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Helping Erring Man or Woman

No Person Can Be Called "Good" Who Feels Contamination by Mingling with the Unfortunate Human Being to Aid Them

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Whether or not good people should take women who have erred into the family or the social circle in order to help them upward has been a subject under discussion in this newspaper at times.

Many views have been expressed, and the end is not yet.

The following letter gives in unmistakable terms the views of one woman who believes herself entitled to the adjective "good" before her name:

"Contagious cases are quarantined, the insane are restrained in asylums, lepers are placed beyond human intercourse,

the purulent cancer is excised; yet, quarantined cases are anxiously cared for by trained nurses, the insane receive the best of professional care and the wants of the leper and the purulent cancer case are ministered to by angelic beings who willingly sacrifice their existence in this ministry of love.

"So it is with our individual home rule. It is an order of nature and one of principle that the seriously sick should not mingle with the healthy, that the seriously unclean of spirit should not be thrown on to the society of the pure of mind and heart and body.

"It is perfectly true that there is no human gauge for the standard of purity of mind and heart. The closest rating that can possibly be obtained is traced to the society that we mingle with.

"Suchy being the case, should the society of the impure, with its stigma, its possibilities, its ever-dormant quills and allurement be thrust on the company of your wife and children?

"No, most emphatically no. If you keep company with your wife and children one surmises that you consider them pure. Then it is your most coveted ambition to keep the vestal flame alight in your hearth.

"Not one man in a million would assume the duties and the responsibilities of raising a family if he suspected, for one single moment, that purity had been banished from his home.

"Certain principles have stood unshaken on the rock of ages, ever unchangeable by the rough usage of time and by the ebb and flow of passing generations.

"Heat and cold, light and darkness, never did and never will harmonize. The sinner and the mad dog were never housed under family shelter.

"If a man is free and untrammelled, he may devote his time and energy to the uplifting of human kind, to the eradication of social evils, even, if in so doing, he were to die of infection.

"It is paradoxical to think that a man is not allowed to guide his own body, in an air ship without a proper license, and yet we discuss the privilege of a man, who purposely sets within his family's precinct the most deadly of moral and physical drugs, MARIJUANA.

"The writer of the letter does not seem to realize that goodness can be as catching as badness; and that a diversity of opinion exists even among doctors, regarding diseases which are contagious.

"The new hygiene recommends a new system of treatment for the world's unfortunates.

"The new reformers no longer believe in the old idea of places of punishment for the erring; but rather in the doing away with all such institutions and the substitution of scientific brain building for punishment.

"All evil doing is the result of wrong thinking. And its cure lies in right thinking. When a machine does its work badly, it is overhauled and put in order, and new portions are substituted for the old ones which have failed to perform their duties.

"Man is a divine machine, and when he fails to do his work well he needs repairing.

"Occasionally a machine is so absolutely out of order that it must be sent to the repair shop; but that does not indicate that every machine which fails in any particular should be sent there.

"Here and there are human beings so utterly ill or depraved they must be sent

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The Gold Witch

The Adventure of a Golden-Haired Heiress

No. 3—No One Can Sit on Both Sides of the Fence

By Stella Flores

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The young men in her new home seem to be most courteous. Tom is not in favor, but he still hovers around.

She wonders why the girls are so hard to get acquainted with, when all the young men are so friendly.

Marriage Never Alters Man or Woman

It Only Intensifies Virtues, Magnifies Faults, Says Dorothy Dix—Men Furnish Plenty of Tips, in Courting, About the Kind of Husbands They Will Make

By DOROTHY DIX.

A young girl is engaged to be married to a young man who comes to see her nearly every evening, but who never brings her a flower, nor a box of candy.

She would like to go to a party, but she is afraid to go alone, and she would like to go to a party, but she is afraid to go alone.

"This girl is a nice girl. There isn't a bit of the grifter about her, and she wouldn't know the first principle about how to go about 'working a man,' but she's young, and says of heart, and she finds it a trifle dull to spend all of her evenings conversing with even her sweetheart."

One who keeps himself in good health and obeys all the laws of nature can be exposed to all sorts of contagious maladies and not contract them, while he can give health and vital force to the weak by his presence.

"Good people who are really 'good' (clean in their secret thoughts and acts, and filled with high aspirations) should have no fear of being contaminated by the presence in their midst of some unfortunate sister or brother who has made a mistake in the road of life and fallen into the dust.

"They should be so strong in their own morality, so broad in their ideas of usefulness, so sympathetic in their understanding of human weaknesses, that their influence acts as a tonic on others who are near them.

"The trained nurse does not fly from the presence of sickness with fear of contagion.

"The trained moralist has no right to call himself or herself a good individual who is afraid to be in the neighborhood of some fellow being who has erred.

"Darkness goes out of a room when we let in light. Cold is banished by introducing heat.

"Wrong thinking goes out of brains when right thinking is substituted. The time must come when all wrongdoers will be taken into the close companionship of right thinkers and will be given constructive work to do, and when every moment of time will be occupied with wholesome and uplifting tasks and studies until the whole mental structure is remade and new morality cells awakened, and the evil cells atrophy for lack of exercise.

"This can never be done while unfortunates are herded together. It can only be done when our present order of Christianity is changed to a system of brotherhood.

stay put in a comfortable chair in a play where somebody else is paying the rent and the electric light bill, he will make the sort of a shirt-sleeved and slippered husband that you can't move out of his corner with a blast of dynamite.

"The girl who marries him may bid adieu to all social life and entertainment at the altar. He won't want to go to a concert, or a lecture, or to see a play, or to play a game of cards with a neighbor, or to any sort of diversion, and he won't see why his wife wants to go, either. It will be home for her, and the society of a husband who will spend his evenings reading the paper, and who will think that it's pleasure enough for her just to sit up and look at him.

"In picking-out their husbands girls will do well to remember that when a man goes dancing he always puts his best foot foremost; and if that best foot is a cloven hoof, if they're wise they will take warning from it, and have nothing to do with him.

"Marriage doesn't change people. It simply brings out whatever is the strongest quality in them, whether that quality is good or bad. It intensifies virtues, and magnifies faults.

"Of course, marriage is really the big gamble. All do not know what they are getting in a husband or a wife until they have taken the package they drew in the lottery and examined it, but observation hands us a good many tips on a man or woman's character that enables us to give some pretty shrewd guesses.

"The girl referred to at the beginning of this article, for instance, has been tipped off that if she marries the man who never takes her anywhere, or gives her any pleasure, she will get a husband who will be miserly, selfish and a stick-in-the-mud.

"The girl who marries a man who comes to see her smelling of liquor and maudlin with drink has been warned in time that if she marries him she will have a drunken husband, for whom she'll have to get up and open the door in the middle of the night.

"The girl who marries a young man who has never been able to keep a situation or to make a living for himself, has been given a tip big enough to knock a house down with that she will acquire a loafing, no account husband that she will have to support.

"When a man in his courting days is grouchy and surly, and ill-tempered, and a girl has to be always jollying him into a good humor, for whom she'll have a tip that if she marries him she will spend a miserable life walking on eggs for fear that she will say or do something that will explode his infernal machine of a disposition.

"If a couple quarrel before marriage they

will quarrel ten times worse after marriage, and they should have enough sense to break away before they have to call in the divorce court to help them.

"If a girl observes that a man is fussy about his eating, and likes to make his own salad dressing at the table, she has been tipped off that his wife will need to be a good cook. If she notices that he's always the hero of his own stories, and that he likes to talk about himself, she's got a tip that any wife who holds him will have to be an A. No. 1 flatterer.

"By listening to the things that a man laughs at you can get a good working model of the kind of a husband he will make. If he laughs at cruel speeches that stab like a knife, he will make his wife the butt of his sarcasm. If he laughs at coarse, vulgar stories, he will make the kind of a husband who has no delicate appreciation of a woman's nature.

"If the sight of other people's misfortunes fill him with mirth, there's nothing on earth that he will sympathize with except himself, but if he has the kindly humor that can rid every misfortune in life, and if his smile at other's weaknesses is full of tenderness and understanding, then he's a man to tie up with, no matter whether he's rich or poor, or of high or low estate. He'll make the kind of a husband that'll keep a woman on her knees thanking God she's got him.

"Oh, men furnish plenty of tips about the kind of husbands they will make if only girls had the sense and the courage to refuse to play the bad ones.

Little Bobbie's Pa

By WILLIAM F. KIRK

I read that Mister Carnegie is back from abroad & that he is very fond of the kaiser, and Mn last nite wen she was reading the paper.

"That makes it nice all around, sed Pa. Ever since the beginning of time, Pa thare with Ted Sloan, Pa sed, & wen he always made the rich men throw out thare chests, sed Pa, & it often calm in handy for the king wen the palace rent calm due. I haven't the remotest idea that the kaiser is friends with Mr. Carnegie for any such purpose, Pa sed, becaus he knows that if he ever tried to touch Mister Carnegie Andy wud say hoot mon, & give him a lot of looks to read. But it is nice to have prominent peepul get together & pass the time away."

"I can just imagine, sed Pa, what a grate afternoon those two old boys must have spent together. I can jest see them out frolicking at a game of golf, laffing & kicking up thare heels and saying, Now if sed old John D. cud only be here our cup of happiness wud be full, & I suppose Andy's Hotel Scotch caddy & the kaiser's Hotel German caddy got chummy."

"And my gray beard hangs doom!"

"Yes, indeed, sed Pa, I know just about how the old sports passed away thare time until it was time that even kings and milyunairs shud go to the hay. I know just how thare felt, sed Pa, becaus I used to have just such times as that with the prince of Wales, only we was yunger & thare was more speed at-

tached to our seashuns. It is different wen men get as old as these two, Pa sed. Wen a man is yung he puts moar stuff on the ball, & me & the prince was speed boys for fair.

"I never knew that you knew a prince of Wales, Ma sed.

"You didnt know that? sed Pa. Oh, yes, we were quite friendly. I went over thare with Ted Sloan, Pa sed, & wen he was winning all his races with my horse we was naturally calm in contact with the prince. From thare we went to India, Pa sed, & was made much of by royalty. I wasent fat in them days, Pa sed, & I herd a lot of peepul say that I had a kingly bearing myself. But I always sed that I wudnt talk a job as king if it was handed to me on a silver platter, so here I am, a solid citizen of America, with my wife & child around me, lying back on my oars, calm & content."

"I guess you are lying all rite, but not back on yure oars sed Ma. Yure brother is jest cummy in now. I am going to ask him."

"Pa's brother Henry calm in & Ma sed Henry, was my deer husband ever in England."

"Not since I was born, sed Unkel Henry, & how old are you, sed Ma. I am two years older than he is, sed Unkel Henry."

"Why, sed Pa, doant you remember? I was in England the time you was being entertained by the kigs of Sweden?"

"Oh, sed Unkel Henry, yes, now I see member. Of course, of course. Bobbie, sed Ma, an afraid yure mother married into a famby ware truth was stranger than ficksun."

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The December Heavens

By WILLIAM F. RIGGE.

The sun enters Capricorn and reaches its farthest south on the 23d at 4:35 a. m. It is then at the winter solstice and astronomical winter begins. It rises on the 1st, 10th and 21st at 7:31, 7:44, 7:52 and sets at 4:25, 4:34, 4:42. The day's length being 9 hours 34 minutes on the 1st and 8 hours 19 minutes on the other dates.

The shortest days of the year, 9 hours 5 minutes, occur from the 19th to the 23d. The earliest sunset of the year, 1:52, occurs from the 7th to the 12th; the latest sunrise, 7:54, on the 3d of next month. The sun is 13 minutes slow of standard time on the 1st, 19 minutes on the 10th and 27 minutes on the 31st. On a sun dial it is 11 minutes fast on the 1st, on time on Christmas day and 3 minutes slow on the 31st.

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The moon is in first quarter on the 8th, full on the 13th, in last quarter on the 20th and new on the 27th. It is in conjunction with Saturn on the 12th, with Mars on the 15th, with Venus on the 26th, and with Jupiter on the 29th.

Return is in opposition to the sun on

the 7th and is in its best position for the whole year. It rises on the 15th at 4:22 p. m. and culminates at 11:39 p. m.

Mars is nearest the earth on the very last hour of this month and year. It is then 59,940,000 miles away. It rises on the 15th at 6:40 p. m. and sets at 2:35 a. m.

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