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THE HAPPY HOME:

The Musband's Triumpi

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CHAPTER XVIII

It was late in the afternoon of a baluy day in May-time when the little steamer that had, months before, borne to the village of Belltown, Missouri, the apathetic wife and anxious daughter of old Isaac Armstrong, made its usual landing at the foot of the rickety stairs, allowing the lawful husband of Sally Jones to step upon the wharf and gaze wistfully about him.

The man who had stood there with the lantern on the memorable evening when the child Margaret had timidly accosted him when eaching the way to ranged the ribbon at her throat. the widow Jones', was standing there still, as though he were a fixture. But the lantern was not needed now; as the days were long and the supshine radi-

"How are ve. Mike?" was Isaac Armstrong's tremulous greeting, as he

grasped the Hibernian's brawny hand. speaking softly in her heart. "Be jabers, an' ye've the best o' me jist ?" was the inquiring answer, as the wharfinger cordially returned the greet-

"Does the widder still live in the white house on the hill "" queried the old man, not caring to reveal himself when he saw that he was not recognized. Poor fellow! Seven years had passed into the irrevocable shades of departed hand infinitude since last he stood there. He had a young bride upon his arm then, a bride who clung to him tearfully and gazed wistfully after Joe Samson-head clerk of the Transportation Company in bisidle hours—who turned with a heavy heart, and dropping his journal, wended his lovely way to his daily mechanical toil. But twenty years could not have more completely changed the erewhile bridegroom for the worse, so foriorn and abject looked he, as he gazed to-day toward the white house on the bill.

Yes, the widder lives there yet. And there's a grass-widder there too-they're gettin' plenty in these parts."

'Can ye tell me anything about her ?' and the little blue eyes gleamed uneasily, while the ungainly form cowered before an apprehension of he knew not her and your children into my house, ye know what yer doin'?"

chipper as a filly to a clover patch, Joe tect the whole of them. But you shall sault." Samson's pickin' up mightily of late. He's gained ten pounds in the last two

his heart thumping with rage and piness, when she married you for hood by living with a woman in whose Leave the house this instant, and never article. I merely wish to say a few and pen and noble deeds to emancipate

listen to the still, small voice.

to little Dalsy on the front porch.

he paused to mend the gay red-flannel here she shall remain as long as she then. I know you better, now." harness with which he had rigged shall will it." Chrimy for their sport, and which the child-horse had broken when playing ole she tiger !" 'smash up."

to the chamber where her step-mother himself," said Mrs. Jones scornfully, sat, busily embroidering a suit of dainty ! blue for the infant dalsy; "Mamma! the poor head of the Armstrong family. less, before she ever saw the light, purified by suffering, its dross consumed took! I believe that's papa coming up "I won't say nothin' more that's on- claims my attention now. I must in the crucible of self-denial, and his the hill."

Mrs. Armstrong turned deathly pale, Please let me see Sally." while a look of mingled terror and aversion stole over her features.

"Nonsense! It can't be your father, wedded to Stonehenge and stock. He

won't care to worry about us." going to meet him, and take Daisy with with a nervous onslaught upon pots and dren I will keep our separation secret. duly responding love. me!" and before the mother could kettles, and then ran out to the gardener, For the sake of my bealth and happi- But this is not a mere idle romance. casts his vote. No State can disfran- cry of the slaveholders, when the emanremonstrate, Margaret was half way to confer with him over the tragedy in- ness and reason I refuse to live with you. dictated to please the senses. It is a life- chise any of its citizens, nor deprive cipation of the negro race was advocated. down the lawn with the tiny birdling in doors.

"Oh, father " she exclaimed impulhere !" holding up the baby, who and partly to gain full command over inward fires of unqueuchable discord, that the great evils that naturally ac- tioned as a disqualification for the exer- and sons, and a proof of the helplessness enapped her blue eyes at him wonder- her tumultuous feelings. ingly, and then hid her face on Margaret's shoulder

picture of health and happiness in his mother-in-law. red flanuel harness; and Fred, bolding the lines behind him, shouled "Whos!" in valu

father gruffly; "an' what does fate mean?" The speaker was his wife, who advanced proaches. Do you understand me ?\ " was stunned by the blow, but soon re Constitution. For what reason? "Ar-

with mamma's restored senses, and we're all ever so happy, only I do want to go back to Stonehenge !" said Mar-

to be gracious. The silly gossiper at the wharf had aroused his long pent jealousy. What cared he for so common a matter

Armstrong, nee Jones ? "Bother the young un! Whar's yer part. maining?" he repeated, pushing Margaret away with his trembling arm, and striding on toward the house, not

deigning to notice Fred and Chrissy. "Go it! old gouger," yelled Freddy shaking his pudgy fist after the tottering man, whom he failed to recognize. "Go it! and don't 'ou dare to speak cross | was not ""

"Hush-sh-sh, Freddy! It's father You musn't speak cross and ugly to poor papa when you haven't seen him for so long," said Margaret reprovingly, but her heart sank within her, despite her conciliatory words; and she hugged the baby to her bosom with a sickening apprehension of dread.

Mrs. Armstrong dropped her work, smoothed back her hair, straightened the folds of her dress, and calmly ar

"I always knew the crisis would comsome time; and I might just as well meet it now as at any time in the future. I shall not live with that man any

"You took the vows upon you for better or for worse!" suggested conscience.

"And he promised to love, protect and cherish me till death should part us! He has failed in his contract and made mine null and void," was her insudible reply.

Good widow Jones met the visitor at the door.

"Is it possible that this is Mr. Arm. steep of matrimony strong?" she exclaimed, extending her

"Whar's Sally ?" was the uncivil reply, as he shook from head to foot. "She will come in presently. Are you sick ?"

"Worse than sick, mum. I'm ruis Sally's tuck up with Joe Samson !" What ?"

old me all about it."

"Sir !" said the widow botly," you you to take yourself off instantly. It is votedly. and fed, sheltered, clothed and protected

The old man waited to bear no more. ration of her reason. That she made a ort, Sally; but I'll promise to do better! Like a reed shaken with the wind he great mistake that well-nigh cost her her Won't ye come and live with me?" trembled, as he tolled feebly up the steps, life, as it certainly deprived her of hap- "Would you, sir, stuitify your manjealousy, and his whole being bent upon money-which she hever got-instead wifely integrity you have no confi-"What if the story isu't true ?" whis- she ought to have done, even you must in scorn. pered an unseen monitor, but the angry admit, unless you're a natural idiot; but "I'll never 'cuse ye no more, Sally. woman-protector was too indignant to she has ever been a true wife to you in 'Pon my word! An' I'll build a nice lit- your sympathies, we might here record-Fred was playing in the door-yard loved and cherished her, as you vowed like a lady." with Chrissy, and Margaret was cooling before God and man that you would, I "That promise sounds strangely famili-"I see a beggar-man! An' he's got ever been true to you in thought also, deed, I distinctly remember that some- the nobility of soul which you have good clo'es on, an' I d'ess he's sick, too!" But you've sinned away your day of thing like it was made in this parlor learned to so deeply admire in Dr. Hardexclaimed Fred, eatling to his sister, as grace. Sallie is safe under my roof, and nearly seven years ago. I believed you ing, his daughter's suiter, the old man

"I bumbly beg pardon, mum," pleaded

Dinah," and that worthy withdrew to table with graceful submission, you can

"But it is he, mamma! And I'm as she busied herself for a few moments health's sake. For the sake of our chil-

room, partly to listen to the conversa- for them, poor dears, that they have in- is a story pented to point out what is are specified as minority, idiocy, insan- was a standing evidence of the concupisively, "I'm delighted to see you! Look tion between her mother and husband, herited from their unhappy mother the wrong in law and custom, with a hope ity and crime. Sex is nowhere men- scence and liquationsness of themselves

"How do you do, Mr. Armstrong?" gazing at the baby with a wondering to meet him with a stately bow, "When did you leave Stonebenge, and how spired with a new idea. The were your children ?" she queried, sent-

> "I left nigh on to three weeks ago, trouble ye to give 'em up, peaceably if mum, but it 'pears to me ye greet me ye will, forcibly if ye must." orful stiff, like," and the husband leaned and looked into her face, while a one-

"Ob. Sally "Well"

"In it true ?"

"That ye've tuck up with Joe Sam-

"Didn't you hear my mother say

there must be some fire."

her feet and confronted her husband

child in years and knowledge then-I you, spare to me my children " swer. How well I tried to fuifill mine. law let vour older children judge.

"A few more months of wifely subhave closed over me, as it once did over

" I am now well, though, thanks to your beautiful system of conjugal protection, I never shall be strong If I should go back to the old life. I should passionate entresty pleased him vastly. go back to the old misery. Isaac Arminsuit to injury, by coming here to-day be a grass-walder. Thinks it's justiona. story of his wife's unfaithfulness. and making wicked accusations against bic. I'll larn her a trick with two o' the mother of your children. I shall that when I send the constable to re-"I heered it at the wharf. Irish Mike seek no divorce. I cannot bear such a pievy them young uns. Ike Armstrong disgraceful proceeding. But I shall live may be a fool about some things, but quietly with my mother and little ones, he's up to the law about a busbaud's usult me, you insult my daughter, you and shall take good care of Margaret if rights. insult my house! If you cannot keep a you will allow me to keep her. She is civil tongue in your head, I command a dear, good girl, and loves me de-

not yet seven years since you took my Isaac Armstrong rose to his feet in an daughter away from me a radiant, overmastering rage. Seizing his wife bealthy, promising woman. Six months roughly by the arm, as be trembled with ago you senther tack broken in health, passion, he shook her violently and ex- and tell us all about Stonehenge and bereft of her reason and destitute. I took chained in a loud voice. "Woman to the folks at home, I'm glad to see you,"

"We've had enough of this," said the "Oh, nothin', be jabers. Only she's them. Sallie has regained her health mother-in-law, setzing him by the disjist like all the rest o' the women. Now and spirits. Her children are well and engaged hand. "Leave the house at The father, suidenly infuriated, gave she's rid o' old Isaac, she's as pert an' happy, and by God's grace L will pro- once, or I shall have you arrested for as-

not come here to insult and annoy us. Then the old man fell upon his knee "My daughter has not exchanged and wept and entreated pitcously. "I words with Mr. Samson since the resto- know I've not always been as kind as I

of marrying Mr. Samson for love, which dence?" and Mrs. Armstrong bit her lips

word and deed; and had, you protected, the house in Belltown, an' I'll treat ye and would we could in truthfulness -

"Miss Jones, yer a vixen! A reg'lar out ye!" he piteously pleaded.

"Oh, Sally! Sally! I can't live with-"That's the first I ever heard of it " cast me adrift, penniless and help-

"Til git even on ye for this, Sally !" Them chil'en alo't your'u, an' I'll ture grew deathly sick.

picious tremor shook his bony frame, she gasped for breath and clutched nerve air."

"After the very flattering comments ously at the ribbon at her threat. "Don't ton

that he might lose the property he had to honor my mother in my hearing, sir, not so smart as ye thought ye wus! and all, if you don't stay away from the President and Supreme Judges for years claimed in the person of Saily I fancy that you would object to any Luckily thar's alaw to punish rebellious her!" and the child wiped the tears from down to the lowest office in the gift of evert acts of familiar greeting upon my wives! Aha! Miss Armstrong " and her eyes and began applying restora- the people, outnumbering the decent the head of the family chuckled audibly lives to her unconscious stepmother's men ten to one. Could the "women to himself, as he fumbled in his pockets | mouth and nostrils. "Ye'll hear from me, Miss Jones!" for nips and tobacco, and began to pre-

> "Oh Mr. Armstrong! You couldn't be so cruel!" pleaded the wife. "Re. holy relations o' husband an' wife. A great in the one as in the other." "Ar member. I gave the best years of my life mother-in-law always was a nuisance. to the care of your first motherless brood. Remember that I have gone down to "Well, Sally, I've always heered it the very jaws of death for you time and destitution last winter," said Margaret Bible, that text and guide book of all said that whar thar was so much smoke again. Remember that I went to your defiantly. "You didn't help us any." home a healthy, willing, ambitious your consent only because I was no family. with just such an air of wounded dig- louger physically or mentally equal to nity as he had often recoiled from in the tasks which you imposed upon me, Mattie, his daughter, but which he in Heu of the love and protection you never expected to encounter in Sally, promised, and for which I staked my all there's any law to protest a woman from adultereress? "Go and sin no more.

mare leisurely for a smoke

"Issae Armstrong, look at me. I "By the memory of the dead mother it." loathe, detest, I scorn you. Years ago, of your first dozen children, a mother guided by the false allurements with who went the way that I, as her success struck Sally a blow in my life! But I guilty, and of which she could not be

did violence to my own better judgment "If ye'll do yer duty like an obedient and became your wife. You promised wife out to and submit to yer husband trusted to bring up a family " said the "Neither do I condemu thee, go and to love, protect and cherish me till death accordin' to Scripter, ye shall have yer lord of erention. should part us. How well you fulfilled young uns. If not, Wise Armstrong, 1 that yow, let your own conscience an- propose to test what virtue thar is in

wounded by her father's rule repulse of the mother of your children !" endeavor to drag you up the life-long stormy scene, and now gathered courage woman to talk about yer good name baby waif to her bosom.

"See here, Peg !" said her father ex-

"You slander mamma and I will not hear it " exclaimed Margaret; and the old man started, as he traced her strikthe resemblance to ber sister Mattle to the child's flashing eves.

"If you've come to visit us pescefully she continued. "But if you've come to raise a row. I wish you distaved at home

the child a blow upon the side of the face that sent her sprawling to the floor. against the corner of a chair.

Mrs. Armstrong fainted from exces sive fright. "Monster." exclaimed Mrs. Jones

frantically, "vou've killed the baby again dare to darken my door, or 141 have you arrested for murder "

Dear reader, if this were a story written merely to arouse and then assuage their going to the polls would not only stead of women, for the evils of society: cially. The simple act of casting a vote that Isaac Armstrong, stung by by remorse, grew heartily ashamed of his inbefore God and than that you would, I "That promise sounds strangely faunt have no doubt but that she would have jar," was the caustic rejoinder. "In human conduct; and that, exhibiting of women; and these having it all their holding, as they do, the political power. accepted his lot, hard as it seemed, and The labor of answering such foolish to control the industrial, domestic and ever after contented bimself to live assertions would be worse than wasted, social relations of all classes of the peothat had become intolerable upon the "Dinah, will you call the gardener? was the calm reply. "And now, sir, young mother of his children. Then you "Mamma?" called Margaret, rushing There is a gentleman here who forgets with your permission, we will close this and we would sympathize with him in interview. My baby, with which you his sorrow and loneliness, and long for the day to come when his freed spirit, reasonable if ye'll let me set a while. look, too, to the support of Peg and whole being emobled by the exercise of Fred and Chrissy. I make no demands manly magnanimity, would soar, un-"That sounds a little better !" said upon your purse, and I shall ask for no sullied into the beautified presence of the Mrs. Jones. "I countermand the order, divorce. If you will yield to the inevi- martyred wife of his youth. And while we sympathized with, we would honor government and the laws to which they men, would change, and they be held to child, or he would have written to apprise us of his coming. Besides he's and snapping her fingers viciously. "Oh, what a blessin' a legal protector that we have separated. When you reis in a family sometimes " she thought, turn to Stonebenge I will remain for my she be made to rejoice in his presence

But, remember not one word of this is bistory, of which every reader can, in them of the exercise of this right, ex- they forgetting that the rapid increase Mrs. Armstrong had lingered in her to go before the children. It is enough some form, imagine a counterpart. It cept for certain causes. These causes of mulatto children among their slaves Let us not embitter their young lives company the violations of God's great cise of the right of franchise. "Will you promise to treat my by unseemly bickerings. You may ordinances, in mercenary marriages and state regulations can extend only so grown to such vast proportions, and the daughter with courtesy and kindness if have the use of the north chamber dur-one-sexed, one-sided law, may be laid far as to require a residence of a certain men have made such a vigorous on-Chrissy came toddling after her, the I permit you to see her?" asked the ing your visit. The children shall be bare at the root by the battle-axe of length of time in the State, county, slaught on the women, in order, Adamthught to love and honor you as their truth. And so, with trembling hand township and precipet. Yet every State "That's a humiliatin' promise to ask father, and I shall five for them only. and saddened heart, we pen this chapter in this Union has usurped the power to that the women have been forced to de-

"Sir " and Mrs. Armstrong arose to girl-wife. I came away from it-with stassy hussy," replied the head of the adulterer, the fornicator, the whore-

"Not another word Mr. Armstrong! dispatched binah for a magistrate. If of Heaven. But what does it say to the her husband's violence, I propose to test

which you dazzled me-I was a very sor, hopelessly trod for years, I entreat can prove that her name's bein' bruited guilty without his co-operation, Christ, about Belltown in a way that ain't re- knowing her to be the victim of man's speciable, an' that she ain't fit to be concupiscence, says, in accents of pity

unhappy wife, now fully conscious of stone." But let the enormity of the what was transpiring, "you certainly sin be what it may, and its prevalence Margaret, who had been cruelly wouldn't try to tarnish the good name as extensive as we know it to be, we

mission and unpaid servitude in your when she had sprung to meet him so "I tarnish yer good name, indeed bare, bleak home, and the grave would joyfully upon the lawn with Daisy in 'That's a splendid joke' Didn't I hear a bar to the exercise of the ballot and her arms, had remained out of doors evil said o' ye on the wharf when I first the holding of office in the case of men, another who fell by the wayside in her with the little ones during this whole landed at Belitown " You're a purty to enter the parlor, still clasping the Refuse to bbey yer own lawful husband ! I'll larn ye !" and the indignant consort. trembling now with mingled exultation ultantly, for Mrs. Armstrong's mood of and rage, hurried away from the house, went aboard the ferry boat and crossed to the Illinois shore, where lived a brother vine. It is worse than nousense-it is strong, I will not do it. You have added tutin' notions in her head, and wants to of his, to whom he unbosomed a doleful 'criminal this trying to excuse in man

(To be continued.

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VOTERS AND VIRTUE.

last meeting of our Suffrage Society, citizen is not a prerequisite to the exer-From the tone of the article, and the cise of the right to vote and hold office arguments made use of, I more than even the office of President-and to suspect that "Arcadius" would have prove that it is unjust to deprive women beer the more appropriate signature.

it must be one in whom all the finer and might vote or get into office. nobler attributes of womanhood have been blotted out, leaving only the grosser taken in this matter. It is time that elements of our nature; for no woman men, and women too, should know that of noble and virtuous principles-no "sexual sins" are just as criminal in think that he can much longer hold woman of pure and generous impulses -- men as in women-yes, even more so, no woman whose durity associations have as man is the aggressive party. It is men and women of our land, and whose instead of her, or at least equally with intionize and reconstruct our present soul is filled with an earnest desire to her; and we are glad that so many nobenefit humanity, would stoop to write ble men and women have become such a distribe, such a libet ou her own aroused to the enormity of the injustice

lowed to vote. What are the requisite women. citizenship. The Constitution of the should they be allowed political privi-

"That's a humiliatin' promise to ask father, and I shall live for them only. and saddened bases, and is a man'to make about his own wife."

Were I to fry to live with you, I should and the next, picturing, not what ought disfranchise its female citizens, and is pend on themselves; and in so doing pend on themselves; and in so doing upbeid in that usurpation by the genyou, but I will not brook your re- Mrs. Armstrong's baby did not die. It eral government, right in the face of the The old man started up suddenly, in- covered, and the old man, seriously cadia," and others of like prejudices and alarmed, took the frail waif into his fears, seem to think that it is because, if arms, only to half-sufficate it in his women were allowed to vote, "bad sweetest, dearest little thing! Don't log herself upon the edge of a chair, and he said exultantly. "Ye forgit that attempted kindness, with his smoke women," by which term they mean you want to kim her? She came to us closing her lips tightly, as she awaited that's a law to punish rebellious wives. laden breath; whereat the little orea- "prostitutes," women unchaste in their lives, would, as a necessary consequence. "Give the buby to me and attend to vote too. Then, oh, what direful result your fainting wife, or be off with your- would follow! Some of them would Mrs. Armstrong turned deathly pale, self, which is better," said tils mother- even get into office! Wonder if "Arcaforward with his elbows upon his kness, Such a contingency had not before on in-law. "The child can't bear tobacco dia" ever thought of the millions of curred to her. Sinking upon the lounge smoke. It has always breathed clean drunken, ignorant, debauched "men "Don't touch membra " eried Mar-election and deposit their votes, filling as a child or two, when there was danger upon me with which you were pleased "Aha! Miss Armstrone! Yer garet. "She'll lose her senses for good the various offices in our nation, from

prostitutes" do more than this? Is it any worse for bad women to vote and said Issac Armstrong emphatically hold office than it is for bad men to d "Ye've been interferin' between the so? Is not the sin of unchastity as cadia" thinks not. She says that bad "If it hadn't been for Mrs. Jones your women are worse than had men an aswife and children would have died of sertion without proof. What does the Christian nations, say of this sin? It "Maybe ye'd like another boxin', ye denounces in the strongest language the monger all masculine terms, and where ever used applied to men , and declares interrupted Mrs. Jones. "I've already that they shall not enter the Kingdom

While man makes a great outcry about the unchastity of woman, accusing her "Miss Jones, ve can't preve as I ever of that of which he is himself alw. sin pe more." and further directs "him "Oh, Mr. Armstrong " pleaded his that is without sin" to "cast the first do not excuse nor palliate it in either sex: but we do say that as it is not made it should not be in the case of women It is no worse for "bad women" to vote and hold office than it is for "bad men to do so. They are both citizens and both have the same natural and constitutional rights: both also are amenable to the same laws, both human and di-

We could mention many prominen men in our nation whose private lives are a mass of rottenness, and upon whose countenances the word "liber tine" is stamped in every lineament were it necessary to prove what we have and signed "Arcadia," was read at the asserted, that purity of life in the male citizens of the exercise of the same If the article was written by a woman, rights, because some unchaste woman It is time a different view was being mind.

I do not propose to review the whole woman, and are striving with tongue words on one or two points. The first her from the social thralldom in which women," prostitutes, "would vote; and ciety should hold men responsible, inthey would stay at home, and thus ety ? Public opinion is made and con-"bad women are worse than bad men." and judiciary power, and through these can represent the highest type of wonwere there not many, both men and nie thuil woman is placed on an women, who, not taking the pains or equality with man politically, she can bring into action a self-reliance in which time to inform themselves on these sub- never be on an equality with him in jects, and feeling a prejudice against any other relation in life. Men know any innovations on established customs. this. They know that should woman would, on reading such an article as once become politically free, that social, "Arcadia's," firmly believe that the industrial and domestic freedom would world with all its family and govern- soon follow, and that she would come mental institutions would go to destruct up by the side of man, his peer in every tion, were women allowed to exercise respect, and that public opinion, in retheir inalienable rights to a voice in the gard to "free license" on the part of are amenable -in short, if they were al- as strict a moral and virtuous life as are

United States says the voter must be at lege, is a libel upon our sex, and is only citizen of the United States, and of the set up as a scare-crow to frighten the State wherein he resides, at the time he timid. It is just like the miscegenation of englaved women. The social evil has like, to screen and excuse themselves, by throwing the sin and blame on them, evil lies. It lies in the political in-equality of the sexes, and can never be remedied nutif the rolling power is not exercised by man alone, but by man and woman conjointly, and when woman demands of man the same purity of life that he demands of her. We think if "Aroadia" will give this subject a thorough investigation from an unprejutional form and unprejutional forms of her modesty, her virture?"

Thus wrote a distinguished Unitarian investigation from an unprejutive form of the public gaze. He has a clear woman inventey years ago. He has a clear woman inventey years ago. diced standpoint, she we will for convenience that a woman she has taken are untenable, and the argement used to maintain them susound; that women are citizens, and equally with men have a constitutional right to

The Lew Morthwest.

intependent in Positics and Bellgion tilve to all live lance, and Thurway's Radical in Opposing and Exposing the Writing of the Masses

res must make known their manes to Either or no attention will be given to the

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ruherent right, given her by the same power that bequeathed it to her brother man. All are endowed by the Creator with certain inslienable rights, among which are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; to secure these rights gove ernments are instituted among men deriving their just newers from the consent of the governed. Either woman should not be governed by and held amenable to these laws, or she possesses

the natural right to belo make them

One portion of citizens have no right to deprive another portion of rights and privileges that are possessed and exer cised by themselves -man has no more right to deprive woman of her free public political opinion, than she has to deprive him thereof. Man admits the right of woman, when he declares that when all women demand the ballot it shall be granted. If it is the right of all women then it follows necessarily that it is the right of each one, constituting the all. On arriving at the age of twenty-one, man is entitled to vote What is the reason that woman has not the same liberty? If man cannot give good, lawful and constitutional reasons for thus withholding from her the same freedom, let him no longer urnore her demands.

The Constitution declares that women are citizens, and that the right to vote is a citizen's right. Therefore, her count right to the ballot is plainly to be seen, Our opponents cannot say that women are not citizens, and as such possess a citizen's right from birth; if the right to vote, or the right to self-government, does not exist in the people, independent of constitution and laws, how could there be a lawful constitution, and from what source came our present laws They emanated from the assumption of power on the part of somebody. The will of the cutire people should be the true basis of our government, and the free expression of that will by the pulhe vote of all citizens, without distintion of race, color, occupation, or sex is the only means by which that will can be ascertained. As the world has advanced in civilization and culture, amind has arisen in donathion over matter so have the rights of women become more fully recognized, and that recognition is the result of the development of

women in subjection. We are not in

that has so long been meted out to action she may attain her perfect and natural development. In order that the designs of the Creator be accomplished, is, "If women were allowed to vote, bad she has so long been held. We said so and complete emancipation from man's be in itself be a direful calamity, but but how can this be done while men will not immediately remove the numwould so disgust decent women that control the sentiment and voice of society grous evils of society. That can only leave the voting altogether to that class trolled by the ruling power, and men, ballot will give her freedom, and freebe attained through growth. But the own way, would vote themselves into of the nation in their own hands, are that she berself is not aware of, and dom will develop a slumbering power office, etc." "Arcadia" also says that thus enabled also to hold the legislative that must be understood before she ever

she is now sailly deficient it will arouse higher aspirations and nobler impulses, and qualify her to become a competent teacher of the rising general

The American nation, in its march onward and upward, cannot politically choke the intellectual and political activity of half her citizens by marrow statutes. Women have argued, plend. and reasoned to prove that their claims are just and founded upon natural law which is superior to the laws of man. And this will eventually compel him to relinquish his assumed power, and vield to woman her God-given right

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clergyman twenty years ago. He has since discovered, let us hope, that med-esty does not lie altogether in a bound, nor is virtue necessarily enveloped in a shawi. His own denomination is now of women preachers—nor do the

England has 800,000 more women that