

**PRICES OF PAINTINGS.**

**A HARD MATTER TO FIX A FINANCIAL EQUIVALENT FOR PLEASURE.**

**Eighteen Thousand Dollars Seems a Big Price for Mrs. Morgan's Little Peach Blow Vase—How the Cost Might Be Justified—Profits of Dealers.**

The dispersal of the great collections made by the late Mrs. Morgan, and comprising pictures, silverware, porcelain, bric-a-brac, etchings, books and Oriental oddities, is the talk of all the studios at present, and exhibits the phases of a nine days wonder. People ask if Jules Breton's "Communions" was really worth over \$44,000, and if the little peach blow vase had an actual value of \$18,000. Well, they must have possessed these values to their buyers, I suppose, or they would not have been bought. Forty thousand dollars' worth of enjoyment to a rich man is no more than \$40 worth to a poor man; indeed, I question if it be often as much, and it is a hard matter to fix a financial equivalent for pleasure—especially the higher pleasures that are conferred by poetry, music and art.

**SEEMS A RECKLESS USE OF CASH.**  
Much has been said and some things have been written about the actual criminality of paying \$18,000 for the little peach blow vase in Mrs. Morgan's collection. It does seem a reckless use of cash to put in the value of a first-class city house and lot into a little piece of Chinese pottery. People are prone to observe at such times, "What a shameful waste of money, when so many people are in rags and suffering from hunger." That is true, but if the buyers of these high-priced dainties forbore their purchases, do the philanthropists imagine for a moment that the money they did not spend in that way would be given to the ragged and the hungry? Not a bit of it. The rich are usually stingy and selfish. There are not a dozen rich men in this big city of Brooklyn who are otherwise. The more they get the more they want. The more is conceded to their tastes and appetites the more they demand.

Even if they did bestow their charities on the poor it would not abolish poverty. The conditions that admit of excessive riches and excessive want are to blame, and not the facts of wealth and poverty. If you wish to know why \$18,000 can be spent for a little bottle whose maker got about \$3 for it and thought himself well paid, inquire of John Swinton and Henry George. If anything so precious is bought at such a price it would seem just to place it in a public museum where 1,800,000 people could obtain from it a cent's worth of enjoyment each, and thereby justify its cost.

To many people a painting is a thing of as definite a value as a ton of coal or a tub of butter. I confess that I never saw a picture that I thought was worth over \$10,000, and if the matter was thoroughly canvassed I think it would appear that not half a dozen pictures were ever painted for more than that sum. Whatever they have brought more than this has accrued to the benefit of speculators and dealers. If I had \$44,000 that I was willing to give for an example of Jules Breton I would spend less than \$1,000 of that money in a trip to France, and, going to M. Breton, would hand him \$20,000 and say, "Paint for me the master work of your life," which I haven't a doubt M. Breton would try to do. Then I would put \$23,000 in the bank, or buy other pictures with it.

**PROFITS OF THE PICTURE DEALERS.**  
A story was related the other evening by a gentleman who is in a position to know whereof he speaks. He was in Paris at the opening of the Salon, and in wandering through the vast gallery he encountered Mr. S., a well-known New York dealer, looking critically at a picture called "The Helping Hand." He said: "You ought to buy that, S." The dealer answered, "Perhaps I will." Before the exhibition closed Mr. S. did buy it, and paid \$1,500 for it. He brought it to New York and sold it immediately to Mr. George I. Seney for \$13,000. When Mr. Seney heard what the picture had cost originally he waxed wrath and asked Mr. S.'s representative if that wasn't a pretty stiff price he had paid for a \$1,500 picture. The representative sent a message to Mr. S., and received this answer: "Give Mr. Seney our check for \$13,000, and tell him that hereafter the price of the picture will be \$25,000." Mr. Seney kept the work, and it brought about \$9,000 at the sale of his collection.

A speculative American saw a picture in a shop in Paris that he liked pretty well and asked the price. It was \$150. He went to his hotel to sleep on it, and in the morning returned to the shop to see if he could beat the proprietor down to \$100. A man never disputes a charge of 30 cents a pound for oleomargarine, but he seems to think it a duty that he owes to society never to pay more than half price for a picture, if he can avoid it. To his surprise and regret, somebody had bought the picture while he was thinking about it. On returning to New York he visited the well-known shop of Mr. A. and, behold! there was the picture. "What do you ask for that?" he inquired. "The dealer said in a confidential tone: 'We can afford to make that pretty low for you, Mr. B., and we'll sell it to you for \$1,500.' And a profit of 900 per cent. is not deemed extravagant by many of the dealers."—C. M. S. in Brooklyn Eagle.

**An Elephant's Death by Consumption.**  
We had an elephant die this winter, a few weeks ago, of consumption. Fact! That elephant kept getting thinner and thinner, as a coughin' an' a-coughin' till you'd a thought he'd kill himself; and finally he died. Nobody'll ever make me believe it was anything else than consumption. An' you just ought to 'hear the other elephants take on over him. They just whined around for a week just like human fact.—"Lion-Tamer" in Pittsburg Dispatch.

**Give the Hair a Fair Chance.**  
A medical journal says that unventilated hats are great causes of baldness, and adds: "The beard never falls out because it has plenty of light and air." Ah well; you don't know about that. If a man began wearing a beard as early as he wears his hair, perhaps by the time he is 50 his jaws would be as bald as a billiard ball.—Burdette in Brooklyn Eagle.

**Abuse of Postal Cards in France.**  
Post cards in France are so frequently used as a channel for abuse and anonymous accusations, that a deputy has laid a proposal before parliament to suppress the handy missives.—Brooklyn Eagle.

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