

SAYS CHILDREN LIE BY INSTINCT

Philadelphia Professor Be-
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vengeful—Jungle Law.

Philadelphia, April 24.—The Good Book records: "I said in my heart, all men are liars." To this Professor Earl Barnes of Philadelphia adds as a corollary his deliberate conviction that all children are natural liars.

This congenital tendency of the human toward prevarication he attributes to the facts that in primitive history deceit is the greatest of virtues, and that the life of a child is a repetition of the experience of the race.

Professor Barnes, enlarging on an address delivered recently at Amherst, Mass., said:

"In the development of the moral nature are two factors: First, the hunger for righteousness; and second, the moral judgments on which this hunger acts. The hunger to do right remains about the same through successive generations; the moral judgments are in a constant evolution, and acts once considered as wrong may come to be regarded as right."

The Law of the Jungle.

"Take, for instance, the subject of truth telling. Everywhere in the jungle world deceit is the greatest of virtues. The fox, the lion, the most cunningly saves his life and leaves a progeny of successful liars after him. The same principle holds in primitive history. The Odyssey of Homer is the glorification of a successful deceiver. In the incompatible episode of the Old Testament Jacob wins the birthright of his brother by misrepresentation, and flourishes exceedingly."

Would Lie Like Gentlemen.

"Only in modern times have men come to call for truth telling as a just policy. Trade and politics have been largely responsible for this development. Children repeat the experience of the race."

"Study among 1000 children in London, in which they were asked to tell what a little boy should say to a visiting uncle about a birthday present which the boy had received and thought very ugly, disclosed the fact that 35 per cent under 7 years old would lie like gentlemen and say they thought it beautiful. This proportion of liars among children decreases until the age of 12 years, when there comes a recrudescence of deceit."

Revenge Considered Proper.

"So with revenge. In early society there are no courts, no police and no prisons, and carrying out the blood feud is a great virtue. In this development of revenge has become a vice. But children manifest the primitive instinct. Three thousand children in Jersey were asked the following question: If one boy should be tripped by another, and thrown in the mud, and later called an ass, ought he to do so? At 7 years of age, 80 per cent of the children said that the boy should revenge himself."

"On such data I base my conclusion that little children tend to lie, and to revenge their own wrongs."

HER SISTER AS CO-RESPONDENT

Wife Says John Shelley Kept
Two Establishments a
Few Blocks Apart.

New York, April 24.—In a suit for divorce brought against John Shelley in the supreme court, Brooklyn, Miss Bertha Shelley names her sister, Miss Katherine Colgan, as co-respondent and declares the latter has broken up her home.

Through the filing of the divorce papers a strange life has been revealed, for it is said that while living with his wife and 6-year-old daughter, Shelley was also maintaining another home not far away where Mrs. Shelley's sister was installed as his wife, and where there was another 8-year-old girl, who was also said to be Shelley's daughter.

Home to Supper, Then Away.

Shelley, it is said, alternated between both establishments, coming home to his wife at supper time, then departing later to the home of his sister-in-law. Here he was known as John Sommer, and the woman as Mrs. Sommer, although the latter was never married and was still Katherine Colgan to her intimate friends and family relatives.

This double life of Shelley, it is said, continued for nearly three years, and might still be unknown to his wife had she not started an investigation.

The Shelley was married on August 28, 1926, by the Rev. Father Joline, pastor of St. Louis Roman Catholic church on Ely street, Brooklyn. Mrs. Shelley was Miss Bertha Colgan, daughter of an old parishioner of that church. All went well for while and a baby girl was born.

About this time, Shelley, who is an advertiser employed by Manhattan firm, absented himself from home a great deal. He usually came home to supper, and after kissing wife and baby, giving an excuse press of business. His wife now says that Shelley would go direct to her sister Katherine.

What Made Deception Easy.

The two sisters had a falling out some time previous and never visited each other. That is the reason Mrs. Shelley never suspected any wrong doing, and as the sisters were not reconciled their estrangement made it easier for the husband to lead a dual life. About the same time her own baby, Anna M. Shelley, now 3 years old, was born, a baby was born in the home of Mrs. John Sommer. The latter is named Gladys Marie Sommer.

Recently Shelley's absence increased and Mrs. Shelley began to inquire where he spent his time. Great was her surprise when she learned that her sister's home and learned all about his double life. She went to Father Joline and put the facts before him. The priest sent for Shelley and heard his side. Two weeks ago Mrs. Shelley engaged Lawyer Henry Jochim to bring suit for divorce.

Shelley's counsel has put in a general denial and sets for a separation in a counter suit brought by Shelley. The allegations in the complaint and affidavits were made public when Justice Carr granted Mrs. Shelley \$3 a week alimony pending the action for divorce, which will come up in June.

VALUES EASIER TO BUILD RAILROAD THAN ACQUIRE BLOCK OF BUSINESS BLOCKS.

Chicago, April 24.—It is easier to buy a railroad system nowadays than block of business property in any one of our big cities, said a Chicago multimillionaire the other day. The reason is that a controlling interest in a railroad can be bought for one has the proper number of millions to invest, but the most valuable real estate is no longer bought and sold at any figure—it is leased. This is one of the latest and most important developments of the credit system, which is today bringing about a revolution in many methods of business finance.

Half the new buildings in Chicago are put up on leased ground, according to real estate men here, and outright sales of big city corners are now getting as scarce as hens' teeth. An entire new branch of the real estate business has been created to handle these transactions, with special brokers who deal in leases instead of deeds, and trust companies that safeguard the various parties at interest. In another 10 years the practice will become nearly universal, it is asserted, at least as far as the most important property is concerned.

Business Concentration.

The concentration of business in the big cities and the enormous rise in real estate values is partly responsible for this. The capitalist or business man who wants to put up a new hotel or a skyscraper does not always find it easy or convenient to sink a cool \$1,000,000 or \$2,000,000 in the site alone. Instead he forms a syndicate and buys the right to use the necessary property for a period of 99 years, for which he pays a fixed rental, usually increasing in amount every stated number of years. Deposits to insure the carrying out of the contract are put in the hands of a trust company, which is often called on to act as umpire in cases of unforeseen disputes, and the owner of the land settles back in his chair with the comfortable assurance that he and his heirs will continue to draw a definite income for the next century.

A Record Lease.

Probably the record transaction of this nature is a lease that was made in Chicago the other day for a period of 99 years. "It was for such a period as this are not impossible though they are not the rule," said an officer of the Western Trust & Savings bank of Chicago, which has played a leading part in this development. "The usual life of a lease is 99 years, and the old custom of revaluation has been largely replaced by provisions for a sliding scale of rental, whereby the owner of the property is assured a definite return which takes into account the probable increase in value. In this way bonds can be issued in North America and more and more bond issues are now being made on leases. The trust company, with its stability and continued life, is an important factor in such arrangements. Interest payments and usually insurance premiums are paid through the company, as well as deposits to protect the lessor, and the transfer of leases is made easy and automatic. To many who make a lease of city property in these days usually expects that the lease will change hands many times during its life."

Modern Values.

Actual figures of the value of modern city property, based on recent transactions, are an interesting commentary on the growth of the country in the last 10 or 20 years. The highest mark in Chicago was reached about two years ago, when a lot on Jackson boulevard was leased on the basis of \$30,000 a front foot. Rentals of \$100,000 a year or over are by no means rare. The rent of the new La Salle hotel site, for example, is set at \$30,000 after the first two years, which is considered low for the property. The most valuable spot in Chicago, and probably in the entire country outside of New York city, has been officially fixed by the board of review as on State street at the corner of Madison, in the heart of the retail district.

TALK TO MARS? YEP, DEAD EASY

Will Cost Only \$10,000,000 to Rig
Up the Necessary Apparatus.

Boston, April 24.—If mankind cares enough about it to put out about \$10,000,000 there is no very good reason why the human race should not be able to talk with Mars—and that as soon as next July—according to Professor William Henry Pickering, Harvard university's celebrated astronomer.

Communication with the Martians will be made possible, Professor Pickering declares, by adopting his method of flashing messages when Mars reaches the earth to within 25,000,000 miles, or about 5,000,000 miles nearer than ever before.

The distance of dollars is a large amount, he admits, but he predicts that, once this means of celestial communication is established the messages will be sent in an answering signal. He answered if there is intelligent life on Mars, and that, in such case, the hitherto hidden mysteries concerning Mars will become an open book to the people of the earth.

Pickering Details Plan.

Professor Pickering describes his system in these words:

"My plan of communicating with Mars would necessitate the use of a series of mirrors so arranged as to present a single reflecting surface toward that planet."

"These mirrors would all have to be attached to one great axis, parallel to that of the earth, run by motors, and so timed as to make a complete revolution every 24 hours."

It would be necessary to have these mirrors occupy an area of more than a quarter of a mile in order to reflect a sufficient quantity of light to reach the Martians.

Large Telescope Needed.

"Even with such powerful apparatus as is proposed, the reflected light would not be apparent to the naked eye, but by the use of powerful telescopes the signal from the earth could be discernible."

"Looking down from Mars this reflection would appear like a small point of light upon the surface of the earth."

"Supposing, with such a signal in operation, we began a series of flashes, cutting off the sun's rays for an instant and then allowing them to reflect again, repeating this at irregular intervals, forwarding, say, the telegraphic code of dots and dashes for the word 'hello'—that providing there were intelligent people on Mars, the light would at once attract attention and would eventually lead to an answering signal. If we received such an answer it would be a comparatively easy matter to establish a code and transmit messages."

**GREAT FRENCH SILK
MILLS TO AMERICA**

New York, April 24.—That a combination of silk industries in southern France, representing \$10,000,000 of capital, will transfer their plants to this country was stated by Jean Duplan, head of a large silk dye works at Marseilles.

Mr. Duplan, who is a French silk manufacturer, said that already a co-operation had been offered with one of the largest silk dyeing establishments in Lyons, N. J., and that one of the largest banking institutions of France

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