

TO THE PINNACLE OF FAME BY THE BACK STAIRS.

The ancient Olympian method of kidnapping a likely mortal and making a god of him has gone entirely out of date. It takes a very extraordinary person nowadays whom it will even do to canonize as a saint, and the condition of sainthood is only attained after death, and sometimes a long time after.

"The age has grown so picked" that it is hard for any man or woman to step out of the groove he or she happens to have been slung into to run the race of life. In the good old days it was not so. A very strong man, or a very brave or bloody-minded one, was easily translated into a demi-god, and a milk-maid with a witching person and a comely face might hope to find her Cophetua as unexpectedly as Pharaoh's daughter found little Moses in the bullrushes.

Take for instance, the adventures of two Union county girls, daughters of a vagrant ne'er-do-well—probably a Yankee—Mr. Buck Claffin. Could there be a much more discouraging start in life than Victoria and Tennessee Claffin made? The send off of Remulus and Remus was hardly more depressing. But without other help than their good looks, keen wits, and undaunted confidence in themselves, these girls managed to make themselves noted in New York as friends of noted people, as brokers in Wall street, and as publishers of violent and vicious social doctrines, and finally to cross the seas, storm the English metropolis, and in the course of time take to themselves English husbands. None of your common-place Brits, either. One of them got a banker with great riches, and the other got a rich man with a title and is called "My lady." Recently the two sisters were the observed of all observers on a public occasion graced by the presence of the Prince and Princess of Wales and other noted and noble persons to celebrate the opening of an institution which had been mainly reared by the munificent contribution of the husband of one of Buck Claffin's daughters!

It often happens that some sprig of nobility comes over the sea and landing on our shores, captivates some one of our rich and rare girls and carries off his prize and prize money. And it sometimes happens that our darlings go across the water and with their beauty, talent and wealth, lay siege to nobility and compel a surrender. This is a commercial game of give and take that excites no special wonderment. But the capture achieved by the Claffin girls is a work of genius. They stormed the British fortresses without bringing to bear the guns with which opposition is usually thundered down. Their humble birth was against them. They had no great acquaintance to smooth the road to social prominence. Their notoriety stood in their way like a lion in the path. But in spite of all obstacles they are where they are, and they ought to be happy. It is not probable that in all the tide of time like luck will follow the adventures of any other Union county maidens, and I do not advise any of them to imitate the Claffin example in all its details.

But throwing out of the question the pretense, the impudence, the unwomanly daring of these two successful adventuresses, can any one help admiring their readiness and their pluck? It is to their credit that they are now conducting themselves as becomes their station in life and their opportunities. We may also admire them for that. Sometimes it happens that wickedness and wantonness find no heling place, but keep right on in spite of ease and lack of further incentive. But these remarkable women are remarkable in the self-control that restrains them at the edge of impropriety, and for the wonderful adaptiveness that makes them equal to the responsibilities and requirements of a position as far removed

from their humble beginnings as the centre of the earth is from the pole. This faculty is undoubtedly a rare gift. Nevertheless, it may be cultivated to some extent, and may perhaps be more frequently useful in one's self to the hard side than to the soft side of life. The downs generally exceed the ups, and the man or woman who possesses the happy facility of making the best of misfortune, as well as the most of opportunity, can never be set down as a total failure. The philosophy of life involves the bearing of prosperity as well as adversity. And to keep the head down is sometimes as hard a matter as to keep the heart up.

—Mingle's shoe store. —10 cents for a pound of good cotton —Garmans.

W. C. T. U. COLUMN.

THE W. C. T. U. MEETS EVERY THURSDAY AT 4 O'CLOCK IN THE Y. M. C. A. HALL.

A MOTHER'S LETTER TO HER SON.

MY DEAR—I am sure you will not question my love for you, nor my desire to promote your happiness and safety, in this life and in that which is beyond the grave. I have frequently spoken with you about truthfulness, honesty, industry, and other good qualities, which I wish to see become part of your character. But there is one subject of even greater moment than any of these, upon any of these, upon which I have been silent, but which I ask you to consider. I refer to chastity, or to social purity, and may God enable you to keep the right way.

Without any question, you will be solicited to evil sometime in the course of your life, and forwarned is, many times ferarward. You will be told, perhaps, that it is unmanly to live a pure life, that it is girlish; you may be told that your health will suffer if you maintain your purity. Can it be unmanly to live in such a way that you do not fear to have every act proclaimed in the presence of any listener? It is not, rather, the most unmanly course possible to live in such a manner that a thick veil must be drawn over a portion of your life, and that you tremble at the thought of its being withdrawn? The manliest way of living is that which will enable you to look every person in the face, and stand guiltless before God.

Again, you will have better health, and maintain it to a far later period if you remain chaste till your wedding day which will not occur till about the twenty-fifth year. Direct your thoughts and emotions and conversation in right channels, interest yourself in, and practice open air sports of the most vigorous sort, and thank God if your work is one that takes you out into God's free air. The falling off in the health of young men which the life insurance tables show between eighteen and twenty-five at just the period when there ought to be the greatest gain in firmness and solidity of health, proves the truth of the above statement, when coupled with the declaration of physicians as to the cause of the deterioration. Be assured God has written one law in His Book, and another contrary to it in your own constitution.

Will you consider another view of the case. You men call us "weaker vessels," yourselves the "strong" sex. Should you not, then, be manly enough to protect the weak from the greatest injury possible to a woman, nor add to the soil if she has already fallen? You are looking forward to marriage at some future day. The girl is now living, in all probability who will be your wife some day. Will you not live your life as purely as you wish her to live hers? Have you any right to demand of her, when you stand at the altar, more than you bring to her.

Take the White Cross pledge, read the works written for young men, and recommended by these societies; spread its principles. I entreat you by my own motherhood and care for you, use your influence to induce every man to take the following pledge. Henceforth God helping me, I will keep myself pure in thought, word and action and I will treat every woman as I wish other men to treat my mother, my sister, my wife my daughter. Thus honoring womanhood you

will honor yourself, your father, and more especially your mother. Your loving mother,

TO WORKING GIRLS.

Fanny Davenport the actress, lately lost \$35,000 worth of diamonds. Look out for your solitaire! You have none? Yes, you have one worth much more than all Miss Davenport lost. Hers, too, were recovered; yours is lost will be lost forever, and thieves are lying in wait. Your priceless jewel is your virtue. Do you think you are in no danger? Here is a true story: A farmer's daughter from Huron county came to Bay City to find work. Being a stranger, she went to an intelligence office. There she found a woman, middle-aged and respectable looking, who was in search of a girl. She was from a small lumbering town on the Mackinaw road, kept a hotel, and offered \$5 a week if the girl would go as chamber maid and sewing girl, the proprietor of the office recommended the girl to go, saying that the woman formally lived in Bay City, and was all right. The large wages induced her to go. They arrived late in the evening. The girl after going to her room, had to move heavy furniture against the door, and to fight all night for her own defense. At an early hour she succeeded in getting out of the house, bareheaded, and took refuge in a store, the keeper of which took her home to his wife. It was several days before her clothing was recovered. This story ends much better than many. Often and often girls are induced to go to places where the bait is always high wages, and never return to tell their story. One girl now in the Detroit House of Correction, describes the place from which she was rescued, a "lumbermen's hotel" in Menominee county, where she was offered \$14 a week, as "surrounded by a slab fence twenty feet high;" that she tried three times to escape, but was each time tracked by hounds, and would have been torn in pieces had she not gone back. She was there from March to August, 1886, but never received any of the money she was compelled to earn.

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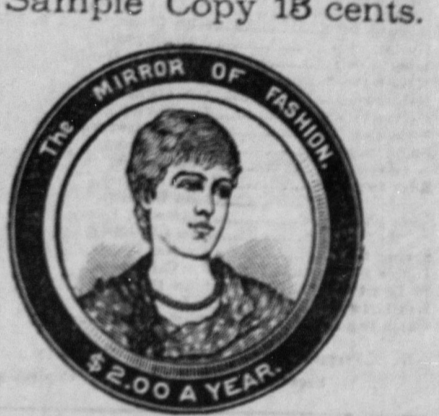
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