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A GREAT COMPOSER.

Everything depends on the point of view, of course. For the past ten days we have been reading panegyrics concerning the marvelous talent of Franz Schubert, and now along comes the professor of musical history at the University of Vienna to say that the famous composer was really "a self-satisfied, hum-drum individual; a harmless little schoolmaster, conscious of his own deficient ethics and moral qualities and of the inferior value of his soul." Lest there be any doubt about his views Dr. Lach—that is the name of the iconoclast—adds that Schubert had a limited genius, and that his Symphony in C Major, which has been generally accepted as a masterpiece, is "a quiet formless composition without air or plan."

This unexpected criticism, coming in the midst of the celebration of the Schubert Centennial in his own country, shocked many of the admirers of the composer. Well, that was evidently the purpose of the shrewd critics. People all over the world are praising the great musician. It is a chorus, and it attracts little attention. But a discordant note—and a solo at that—causes numbers of persons to sit up and take notice. It is not to the purpose that Schubert is one of the most famous composers of all time. Evidently the new school of biography, which has made such a hit in the United States, has penetrated Austria. The formula is simple enough. If a man has a reputation for genius, honor and decency, hunt for flaws to break it down. If he be numbered among the black sheep of history, whitewash him.

PROCRASTINATION.

These are not precisely health talks but it will do no harm to observe that the continued habit of procrastination—putting things off—is usually the sign of a disordered nervous system. If you are nervous, lacking in the proper amount of nervous energy, nervously exhausted, nervously bankrupt, you find yourself seeking every means of putting off the things you know you ought to do. You dread contacts—with people and with work. You seek escape by procrastination. It is a sure sign of "nerves."

That means the time has come for careful living, more sleep, more rest at night and less dawdling about by day. The time has come for temperance and the routine of a well-ordered life.

Recent motoring accidents, one of which resulted in the death of a promising youth, show how necessary it is for motorists to exercise every care these days especially when travelling over country roads. The recent fall of snow has left the roads in a dangerous condition, and when they are in that shape the pleasure of motoring is reduced to the minimum. When motoring these days it is better to be safe than sorry.

A speaker we tuned in accidentally the other day remarked, "No woman can claim to be an up-to-date housekeeper now unless she knows her vitamins." Which may be or may not be so, we won't argue that point. However, when she points out, as she did, that cod liver oil is rich in one particular species of the domestic variety of vitamin we grow suspicious. We can fancy that dame making a salad dressing out of the darn stuff.

From Atlanta comes a story of a new medical discovery to give speech to the dumb. We hope that if this is true, those familiar with the process will use it with discretion. A lot of dumb ones talk too much already as it is.

"Disposing of enemies isn't the hard thing," admitted the Great Orator in a moment of disillusion, after the victory. "It's doing something about the supporters."

Chinese boy named Thomas Egg has broken the records of Nashua, New Hampshire, for rapid promotions in school. Thomas is evidently a good China egg.

It is noticed that a college girl in Ohio won a wager that she could sit on a railroad track longer than her boy friend when a train came along, and is spending it on medical care.

That blushing bride out in Ohio, who is a veteran of seven similar experiences, must have had some difficulty in giving the proper ring of sincerity to "I will" and "I do."

"That child of mine screamed until 4 o'clock this morning," said a worried parent recently. "I don't think he is sick but I'm afraid he will be a cheer-leader."

Fairy Story: "Once upon a time a man counted his change carefully before leaving the ticket window, as directed in the sign, and nobody behind him growled."

One of the most disastrous misprints, always, is when the erudite critic writes "tolerable" and of course it comes out "terrible."

Clarence Darrow says the material in the average human body is worth about 94 cents. Uh huh—but supposing one has just eaten a \$2.50 dinner.

A transition from the sublime to the ridiculous—tuning in on the radio from a church service to a jazz concert.

The weaker sex is just beginning to show how weak it ain't.

PALMY DAYS OF CHAMBERLAIN ARE RECALLED

Son of Noted Statesman of Victorian Era Electrifies the House.

(Special cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

London, Nov. 27—"How like his father—the same gestures and the same splendid delivery!"

These comments were made in the House of Commons last night when Rt. Hon. Neville Chamberlain had completed a speech lasting two and a half hours in which he dealt at length with the government's derating bill. His personal success was so striking that even Labor and Liberal cheered his effort which was said to be one of the finest in modern parliamentary history. Old members recalled Joseph Chamberlain in his greatest days and the speech made a great impression.

Chamberlain did not revel in some of the intricacies of the bill yet he kept the members intently interested.

FEW PEANUTS OVERLOOKED BY HARVESTERS

Tsingato, Nov. 27—When a Chinese farmer gets through harvesting his peanut crop, he can look back on a very complete job.

First, the mature nuts are removed from the ground by furrowing out pulling up by hand or fork or both and then the soil is sieved. If the crafty harvester suspects that a stray peanut has eluded him he turns the hogs into the field. After that he never needs to worry. Shantung province has an annual harvest of about a million tons of peanuts.

Inquest Wednesday Night

The inquest into the death of Alvah Johnston, nine year old boy of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Johnston of Lincoln, who met his death yesterday when struck by a car will be held tomorrow evening at Oromocto, with coroner Dr. Alex. Burnett in charge. The inquest will commence at 7.30 o'clock and will take place at Davis Hall. Several witnesses will be called including the driver of the car, Alden Clark, of St. John, his wife and mother in law, Mrs. D. E. Crowe.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

If defeat didn't hurt there would be little credit in being a good loser.

Men seeking the center of the universe probably will find it behind a billboard.

Every man likes a cap but when he looks in the mirror it often doesn't make him happy.

If it is so, is often said that "truth lies at the bottom of a well" why not get a pump?

No sound expresses pained angry exasperation in the perfection that a cat can do it when its tail is trod on.

Though the pedestrian has the right of way across the street he feels much safer when he reaches the curb.

"Let us be glad" remarked the Man on the Car "there is no turpentine in the paint with which the girls decorate their faces."

Since the cost of keeping a rat has advanced from \$2 to \$37.50 the best plan is for two neighbors to go together and divide the expense one rat being enough for two families.

Happiness is a state of mind, often created by some trivial thing or circumstance and we sometimes find our self rejoicing that it is impossible for any man to play a jewsharp and sing at the same time.

Sentenced to 30 Days

Thomas Thompson, who was arrested by Provincial police officers Coughlan and Nicholson, on Sunday evening in King street, and who appeared before Police Magistrate Limerick yesterday on a charge of drinking rubbing alcohol, was sentenced to a fine of \$5 or 30 days in jail. The prisoner pleaded guilty to the charge as laid by the police and chose the jail sentence rather than pay the fine. Charles and George O'Rea, who were arrested at the same time on a similar charge contested and argument was heard yesterday morning and afternoon. The case of these two was set over until Wednesday at noon.

Spent Comfortable Night

The condition of Very Rev. F. L. Carney, who has been seriously ill at the Victoria Hospital, following an operation for a ruptured appendix several days ago, was slightly improved this afternoon. Report from the hospital was to the effect that he had spent a comfortable night. Friends and relatives all over, who have been greatly worried over his condition will be relieved at word of Father Carney's improved condition.

Shot Albino Deer

Mr. Thomas O'Leary of Beaverdam New Maryland, shot an albino deer while hunting near the Grand John one day last week. He brought the animal down by a snapshot when it was travelling at a high rate of speed. It turned out to be a young buck. It is now several years since an albino deer was last taken in this province. Mr. O'Leary reports deer very plentiful in the Grand John section but says a great many are being killed.

Eclipse of the Moon

A number of local astronomers sat up the greater part of last night watching the eclipse of the moon and claimed to have been well repaid for their trouble. The eclipse began at 3.30 o'clock this morning and lasted over three hours.

Babies Gain by This Simple Method

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DIED

GULLIVER—At Montreal on Saturday November 24th, Alexander Gulliver, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Gulliver, South Devon, aged twenty-seven years.

Funeral Wednesday morning leaving the home of his parents in South Devon at 8.45. High Mass of Requiem at St. Anthony's Church by Rev. W. M. Donohue at nine o'clock. Interment at Sunny Bank cemetery.

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