through life, instead of being run to death, will gain greater strength by the wise use of spur and rein.

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New Town Council

First Meeting Last Week—Committees for the Boom Year—Active Council Board

The new Town Council held its first meeting last week. Monday night the committees for the different departments were appointed, and some time of the meeting was devoted to an examination of the bills that had accumulated since the death of the old and the advent of the new Council. Mayor Ketchum presided and there was a large number of ratepayers present at both meetings.

On Monday evening Couns. Dibblee, Gallagher, Jones and Balmain were in attendance.

His Worship Mayor Ketchum delivered the inaugural address.

As has been the custom in the past the following committees were then appointed by the Mayor.

Finance—Jones, Dibblee, Mair. Water and Light—Mair, Dibblee, Gallagher.

Streets—Gallagher, Dibblee and Balmain.

Poor—Balmain, Gibson, Gallagher.

Fire—Gibson, Gallagher, Dibblee.

Sewers—Dibblee, Balmain, Gibson.

Police, Licenses, Town Hall and Scales—Dibblee, Mair, Jones.

Coun. Dibblee, the father of the council, and Coun. Balmain, the new member, addressed the board.

On motion of Coun. Dibblee, sec. by Coun. Jones, J. C. Hartley was appointed Town Clerk and H. W. Bourne, collector of Water Rates and Taxes for the ensuing year, with salary same as last year.

On motion of Coun. Gallagher sec. by

Coun. Jones, Owen Kelly was reappointed Chief of Police and Poor Commissioner, and Thos. McCarron as night watch, salaries to be the same as last year.

On motion of Coun. Jones, sec. by Coun. Dibblee, Chas. Comben was appointed Chief Assessor.

On motion Coun. Gallagher, sec. by Coun. Dibblee, C. D. Jordan and John Thibideau were appointed Assistant Assessors.

On motion of Coun. Jones, sec. by Coun. Gallagher, Stephen Green and John Stairs were appointed revisors.

Coun. Gallagher reported the purchase of a snow plow which had proved very satisfactory.

The Mayor read communications from the St. John Board of Trade, regarding a convention to be held in Fredericton in March. On motion of Coun. Dibblee, Mayor Ketchum and Coun. Balmain were appointed delegates to attend said convention.

A communication in reference to permanent streets was received from V. J. Dedell, C.-E., and the council decided to communicate with Mr. Bedell, with a view of securing his services as engineer in charge of the permanent street work here next summer.

5 Minutes

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Immigrant settlers to the number of 300,705 arrived in Canada during the first ten months of the current fiscal year. Of this number, 188,999 arrived at ocean ports and 111,706 from the United States. The figures for the corresponding months last year were 158,670 at ocean ports and 102,017 from the United States.

It is hard to live calmly and walk steadily and correctly in the midst of distractions that try fibre and spirit; but men charged with large duties and much responsibility must learn to do it. Bethlehem was peace, but the Babe became the Teacher was 'a Man of Sorrows.'

Size Limits of War Vessels Reached?

London, Feb. 14—It transpires that the trouble with the new Dreadnought Lion necessitating extensive alterations in the engine and boiler rooms, is the development of abnormal speedy powerful engines. In other words, she develops too much power. Similar alterations are being contemplated in the other battleships of the same class, which have been found to show the same trouble to a lesser degree. Naval constructors, according to the Morning Post, believe that the developments at the Lion's trials confirm Sir William White's opinion that the size limit of vessels has been nearly reached.

Mr. William Bradley, a prominent farmer on the Gatineau River, above Ottawa, suffered a heavy loss on Monday, when twenty-two head of fine cattle belonging to him were drowned in the river, through the collapse of the ice. Mr. Bradley was at dinner, when he noticed one lone cow, covered with ice, coming up from the direction of the river. Suspecting something wrong, he went down to the banks, and some distance out noticed that the ice had all broken up, and all of his cattle had disappeared. Tuesday he secured the services of a number of neighboring farmers, and secured eleven of the carcasses of the drowned cattle.

Football Only Played by Nobles

"The Festival called Tanabata, of which the football game Kemari forms an important item, takes place on the seventh day of the seventh month. The football is presented in a forked twig of the Kaji (paper mudberry), and the game connected with it is always of a ceremonial nature, and played only by Court nobles in specially constructed enclosures and in ceremonial dress," says Mr. H. L. Joly, the well-known writer upon Japanese legends. According to the legend (as given in "Home Life in Tokyo") with which the Feast of Tanabata is associated, the night of the 7th of July is the only one in the whole year when the Weaver (the star Vega) can meet her lover the Cow-herd (the star Altair) on the other side of the Heavenly River, as the Milky Way is called by the Japanese, and on that night magpies come and spread their wings across the river to bring the lovers together."

Captain Webb's Example

Captain Webb's great swim revolutionized the art of swimming in Great Britain. Before 1875 swimming was not regarded as an achievement of much moment. Very few schools taught their boys to swim, and most of those who did learn looked upon sixty yards in a bath as the maximum distance they could hope to attain. Gradually it was realized that long distances could be accomplished under the most trying circumstances. The hope of some day attaining to the fame of Captain Webb tempted many to practise long-distance swimming, and as years went by a new race of long-distance swimmers was created, men who essayed without fear the dangers of the Channel and made light of spending a day and a night in the sea.

What Followed A Cut,

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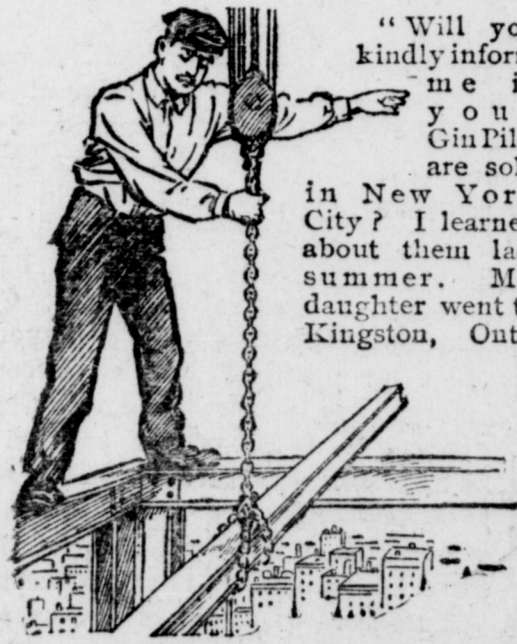
Spiders' Threads in Astronomy.

The cultivation for scientific uses of certain species of spiders, solely for the fine threads they weave, has an important bearing upon astronomy. No substitute for the spider's thread has yet been found for bisecting the screw of the micrometer used for determining the positions and motions of the stars. Not only because of the remarkable fineness of the threads are they valuable but because of their durable qualities. The threads of certain spiders raised for astronomical purposes withstand changes in temperature, so that often in measuring sun spots they are uninjured when the heat is so great that the lenses of the micrometer eyepieces are cracked. These spider lines are only one fifth to one-seventh of a thousandth of an inch in diameter, compared with which the threads of the silkworm are large and clumsy.

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