

**Our Children**

By Mrs. W. B. Davis



**Children Without A Name**

Changing attitudes toward illegitimate children are reflected in more humane laws for their protection in many communities. What about yours?

And to think he was an illegitimate child!" No doubt we have heard people make that comment about young people who make progress in life with odds against him as far as Society is concerned. The individual whom I have in mind is a successful Dr. and was soon to be married to a girl from a family well-known in town. It was puzzling that such cruel things could be said of one. Do we ever learn the answer to this question, the truly important answer? Why should this social

stigma be attached to the child, who is in no way responsible? It is encouraging to find if one examines the current social legislation which deals with the welfare of the unmarried mother and her child, and an effort is being made to secure, without condoning the mistake, a degree of social justice for the mother and to the child, conditions of life as nearly normal as possible. The child now has some claim upon the father for support and recognition. Mothers, having once been a girl, why not use all your skill to help your girls to miss the pitfalls that lay in wait to ensnare the inexperienced feet. The hurt is so bewildering, to say nothing of unforgettable.

**This Is My Community!**  
Betty Bowman

Very many people have the idea that courtesy should only be extended from children to adults. We feel that this is not true, courtesy is just as important to your personality as your clothing. Just because one is grown does not exempt them from being polite or make them always right.

Things seen through different eyes are some times reported in different ways. For example an accident reported by different eye witnesses is never reported the same by any two of them. When adults tell of incidents concerning the children it is only fair that these things be told in the presence of the children so it can be cleared up immediately. Some times things are not what they look like or sound like. Whether child or adult every one resents people prevaricating even when it is not intentional and the result is hard feelings. When the child defends himself he is considered rude. When parents have a misunderstanding with another adult they should not impose their attitudes on the children, it is very natural to want your children to feel as you do about your acquaintance but after all they are different individuals and should be treated as such. We should learn to respect people for their abilities and not let personal feelings color our opinions.  
(Interview by Mrs. Alberta Cooke)

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**TO C. L. REMOND**

By William Wells Brown

Go forth and fear not! Glorious is the cause  
Which thou dost advocate; and nobly, too,  
Hast thou fulfilled thy mission—nobly raised  
Thy voice against oppression, and the woes  
Of injured millions; and, if they are men,  
Who can deny for them a Saviour died?  
Nor will it e'er be asked, in that dread day  
When black and white shall stand before the throne  
Of Him their common Parent, "Unto which  
Partition of the human race didst thou  
Belong on earth?" Enough for thee to fill  
The lot assigned thee, as ordained by Heaven.  
I would not praise thee, Remond—thou hast gifts  
Bestowed upon thee for a noble end;  
And for the use of which account must be  
Returned to Him who lent them. May this thought  
Preserve thee in His fear, and may the praise  
Be given only to His mighty name.  
And if, returning to thy native land,  
By thee beloved, through dark with crimes that stain  
Her boasted freedom, thou are called to prove  
Thy true allegiance, even then go forth  
Resigned to suffer—trust thy all to Him  
Who can support thee, whilst a still, small voice,  
Within thy breast, shall whisper, "All is well."

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