

He looked at her pleading upturned face for a moment, and all thought of the partner waiting for him vanished. Sitting down again he was silent for a moment.

Then he turned to her and said: "We have only patched up a peace on the football question by evading it. Can't we fight it out right here this evening. I want to ask you, do you still think the game brutalizes the players?"

"Why, Mr. Armstrong, I'm afraid," she began, but she broke down and turned to him with an appealing gesture. "How can you ask me that?"

"Forgive me, Elizabeth," he quickly added—she did not seem to object to his using her first name, "I will ask you something else. In the old days of chivalry every lady had her knight, who entered the lists and battled for her. Will you accept a football player, who loves and glories in the game as your friend and your knight, and promise me that you will never again unjustly condemn the manly sport?"

He held out his hand. She laid hers in it, nor made an effort to draw it away as the moments flitted silently by.

She had found the answer to her question.

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When the strains of *Auf Wiedersehen* changed to *Home, Sweet Home* they came out and joined the crowd flowing toward the dressing rooms. Before he surrendered her to Jack, whom he saw coming through the crowd to claim her, he said: "I leave at noon to-morrow. May I come and say Good-Bye?"

Her only answer was a sweet little smile and the question, "Is it necessary to ask permission?"

Football had won, and the girl with a career to live had commenced that career.

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## THE COST OF COLLEGIATE EDUCATION.

Henry Loomis Nelson has recently written: "It would hardly be an exaggeration to say that the opening of the collegiate year is a more important event than the opening of a session of Congress." Believing that the above is an underestimate of the truth rather than the reverse, any question affecting the individual and general workings of our educational system ought to carry both interest and import.