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EFFECTS OF EYE STRAIN.

THE INFLUENCE OF THE EYESIGHT UPON INTELLECT.

The influence of the eyesight upon intellectual work is more recognized each year by educators both in this country and Europe, and some of the most important discussions among both teachers and physicians bear upon this subject, says the Boston Journal. One of the most lucid articles treating of the varied kinds of eye imperfections is "Eye-Strain in Connection with Headaches, Neuralgia and Nervous Disturbances," contributed to Judgment by Dr. J. ns. Mills, in the New York Ophthalmic and Aural Institute.

The most common causes of annoyance and suffering are far-sightedness, having its origin in the position of the principal focus of parallel rays of light behind the retina; nearsightedness, in which the parallel rays of light are brought to a focus in front of the retina; astigmatism, due to the irregular curvature of the cornea and insufficiency or weakness of muscles of the eyeball.

It is useful for both parents and teachers to recognize the seriousness of the symptoms of strain due to any of these forms of eye imperfections. From farsightedness come easy fatigue of the eye, aching sensation in the eyeballs, finally obstinate and muscular irritation and burning pain. The eye-strain is felt more particularly at the end of the week. Near-sighted people suffer equal discomfort from working any length of time.

Dr. Mills adds that near-sighted persons squint or blink in order to see at a distance, and that those "dreamy eyes that haunt one ever," about which amateur poets become poetic, are usually nearsighted, the dreamy or staring appearance being due to the fact that they see imperfectly at a distance." Patients with astigmatism suffer very often and severely with headaches, dizziness, "flickering," and other nervous complaints.

Those whose eyes are impaired by muscular weakness have headache, pain over the eyes, neuralgia, dizziness, nausea and vague nervous disturbances. So serious is the effect of any imperfection in the eye that the examination of the eyes of children of school age would seem to be imperative. Many children have been retarded for stupid neglect, and eliminination for study, when they are simply unable to endure the eye strain. Many have been forced from intellectual labor to less congenial occupation through the neglect of eye imperfections. The reasonable remedy of the oculist is so practicable that its benefit should not be denied the poorest school child.

How Millionaires Start.

If the authors of the Declaration of Independence, who first asserted that "all men were born free and equal," could gone up and down the vistas of New York life today they would find ample justification of their doctrine. Henry Villard, who ups and downs leave him a power in the Northern Pacific railroad, earned his first money as a reporter. Austin Corbin worked on his father's farm in Vermont for his first dollar. Collis P. Huntington began his career as a small merchant in this city when he was 15 years old. Calvin S. Brice's first labor was over law books in a country law office in Ohio.

Daniel Dougherty, the silver-tongued orator, made his first bit of money handling the ribbons over his father's bus teams on Arch Street, Philadelphia. Eugene Kelly, now a banker worth $5,000,000, earned his passage to this country by driving a jaunting car in his native place, County Tyrone, Ireland.

Vice-President Levi P. Morton was, as a boy, a clerk in a village dry goods store, and aided his father, a poor clergyman, with a goodly share of his $7-a-week salary. Russell Sage was taught frugality in his brother's grocery store at Troy, N. Y. Henry Clews' early life was spent as a porter in a woolen house at $3 a week. August Belmont began his career in a counting house.

Rudolph Aronson was an enthusiastic devotee of music in his youth, and earned a dollar or two out of it. Augustin Daly was originally a newspaper man. John Stetson a professional athlete, Tony Pastor a clown. Harry Miner a policeman, Manager Hammerstein a cigar-maker. Manager John A. McCaull ran away from St. Mary's College, Emmettsburg, Md., to become a sergeant in the confederate army at the age of 15 years.

Chauncey M. Depew rose to his present unique position from a law office. He was admitted to the bar in 1858. Jay Gould, it is well known, was a surveyor and school teacher in Delaware County. Ex-Mayor William R. Grace, was a butcher in Calao, Peru, until he became a ship chandler. William Vanderbilt remained on his father's farm until he was 30 years old, when the old Commodore put him trailing for a railroad career. Lawyer and Secretary of the Navy Benjamin F. Tracy was a farmer's boy, and one with mighty poor prospects at that. He dropped farming and taught school daytimes, studying law nights. Erastus Wiman made his first money as a newsboy when only 9 years old.

A Chinese Suttee.

A case of suttee, which is unusual in China, although it is regarded as a great virtue, is reported from the neighborhood of Foochow. The victim was a young woman, 24 years of age, whose husband died of leprosy early in the year. She was childless and had none except distant relatives to depend upon for support. She had, therefore, she said, no alternative but to commit this act of self-sacrifice. As soon as her intention became known she received several invitations to grand banquets, all of which she accepted and enjoyed as if there were to be no sequel. After a special feast of this character she ascended a stage constructed for the purpose, where the village elders came to make their obeisances, each three times, as if she were already a canonized saint. The signal having been given by firing off a gun, she ascended a scaffold with her hands unpinioned, and there, in the sight of all, strangled herself. Her body was placed in a coffin, which was duly prepared beforehand. It is said that the Emperor will grant a tablet extolling her virtue as soon as the viceroy of the province represents the case to the throne.—*London Times.*

An Engineer's Superstition.

Elias A. Sullivan, nicknamed by friends "Yank" Sullivan, who bravely met death in the Baltimore and Ohio wreck recently at Oscesla, was one of the best known engineers on the road. "Yank" firmly believed in all the peculiar superstitions to which railroaders as a class pin faith. Two months before his fatal wreck he took his engine, No. 475, the largest on the road, out of the repair shops. On his trip a wreck occurred on the eastern division. This cemented his half-hearted faith in an unlucky Friday. His engine needed repair shortly afterwards and was ready for the road again on the Friday previous to the night of his death ride. This time "Yank" positively refused to go out, saying an accident was sure to follow. His fears were laughed to scorn by the men collected in the round-house, and Sullivan took the engine. That his words were prophetic proved too true and it would be impossible now to get an engineer to take his engine out of Glenwood shops on Friday.—*Ex.*

FIGHTING MICROBES.

THEY ARE CITED AGAINST EACH OTHER WITH WONDERFUL RESULTS.

"The newest thing in the medical world," said a leading physician who keeps abreast with the science, "is the cure for diphtheria. It is nothing less than curing that dangerous disease by inoculating the patient with erysipelas. Dr. Babtchinsky, of St. Petersburg, recently accidentally discovered the antagonism which exists between the diphtheria microbe and that of erysipelas by observing how the sudden appearance of erysipelas in a patient suffering with diphtheria caused a speedy cure of the latter.

"The doctor's own son was stricken with a severe attack of diphtheria, and as all the remedies which had been applied proved fruitless death seemed inevitable. Suddenly the symptoms of erysipelas set in, when the lad seemed nearly half dead, and not the slightest cause could be assigned for this new complication, and its attendant dangers seemed only to hasten the approach of the almost certain demise of the victim.

"During the next few hours his condition grew visibly worse, and every moment the dying out of the scarcely flickering spark of life was apprehended. But on the following morning the exhaustion had diminished considerably, the patient improved rapidly and in a comparatively short time was completely restored to health. This accidental combination of the two microbes called to Babtchinsky's mind the doctrine to which Cantani had held.

"Soon after the recovery of his child the doctor was called to the bedside of a diphtheria patient who was dangerously affected. He was treating an erysipelas case at the same time, and encouraged by the experience which he had made with his son, he decided to inoculate the poison of the erysipelas microbe into the lower jaw of his diphtheria patient. The latter recovered without the application of any other remedy. From this time forth Dr. Babtchinsky hesitated no longer to extend his practice in this direction. As he did not always have erysipelas patients on hand when he needed the poison, he established an artificial breeder of erysipelas bacillarius. He succeeded in twelve more cases in saving his diphtheria patients by applying the erysipelas microbe. Only two patients died, because the inoculatory microbe was feeble, perhaps. But this need not cause us to doubt the effectiveness of the new treatment, for the following example will demonstrate that it is still confirmed by another case:

"Six children were stricken almost simultaneously with diphtheria in one family. Five of them were inoculated with the erysipelas bacillarius, and they recovered in a wonderfully short time. The sixth child had been at once removed to a remote part of the city and died of the dread epidemic. Strange as this method is in itself it is no less singular that the progress of the erysipelas is a painless and quiet one, not accompanied by unfavorable results upon the general condition of the patient while the cure of the diphtheria is being effected.

"Whether the theory that the erysipelas microbe destroys the diphtheria poison is founded upon fact, or is simply a delusion, leaving the cause of these wonderful recoveries to be sought for in other quarters, we care less at the present moment for the solution of this purely scientific question, as our interest centres primarily in the result, which alone is satisfactory to the layman. The close and controlling observations to which physicians will subject the new method will soon demonstrate whether Dr. Babtchinsky has found the real enemy of the diphtheria microbe, and that we are rid of a foe which demands annually the lives of thousands of our little ones."—*Cincinnati Enquirer.*

THE WHISTLING MARMOTS.

STRANGE ANIMALS THAT INFEST THE FLOWERY OLYMPIC MOUNTAINS.

After lunch we passed through a beautiful piece of bottom land, teeming with flowers, red and yellow monthly musk, fringing the banks of the stream where it spread out over the meadows in a dozen different channels. Charlie wanted to stop and take up 160 acres, but Campbell told him "Too much plenty in winter," and after vainly trying to drink the creek dry we passed on. Another turn brought us to the base of a steep, bare, stony mountain. Skirting this and clambering over some big rocks, we suddenly came into a lovely grass country. Like the prairie in summer, every conceivable flower seemed in bloom and blossom in the grass; the place was ablaze with red, blue, yellow and white.

We must have passed through 500 or 600 acres of it, and every here and there a rippling stream ran wildly through it. The place was a perfect paradise, and, thank goodness, we had got out of the dark valley and stood in the warm, bright sunshine. We were now close to the head of the Quilcene and we eagerly pressed on. Presently we met a dog, and, close after him, his master, who turned out to be Mr. Ransom, going from the head of the Dungeness to Port Townsend. He gave us cheerful accounts of the elk, and also kindly took a letter into town for us. At 5:30 o'clock we camped under Sentinel Rock, about a mile from the divide. This rock stands boldly out alone like a massive fortress guarding the entrance to the valley of the Dungeness.

Suddenly the mounted sides seemed to be alive with men whistling to one another, when—and one would turn sharp round only to hear another and shriller whew—on the other side and soon we saw lots of animals about the size of a fox, with long bushy tails, running about from rock to rock, sometimes lying down, but more often sitting bolt up erect, like a ferret does. We shot a couple of small ones that night, and afterward shot several more larger ones. Campbell called them whistling dogs and declared they were good to eat; but the smell was enough for us. The odor is peculiar but not fragrant. They have two long teeth in front like a beaver, and feet almost shaped like a squirrel's. I believe their right name is mountain beaver.

Whenever we went afterward in the mountains, as long as there was grass, we saw those whistling dogs, as we got to call them. I liked to see them; they seemed to make the place cheerful and lively, and were very amusing to watch. In winter they have long burrows under the snow, and their coats get a dark gray; in summer they are yellow. Their skins should make good fur, and I think would pay for being trapped in the winter months. Our altitude this night was 5450 feet, and we named the place "Stony Camp," from the terrible stony ground we had to sleep on. The night was warm until about 4 a.m., when it got fearfully cold, and we were almost frozen.—*Whatcom Reveille.*

It Causes Influenza.

A Maine man says that "the golden rod is responsible for many cases of influenza. A while ago his little daughter gathered a large bunch and put it in a vase in the parlor. Two sleeping apartments are on the same floor and the doors are frequently left open at night. Two days after the flowers had been carried into the home several members of the family began to sneeze, complain of sore throat, and feel greatly depressed, but not for several days did they find out the cause of their illness. It is said that the flowers gave off an imperceptible powder-like substance, which is taken into the lungs by the sleeper, causing an irritation. It also irritates the throat, produces violent sneezing, makes the limbs feel as though burdened with some heavy weight, and depresses a person's spirits."—*Boston Journal.*

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Lv. Ogden	8.20 a.m.	5.10 p.m
Ar. Salt Lake	10.45 a.m.	6.45 p.m
Lv. Salt Lake	11.00 a.m.	7.00 p.m
Ar. Provo	12.20 p.m.	8.45 p.m
Lv. Provo	12.30 p.m.	8.51 p.m
Ar. Green River	5.0 p.m.	4.37 a.m
Lv. Green River	7.25 p.m.	4.39 a.m
Ar. Grand Junction	11.20 p.m.	8.45 a.m
Ar. Pueblo	3.21 a.m.	5.15 a.m
Ar. Denver	8.00 a.m.	10.00 a.m

West Bound Trains.	No. 1. Pacific Mail.	No. 3 Pacific Express
Lv. Grand Junction	7.00 a.m.	7.15 p.m
Ar. Green River	11.35 a.m.	11.35 p.m
Lv. Green River	11.40 a.m.	11.50 p.m
Ar. Provo	5.10 p.m.	6.20 a.m
Lv. Provo	5.20 p.m.	6.35 a.m
Ar. Salt Lake	6.45 p.m.	8.05 a.m
Lv. Salt Lake	8.25 p.m.	8.30 a.m
Ar. Ogden	9.45 p.m.	10.05 a.m
Lv. Denver	9.00 a.m.	9.15 p.m
Ar. Pueblo	2.50 a.m.	2.50 a.m

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