

GOD'S LAW, MAN'S NATURE

Father Dowling Adds His Last Word to the Race Suicide Debate.

OBLIGATION COMES WITH MARRIAGE

Some Points Raised by Ann Tagonistic's Communication Answered by the Reverend Gentleman from a Priest's Standpoint

OMAHA, Nov. 23.—To the Editor of The Bee: I see by the communication of Ann Tagonistic in last Sunday's Bee that I am ruled out of all participation in the discussion of race suicide; that on account of being a priest I am utterly and irredeemably disqualified. What right has a celibate to impose obligations on those who have entered the married state? What does he know about it? Well, it is not necessary to become an actor in a play in order to understand fully the plot of a drama. Because a priest has not assumed the obligations of matrimony, it does not follow that he has no right to point out their providential duty to those who have. It is his duty to speak out upon vexed questions dealing with the moral law, the gospel and the commandments; that is what he was ordained for. Inasmuch as he has bound himself by vow not to marry, in order that he may with greater singleness of purpose devote himself to his ministry, the problem does not come up to him for personal solution. His own tastes and relations do not affect in the least his right and duty to act as teacher and guide in his own proper sphere, in which he may be all the more reliable because he is a disinterested observer, without family ties. I might feel bad about being excluded from this discussion, if it were not that by reading the entire communication I find that I am not the only one shut out; all men are under the same condemnation. Ann Tagonistic wants something from me by silence, and very little of that. Women alone are eligible for the discussion. Moreover, none are qualified to speak but those who have passed through the perils of childbirth, and even they must be free from bias as to be prepared to substitute convenience for the requirements of the moral law. Worst of all, only a wife who has been three times a mother acquires a classic right to dictate terms; she alone is entitled to speak the last word in the matter of limitation. All these conditions place me in a very extensive and respectable company. This noble environment of all the men and perhaps three-fourths of womankind emboldens me to raise my voice just a little bit, ever so hesitatingly, in gentle remonstrance against the unfeeling denial of all my right and title to a hearing.

Some Reasons for Coming In.

It would be strange, indeed, if a person had to be a graduate of law before being qualified to pass judgment on the questionable conduct of a lawyer, if he had to be a doctor in order to take cognizance of a violation of medical and Christian ethics. The condition might soon be pushed so far that he would have to be a thief or gambler in order to express his disapproval of stealing and cheating; he might have to become an actor before being a playwright, a finished performer before acting in the capacity of a musical critic. I opine that all this comes very near to constituting an unmistakable violation of the logician's call a reductio ad absurdum. If Ann Tagonistic had her way, the entries for this discussion would be exceedingly limited. Still the number she admits is purely arbitrary. Anyone else has the same right she has to establish qualifications; and I respectfully suggest that all disputed points ought to be left to parents who have reared ten children instead of three. Humanity may be divided into two principal classes, married people and single people. The former are subdivided into those who have children and those who have none. The latter mentioned consist of persons who defeat the end of marriage and those who do not. Those who have children comprise parents who restrict the growth of their families and those who do not. It seems to me that all the various subdivisions of the latter ought to be ruled out except the last, for the same reason that all men and childless women are excluded. Only the heads of large families know by experience what a full compliance with the divine dispensation entails, and experience seems to be an essential.

Sentiment Against Reason.

Sentiment is good in its way, but reason is better. Very seldom is a case based on pure sentiment presented fairly. False sentiment is easily aroused, and it is not difficult to distract attention from the main issue, which in this case is to find out what God will do. The last mentioned ingredients for a misunderstanding in the letter of Ann Tagonistic. Here is the recipe: Sorrows of childbirth—brood of neglected children—paupers issuing from the slums—wails thrown upon the cold and unfeeling world—inheritance of poverty, disease and degeneracy—workhouses—reformatories looming up in the background of want—high types of manhood and woman-

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Overcoats and Suits at \$5.00 Basement Special A special in good quality durable overcoats and suits, on sale in the basement—at 5

HOOD—QUALITY AGAIN QUANTITY—GOOD CLEANSING, CLEAN LIVING.

right-intelligent, respectable and patriotic limitation—difficulty of providing for numerous offspring. All abnormal and unusual conditions, bunched together in one typical case that never happened, are made to do duty in the attempt to correct the work of God and heal the ills of society, with a subconscious understanding that they all point the way to the prudent restriction of population as an absolute necessity of our times. Large Families Not a Menace. I cannot quite persuade myself that the children of large families are inferior in mental and moral endowments to the spoiled and petted darling of the contracted domestic circle, and they lack the higher qualities supposed to be developed in what are commonly regarded as the more favored homes. As one of the family of ten children, I think I am qualified to speak of the conditions and ideas prevalent in such households. All large families do not necessarily issue from the slums, all are not poorly provided for, all are not ill bred, all do not swell the dangerous classes, all are not a menace to the security of the community. Often in the pampered child of indulgence and selfishness, with no fellow in the family circle to keep him company, that sears the hearts of parents and makes them wish he had never been born. The outcast from the school of adversity often outstrips the favored of fortune and the petted child of today often makes the honored citizen of tomorrow; none can read his horoscope or predict his future, but by the free exercise of virtue or vice he has ennobled or marred the makings of a man. It is passing strange that the prudential check so frequently invoked in behalf of the wealthy, who are amply able to rear numerous sturdy sons and daughters fit to be the bulwark of the nation. The outcry does not come from those who have large families. Such parents do not consider themselves hardly used, or subjects for pity; rather they are generally happy in the possession of these household blessings. It is a spirit of rebellion against the providential conditions of a state which they were free to enter or not if they so willed, which makes most of the trouble for the wedded. Let us be honest and put the contention on its true and proper basis. Married people who deny the boon of existence to offspring who naturally come to them pleading for a chance to live, are not so much moved by the desire to furnish a better dowered child to the family or a superior citizen to the state. Their motives are often less disinterested, and instead of taking their stand on the high plane of supposed moral and intellectual excellence, greater wisdom and more intense devotion to the common good, they might more truly admit that they shirk obligations which savor of a plebeian class, because it is inconvenient to bear burdens, which entail the sacrifice of many pleasures, because each addition to the family requires some chapters to travel, dress and social trimmings to be cut out, some rearrangements and subdivisions of the good things of life to be made. What May Be Done. Everybody admits the inconveniences and even dangers of maternity. But these inevitable penalties formed part of the design of God when he decreed the propagation of his race, for he says, "in sorrow shall she bear children." Her sorrow shall be her children. These penalties stand, and woman must bear the burdens peculiar to her sex, just as man must bear other responsibilities and dangers incidental to his nature and position in the world's economy, some of which are pathetically set forth in the verses quoted by Ann Tagonistic. Men and women have a right to get married or not, provided they can get some one to take them; they have a right to avail themselves then of all of the marital privileges sanctioned by Almighty God; but they sin

when by a positive act they thwart the primary end of marriage. If they do not see their way to accepting the conditions placed on them by God himself, they can follow the counsel of St. Paul, who says that he would prefer to have all even as he vowed to virginity, which he does not regard as impossible, though he admits that many are not called to this state. In the discussion of race suicide, too many lose sight altogether of the moral law, of the will of God, of divine providence as a prime factor in the affairs of men. They do not think it worth their while to consider at all what God may want; they take into account merely convenience and expediency. It may be just as inconvenient to observe the commandment which says "thou shalt not steal," but that does not absolve us from doing our duty. If a divine law exists—and it does—it must be obeyed, no matter what the consequences. And this finishes my little story. It also ends my participation in this controversy, for which I have neither the time nor the inclination, and from which I can see no good likely to accrue; the more so as the writer of the communication referred to exercises an undoubted right in using a pen name instead of a real one. It would be disappointing to me to see a whole lot of courtesy being wanted on a "horrid man" and that the controversy was with a Man Tagonistic instead of Ann Tagonistic. Yours respectfully, M. P. DOWLING.

TO MAKE OMAHA TERMINUS

American Telegraph and Telephone Company Will Move from Council Bluffs.

The terminal and offices of the American Telegraph and Telephone company will be removed from Council Bluffs to Omaha as soon as the new telephone exchange building is completed. The change is made principally because the greater part of the long distance business of this terminal originates in Omaha and the change to this city will have a tendency to improve the service. The matter of economy in office rent, etc., has something to do with the move. The new building of the Nebraska company will not be finished before February and then the changes will be made. H. V. G. Church is manager of the company. The lines which carry telegrams and telephone messages at the same time connect from this terminus with Boston, Cudahy's in South Omaha using this connection every morning for a long talk. The first line was put in from New York to Chicago and was the cause of considerable comment. Work on the new exchange has not progressed as rapidly as had been anticipated and owing to cold weather will not be far enough advanced for the installation of the new switchboard until some time in February. This new board has been stored for some time in a warehouse. A month will be required by the Western Electrical company in doing the work of installation. The old board has been too small for some time and has space for only 2,500 wires, while the new board has a capacity of 6,000.

That Awful Cold.

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Movements of Ocean Vessels, Nov. 23.

New York—Arrived: Puressea, from Glasgow; Minneapolis, from London; Zealand, from Antwerp. Sailed: Siberian, for New York; Columbia, from New York; Minneapolis, from New York. At Plymouth—Arrived: Kaiser Wilhelm from New York. At London—Arrived: Minnetonka, from New York. At Seattle—Arrived: Indroden, from Yokohama for New York.

COMMENCEMENT AGAINST THE ROCK ISLAND RAILROAD FOR \$60, BEING THE AMOUNT DUE THE CITY FOR MAINTAINING ELECTRIC STREET LIGHTS AT GRADE CROSSINGS USED BY THE ROCK ISLAND.

George Nicholson gave notice that he would start suit against the city for \$5,000 damages. He alleges that on the evening of October 31 he fell on a defective sidewalk at Thirteenth and M streets and broke his right leg, besides suffering other injuries. The claim was referred to the city attorney.

A large number of complaints about the assessment of taxes for grading and sewers were read and referred. In most of the complaints the tender was made to pay the principal of the tax providing the interest was deducted.

John P. Breen sent in a bill for services as special counsel in the case of the city against C. Bevin Oldfield in the bond deal of a year ago.

Final estimates for the grading of C street from Twenty-sixth to Twenty-eighth streets amounting to \$231, an exact final estimate for grading Twenty-first street from S to W streets, amounting to \$213, were allowed.

A request for an electric street light at Forty-second and S streets was referred to the lighting committee.

Somebody discovered in the northern part of the city remonstrated against the grading of C street from Twenty-third to Twenty-fourth street in the manner contemplated. The remonstrators want the street graded its full width of eighty feet and not sixty feet as planned. No action was taken on the remonstrance. Adjourned for one week.

Board Lets Contract.

Last night the Board of Education met and let the contract for the construction of the new high school building. T. C. McDonald secured the contract, his bid being \$1,200,000. The board agreed to award the building according to the specifications of John Latenser, the architect, and to have it completed by October 1, 1904.

Three other bids were received—they were: Hughes & Son, Council Bluffs, \$2,500,000; Carter & Alcox, South Omaha, \$3,116,100; Roche & Goddard, Omaha, \$3,936,000. The architect's estimate was \$75,000.

It was decided to give teachers and pupils a vacation Thursday and Friday of this week on account of Thanksgiving. It was the original intention to hold school on Friday, but the teachers desired to spend Thanksgiving out of the city that a change in the original order was made.

The Christmas holiday vacation will commence on Wednesday, December 23. Schools will reopen on Monday, January 4.

Bud Clark Arrested.

Yesterday the police arrested Bud Clark and locked him up on a charge of larceny. It is asserted by Chief Briggs that Clark has a wife in South Omaha and another in Council Bluffs. For some time past Clark has been living with one wife here at Twenty-sixth and M streets. Through an accident it was discovered that he had a wife and another home in the Bluffs. The arrest of Clark is particularly gratifying to the police here, as the prisoner has been wanted for some months. Along in the early part of the summer Clark stole a calf out of a pasture near Thirteenth street and Missouri avenue. A warrant was sworn out for his arrest and the document given to Officer William McGrath to serve. McGrath found Clark eating dinner and did not like to disturb him. When the meal was finished Clark said that he would go into the bed room and get his coat and then go right along. Instead of returning to the kitchen where the officer was waiting, Clark jumped out of a window and took to the timber along the river bank. A thorough search was made but Clark could not be found. Officer McGrath was suspended from duty and tried by the Fire and Police Board. A plain statement was made by McGrath and he was restored to duty after

being cautioned to be more careful in the future.

Merely an Incident. In speaking of the trip of the live stock delegation to Fort Worth Secretary Guild tells of an incident which occurred in Kansas on the way south. "During the night the rear sleeper of our train broke away and remained standing on the track while the engineer went ahead with the train, not discovering his loss. The porter on the car in which we were in tried to put on the air and thus stop the train. He found the pipes frozen and consequently the engineer kept on pulling ahead. The porter on the lone car way behind kicked up the lone sleeper. The passengers in the last sleeper did not know anything of the accident until they were told about it in the morning. But that was just one of the incidents."

Testing Milk Again. Inspector Jones gathered in sixteen samples of milk from wagons on the street yesterday and made the customary test. Complaint had been made to the inspector that persons in certain parts of the city were being served with poor milk. It was for the purpose of finding out the particular dealer that was adulterating his milk that the test was made. Of the samples examined fifteen showed over three per cent butter fat, only one not standing the test. As soon as the inspector found out the name of the dealer whose milk fell below standard he started out to find him. An arrest under the milk ordinance will most likely be made.

Turkeys for Sale. Last evening we received a car containing 300 turkeys. Those wanting turkeys for Thanksgiving can secure prices by calling South Omaha telephone No. 330. Harry Guthrie, Twenty-fourth and E streets.

Car Rails Spread. Street car rails at the west end of the Q street viaduct spread yesterday while a loaded car was passing over them. The heavy planking on the bridge was torn up for a distance of nearly 100 feet. Street car traffic across the viaduct has been suspended while repairs are being made. One car will run on Q street from Twenty-seventh street to the end of the line. This track was laid only a short time ago and street car officials do not understand why the rails spread.

Magic City Gossip. Attorney P. A. Wells leaves today for Chicago to spend Thanksgiving with his wife.

The banks and city offices will be closed all day Thursday.

A daughter has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Mylin Tieghe, 2807 T street. J. A. Vail left yesterday for Phoenix, Arizona, where he will spend the winter.

Mrs. Donna Albery will leave today for St. Louis, Mo., where she will join her husband. Joseph Koutsky returned last night from a few days' stay at his farm in Nuckous county.

Joseph Weisse expects to have the public library building under roof by the end of the week. Engineer Beal had the city grading machine at work yesterday as the frost is practically out of the ground.

A meeting of the Fire and Police board is to be held this evening. It is expected that several patrolmen who have been suspended will be tried for violating the rules of the bar.

Thanksgiving services will be held at Leffer Memorial church, Fifteenth and Madison streets, Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. W. D. Stambaugh will conduct the services.

The Ladies' Aid society of the First Presbyterian church expect to clear about \$100 by the cotton sale and quilt held last week. This money will go toward buying a pipe organ for the church.

There will be a special meeting of South Omaha Odd Fellows at the hall, Twenty-fourth and M streets, at 7 o'clock this evening. The lodge will go to Council Bluffs to visit the Odd Fellows there.

THINK HUBBARD PARTY LOST

Latest Report from Labrador Says Nothing Regarding Expedition from New York. ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Nov. 24.—The last mail steamer to return from the coast of Labrador brings no report of the party headed by Leonidas Hubbard, Jr., of New York, which started from Hignolet, Labrador, August last to explore the interior of Labrador. The coast is blocked with ice floes and the snowmats have covered the country with snow to a depth of fifteen feet. It is the general opinion that the members of the Hubbard party have perished.

DANIEL FROHMAN IS MARRIED

Weds Margaret Illington, Who Will Continue with Japanese Nightingale Company. NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—Announcement was made today that Daniel Frohman and Margaret Illington, who is playing the leading part in "A Japanese Nightingale" at Daly's theater, were quietly married yesterday by Judge Henry Bischoff of the supreme court. Miss Illington will continue in the "Japanese Nightingale" until the conclusion of her contract with Klaw & Erlanger, when she will retire from the stage.

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