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As the lights of the north, with a flash of rare splendor,
Light the world and then sink to decay.
A vision as bright once shed on my life's path
As brilliant a light and passed as swiftly away.

It came in that form by man ever cherished
Where the true worth of manhood's e'er laid;
Lovely, ennobled, from the model of man,
The most perfect work of the Supreme Architect's hand.

It came in that form and then vanished,
Midst the world's temptations and gloom;
It left me in darkness beseeching,
My heart and my mind in the tomb.

Mind changing as changeth the billows
On the unruly and restless sea;
As the north winds e'er bendeth the willows,
The north wind of deceit did bend me.

Then midst the world's dark passages far
I wandered seeking;
But who that walked on slippery path
e'er found the narrow way;
Unless kind hope, that ever keeps weak mortals in her keeping,
Leadeth midst the shadows of night to the light of the true day.

For though false may prove one tried one,
This world is not the grave;
Faint heart not weak go forward;
There's a light to lead the brave.

Loiter not midst false lights;
Hope, and at last shall dawn
A light fairer than the lost light
To lead the wanderer on.

Not is dead if ye seek not to bury;
Bury deep all that's false and untrue;
The light of content never miscarries—
If burneth for me and for you.

Mourn not for the dead—seek the living;
Whilst thou livest mourn not for the past.

Seek the light that to thee is given,
Find the hope that ever shall last.
—Frank S. Bliss.

Harlem, Mont.

Does it Pay To Use Tobacco?

H. L. BENNETT.

We will suppose that a person smokes two five-cent cigars per day (and being a good man does not use it on Sunday). This would amount to sixty cents per week or thirty-one dollars and twenty cents per year.

For convenience in calculating, say thirty dollars per year; this makes about eight cents per day the year around, counting Sundays.

Now should this person, in the place

of spending his money as indicated place thirty dollars on interest each year at six per cent payable annually

At the end of 5 yrs he would have \$159.00
At the end of 10 yrs he would have \$395.29
(In many places this would buy a poor man a comfortable home.)

At the end of 15 yrs he would have \$698.02
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(Enough to buy out many a good business house and pay cash down.)

At the end of thirty years \$2,371.00
At the end of forty years \$4,641.51
At the end of fifty years \$8,707.61

To get a little idea of what this amount of money would do, if spent in some other direction, we will suppose the thirty dollars was spent for bread, six loaves for twenty-five cents; we find it would buy 720 loaves or make one continuous loaf 720 feet long.

The amount spent in five years, if it were invested in bread, would buy 4,225 loaves, or make one nearly a mile long. Think of a man smoking or chewing up a loaf of bread a mile long, and, possibly, at the same time, his wife taking in washing to get bread for the rest of the family!

The amount spent in ten years, invested in the same way, would buy 9,181 loaves, or make one loaf almost two miles long; twenty years, 25,080, or one loaf almost five miles long; thirty years, 59,288, or make one loaf over eleven miles long; forty years, 116,040, or one loaf over twenty-two miles long; fifty years, 217,690, or one loaf over forty-one miles long.

If you are a tobacco user examine the above statement carefully, and then decide whether you would prefer to have after a term of years the amount indicated by above figures, or the small end of an old pipe with a tobacco habit securely formed.

—The true standing of the editor is appreciated after his death, if not while he is alive. A lawyer sent the following letter of condolence to the widow of an editor: "I cannot tell you how pained I was to hear that your husband had gone to heaven. We were bosom friends, but now can never meet again."—Beacon

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