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## **EDITORIAL**

## **OBSTACLES TO CURE AND HEALTH**

The human society to-day is passing through an age of money-fetish. All human activities to-day are motivated almost exclusively by monetary interest. Cure of the sick, preservation of health, even maintenance of life have become subordinate or nay subservient to the interest of monetary profit. Nobody seems to care a fig for the health and life of his ownself, what to speak of others of the human society, in frantic quest of money.

The wars in this age are not for the establishment of any principle or the prowess of any human talent, but simply means for earning profit for war industries who often supply their commodities to both sides of the war. And the perpetual small wars and occasional big wars are far from fights between actual warriors, but simply means for exterminating vast masses of human beings like parasitic insects and worms, directly by war missiles and indirectly by economic and hygienic devastations.

The vehicles of traffic to-day are more means of conveyance to the next world than to one's desired earthly destination. And people rush and crowd into these vehicles like winged ants into fire, mainly with the purpose of earning more money with least possible cost of money, time and labour.

Our dwellings in towns as well as villages have little concern for hygienic requirements; they are dominated by the requirements of productions or earning more money at least possible cost—in towns by factories and workshops and in villages by planless roads, dams etc. with the smallest possible space for dwelling purposes.

Food—The surface of the earth is to-day used far more for the production of various commercial crops of secondary importance to human life than for the production of food crops. And the food crops that are produced are denatured by various forms of chemical fertilizers and insecticides only with a view to earn more money with least amount of land space and labour-cost.

Moreover, artificial or synthetic food products are fast replacing natural food, thus perverting the biological and physiological equilibrium. These

artificial products are encouraged only on the ground that they fetch more money at less expense, caring little as to what will be their effects on human life and health.

Apart from all these, adulteration of all commodities including the vital one—food, has become the order of the day. The authorities at the helm of affairs of human society, far from considering adulteration of food as a genocidal offence, deals with this art with very tender heart.

The only possible explanation of this preternatural attitude of the authorities with respect to the most vital necessity of human life, seems to be nothing other than money-fetish—the supreme and sacred right of any person to earn profit by any means, even if such attitude affects the life of themselves and their own families.

Drinking Water—Nature has got its own arrangement for purifying our drinking water by its sunlight, oxygen, current etc. But this intrinsic power of nature is being overwhelmed to-day by profit fetish—in villages by imprudent tampering with natural drainages and in towns by dirty washing of factories and crowded dwellings. So, the water we drink to-day anywhere is more a poison than a life-maintaining fluid.

The air that we breath that even is polluted by smokes of factories and vehicles from bottom and atomic ashes from above—all products of the profit-fetish of the age.

Overdrugging—Goaded by earning-fetish, people cannot afford the time necessary for the real cure of any of their complaints, they rather run to the nearest betel-shop to buy some Aspirine or Codopyrine tablets or to a stationery shop to buy some balm, ointment or dope and if they fail to some allopathic doctor to take some antibiotic injections, in order to palliate or suppress their complaints quickly, thus gradually they derange their health more and more and ultimately completely shatters it. In this way running after earning-fetish they gradually and unknowingly lose their diurnal as well as total earning capacity.

Over and above all these, there are the ever-increasing economic tension and various forms of social and domestic tensions engendering various psychological conflicts and disorders.

In such a situation the people who have taken as their only mission of life as curers of the sick and preservers of health, have fallen in great difficulty in fulfilling their mission. More and more obstacles are fast over-crowding their path, in the present age. Still in the circumstances the health-missionaries—the homeopaths—have to do their best in helping the vital force of the persons under their care to fight against all odds and to keep their charges as fit as possible, with the expectation that a day will come when all social evils will run their span of life and good sense will prevail upon the human society.

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