

**THE HEADLIGHT.**

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**A MUCH NEEDED REFORM.**

One of the most momentous problems which is now to be considered by society is the problem of the proper mode in dealing with criminals. The question of preventing crime by so improving the conditions of society as to destroy the seeds from which it springs is lifted into importance by the scientific treatment which naturally belongs to it. There can certainly be no thorough solution to the problem of criminality which omits this aspect of the case. Statistics show that a very large percentage of the criminal class were badly born and badly bred; that the conditions of their earthly existence were such as to lead almost inevitably to courses of vice and crime. And this being the case, the greatest hope for the ultimate improvement of mankind lies perhaps in the direction of those methods which seek to reform these conditions in which the germs of crime are nurtured—methods that rather aim at the prevention of crime than its cure. This is a side of the subject that particularly demands the attention of social science and philanthropy, and one, too, that legislation must not disregard. Yet whenever good results may hereafter come from such preventive methods of dealing with crime, society has still to confront the problem: What shall be done with the crime that is already perpetrated, and with the criminal class that already exist? Self-protection prompts the members of society to defend themselves against the violence of vicious men. Society must protect its peaceful and law-abiding members against the outrage and rapacity of those who respect no law, whether of man or of conscience; it must do this, because society is a condition of humane existence in which humane beings live together under a common recognition of a universal social bond. But the obligation of society does not end on this question with the duty of self-protection. It has an obligation also towards the criminal. Society is in some measure responsible for what the criminal is, not wholly, but in part; it is responsible to a considerable extent for the conditions which have tended to make him a criminal. Hence, society is justly bound not only to do the best to protect itself against him by placing him where he cannot do further harm to others, but do the best it can for him by placing him under such conditions that if possible he may be reformed. The problem is to find some method of treating crime that shall successfully combine protection of society and reformation of the criminal, some plan of prison discipline that shall restrain the actual criminal, deter the probable criminal and reform the prisoner.

**Encourage The Editor.**

Under this head an exchange says, that as a rule, an editor gets about 1,000 kicks to one caress. Once in a while he gets a kind word, and it warms and cheers his weather-beaten storm-racked heart to the innermost core. Most people are afraid to tell the editor when he writes an article that particularly pleases them, for fear of making him proud, we suppose, but if they find anything that does not accord precisely with their views, they will neglect their business to hunt him up to tell him of it. Pshaw! dear friends, don't think you will spoil the editor by giving him an occasional word of cheer, any more than you will your child by complimenting it upon a piece of patchwork it has finished. Of course you could beat the job yourself, but that doesn't deter you from heaping words of encouragement on the child. It has done its best. So you could doubtless beat the average editor at running a paper. Of course, you can. The man does not live that can't beat an editor at running a paper. The editor is willing to acknowledge that you can. He only runs it because you have not time to; but this fact need not deter you from giving him a word of encouragement occasionally.

**A Very Foolish Idea.**

It is a false pride of the very worst kind that leads many of our young married people on to financial ruin. Most of them are poor; but, for some unaccountable reason, they are ashamed to admit it by any word or deed, and feel under obligation to keep up an appearance of being at least well-to-do. As a general thing, both parties spend all their savings on their wedding, determined to be heard of once in the world, if they never are again. There is always something about a wedding which appeals to the interest of all beholders; hence, the temptation to secure, by display, a certain gratifying notoriety which may never again be attainable. Thus their married life is begun in a mistake, and they continue the counterfeit as long as they can. They begin boarding in as stylish a place as their slender weekly income will allow, the wife taking up a life of idleness and gossip; or, if they go to keeping house, they buy flimsy and showy things for the parlor while their kitchen lacks ordinary conveniences. Thus the farce continues in the way of dress and entertainment until the collapse comes, when the wife goes home to mother's, there to be a burden, while the discouraged husband starts out to seek a new place where he can begin over again. Probably there are children by this time, which adds to the "unpleasantness." We have known personally just such cases. And who has not? The world whose favor they have been trying to win simply laughs at them.

Now, how much better it would have been if such a pair had begun in a sensible way according to their means, buying a few good things, adding more as they could afford them, until their home was established on a firm and enduring basis. No matter what the world itself does, it always approves of honesty in others; and those who begin modestly, live within their means, plant a home and let it grow, are always the ones who are sincerely respected.

**To Young Men,**

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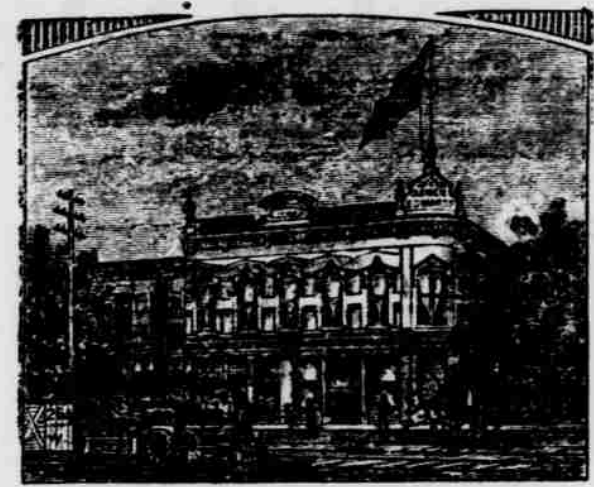
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