THE FOLLIES OF THE WOMAN souls and would descend to the plane of men-MOVEMENT.

A DISCOURSE BY REV. ROBERT LAIRD COLLIER. The lecture that follows, delivered recently in Chicago, and printed in a recent number of the Christian Register of that city, presents the truths of the woman "emancipation" movement, as it is termed, in a sound and forcible manner. Every girl in the land should read this discourse, and learn wisdom therefrom. As for the wild-eyed, long haired "reformers," it is possible that not even this trenchant argument can affect their self-complaceacy, but all manly men and womanly women will be delighted with it. Mr. Collier spoke as follows !:-

The woman movement should be cause of surprise to no one. The great wonder is that it has made so little headway. The most difficult sphere and duty to which any human being is born is that of wife and mether. This I shall strive to make plain hereafter. It is in the original intent and ordering of nature, and every attempt to annul this intent and order is abnormal and chaotic. The highest place, the place of dignity and divinest power, of which we know anything in this world, is the place where wife and mother hold sway.

WOMAN TO DO THE FINER AND DIVINER THINGS. Of woman life is born. Man is of woman. The life of the race is the gift of woman; is in the keeping of woman. In Christian times it has been freely accorded to woman to do the finer and diviner things-things that pertain to the spirit and character of the race, while man has accepted the instinct of his sex, and grovelled in the lower and material things. Now, I say, we are not to be surprised, as many seem to be, that certain women seek to get rid of these ter-rible responsibilities, and take to themselves the ways and works of men. I cannot pass freely and of good heart into this discussion without acknowledging that this movement is not of the feminine but of the masculine instinct. It is unfeminine in its ideas, in its methods, and in its votaries. Women who have the sense of their high calling of God: who are thankful to Heaven every day that they were born women and not men; to be the wives and mothers of men their inspiration and crown of rejoicing, have little affiliation with their ideas, the methods, the votaries of the movement. Those whom the universal consciousness of humanity deem the typical and ideal women are those who know secret of their celestial birth and prerogatives, and would not come down from the height of dignity, repose, and sacrifice, where by their sex they are uplifted, to take duties man has always consented to perform, and give up digni-ties which man, by his sex, is naturally and eternally debarred from performing.

THE MASCULINE WOMAN UNFORTUNATE. When the masculine bias dominates in woman, that woman chafes at her physical sex, and would prefer the platform to the nursery. I impugn no one's motives; I state facts. A woman so fortunate by birth, inherited temperament, and moral habit as to maintain in her nature the dominance of the feminine quality, sees a higher sphere—duty, influence in moulding the intellectual, moral, and social life of her family, her husband, her children—than could possibly open to her in Senate or on platform; and if without these natural and normal surroundings of the family, she need not be without a circle of acquaintances where she can find avenues for the exercise of womanly virtues, and avenues impossible to the entrance of man.

TRUE TYPE OF WOMAN.

So I beg time and attention that I may, with the spirit and words of admiration and serious chivalry, assert that the truest women the world over-truest in that they are nearest nature -in that the type of woman is most lucidly before their eyes—are not responsible for the grossness and unseriousness, the uncouth and impatient ideas and methods of what is known as the Woman Movement. Certainly they will not consent to be held responsible for the lax, loose, and what I deem immoral sentiments we are called upon by lady lecturers to listen to on the matter of "Mar-riage and Divorce." These women lectur-ers pervert history and drag in Christ and his apostles to sanction what is nothing less than free-loversm, and in Christian ethics and civil law would be termed licentiousness. I do not misrepresent. I am too deeply serious in this discussion to set up men of straw for the pugilistic purpose of knocking them down. Nor do I mean to play the role of an alarmist. I have no intent to use frightful names to scare people away from a dreaded truth or needed reform. divorce may come about incompatibility of disposition, question of time cannot see how the can affect the morality of the matter. If people may live together a year, and then separate, with the sanction of the law, why may they not live together in the sanctity of husband and wife for a week or day, and then separate with the approval of conscience, society, and God? And, plain words, what is this scheme in its last analysis, stripped of its flimsy rhetoric, but free love and libertinism?

WIFE AND MOTHER FIRST.

If it is said that prostitution exists any how, I must say that I thank God that it is not with the sanction of the law or the purest men and women; and may Almighty God prevent it ever should be! I return from this digression to say that a true wife and mother is fulfilling the divinest, because most natural, functions of which any woman is capable. She may write a book, and speak with power from the platform; but, if she regard these performances as her first work, as her utmost gift, she is either unfortunate in her temperament or basely low in her

WOMAN AS THE HIGHEST EXPRESSION OF GOD'S POWER AND INTELLIGENCE.

The order of creation gives us woman as the highest expression of God's power and intelli-gence. God made man, and man found himself incapable, and less than a cipher in himself. Man had faculties, but none above the plane of reason, which doomed him to come to his conclusions by the slow process of logic. Then God made woman, when the first principle of mathematics was annulled-twice one are two-and the one and the one became one, as in chemistry.

All the faculties of woman are above the plane of logic, not below it. She has fancy, imagina-tion, intuition. She knows without logic; she knows because she knows; and her intuition, after all, holds the lamp for the timid feet of

WOMAN'S LOT IMPLIES PECULIAR SACRIFICES. I concede, without debating the ground, that woman's lot implies more and more trying sacrifices than man's. But in this very element of sacrifice I find the highest and most patent pledge of woman's equality, nay, superiority, to man. Show me the greatest spirit of sacrifice, and I will show you the greatest spirit of life! Sacrifice is the most God-like texture of the universe.

When a woman puts her heart under the pain and aches of her infant, or endures these to bring it to life; when she watches and waits the coming of the prodigal child, and stands between his sin and the father's anger, she is entering into the sufferings of her Lord Christ, and doing just what God did and is daily doing. So I do not deny that woman's place is hard. I do not wonder that many are vexed, and chafe. I do wonder there are no more. I am sure it is more difficult to be a good wife than a true husband, and I know there are more true wives than husbands. Shame on the men! I will enter, with all my heart, the cry of indignation against all brutal men and husbands. Man knows little of the vicarious pity and griefs of woman; little of her broken nights and weary limbs: and he is a brute who would not share these to the outside limits of his powers, and then he could do but

SACRIFICE CELESTIAL

But I return to emphasize the higher truththat sacrifice is celestial; that there is a halo about the crown of thorns; that redemption is by blood; that peace is of struggle; that he who suffers most for others is most like the divinest men, most like Christ and God. Women who do not understand this, but ought to, who do not enter into their higher life, draw back [their

of the woman movement is that we do not need a race of women more like men, but just as un-like as possible. The times demand not increasing similarity, but discimilarity. The world is no starving for more politicians and orators, the race will not die out or degenerate for lack of blatant stump speakers and platform termagants and scolds but when the race of old-fashioned, sacrificing, devoted, contented wives and mothers are gone, God pity the world if left to the present set of women reformers! It is a glory to the name and sex of woman that good wives have moulded men into good hisbands, and good mothers make good children. The mether of Washington did not go to Congress or manogures an army, and not go to Congress or manouvre an army, and should you ask her to-day, as she slumbers in ber grave, what she did for the world, she would say, with a mother's greatest pride: gave the world my loy George." Yes, into his veins was poured her proud blood—it was his life of her life-and into his heart her noble conviction of truth and duty. She did a mother's full part when she wrapped her husband in the hallowing glory of her sex, and clothed the character of her child with her own charms of purity and integrity.

THE BALLOT A DELUSION AND SNARE. And what have I to say of the ballot? Thisthat it is a delusion and a snare, a phantom and pretense. It is the remedy of quackery. It is advertised to cure all, and will cure nothing. I have no great objection to a woman depositing a piece of paper in a poll-box on election day.

This is a small matter, but it is the eternal thing beneath this, and the Infinite thing above this, which concern me. The wicked and senseless thing of which this is born, and to which in turn it will also his the The Michael and the Mi it will give birth: The disparagement of woman's function by right of her sex. The ballot cannot ennoble woman; it might degrade her. I am quite sur e time will tell. The thing will come about, perhaps in our time. It may work no harm. God prevent it should! No possible good can come of it, I am sure. We already see the way the wind blows by the straws. The women orators, this year, are nearly all pleading for what? greater purity and strictness in divorce laws; for greater protection to laboring women: for the elevation of fallen wemen; or even for the ballot, that these results may be achieved? No. These are not the things these big, burly, or fussy and declamatory women are talking about; but marriage and divorce, and they want, as the Irish girl said of the Universalist religion "the terms made very easy." And what is this but nursing scorpions in their bosoms, which may warm for a moment and sting to the death! And this easy-going marriage and divorce can work only harm, and that continually, to women. And what shall we say of the offspring of such people? Have the boys and the girls of such parents no rights? Is no sacrifice to be made on the part of the mother for them? I incline toward the philosophy of the old axiom:—"You have made your bed, and must lie in it." It is infinitely nobler and diviner for the woman to bear her griefs, if she is powerless to reform her husband's manners, for the sake of her children, than make them a public shame by divorce, because of incompatibility of dispo-MORE STRINGENT DIVORCE LAWS.

Instead of making divorce laws more lax, let them be made more stringent, and perhaps young people will be less ready and swift in making matrimonial alliances. If it is needful to have more divorces to suit the state of society, then I should go in for curing the evil by fewer marriages and better ones. It is pretty nearly time that our friends, the lady agitators, had ceased huddling all men together as brutes and tyrants. Men don't like to be called such hard names, especially by such ladies!
Goethe says:—"A noble man is led by woman's
gentle words." May I add:—"Never
reformed by her scolding and harsh ones?"
Then, when we hear itinerating married ladies using such naughty words, we sigh and think of that other saving of the great German's:—"He that other saying of the great German's:—"He is happiest, be he king or peasant, who finds peace in his home." Good men, and no less good women, have before their eyes, as the noblest type of womanhood, which the great Richter adored:—"If the loving, closed heart of a good woman should open before a man, how much controlled tenderness, how many veiled sacrifices and dumb virtues would he see reposing therein?"

MAN DIFFERENT, BUT NOT SUPERIOR, TO WOMAN.

A great folly of the woman movement is to suppose that man thinks he is superior to woman. He knows he is different, and believes his sphere and duty, for the most part, are different; but only a fool of a man thinks he is superior. If these terms, equality, superiority, and inferiority, must be used, then I, for one give in that woman is superior: that is, higher by nature and in the functions of her life. I do not know that I ever heard a sensible man dare assert his superiority to his wife. The man who succeeds in the world, and leaves to it a great inheritance of fame or fortune, is he who has a good and wise wife for his nearest friend and coursellor.

BALLOT CANNOT AFFECT WAGES. And, of course, it is a folly to suppose that the ballot for women can affect wages for women. Wages cannot be voted up or down. This question is, and always will be, one of demand, supply and efficiency. In this country we do not want women to labor in the field, or as hodcarriers, or street-sweepers. We do want them to enter every occupation where head and heart are most needed. And as these are fewer than manual and menial occupations, there are more women seeking them, and so wages are comparatively unremunerative. Here the Federal, State, and municipal gov-ernments should set the example, and pay women the same wages as men, for instance, when employed as clerks or teachers. Nor is it less a folly to suppose the ballot for women will affect favorably our morals. Pray, tell me, how? Jean Paul says: "The purer the golden vessel, the more readlly is it bent; the higher worth of women is sooner lost than that of men." And this saying all observation confirms. Women are certainly not less persistent and desperate in their than men. And the sort of women who are clamoring for ballots and rights are of the very type of our men lobbyists, intriguers, ringleaders, sports in politics, adventurers, and dead beats generally. WOMAN'S MOVEMENT WILL NOT AFFECT LEGIS-

LATION.

I moreover believe it to be a folly to suppose the woman movement will affect legislation for the greater protection of the rights of women. One of the ablest judicial minds and officers of the country has recently said to me that the laws of most of the States discriminate in favor of women. A man has no right in the property of his wife; a wife has a third interest in his. woman's property cannot be held for the debts of the husband; the husband's can be held for the debts of the wife. I think the laws of all the States should be so changed as to make it appear that half of all the property is the wife's, and it is true that nine times in ten the hardest-

MEANING OF THE HOUSEHOLD.

But I must touch, lastly, the fundamental thing in this whole discussion, namely, the meaning of the household. Is it a unit, or so many separate unities? Is it one, or is it many? I premise this, to begin with:—It is one, or it will not survive! It must be one by affection, concession, sacrifice, helpfulness, mutual and loving understanding, or it is chaos, it is hell, and will burn itself out, and ought to. And I have this to say, that Christianity, if that is to be taken into the account at all, lodges the unit in the household, and not in the individual. Stephanus and his household were baptized: the jailer and his family were converted. And in the family, as the father must stand for the minor children, we can finally land at no better and less wrong-working rule than that of the present, where the father stands as the repre-

SOMETHING MORE THAN TALK NEEDED. No, my friends, the good of working, and op-pressed, and low-down sisters is not the good almed at. It is only talk, and outwardness, and

conspleuousness these women, for the most part,

want; and God knows the American people have want; and God knows the American people have enough of them already. Women may lift up the whole world to their plane of life by the most womanly of ways, of which the dear Schiller so grandly speaks:—"With soft, persuasive prayers, woman wields the sceptre of the life which she charmeth; she inlls the discord which roars and glows, teaches the flerce powers which hate each other, like friends to embrace in the bonds of love, and draws to-gether what are forever flying asunder. \* \* Honor to women! They twine and weave the roses of Heaven into the life of man. It is they that invite us in the fascinating bonds of love; and, concealed in the modest veil of the Graces, they cherish carefully the external fire of deli-cate feeling with holy hands."

BILL OF RIGHTS FOR WOMEN. And, finally, I file a bill of rights for women. And, finally, I life a bill of rights for women. The first is the right to education; the freest and fullest, and a popular sentiment concerning it, that shall condemn, as a barbarism, every college and university that dares to close its doors against the girls. Not only education in worsted, and music, and Chesterfield manners, but in classics and science; and I believe that in the coming times the girls will take the prizes

I next demand for women the right of each to be berself, and follow out freely the bias and genius of her nature; to be author, painter, culptor, poet, doctor, or lawyer; and I demand from women respect for the sisters who choose to be dressmakers and bread-makers, who select as their calling shop-keeping or school-teaching. Men, for the most part, accord them respect

I ask for women the right to work where their work will tell best, and man's would tell least. Wemen can redeem this city. Instead of suffrage conventions, which are only opportu-nities for short-haired women and long-haired men to deal in generalities, and for ventilating all sorts of social nuisances, I would have women call conventions to save their sisters from the lusts and depravity of men. I call upon these reformers, men and women, to mount the platform, if that not genteelest method is deemed best, and plead for social purity and domestic felicity and fidelity. Give over this fiction and phantasm of the ballot, this unreality and shadow, this hazy, cloudy sentiment, and get

hold on some real, tangible need.

I conclude by demanding for women the divinest rights of the home. Here let her mould the life committed by God to her keeping, and when it shall come out into the world from her ingenious hand and intuitive heart, let it be pure as crystal. Boys will not be brutes and girls will not be drones when the mothers shall all be priestesses at the high altar of God. Then we shall cease to call for rights, and all seek to do duty.

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