

## Open Doors to Happiness

The following interesting paper was read at a recent meeting of the W. C. T. U. by Mrs. J. Vinton Scott, and is well worth perusing:

The home is the most important institution in the world, because it has more to do with the formation of character than all other influences. It is the place where we are trained for life.

Our homes are made up of many doors: First, we have an open door of happiness where the strong influences for righteousness that have blessed the world have come largely from Christian homes. We know many a person has been kept true to principle in the battles of life by the influences of a godly home.

The key to a happy Christian home is Love, which is another open door to happiness. There should be unselfish love between husband and wife, and between parents and children. In one's married life difficulties, perplexities, and discouragements will arise, but an open door to Happiness is let neither husband nor wife harbor the thought that their union is a mistake or a disappointment. Let us determine to be all that it is possible to be to each other. Also let us continue the early attentions and in every way encourage each other in fighting the battles of life. I believe a little time should be taken to study to advance the happiness of each other.

Another open door to happiness is that neither husband nor wife should attempt to exercise over the other an arbitrary control, and not try to compel each other to yield to your wishes. It cannot be done and each other's love retained. It takes a great deal of kindness, patience, forbearing and courtesy in order to succeed in making this one door to happiness.

Here is one of the largest doors to happiness: The handling of money. The happiness of thousands of homes is marred because the problem of handling money is not correctly solved. To me marriage is a partnership in which the individuality of neither party is lost. Both give their best for the benefit and happiness of the firm, and both should share in whatever dividends result from their mutual toil, whatever it be happiness, comforts, or money. And yet some wives are constantly subjected to humiliation in regard to money. There is no reason for it even from the standpoint of justice and fair play, to say nothing of religion. This reminds me of an illustration of what some women are compelled to endure and of the niggardliness of some husbands. A story is told of a Southern negro who went to his pastor for advice as to how he could stop his wife's extravagance. He complained that every time he went into the house she would pester him for money; it was a nickel for this, a dime for that and a quarter for something else, and he just could not endure it any longer. "Why," said the pastor, "what does she do with all this money? How much have you given her?" "No, suh. I dunno foh de life of me what she gone done wid dat money. I ain't give her none yet."

Whatever may be the individual financial ability of husband or wife in any particular case there is no justice in taking away all a wife's independence, in money matters, or compelling her to act as a suppliant and a beggar in the home where she spends longer hours and in more nerve-wearing employment than the husband.

Now one more great open door to happiness where angels love to enter through and delight to manifest their presence is a home where parents surround their children with an atmosphere of cheerfulness, courtesy and love. A home where love dwells and where it is expressed in looks, words and in acts. This atmosphere will then be to the children what air and sunshine are to the vegetable world, promoting health and vigor of mind and body.

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The other night, I went to the theater With a low brow friend, And the orchestra played "The Little Brown Jug." And he thought It was the National Anthem And stood up, And I did too, Darn him.—Arkansas Gazette.

"While out gathering pledges in St. Johns, the last day of the W. S. S. campaign," writes a News reader, "I knocked at the door which was opened by a young man playing a cornet. He kept right on playing while he motioned me to a seat. I sat down and waited until he had finished his tune. You'll excuse me, he said, for going right on with my practice, won't you? If I'd stopped when you came in, I'd have forgotten where I left off, and I'd have had to play the blamed thing all over again. And the neighbors are pretty sore already!"—Portland News.

The merchants of Lents and Mt. Scott district should combine to keep foreign ads out of their home paper by buying all the space the editor has to spare and utilizing it for their own good. This would place the editor under obligation to them and he could freely and conscientiously blow the trumpet in their interest only.—Mt. Scott Herald.

A London scientist says that man was the ancestor of the ape, and not the ape the ancestor of the man. It doesn't make any difference which was the first parent, neither has anything particularly brilliant to brag about.

"I was standing in front of the Tutwiler waiting for a friend the other day," said Ernest W. House, "and just across the street a number of pretty girls were waiting for a street car. It was windy, and there was quite a display of hosiery. Now, this in itself would not have been so very unusual, but a fellow standing by me spied the exhibition, and then saw a blind man sitting only about a hundred feet away, with a sign, 'Pity the Blind.' "I do not know who he was, but his sympathies were aroused, for he turned to me and said: 'I never was so sorry for a blind man in my life; I am going across and drop a quarter in his cap,' and he did.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

A million dollar bond issue, part of the \$3,000,000 total authorized by a vote of the people, was ordered floated to continue the construction of the St. Johns municipal grain elevator at the regular meeting of the commission on public docks. The bond issue will make a total of \$2,500,000 thus far floated for the work. The proposed \$1,000,000 issue has had the approval of the capital issues committee at Washington and sale will be started as soon as preliminaries are completed.

To Members of St. Johns Camp 7546, M. W. of A: Neighbor F. Gasser will soon be called into the service, therefore, Geo. W. Munn has been regularly elected Clerk. After August 1st the Camp will meet but two times per month, the second and fourth Thursdays.—Fraternally yours, A. L. Marey, Consul.



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