

The Way of Life

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WIVES

One could draw many interesting lessons from the recent biography of the great English barrister, Sir Edward Marshall Hall.

For instance, it furnishes a striking commentary on the difference between our method and the English method of administering justice. Sir Edward appeared in most of the celebrated trials of his time. Any one of them would have dragged on for weeks over here. The longest of them lasted only eleven days in England. A majority were wound up in less than a week.

We are ahead of the English in most departments of modern business. We are even with them in medicine, in science, and, perhaps, in literature. In the law we are woefully, shamefully and inexcusably behind.

But at the moment I am more interested in one very human little incident in Sir Edward's life which occupies only a paragraph, and was perhaps overlooked by most readers.

He had just been elected to Parliament and had prepared a speech with which he hoped to dazzle the House and make his reputation.

Again and again during the long night session he tried to catch the Speaker's eye, but each time he was overlooked in favor of some older member. So he went home with the speech still undelivered, its ringing sentences still ringing in his head.

There in bed lay his little wife, who had been asleep for hours. But

Sir Edward, so much disappointed and so on fire with his own oratory, could not let her sleep. Forthwith he woke her up and insisted that she listen to the whole long speech.

Is there any wife in the world to whom something of the same sort has not happened?

I knew personally one of the leading men of the last generation. For years he had gone home every evening and—detail by detail—told his wife the whole story of the day's proceedings: what he did what he said and what other men had done and said to him. When she died at a ripe old age, the husband seemed organically sound and good for another ten years at least. Yet he followed her to the grave within a few months. Life had no more zest for him. He had lost his audience.

Go into a restaurant and watch the couples at their meal. See the man expanding under the encouraging smile of a girl, talking along, showing what a great fellow he is. And she, asking questions which are much dumber than they need be, deliberately concealing her own wisdom in order to make him appear the wiser.

They are a great invention, these women, and particularly those of them who do us the honor to become our wives. Whenever any one tells me that, with the increasing wealth of the country, the wives are growing more idle, I contend that they still earn their living handsomely.

And would continue to earn it even if they had to do nothing but listen to us talk.

cases and 200 smaller ones. Nobody can estimate the value of the treasures stored in this building, but they include all of the gifts of jewels and precious metals which have been made to the successive Popes by devout Catholics for the past 1,500 years. There are tens of thousands of paintings and art objects each worth a fortune.

"Rockefeller himself could hardly pay for the tapestries and paintings in the Vatican and Henry Ford would be bankrupt before he had half finished, if he started to purchase these treasures at their actual value," says James T. Nichols, who recently returned from Rome.

GRENFELL

The young college men who have been assisting Dr. Grenfell in his medical mission work among the deep-sea fishermen of Labrador are on their way "out." The ice is closing in behind them and for the next

nine months the man who has given his life to helping others will be isolated from the world, as he has been every winter for nearly forty years.

Grenfell was a young doctor in London. Dwight L. Moody, the famous American evangelist, was speaking there. Happening to pass the hall, Grenfell dropped in, heard Moody's message, stayed to talk, decided that from that night on he must devote his life to the service of others. The medical mission to the fisher folk is the result.

Great Britain has honored her native son by conferring knighthood upon him. He is Sir Wilfred Grenfell now in his old age. America has given liberally of money and man-power to aid in the work. The example which this self-sacrificing doctor has set has had and still has a quiet but powerful influence on thousands of other young men who are trying, in their own selected spheres, to emulate Grenfell.

CHINA

Civil war in China is not so serious as newspaper dispatches suggest. China is a huge country, covering almost half as much ground as the United States and having three times our population. Disturbances in one region have little effect on distant parts.

It is surprising nevertheless, to read in the U. S. Commerce reports that new apartment houses from 7 to 20 stories high are being built in Shanghai, that a commercial broadcasting station is under construction and another by the Nanking government, and that other enterprises are being undertaken.

China is far from being paralyzed by its internal wars, and may come out of them stronger than before they began.

ROADS

The newest thing in road construction is to build them of iron. The first iron highway of importance is under construction in Sangamon county, Illinois, near Springfield. An iron trough is laid on the flattened highway surface, the corrugated sheets of the bottom of the road curving at either side. The trough is partly filled with a layer of sand mixed with a mastic binder, to form a cushion for the surface, which may be concrete, brick or some other paving material.

Road building in America is still a new art. Old methods useful in horse-and-wagon days are useless for motor roads. In time the ideal road will be discovered and used everywhere. Meantime, every new idea is worth trying out.

GAMES

Human nature demands play. In time of stress and worry, play is the best relief from nervous strain. That accounts for the sudden and immense popularity of the newest

New Net Champion



Betty Nuthall, the 18-year-old English girl, who was the American women's national tennis champion, the first foreigner to win it in 43 years.

outdoor game, "Tom Thumb golf." It is estimated that, even in this financially difficult year of 1930, more than one hundred million dollars has been spent in building and equipping Tom Thumb golf courses. They are everywhere, and attract tens of thousands who have never played real golf.

Cotton-seed hulls dyed green are used for the fairways and greens of these miniature golf courses.

Another current sport is the revival of the old game of backgammon. For years nobody heard of backgammon; the younger generation didn't know what the checker-board meant. Now fashionable society has taken it up, books on backgammon are being published, rules and instructions are being broadcast by radio and newspapers are starting backgammon columns.

HUMORETTES

Broker: I put a friend of mine on his feet three times in the last three years.

Jones: That's nothing! I put a friend of mine on his feet 14 times last night.

Kitty: Jack says he can read me like a book.

Phyllis: You mustn't take Jack too literally, dear. He probably

means that you are a very plain type.

Visitor: "Where's the other wind-mill gone?"
Native: "We only had wind enough for one, so we took the other one down."

Kind-Hearted Lady: "And so you have nine brothers and sisters! My! It must take a lot of toast every morning for breakfast!"
Maggie: "I'll say it does! It takes all we can scrape together!"

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