

...IT NOW—By Mary Chapman.

"What thou doest, do quickly." Here was a divine commandment—what did it mean.

If we think it over a while we may draw some very profitable conclusions, and decide that when we have an intention of any kind formed in our minds it is best for us to translate it into words then into action and get it over.

How many of us are playing with the thought of sin? Or to put it in more polite, less forcible language—with the thought of something that is not quite right, perfectly kind, or on the square.

With the longing for revenge against some enemy who has injured us, or even the half-formed malevolent wish that something will happen—we do not tell ourselves what—that will make the path of life smooth for us, and rough for someone else we detest.

With the temptation to some form of dishonesty. What is your grievance. What mischief do you want to do.

Face the trouble like a true man—like a true woman—and drag your problem into the light of day.

One or two of you, my readers, may have some evil in mind—some crime you contemplate committing but not now.

Oh no, you will not go out and do it at once. You must await the right time and opportunity, and play with the hidden idea until an occasion comes when you can do the thing as it were by accident and then cheat your conscience into telling you "that was not your fault—you were dragged into it—temptation was too strong for you."

Tell me is that your own attitude of mind at the present moment.

Most of us have some pet form of wrong doing that we cannot call by such a strong name as sin, though admitting that it is somewhere on the wrong side of the line of rectitude.

Added to this some of us have a vague idea of a really wicked action we should like to commit some day, at a time as I say when we can cheat ourselves into believing that we could not possibly help it, or we were persuaded into doing it by another.

So we cherish that vague phantom of sin—nurture it at the back of our minds without feeling its presence there and unseen it grows and grows.

It feeds on our strength of will and our will grows weaker. It feeds on our cheerfulness and pleasure in life and a shadow spreads day by day like a dim cloud in the far background of consciousness.

Gradually our whole sky is overcast, and we become trembling weak creatures, bemoaning our lost ideals, that the vapors born of our own evil thinking hide from sight; destitute of faith, hope and trust in the goodness of God and His creatures.

Then the chance we have longed for half guiltily through weeks months and years comes at last. What help have we? All our strength is gone. Our will is weakened by dalliance with the imagination of evil. But God only helps us to help ourselves.

Let me repeat, if you have a self-formed intention of doing something you know to be wrong or wicked, have it out with yourself—do it now.

You will not. Why? You mean to do it some day. I suppose when you have become efficiently weak and futile and polish to do it without any sense of shame or regret.

Would it not be better to get it over, and then repent with your whole heart and find yourself still with the strength to conquer yourself and make amends and start again fair for the future?

At that distant day when your carefully cultivated weakness will allow you to take the false step which common sense at present forbids, you will find yourself too weak to repent and do better.

Your strength of character and purpose all frittered away, you will continue on the downward path tortured by vain remorse and hauntings of evil that cannot be shaken off yet never spur you to arise and do good instead of evil and conquer the past.

Yes, you will do it some day. But why not now? Is the question facing you fair and squarely. Have I dragged your hidden thoughts into the sunshine?

What does it look like? Ugly, is it not? You turn away from it with a shudder. No, you will not do it now. Well, are you going to put the nasty thing away in the back of your mind again, and nurse and feed it there on the best that

is in you. Not deliberately. Surely, you cannot do that.

When we were children we called our temptation to naughtiness "The Black Dog," and it was considered a disgrace in the nursery to carry the "Black Dog" about on one's shoulder.

Now we have caught your black dog, my friend, an ugly little beast that will grow to a hideous monster some day unless you wring his neck in good time—a monster that will devour your better self.

There Were Tears In Taft's Eyes As He Paid Tribute To Maj. Butt

Augusta, Ga., May 2—Coming as a friend to pay a tribute to the memory of a friend President Taft spent today in Augusta, as the guest of honor for the occasion of the city's memorial service to the memory of Major Archibald Butt, one of the victims of the Titanic disaster of April 14.

The memorial services were followed by an informal reception at the Commercial Club, where Mr. Taft met many of his old friends and afterward the President was entertained at the home of Landon Thomas. He left on his return to Washington at 3:50 p. m.

The President was visibly affected by the tributes paid to Major Butt. There were tears in his eyes as he called upon memories of the man who was his aide ever since he entered the White House and who has traveled thousands of miles with him.

Mr. Taft made only a short speech but he came near breaking down twice.

"Never did I know how much he was to me until he was dead," said Mr. Taft. "Lacking nothing of self respect and giving up nothing he owed himself he conducted himself with a singleness of purpose and to the happiness and comfort of the President, who was his chief. To many fine qualities he added loyalty and when he became one of my family he was as a son or a brother."

Mr. Taft told how he met Major Butt, first in the Philippines and later as aide to President Roosevelt. He dwelt on Major Butt's devotion to Mr. Roosevelt and himself.

"It has always seemed to me," said the President, "that Archie never married because he loved his mother so. The greatest sorrow of his life was when she left him."

Mr. Taft concluded with a word more as to Mr. Butt's spirit of self-sacrifice.

"Self-sacrifice," he said "had become a part of his nature. If Archie could have selected his time to die, he would have taken the one God gave him."

Dearer Meat Again.

(New York World.)

Packers and wholesale and retail dealers agree in attributing the higher cost of dressed meat to dearer corn and hay.

Dearer corn may have something to do with the higher price of beef, though it will puzzle the consumer to discover why a sudden rise in the price of fodder should cause a proportional advance in the price of beef already ripening in cold storage.

But surely the higher price of corn is not accountable for the phenomenally higher price of lamb and poultry.

The present price of lamb, indeed, presents one of those perplexities of provision prices which are unfathomable by the lay mind. Though the price of lamb chops in the retail markets was advanced three cents a pound in as many days between March 31 and April 3, the price of leg of lamb remained unchanged at 20 cents for weeks thereafter, until it was suddenly advanced to 24 cents.

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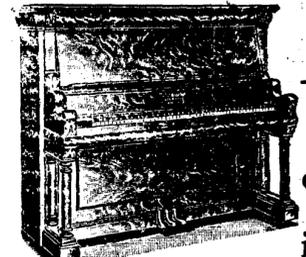
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**Big Row Over Poll Tax.**  
Brevard, May 3.—Because of the fact that 132 Republicans and a few Democrats were disfranchised by the absence of Sheriff Fred Shuford, of Transylvania county, who is also the tax collector collector, on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, a large sized row is agitating in political circles in this place. The disfranchised ones claim that they went to the sheriff's office on the days mentioned and found it closed, the sheriff it is said, being away in South Carolina in search of a negro jail breaker. The sheriff says that he is willing to let the delinquents pay their tax, but cannot give them a receipt dated prior to the time when the period for paying poll taxes expired. It is stated that the case will be carried into the courts if necessary.

**Delegates For Roosevelt.**  
Lexington, N. C. Apr. 30.—Up to today April 30th, forty-two counties out of a total of one hundred have held conventions and the delegates chosen. 556.63 delegates of a total of eleven hundred and twenty-five have been instructed for Theodore Roosevelt and 68.37 are uninstructed. Of the uninstructed delegates 21.37 are understood to be for President Taft and the balance for Roosevelt. Reports from 53 counties yet to hold conventions indicate that the vote for Roosevelt will be as strong if not stronger than that in the conventions already held. Eleven counties will hold conventions this week and it is believed that every one of them will instruct for Roosevelt.  
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**Caught In a Rain.**  
Douglasville, Tex. — "Five years ago I was caught in the rain at the wrong time," writes Edna Rutherford, of Douglasville, "and from that time, was taken with dumb chills and fevers, and suffered more than I can tell. I tried everything that I thought would help, and had four doctors, but got no relief. I took Cardui, the woman's tonic. Now, I feel better than in many months." Cardui does one thing and does it well. That's the secret of its 50 years of success. Try Cardui.

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