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5. The crude and stereotyped fare offered in many programmes *has a deleterious effect intellectually*, by degrading the imagination of those who see them and by failing to provide any stimulus of original ideas.

Captain Curd's plain-spoken indictment could hardly find more timely and complete confirmation. It remains to be seen how far the indictment and the confirmation will have their desired effect on either the film-maker or the film-gazer.

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O FELIX CULPA !

*' O Felix culpa quae talem et tantum meruit habere
Redemptorem.'*

EDEN'S curst tree
On Calvary
Bore fruit beyond hope's dreaming.

O blessed Sin !
That thus did win
Such and so great redeeming.

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