

SELF-TAUGHT MEN.

Some of Their Defects and Disadvantages.

Though the excellencies of self-taught men are many and various, yet they frequently possess some acknowledged deficiencies of character.

One of the most prominent defects is a want of comprehensiveness of mind. The especial advantage of a teacher is to point out the connections among the different arts and sciences, their relative importance, the natural order of studying them and the evils of a disproportionate attention to any one of them.

A self-taught man is frequently attached with a kind of favoritism to a particular study. It absorbs his whole attention and all other arts and sciences are proportionately undervalued and slighted.

Self-taught men are liable to an exclusive attachment to pursuits that are immediately practical. There seems to be a general impression that poetry and the kindred branches of literature furnish little else than amusement.

As history is said to be philosophy teaching by example, so poetry is philosophy teaching by music. It is good sense pouring itself out in sweet sounds.

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spoils of all times and all countries! If ever there was a universal plunderer, if ever there was a boundless plagiarist, it was this same John Milton. He searched the Jewish records and the Christian economy.

One of the especial benefits of society and education at a public institution is to wear away this roughness of character. Those who have stood on the margin of a mountain lake will remember that the little bit of rocks which have rolled down from the mountain side are angular and uneven.

The young man who is mainly dependent on his own efforts for knowledge should carefully study his own character and prospects. Then form a calm and deliberate determination that he will take that path, and that alone which will secure his highest and noblest sphere of usefulness, and nourish that inflexible, that iron determination, without which nothing of value will be achieved.

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CHICAGO CORRESPONDENCE.

The Queen City has a Talented Moral Atmosphere.

CHICAGO, March 5, 1888.

The notorious Rawson case still drags its slow length along. This great case has already developed all the features of a

FULL-BLOWN MELODRAMA.

It began, of course, with courtship, then marriage, then misery, then law, divorce and attempted murder. Mr. Rawson is a millionaire, a Presbyterian elder, a banker and general business man. He is over 60 years of age, but hale and vigorous.

This is a naughty newspaper man from Ohio who, tired of his wife and leaving her penniless with a young babe in Cleveland, Ohio, he came to Chicago, applied for a divorce, swore to all manner of things, and was in a fair way to get degamized.

The twenty-four hour wonder caused by the

SUICIDE OF MRS. MANICE in this city last week has passed away.

The poor girl is quietly sleeping in one of the cemeteries here, far away from kith and kin in the British Isles. This was a peculiarly sad case. This girl was the daughter of an English army officer, and while at school in Germany was wooed and won by a Yankee dude with more money than brains.

The fair

MRS. LANGTRY

has been peculiarly unfortunate in her Chicago appointment. She was sick most of the time while here. The papers published scandalous stories about her. She is also involved in several law suits. Hers is a strange case. No doubt most of her troubles arise from the fact that she is attended or followed about by a wealthy young dude from New York.

MRS. BROWN POTTER

is here at present, and also likely to get into trouble. She is said to be at war with her manager. She wants to appear in plays that would give her an opportunity to exhibit her expensive and costly dresses. She wants to appear in a play written by Mr. Simms. She says it would be very effective. She don't recite Ostler Joe any more, though it is to Joe she owes her histrionic fame.

SOMBRE JOKES.

Max O'Rell is at present in Chicago. He is entertaining the Press Club with his jokes. He also gave an entertainment at the Union League Club, that place rendered famous by Mr. Lowell, and Chauncey Depew, and Joseph M. Dalton. Max O'Rell's humor is of the most curious kind. It is bright yet sombre, a jewel draped in crape, a silver plate on a walnut coffin.

A LIST OF SUNDAY HORRORS.

The society events of the day are numerous, and in truth grim. Wenzel Capp, saloon keeper was found in his saloon yesterday morning with a bullet in his brain. He uttered two words when first roused, and then sank into unconsciousness. The words were "Slater, Slater." Slater is a policeman, and it was at once inferred that he was the murderer.

James MacNiff and Frank MacDermott celebrated Sunday in a saloon. Frank drew a knife and plunged it into Jim's abdomen. This was rather an exciting kind of Sunday service.

Messrs. Corbett and Sullivan were out in the early hours of Sunday morning, probably on the way to church. They met D. L. Hughes and attempted to rob him. Hughes shouted with all his might, and roused a sleeping policeman who managed to put a bullet into Corbett. Sullivan escaped but was captured subsequently. A vicious attempt to rescue him was made presumably by fellow-worshippers.

Andrew Kaufman, aged 28, was door-keeper at the bakers' ball on Saturday night. He prevented some roughs from going into the hall during the night, on his way home Sunday morning he received a bullet in his head. No arrests.

Eddie Low, aged 16, shot his brother Albert aged 14. The mother of the boys is the ex-wife of a saloon keeper. She is now living with a Mr. Zelnick. This gentleman is not of the sweetest temper. Eddie was fixing a gun to shoot

his mother's paramour, when he accidentally shot his brother Albert. This was also a Sunday morning service.

William Wilson was found dead in a water-closet on Sunday morning. It is supposed he was robbed and beaten to death.

August Hetzke, now under sentence of death for murdering his stepson is a native of Pomerania. He inherited a fortune, spent it in riot and debauchery, then he swindled his sisters out of their inheritances, and spent that also. He next married a wealthy widow with four children. He spent her fortune and sent her to the grave. He left Pomerania and came to Chicago, married another widow with children. In teaching one of these the ten commandments, he says he was forced to chastise the boy, and in doing so killed him. Mr. Hetzke spent yesterday (Sunday) reading his Bible.

Joe Korowsky was very drunk on Sunday morning. On his way to church or to home, he fell into a basement. He is now carousing somewhere else. John Keeler, son of a wealthy farmer, got drunk and laid on the street. The snow-plow of a street car came in contact with John's skull. John will never drink another drop of whiskey.

These are some of the most important events of society in Chicago during Sunday, March 4, 1888. There are besides, some few suicides, a dozen assaults, a score of burglaries, and perhaps an indefinite number of arsons, robberies, drunks and riots.

RELIGIOUS SIDE OF THE QUESTION.

We find the Rev. Sam Jones descending on the horrors of drunkenness. He woke up a drunken station agent once to find out about trains. The agent replied with a revolver, and Rev. Sam lives to tell a wonderful story. Sam concludes his discourse by inviting his auditors to come and shake hands, and to be sure to leave a coin or a bill in his (Sam's) hand. If this is not bringing religion to the level of Wenzel Capp's saloon, there is nothing in Chicago doing so.

The Rev. Mr. Prudden, Congregationalist, preached from Joshua iv, 6. "What mean ye by these stones?" The stone of this sermon resulted in a collection of \$6000 to furnish and embellish a new church, or rather new club house.

The Rev. Mr. Fulton, of Boston, is here, trying to get up an anti-Romanist crusade. He succeeded in getting run out of one church. The Methodists now deavow him. The Baptists are trying to get a hall and police protection for him. A short time ago Billy Onehan delivered a lecture before the Union League Club on Mormonism. Billy knows as much about Mormonism as King Kalakana does about Greek, yet Billy handled Mormonism just about as Mr. Fulton now handles Romanism. Billy is a Romanist, though judging from his name he ought to be a Hebrew. Bill is one of Mayor Roche's right bowlers.

THE CAPITAL AND LABOR

business has opened up again. The outlook is much more gloomy now than it was a few years ago. Mr. Arthur, whom we held up as a model trade's unionist, has developed into a regular A. R. Parsons. Mr. Arthur wants a boy to ride on every engine, to crack coal for the fireman. Mr. Arthur wants cake and lemonade at every water tank for the engineer. Mr. Arthur don't want any engineer discharged or hired without consulting a jury of other engineers. Mr. Arthur is over-doing things by a mile or two.

The building trades are in a very disturbed condition. From one moment to the next, one can't tell when general anarchy may prevail. The general railroad business is in a fearful condition. Stocks won't be touched. Brokers are desperate. Nothing doing. Our big stock exchanges and board of trade buildings will have to be converted into lecture halls for humorists. Truly, Chicago is a correct reproduction of Jerusalem as pictured in the ninth chapter of Jeremiah. And to crown all, we have just discovered that Chicago is built on a quick-sand.

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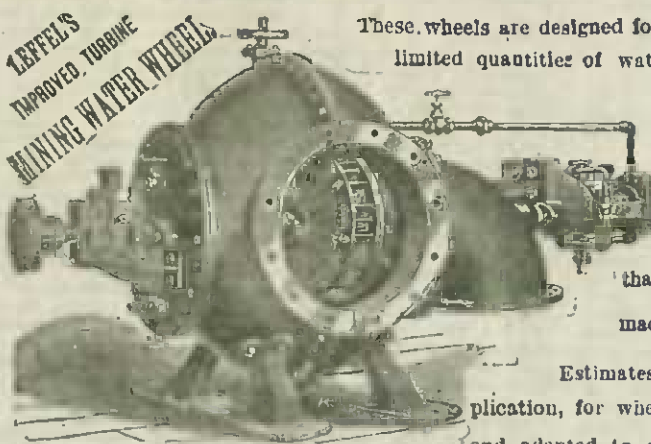
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