

PRECIS WRITING

Please re-write the following passage into 1/3rd of the size and also title it.

It is physically impossible for a well-educated or brave man to make money the chief object of his thoughts, just as it is for him to make his dinner the principal object of them. All healthy people like their dinners, but their dinner is not the main object of their lives. So all healthy minded people like making money—ought to like it and enjoy the sensation of winning it; it is something better than money. A good soldier, for instance, mainly wishes to do his fighting well. He is glad of his pay—very properly so, and justly grumbles when you keep him ten years without it—still his main notion of life is to win battles, not to be paid for winning them. So of clergyman's object is essentially to baptize and preach, not to be paid for preaching. So of doctors. They like fees no doubt, -- out to like them; yet if they are brave and well educated, the entire object of their lives is a not fee. They, on the whole, desire to cure the sick, and, if they are good doctors, and the choice were fairly put to them, would rather cure their patient and lose their fee than kill him and get it. And so with all the other brave and rightly trained men; their work is first, their fee second – very important always, but still second.

(233 words)

We would also like to give some aids to do this task

Aids to Vocabulary

Grumble : Show dissatisfaction

Notion : Idea, belief, opinion

Clergyman : A Christian priest

Baptize : To perform the Christian religious ceremony in
Which a person is touched or covered with water
To make him pure and show that he has been
accepted as a member of the church

Preach : To make known (a particular religion and/or its
teachings) by speaking in public

Points for précis making

1. Money making is not the chief object of the well-educated, Intellectual, or brave men.
2. A noble soldier fights bravely; to him pay is of secondary importance.
3. A clergyman cares more for the welfare of the humanity Than for his pay.
4. A sincere doctor desires to cure his patient far more than to get his fee.
5. Thus for all cultured people, their duty comes first, their fees second.