

SEX RELATIONSHIP.
A CALM AND DISPASSIONATE VIEW OF
"THE WOMAN QUESTION."

The Future of a Nation's Prosperity Depends In Great Part on the Marriage Relation—Lessons Drawn From the History of Ancient Greece and Rome.

The rights and wrongs of women are now debated with a vigor and violence which increase every day. Those who demand for women not only all the privileges which men possess, but also continued exemption from their responsibilities, would carry the principle of female emancipation to a point which has aroused opposition on the part of many who in every great question of the day are admittedly leaders of the party of progress. While the contest rages as to whether women are to know, say and do everything that the consent of men can, or, on the other hand, be kept completely in the background, people are apt to forget what is really the crucial point of the whole question.

They forget that the position of women, and of men, too, for that matter, is inseparably bound up with the relationships between the sexes known as marriage; are apt to forget the importance of that relationship not only to individuals, but to the state; are apt to forget that too rigorous a subjection of women may bring us near to barbarism, too great an emancipation may lead to that corruption which has so often in the world's history been the outcome of a civilization which has not placed due restraint on the passions and impulses.

The prosperity of a country depends on the proper maintenance of the relations between husband and wife quite as much as on its outer strength, and however great and powerful a country may seem to be, if these domestic relations are unhealthy, if the wife has not her place in the social polity, that country is rotten to the core, and its complete decay and demoralization are inevitable. Speaking generally, there are four aspects or ideals of the status of the wife—four ways in which her position is regarded by men.

There is the method of the barbarian, that of the oriental, that of western civilization, that of corrupt civilization, which last is practically the degraded form of the third. The barbarian regards his wife as a mere slave—a squaw to cook his food, carry his burdens, submit to his ill usage. The oriental sees in his wife a plaything to gratify his passions, and to be kept in the strictest seclusion, and to be treated altogether as a brainless being; regarded by him, in fact, so far as any respect is concerned, much as the squaw is regarded by the savage.

From the third point of view the wife's position is very different. True, she is the mother of her husband's children; true, she has duties to perform which her husband would disdain; true, her husband is the head of the family, and she bears his name. But with all this she is looked upon as her husband's equal, is the sharer of his counsels, his intelligent partner and has a right to expect from him the fidelity which in the case of the savage or the oriental is so one-sided.

The credit of placing this view of married life before mankind has been claimed by Christian writers for their religion. But although we must admit that Christianity has done much to improve the position of woman, yet the high ideal which we have termed that of western civilization existed in a very strong degree in ancient Greece, still more strongly among the Romans and the nations of western Europe, whom they conquered and civilized long before Christianity was preached, and the noble qualities which we admire in those races may often be directly traced to the influence of wives and mothers.

But high as is this ideal, history shows that there are dangers which threaten those societies where it prevails; danger the outcome of that very civilization which it has done so much to perfect. Luxury, prosperity, too great liberty, want of mutual respect and continual striving after new sensations are too apt to destroy that wholesome state of things which has been the palladium of every great nation, and we too often have examples of the fourth ideal, which, though springing from the third, is so distinct from it that it deserves to be classed by itself. Where a wife is no longer content with taking her share in the battle of life, no longer content to recognize the fact that there are things which it better becomes the woman to do than the man, and vice versa; when she insists on aping and sharing the follies and vices of the man, on casting from her that modesty and reserve which are woman's greatest charms; when she spurs maturity and domestic duties as trivial or monotonous, then indeed the marriage state must fall into disrepute; then the fatherland must surely suffer.

It was this which led to the unspeakable horrors of imperial Rome; it was the unsexed women, their profligacy only equaled by their audacity, who were responsible as much as Nero and Domitian themselves for the downfall of Roman civilization. Otho and Silius would have been impossible but for Poppo and Messalina. In latter times, too, and even in Christian countries, where the marriage tie was in theory held so sacred that if duly celebrated it could only be dissolved by death, we have seen a state of things as bad.—Westminster Review.

Mustaches and Beards.
Englishmen only a generation ago had such a detestation of mustaches and beards that the practice of shaving all hair off their faces down to their mutton-chop whiskers was all but universal. From one extreme our clean shaven fathers plunged into the other, and beards and mustaches rapidly became the fashion. The fashion has of late years again been modified. Beards are less common, but the mustache is cultivated in England as widely as on the continent.—London Standard.

Trials of a Kentucky Minister.
In speaking of a well known minister who was until not very long ago pastor of a large congregation in this city, a member of that church said yesterday: "Few people know what he suffered. He was the nearest approach to Job that I ever saw. The newspapers might have had a great sensation out of one of his trials. Though one of the best known preachers in Louisville, considering his stay here, his wife was a morphine addict. On one occasion when he had to go to church to marry a young pair his wife locked him in his room. He finally succeeded in climbing through the transom and arrived at the altar after keeping every one waiting for nearly half an hour. "She often looked him up to try to keep him from preaching, and her treatment of him was often too inhuman to be described. Yet with all that a complaint never left his lips, and he performed his religious duties under a mental agony that few are called on to fear. She took an active part in the church societies, and not until about the time of their departure was her terrible habit known outside the family. Her children were often beaten like animals. I know these things to be facts, and if the name were divulged it would thrill the city with astonishment."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Dvorak Awakens the Musical World.
Dr. Dvorak's bold declaration that the negro melodies of America are to be the foundation of a great national school of music ranging through every stage of the art, from ballads to symphonies and oratorios, has aroused the musicians of Europe. The Commercial cable brings us an interview with Ernest Reyer, the distinguished French composer. He says that the negro melodies, even if they do not serve as the actual basis of the coming American school, will determine its character. The presence of the great Bohemian master in this country is a blessing to art. And it is a remarkable thing that, at the very moment Rubinstein, Richter, Joachim and other famous musicians were discussing Dr. Dvorak's discovery with correspondents in Europe, the composer himself was writing the gratifying announcement that he had just finished a new symphony reflecting all through it the negro melodies of the western world.—New York Herald.

Sheep Shearing in New York.
They are shearing the sheep in Central park, and a good sized job it has turned out to be. There are about 80 ewes and as many lambs besides the two or three rams. All of the flock are Southdowns of the purest breed, and their wool, averaging from six to eight pounds a fleece, is very fine and of more value than that of the ordinary sheep. Shepherd Conway and his sheep dog are attending the sheep and lambs on the green, while three or four professional sheep shearers are at work on the rest of the flock at the sheepfold. As fast as an animal has been shorn it is turned out to pasture with the lambs and rams, and the contrast between the thin, white appearance of the shorn sheep and the thick, brown fleeces of the rams and lambs is an interesting sight.—New York Letter.

Closing With a Hymn.
Secretary Hoke Smith recently attended a semiprivate dinner in Washington and was called upon for a speech. Quite a number of newspaper men were present, and Mr. Smith concluded his remarks with an appeal to them to stand by the administration and stop criticizing it. His remarks were pitched in a strong religious strain. When Mr. Smith sat down, the gentleman who was presiding at the dinner said with a perfectly grave face, "The choir will now sing 'I Want to Be an Angel.'"—Washington Letter.

Reduced Immigration.
The total immigration to the United States during the 10 months ended April 30, 1893, was 334,825—a decline of 119,133 from the immigration of the corresponding 10 months of the previous year. Emigration from Russia and Poland shows the greatest decline in this period, having fallen from 94,099 to 33,978. There is a very slight decline in the arrivals from Great Britain and Ireland, but the tide of emigration from Italy shows no abatement.—Charleston News and Courier.

Hawthorne in a Bean Pot.
The story goes that a few weeks ago an auctioneer near Lewiston, Me., put up an old bean pot, and having no bids knocked it down to himself for 50 cents. Inside he found a copy of Hawthorne's "Fanshawe," the original edition. He remembered seeing in a Boston paper that a copy of this book had recently been sold for \$181.50. He wrote to a Boston dealer, who offered him \$100 for his find, which he took. It is said he might have got more.—Philadelphia Press.

Endurance of a Young Russian Woman.
Last winter a Russian girl of 17, giving way to fatigue, fell down asleep by the road, and when she awoke found herself buried so deeply in snow that escape was impossible. Fifty-one days later she was still found breathing and was brought successfully back to life. During all this time the poor girl had to eat only some crusts of bread that happened to be in her pocket.—Courier des Etats-Unis.

After traveling the globe for 20 years a letter has been returned to its sender, Fred C. Anderson, at New London, Conn. The letter was properly addressed, but had not been claimed by the person to whom it was inscribed.

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