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#### How the Weakling Gossip Becomes Giant Scandal

By BEATRICE FAIRFAX.

no human being is lacking. No matter how lowly the station of an individual or how underdeveloped his mentality, he meone to look down upon and It seems a foregone conclusion that everyone in the world of today is going to "knock" just about everyone

could they be guilty of such conduct?" comments fairly fly whenever two are gathered together. Human beings confess readily enough that they utterly to realize that that "harmless bit of gossip" grows in the telling and assumes the proportions of a harmful bit of scandal.

Hideously true! We have often discussed in this little circle of ours the evils of gossip-its unfairness to others, its cruelty to its objects. But now it is worth while to consider its greater harmfulness-which is subjective.

None of us can be sure what we would to were we in the position in which tome one else is placed. The old story of John Bunyan and the criminal who was going to be hanged applies all through life. Said he: "There, but for he grace of God, goes John Bunyan." And there, but for the grace of God, goes any one of us in any set of circum stances, however unimaginable, or

contemptible, or painful. How is any one of us to know what we would have done in circumstances which tempted some one else to wrongdoing, or even to his undoing?

Any one who has a poor heredity, who is brought up in bad environment, who has the handicap of physical illhealth to swing his mentality from the healthful, and who meets the particular set of temptations best calculated to break down his own set of defenses, is pathetically likely to yield to tempta-

To one of us money is the temptation that is practically irresistible. Hasn't each of us heard some sturdily honest individual say to a bank cashier or to the handler of money in any large concern, "I wouldn't want to be in your place. Doesn't handling all that money every day drive you almost mad with the longing to have it for your own?"

Now, probably, the particular individual who was advanced to that position an individual of commercial honesty, joy of doing something well, Most absconding treasurers and cashiers run away, not because they have yielded money responsibility, but because of some outside influence-the races, cards, drink or even an illicit love affair. And probably an individual who meant to be honyielded to just the particular temptation equality. an inherited and cultivated tendency toward a certain sort of weakness made too big for his power of resistance.

Cultivating strong inhibition and strong eagerly. power over ourselves is likely to help own weaknesses. The self-indulgent boy whose parents let him have his own way and who makes everybody else let him have his own way is training himself tor thing to which he has no right, but desire, not wealth alone, nor fame, nor what he wants when he wants it will make him the victim.

How can any of us know what set of circumstances makes one man a thir products of the joy of doing. and another an honored citizen? The thing for us to do is to get at the foundations, help raise standards of honesty and virtue, help make other rewards posible for virtue than merely virtue itself. What we need is to get at causes of crime. So at once we eliminate to an even greater extent our own cruel tend-

And that swings us back full circle to heeler the magnificent summing up to it all

"Judge not, that ye be not judged." pin.

#### Importance of Being Born Again

By CHARLES E. HENWOOD.

a realization of the utter futility of your life, with the hum-drum and commonplace grimly clouding the brightness and joy you expected to yield?

You feel the tug of duty here, and the lure of pleasure there; and the endless

crowded car, and then at work.

The cares, problems and responsibilities there are often real enough, so the day with honesty, justice and kindliness-while doing a genuine day's work. Our seniors try us, our juniors try us more. The work may not be so hard, but it leaves us fatigued and worn when guitting time comes. The balance sheet quitting time comes. The balance sheet or the pay envelope don't quite measure up to expectations.

"Know well what the people inarticular the people inarticula

And we mutter at "business" conditions or at the employer, or at "just my luck." many while alongside of them, at break. clattering elevated train, it came to me This, at any rate, is the experience of fast perchance (some wifes are happy, in a pleasant baritone. Two men occuyou know), on the crowded car, at shop pied one of the cross seats. Ruddy-faced, or office, it may be a senior there, or a clear-eyed men they were, well dressed.

Just what is it that makes this startling difference in people—that divides them sharply into two classes, one tired, the buoyant; one who always leans, and the does just enough." other who always lifts?

Well, the biologists tell us-and they know more about the human animal than anyone else-that happiness is a product of rational exercise of function,

Emerson expressed the same thought, but with more of human interest, when he said, "A man is relieved and gay when he has put his heart into his work and done his best." It is easy to note the two factions-

those who taste of life and find it good, to whom "every common bush is aftre with God," who, whatsoever their years, have a youthful spirit.

In the other faction are the dismal, disgruntled, who do their duty perhaps, but is there pretty largely because he is not gladly; and who miss absolutely the

To determine what makes happiness is not difficult. The secret has been "out" to the temptation directly due to their a long while. It is only a platitude to say that it does not ile in wealth, fame, knowledge, power, or any possession. Its cause and abiding place are within

you, and may be shared alike by a milest and who thought he was honest lionaire or a day laborer, in perfect How to experience it? Easily done.

Change your mental attitude, and, for a start, take your day's work and do it

Note that in that potentially wonderful any one of us to resist temptation. But brain of yours the product of untold ages not all of us know this. Not all of us of evolution, countless brain cells but train ourselves early in life to resist our await your imperious will to live. Remember Kipling's words. "Whatever you may have thought or said or done, noth-

ing, for you, is irrevocable," Then, joint the faction of eternal youth a manhood in which he will want some- and you will want with a youth's fierce which his own desperate desires to have knowledge, nor power, but you will want to do; and in proportion to the value to mankind of that which you do, "all those things will be added unto you" as by-

Not for nothing was it said "You must be born again. And you can. Try it!

#### In-Shoots

The statesman is the swell chap who

The woman who always wears an which each of us may find in the Book aboved look can drive a fellow to drink who was plunged into hysterica by the

quicker than the one who takes a rolling latters of confolence abe received.

The chubby little wife of Das, our dear rogue and "familiar," leans a real ages on a pudgy band and studies the spring modes in Love-land And her brow is crinkled and she sighs like one of her consort's luckless catches. For she is a fat lady and has her troubles upon her just as you and 3 (??) have, while she peers up-page and down, and over t'other side, trying to find a model that will make her look high and scant. For, as you can see she is low and much!

Black unawear, lingerie-absurd! Though 'Polly' has taken 'em up Thank the gods on the high mount not far from Saloniki, I have curly hair and can do it in any silhouette. The curl between the brows pleases me mightily. When I remember that I have curls is the time I can forgot

Scotch plaids and shepherd checks, and stripes running round, in stockings-Ahem! Well, anybody can see!- Short skirts will remain, I love 'em. With Russian boots.

"Chapeaux! (Mrs. Danny kisses her rosy fingertips to the air.)
Chapeaux will be tall and narrow. Any material, Ah-ah, I will have
me one like this—tall jet with silver roses mounting upward to the fur conflict between those things you want on the roof and down over my audacious nose and provoquante eyes-

conflict between those things you want to do, and those you have to do. And as you devote what you consider your best energies to the great task of business, achieving a fair success, or a very indifferent one, or say a very great success in making money, don't you ever sort of shiver at the unreality of it all, a feeling of what, after all, "is the use?"

You know how the days go-up in the morning with a frown at the clock. A hurried start; breakfast hurried; dabs at conversation, a glance at the papers, and a hurried exit to business, the crowded car, and then at work.

On the roof—and down over my audacious nose and provoquante eyes—black tulle hoopskirted with silver. I shall tower!

"Now—Full skirts to the jackets, each ripple and fold trebled! It is chic—but is it wise? I am bouffant without the generous cloth.

"Polo. Ah, if I'd but look like that. This ski outfit, as noisy Dan would say—and sure its stripes are wide and run 'round the affair in shrick after shriek of orange and black—but I shall have one be I ever so wide, for when I'm flying and swooping down the snow hills I shall be seen in one swipe of streaks 'anaway,' and none will know whether I am lean or fat—but they will know I am in fashion!

"Palm Beach. Your bathing suit must button round the knees. Here in the Land of Love."

And Dan's wife licks her chubby finger and flips the page over to other follies.

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of hysterical laughter and a downpour

Granted that it is a difficult art to

elements may be present in any such

letter, the note that you are personally sorry that the affliction has befallen th

one who receives the letter, and some

sympathy weakens, too little, chills.

and welcome and success.

either soothe or strengthen me?"

"As though I didn't know it.

#### The Art of Just Enoughness

By ADA PATTERSON.

I heard another scrap of street wisdon this morning. Piercing the roar of the junior, a customer or a friend, will ap- all their faculties trained upon the busipear one, who is doing what needs to ness day before them, as guns upon an be done in a spirit of joy and satisfaction, enemy. Having read their favorite mornwith the eager sest of a healthy child ing papers, they were chatting of a man's qualifications for a post that might be tendered him.

One of them finished the recital of his qualifications with this: "He is a master other eager; one fatigued, the other in handling men. Whatever he does he

> They got off at the next station, , but the echo of their words remained. He "does just enough." There is the art of management of mortals, there is tact-in a phrase. There is a fine art of just enoughness.

> It is one of the secrets of successful acting. An actor plays a scene with too much emphasis and he is written down by the critics as a ranter. If he plays it with too little earnestness his performance is catalogued as coloriess. If he plays it with just enough of fire, just enough of delicate grace, he gives what all will agree is a well-balanced and artistic rendering.

The master of painting will blend his colors so that there is just enough of shade. If he is too lavish with his colors it will be said of him that his style is too florid and some will be bold enough to call him a dauber. If there is not enough color his picture will be derided because its tints are too pale and it will be asserted that his colors are no weaker than his art.

The musician must sing with just enough force. If too much his method will be rated as explosive. If too little his style will be described as anaemic, his notes blurred. It is what constitutes artistry, this just enoughness.

If it constitutes artistry in the arts it means in business, as my neighbors, the business men, said, "master of the handling of men"-and women, The good conversationalist is the one

who talks just enough. He must not sweep his listeners away on the tide of his oratory unless he occupies a platform and they are there to listen. At a dinner table or during an evening call he is a bore. For conversation is like handball, a game of give and take, and there should be as much taking as giv-

The good hostess is one who gives you just enough attention. If she presses her society upon you constantly you wish you hadn't come to her party. If she has no eyes for you, you feel neglected. Truly, just enoughness is another term for tact. So in the art of comforting. There are emforters forcordained for their work of solace. There are those who, by their presence and efforts, double our grief. takes credit for the labors of the ward The obtrusive comforter is a pest. The person who gives too little of sympathy a human glacier. I know a woman

## Health's Relation to the Eight-Hour Day

By WOODS HUTCHINSON, M. D.

PART L. natical princifies. It is true we have seen victms from our earliest school lays of a conspriracy to fix unalterably nd irremovably in our minds a firm seller in certain geometric axioms and first principles, which must be absolutely accepted and never questioned. Once grant these and the logician has you at

Such as, for instance, the heary and venerable chesnut that a whole is always greater than its part, blandly overlooking the notorious and indisputable fact that communities, nations/and racus have always been dominated and run by orities, and small ones at that. Which the later politely and modestly explain by the statement that one with God is always a majority!

Another inspired hatching from the guileless minds is the assumption that in the same class or category higher numbers are greater than lower. Four, for instance, being eternally and

unalterably more than two in the swimming class, even though the four happen to the ducks and the two dreadnoughts. fact, the assumptions and funda- a perfect gentleman mental axioms of the mathematicians like those of other minds that wear. bilnkers and can see only in one plane. Can't anyone say anything that will deal with quantity, and leave out or account entirely the far more important write a letter of consolation. But two element of quantity.

"Oh!" but we protest, "we can easily see through that fallacy. We are not so childish as (8 be misled by that kind of superficial logic. But the trouble is that assurance of what that person has been we are, and are constantly being hoodwinked by that kind of sophistry, not to and done for the departed. Too much mpathy weakens, too little, chills. just occasionally but frequently and habitually, even on some of the important questions of life. who adopt it will always have friends

For instance, in the vital and im-

domitable obstacle to an intelligent ad- to put their teeth into it. justment and planning of the nours of labor is the calm and unshakable assumption on the part of the public that man ears \$2 in a day of ten hours, nature an eight-hour day is necessarily and in ally he can earn only a \$1.00 in eight the very nature of the case a smaller day hours

than a ten-hour or twelve-hour one; that is to say, less productive, less valu-This plausible and conclusive assumpby the employer of labor, and the com-

By Beatrice Fairfax It Would Be Unwise.

He has asked to call at my home and meet my parents, and has also invited me to go out with him, providing my parents consent.

What I wish to know is, do you think this gentleman is too old for me to go out with?

E. C. J.

Can you possibly imagine yourself Surely your tastes and inclinations are these counts alone. altogether different since you are practically two generations apart. It would both of you.

portant element of labor regulation, the | munity "fail for it" unanimously, and one rock-rubed, moss-grown and in swallow it whole, without even stopping

Consequently and demand to have his day shortened and still receive exactly able. less remunerative to the employer, the same wage is a bare-faced imposi-

tion upon the good nature of an innocent and long-suffering employer. If the worker demands shortening of his day without corresponding reduction of his wages he is asking for either blackmall or charity, according to popu-

Advice to Lovelorn lar logic. The only question being whether the employer can magnanimously afford to give it to him out of his legitimate The only trouble with this universally

accepted and self-evident proposition is that it doesn't happen to be true and utterly laks the support of facts.

On the contrary, incredible if not paradoxic as, it may sound, thousands teriments on both sides of the Atlantic. in all sorts of trades, have overwhelmingly proven that, so far, the shorter the

In addition to this, the quality of work is so much better, the wastage by breakthe accidents both to machinery and to men so much fewer, that the eight-hour happy as the wife of a man who is in all day saves to the employer more than probability older than your father? the additional wage-per-hour cost on

In fact, so far as the world-wide process of lowering the one and raising be unfair to both of you for you to per- the other has gone to date, the fewer mit this friendship to go far, for it might the working hours and the higher the only result in pain and unhappiness for wages the lower the labor cost of the Bar Product.

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