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HOW SHOULD WE BE EDUCATED AND WHAT THEY SHOULD DO FOR A LIVING—A QUESTION THAT IS ASKED.

Oh, my country. It makes me sad and tired to get so many letters asking for help and advice. Help that I cannot even render. The letters are always welcome for it is good for a man to know of human troubles and to lead his sympathy. It is better to go to the house of mourning than the house of feasting, but these letters make me feel helpless. They make me feel that I wish I was rich and wise so that I might respond to every call of misery. I wish that some great millionaire would die and leave his money to me—to me in trust for misery. Sometimes when I look around my cheerful home it alarms me for fear that I have not had my share of trouble and it will come yet before I die and fall upon my children. They are not strong yet and trouble would go hard with them. The child never gets strong while the parents live. If the old folks have nothing, else to give they can give comfort and sympathy and advice, and when they die a prop is gone.

But the girls—the girls—what is to become of the girls? That is the question that is uppermost in the minds of thousands of parents. It did not use to be so half a century ago, and what is the matter now. Of course the old time parents felt anxiety about their daughters, especially about seeing them happily married and settled down, but as a general rule they did marry and the young couple went to work prudently and sensibly and began to raise children and with a little help were prosperous and happy. There was no great hurrah about how or where the girls should be educated. The old field school was good enough if the teacher was a good one. Richard Malcolm Johnston taught one of them for twenty years, and a college did not turn out any better scholars than he did. My humorous and lovely wife went to just such a one until she was sixteen and I didn't want her to get any smarter, and so we mated, and she knows as much about books and everything else as her college-bred daughters. There is not a school boy that can speak Marco Bozzaris like she can.

But what is the matter with the girls? This new World is chock full of letters about them—whole pages of letters that tell how they should be educated and what they should do for a living. It seems that an old gentleman wrote the first letter and bitterly denounced the prevailing methods and the modern colleges, and he accused women of invading the sphere of man and doing unwomanly things, and said that she had better stay at home and raise the children and let science and art and politics and temperance alone. His letter was pungent and sarcastic and has aroused the fair sex and now we are having it hot and spouted on both sides. Such notable women as Ella Wheeler Wilcox and Marion Harland and Mrs. Austin and Mary E. Bryan and Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher have entered the field and given their opinions in a vigorous and spicy way. A score or two of other writers, male and female, have responded and the cry is still they come and nothing is settled. It is hard to tell who is ahead for some of the women are on the old gentleman's side, and some are half and half and some say he is lunatic and ought to be arrested. The old gentleman has no patience with the short haired, pushing, brainy woman, but wants woman to be lovable and retiring, rather than cold, defiant and self-supporting. He wants them to stay at home and make it comfortable and inviting, and expresses his disgust at the whole tribe who are everlastingly writing novels and dreamy analytical stories. Woman, he says, was created to be a mother and to nurse children, and that is her highest and best vocation.

Some of the women go for him like yellow jackets coming out of the hole in the ground, and they stung him fearfully. I think that he has taken to the bushes to get rid of them, for he has not yet put in a rejoinder. They say that thousands of their sex are not supported by the men and they are compelled to go out in the busy world and support themselves. They would willingly marry if the right sort of a man was to come along and ask them, but he don't come, and but few of the men are fit to marry, and not fit to get fitten, and those who are getting scarcer and scarcer as the years roll on, and so the girls prefer to toil rather than be pensioners upon the bounty of their kinkfinks.

Well, it does look like the old man is right, and the women are right too. He is looking backward at the good old times and they are contending with the hard facts of the present. Half a century ago who would have thought of seeing a nice young girl in a store or counting room, or a printing office, or a theatre, or singing in the church for pay. It would not have been tolerated. They were allowed to teach the village school or keep a milliner's shop, and that was about all. Household domestic work, was their employment until they got married, and then they had plenty to do afterwards. Mrs. Arp did I know. Her good mother taught her to sew and knit and bake and play upon the piano and ride horseback, and she can now work a neat buttonhole than any

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