# EDITORIALS

## OPINIONS OF GREAT PAPERS ON IMPORTANT SUBJECTS

### When Should a Man Marry?

WHEN should a man marry? The ambitious young person with an income of $8 a week has been propounding this inquiry to the puzzle editors of our leading dailies for years. He is enjoined not to be deceived with that fatuous mental arithmetic which teaches that what is enough for one is sufficient for two. He receives the impression from newspaper advisers that he should have more than $10 a week, and not quite so much as $15. He writes that the young woman of his choice thinks $10 is too conservative, and he is advised that she cannot be worthy of such unselfish devotion as his, and if she were truly womanly she would make the amount buy as many automobile coats as possible.

In view of the perplexed state of the public mind on this all-important theme, the recent edict of the German Kaiser comes with authoritative force. It sets marks and boundaries, establishes incomes, social station, and even limits previous conditions of alimony. The Emperor has promulgated an order to the effect that no officer may marry unless he receives a salary of $1,125 a year and is in the enjoyment of an income of $375 more. That is to say, if he and his future wife between them can muster $1,500, the wedding march may be sounded. The hopes of the $15 young man are cruelly dashed, for officers who get no more than $750 a year are forbidden to even consider the matrimonial contract.

Carping critics may say that the whole matter might be simplified by giving every officer in his majesty's service at least $1,500. This would give the business of marrying off the German army to that irresponsible little deity who goes about with gauze wings and shoots amorous shafts with reckless profusion.

Cupid is not trusted in Germany, and there is a growing lack of confidence in him here. The United States has an unwritten code with regard to the finance of matrimony. A young lieutenant in her army or navy spends his salary for uniforms and extra allowances for the mess. When he marries he must of necessity have a private income, or he must find the daughter of a magnate or something or other who is willing to share his lot and his glory until a kind government increases his rank. Sometimes the larger pay does not come until he is beyond the pale of forty.—Harper's Weekly.

### The Dangers of Ambition.

THERE is a tendency of modern life to give too much rein to ambition. The quality, if it may be called such, is unduly exalted; and some grave faults, even, are held to be palliated by the fact that ambition has prompted them. The child is schooled to covet things far above its present sphere, and while this is done there is absolute omission of teachings as to the sweet, old-fashioned virtue of content.

Ambition, reasonable and properly regulated, should be entertained by all; but to be reasonable it must bear a moderate proportion to the existing conditions of the individual life. The intense purpose to do well what lies before one is noble. It is not so commendable to reach out to accomplish other tasks that do not distinctly and naturally lie before one. Many good things are ill-done because of the not wholly justifiable ambition which has moved certain persons to the doing of them. It is not consistent with the true philosophy of life that we should be ever straining for results. Let duty be done simply and thoroughly, and there will be no need of worry as to the results.

We hear much of intense will-power compassing extraordinary successes. There is a great deal of intense volition without the corresponding force that can alone give it effect. It is absurd to will anything intensely which we are incapable of accomplishing. Yet that is what many thousands of persons are doing, and they commit the further folly of striving to accomplish it against all probability of success. There are exceptions in which this striving may appear heroic; but they prove the rule.

Excessive ambition is the ruin of too many lives in every grade of society. The advice ascribed to Cardinal Wolsey by Shakspeare, "Fling away ambition," is too sweeping; yet the faculty of moderating ambition to fit the talent or capacity that is available for its service should be sedulously cultivated.—Philadelphia Times.

### New Problems of Immigration.

STATISTICS of immigration, taken in conjunction with information furnished by agents in Europe, indicate that the present year is to be a record-breaker in the recent history of this country. Last year the total number of immigrants arriving in America was 487,915. This year it is estimated the number will not be less than 600,000.

The most remarkable and interesting feature of the immigration movement, however, is the fact that there is a decided change in the character and nationality of the people coming to our shores. In 1882 as many as 250,630 of the immigrants were German, 82,394 were English, 76,432 were Irish, 64,607 were Swedes, 29,101 Norwegians, 11,618 Danes and 18,937 Scotch. This gives a total of 533,719 out of the 788,992, or nearly 70 per cent, and there was a large British immigration from Canada besides. At the present time 70 per cent of the immigration is from Italy, Austria-Hungary and Russia.

The probable effect of such a change in character of population opens up a wide field for sociological speculation, especially in reference to the larger cities of the country. The injection of a comparatively large and new element into the municipal affairs of such cities as New York, Chicago, Boston and Philadelphia, which receive the greater share of immigration, is a thing the results of which can only be surmised.

In the meantime, the country will have a new problem in the task of assimilating the new elements which are thus being injected into the national life.—Denver Post.

### Conviction of Woman Criminals.

IS the world changing its attitude toward the woman criminal? It would appear so from the sentences recently passed on two convicts. In Minnesota, Mrs. Tanke, pronounced guilty of murder, is sentenced to life imprisonment and to hard labor. In Kansas Miss Morrison, guilty of like crime, is sentenced to twenty-five years' imprisonment, practically a lifetime. The Minnesota case was settled in one trial. The Kansas crime rather followed the historic custom of leniency and only after three trials was the case finally settled. These two sentences may be taken as evidence that woman is beginning to be judged as criminal and not as woman.

Just what effect this will have on the human race is debatable. No attempt has ever been made to deny that women have similar criminal instincts with men, but the position in which she has been held has kept man from visiting upon her the penalty that he pronounced upon himself. There have been woman criminals from the beginning, since the nail of Sisera, since the poison of the Borgia. But, partly because of idealizing and partly because woman did not share in the world's lawmaking, and therefore she was not held to be of equal guilt in the law-breaking, woman has not so often been found guilty in any appreciable degree.

The asexualizing of crime will be a benefit to the human race. Men and women are not so different after all, and to divide them into sexes in the punishment of crime is to fail in the control of crime. It is not pleasant to contemplate a future where the prisons are filled with women. But these very cases in illustration are the best preventive.—St. Paul Dispatch.

### Money Made in Gambling.

YES, there is money made in stock speculation, in buying and selling grains and in playing the races. Yes, millions of dollars are made and thousands of persons are becoming the richer thereby. But the persons who are making the fortunes are not those who invest their capital; the winners are the brokers and the bookmakers. Every time a man deals in a stock or a bushel of wheat he pays a certain per cent to the person who executes his orders, and whenever he bets on a horse race he pays even a greater per cent to the man who gives him odds. These individuals are bound to be winners; they have a "dead sure thing" and in the end they will get the cash.

Of course some men have the luck to win heavily at both stock gambling and playing the races. The names of those are always emblazoned forth. Nothing is said of the multitude who fail. If persons who contemplate risking their money on either of these forms of gambling would take pencil and paper and figure the percentage against a possible winning, nine-tenths would start a bank account and be satisfied with the small but sure return on their investment.—Cincinnati Post.

### The Business of Executing.

HENRY B. PLANT died in June, 1899, leaving an estate valued at $17,000,000. Among the executors was Judge Lynde Harrison, who recently resigned. In submitting to the New Haven, Conn., court his statement as trustee Judge Lynde said that he had received as payment for his services the sum of $161,625—more than $50,000 a year. Each of the other executors had received a like amount.

What a pity it is that more of the American people cannot be made executors by millionaires who are getting ready to die. It is a fine business, this executing. Where is the man who wouldn't be willing to be an executor if he could get $161,625 for three years' work at it?

The widow and some of the sons of Plant have now succeeded the original executors, and will hereafter manage the estate themselves. It is not surprising, since the figures have been made public, that they should want the executing jobs in the family.—Chicago Record-Herald.

### WHERE QUEEN VICTORIA DIED.

**Osborne House, Which Edward Presented to the British Nation.**

Famous Osborne House, one of the favorite residences of the late Queen Victoria, which was presented to the British nation by King Edward VII. on Coronation day, is one of the most magnificent of the several homes of English royalty. The gift is peculiarly gratifying to the British public, as Osborne is sacred to the memory of the late Queen and will ever be inseparably connected with incidents in the life of that beloved sovereign.

As it will be necessary for King Edward to spend a considerable part of the year in London and in its neighborhood, at Windsor, and having also strong home ties in the county of Norfolk, he felt that he would be unable to make adequate use of Osborne House as a royal residence, and he therefore, offered the property as a gift to the nation. It is the King's desire that the house be devoted to national purposes and converted into a convalescent home for officers of the army and navy whose health has been impaired in the service of their country.

It was at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, that Queen Victoria died, January 22, 1901. It is situated in Whippingham Parish, not far from Cowes. The house can only be reached by crossing the ferry to East Cowes and ascending a steep hill, the view from every part of which is a delightful one—woodland, valley, town, river and sea being visible. Queen Victoria used to spend most of the winter months at Osborne, which was her favorite residence next to Balmoral, Scotland. She liked Windsor Castle little, and Buckingham Palace, London, least of all. While the Queen was at Osborne the grounds were jealously guarded, but when she was absent visitors were allowed to inspect them. The gardens, with their terraces, their myrtle and rose trees, and their many rare exotics, are among the finest in the south of England. The climate of the Isle of Wight is considerably warmer than that of the mainland, and every visitor to that "Garden of England," as it is called, will have remarked the luxuriant manner in which flowers grow there.

OSBORNE HOUSE, PRESENTED BY EDWARD VII. TO HIS SUBJECTS.

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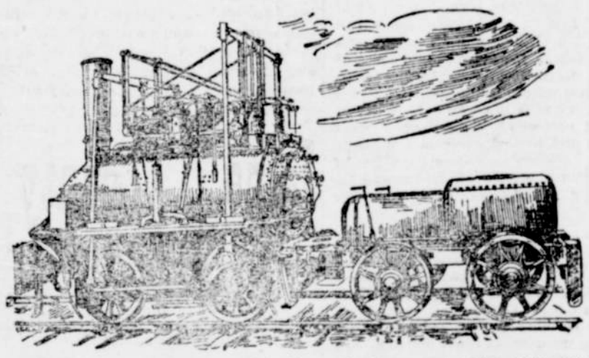

The first locomotive constructed by George Stephenson was built in 1813, while he was employed at the Killingworth Colliery, Northumberland. In 1819 the owners of the Hetton Colliery, Durham, decided to transform their wagonway into a locomotive railroad, and recognizing the abilities of the "Killingworth engine-wright," they invited Stephenson to act as engineer of the undertaking. The railway, which ran from Hetton Colliery, a few miles from the city of Durham, to the Wear at Sunderland, was opened on Nov. 18, 1822, on which date there were five of Stephenson's engines at work. One of these is shown in the above illustration. After nearly eighty years' continuous working, it is still to be seen hauling the coal trains at the Hetton Colliery, and it is now claimed as the oldest working locomotive in the world.

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### She Might.

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### Failed to Scare Him.

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### Druidical Ruins in England.

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### Not Able to Share It.

Hewett—The editor says it will be at least a year before he can publish my poem. That's a long time to wait.

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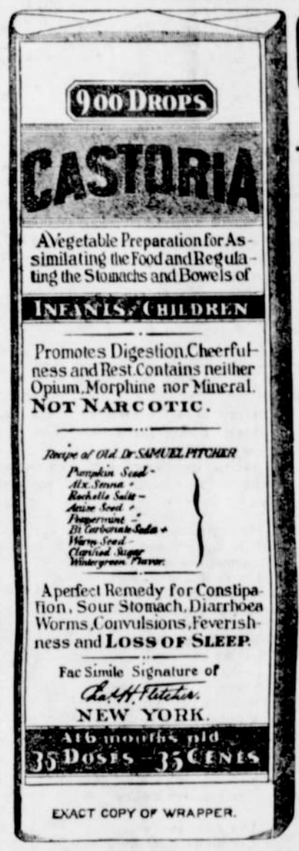


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### Anglo-Indian Life.

Every night at dinner the Anglo-Indian holds a kind of levee. The insects which attend dance gayly round the lamp, and one has to watch one's plate and glass carefully lest some of the insects should dance into them. There is one insect—a little, flat, brown, shining creature—which emits the worst odor in the world. If one of these touches your food the whole is tainted and rendered inedible. You dare not kill these pests, for if one be crushed the whole room becomes filled with its disgusting smell and is uninhabitable for the next half hour. So these abominable insects fly about with impunity while the poor Anglo-Indian must perforce look helplessly on.

### Chinamen as Debt Dodgers.

New Year time in China is always fruitful of fires. It is the Chinese custom that all debts must be liquidated by the end of the year. Failure to do so means utter ruin of one's credit. It frequently happens that a Chinaman, seeing disgrace staring him in the face, will set fire to his house and thus plead to his creditors, "How could I pay? The gods have destroyed my home. Ask the gods for the money." In this way, if not detected, honor is saved and credit unimpaired.

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