WOMANLY HANDWRITING PROVED DISASTROUS.

Two Perfectly Innocent Males Flunked Through Mistake of The Doctors.

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The confession to Dr. Delia Dixon-Carroll of a physician in the state, who was formerly a member of the state board of examiners, carries proof of the advancement of the rights of women in North Carolina. This doctor said the board "flunked" two men applying for license to practice medicine, the year the first woman came up for the license, because they unfortunately wrote effeminate hands. Blindly, but with what clue they had, the examiners were diligently seeking the woman. It was the irony of the situation that the lady in question wrote a bold, flourishing hand and she passed.

Thus, said Dr. Dixon-Carroll last night to the students of the State Normal college, that which the doctor admitted he and some of his fellows believed would be a blight upon the profession was frowned upon. Woman had been admitted. But she has won her way since then, and now the professions, and that of law and medicine all others, are open to woman without question. There are only two or, may be three, pursuits of the approximately 300 to which women have been admitted, in which it is claimed that she has failed, Dr. Dixon-Carroll stated. The reception of her suffrage last night or rather more exactly, woman's rights speech, at the college indicated the truth of the indictment of the institutions of higher learning for women in the state as hot beds of advanced thought along the lines of sexual equality in citizenship.

Dr. Dixon-Carroll talked as if she recognized that there is no need for conversion in the college to the principle of equal suffrage. She spoke to the students as one suffragists to another, and merely advised about how the college woman could further the cause. She stated that woman first began to think of the achievement of equality at the polls with man when she first learned to read and write, and with education there advanced the belief in suffrage. Women want to vote just exactly for the same reason that men want to vote, to take Dr. Dixon-Carroll's word for it. They want to vote because they believe in democracy, and the essential of that state of being is no government without the consent of the governed.

Pursuing further that idea of woman having found her place in the industries, Dr. Dixon-Carroll stated that there are 9,000,000 women in America now who are making their own living. "If a woman marries now for a living, she is a coward," she stated. Dr. Dixon-Carroll insisted, however, that she didn't dislike men, but on the contrary "liked them." But he want women interested in something may grow [illegible] to [illegible] the thinking and [illegible] world of [illegible] and concentrate [illegible] for [illegible] to [illegible] she wants man interested, so that [illegible] the highest [illegible].

Women are changing her weapon, it is [illegible] Once [illegible] the [illegible] to the [illegible] ny old world with her [illegible] demands, her equal rights propaganda. The male almost laughed the females into abandonment of the zeal for their cause in many cases. But that same weapon which assailed the sense of humor is being used for the women now. The protagonists of suffrage are very apt to laugh the antagonists out of face. Mrs. Dixon-Carroll made use of this weapon in discussing some of the men not by name—who fought the municipal suffrage bill which would have permitted a woman to vote in the cities and towns of the state to accord women partial suffrage.

Some of the men at Raleigh hope to go to Congress in four or six years, Dr. Dixon-Carroll stated, and many of these favor suffrage almost militantly because they see the probability of having to cater to a woman vote, willy-nilly and the willy is well stimulated, if it be indeed forced. The bill lacked 11 votes of indorsement, however, but Dr. Dixon-Carroll said it could have been passed with ease had the "right sort of person" got among some of those who voted against it. Some of the "constructive legislators" from certain North Carolina counties would get up and declare: "Well, I have read something or other about this suffrage business, but I don't think there is any of them suffragettes in my county." She besought the students of the State Normal college, representative of every county in the state, to see to it that the next legislators are aware that there are suffragists everywhere in North Carolina.

Women are not looking for an easy route. [illegible] life by [illegible] men, Dr. Dixon-Carroll [illegible]. They want the same wage [illegible] the same class and amount of work, and with that [illegible] they [illegible] ride [illegible] the strap in the street car, if necessary. They are not looking for flattering, meaningless phrases, she claims, but for the courteous respect of equality. She doesn't think North Carolina men will lose their modicum of chivalry towards mothers, wives, sister and sweethearts, because the women vote, however. She stated that Governor Bickett declaimed to a little group of women:

"The North Carolina woman is the most nearly perfect creature God ever made."

Dr. Dixon-Carroll's answer was: "Bosh."

Imperfect, with their eyes open to defect, and furthermore, with consciousness of a great possible improvement, the womanhood of North Carolina is now in the midst of a revolution says Dr. Dixon-Carroll, which will mean much for the race.

A Word to Fathers and Mothers.

By Rev. D. S. Hubbell.

"Woe to him who never smiles over a cradle and weeps not over a tomb."

Of all the people who smile and weep fathers and mothers are at the front. This means they excel in proper sympathies and affections. It means that parents are the natural guardians of children and have the keenest appreciation of their wants. Children are the gift of God and the family with children growing up is a garden of the Lord, and father and mother are a kind of super-imposed providence to safeguard the rearing and training of the boys and girls. No one has greater interest in the children than their parents and none so influential in moulding and tempering them for life.

I have two things to say in this article and I would put great stress upon both! Parents, provide at least a few good books for the family. Then secondly, do your utmost to have your children as well educated as possible. Good books in the home and all the children in the school. "No man has a right to bring up children without providing good books in the home." The very sight of books stirs up in the mind a desire for knowledge and this is a warrant against the inferior excitement of passions and vices. The influence of good reading is powerful and lasts through life. They impart or beget taste, culture, the love of virtue and the love of home. These are great assets in making character. Send the children to school after the free school then to the high school and then to the college.

But some say we are too poor to do this. No body who cares for an education is too poor to start his children on the way and once started unexpected ways may appear. Certain it is that they who never start will ever reach any good.

"We walk by faith not by sight." In walking a journey we accomplish it by taking one step after another. If we [illegible] the end before we start we shall never get on at all, but grow to the spot.

Some provide lands or money for [illegible] and think they are well [illegible] this. Yes, in a sense, well; but [illegible] furnishing these material things to the neglect of mental furnishing the child [illegible] into this heritage "a child [illegible] to remain a child." If we [illegible] both then let us choose what is best [illegible] manhood and womanhood; [illegible] state. Invest in brains and in heart, life and all these things will come in due time. "We are living in grand and awful times today." Our country will be needing fathers and mothers of wider knowledge and broader culture and of the strongest fiber for the coming years. You heads of homes in Surry are working and sacrificing for better times out yonder in the near future.

Gird up your loins and fight for the mental and moral uplift of your country. Your country and your God look to you for the best possible rearing and training for your children. Take up the cross, bear it in His name and it shall prove to be a cross of gold that brings you a golden crown.

Park Mountain, February 23, 1917.

Philadelphia is Alarmed Over Influx of Negroes.

Philadelphia, Feb. 24.—An influx of southern negroes, drawn here by a demand for cheap labor by railroads and industrial and munition plants is causing alarm to health officers and social workers who have begun preparations to minimize the dangers of inadequate housing and other evils.

At a conference here yesterday of charitable organizations, housing experts, education authorities and church men, a committee on negro immigration to this city was organized. Various methods to cope with the situation were discussed. It was stated at the conference that 25,000 negroes have arrived here in the last six months and hundreds are arriving daily by train and boat. As a result, old, such two-story houses in the [illegible] section are sheltering four or more families in many cases. Health [illegible] ert that this [illegible] wd-[illegible] "breeding a [illegible] vitiation and crime."

BIG PAPERS ARE ASKED TO HELP SMALL ONES.

Proposed That They Relinquish Part of Their Supplies and That Price Be Fixed.

Washington, Feb. 26.—American newspaper publishers, representing a large portion of all the papers of the country, today agreed to relinquish a percentage of their annual consumption of newsprint paper in order to assure small publishers a sufficient supply to prevent their suspension. The action was taken at a conference of the publishers, held under the auspices of the federal trade commission.

Francis J. Heney, special newsprint paper investigator for the commission, announced that publishers who did not co-operate to save the small publishers would be practically blacklisted by the government that is, would not be given the benefit of any maximum price for paper which the commission will fix if the proposal to fix prices by arbitration now before it is adopted.

The publishers also adopted a resolution holding that it was the sense of their meeting that investigation of the alleged newsprint paper trust by the department of justice should not be abated as the result of any attempts toward harmony among publishers and paper manufacturers being made by the commission. This resolution was adopted to prevent any move to grant manufacturers immunity for agreeing to the price fixing proposal.

It developed today that only about half of the manufacturers have agreed to the price fixing plan and that some of the publishers oppose the plan providing for their relinquishment of a proportion of their paper stocks. The commission feels, however, that enough manufacturers have agreed to price fixing and enough publishers to relinquishment of stocks to break the present high newsprint market and enforce general co-operation. Conferences will continue tomorrow and the commission feels the price fixing plan is parctically certain to go through despite the obstacles which have arisen.

Strike in Krupp Factory Extending.

Maastricht, Holland, via London, February 24.—The strike in the Krupp factory at Essen is constantly increasing, according to the local newspapers. The paper says that 40,000 workers are now on strike, due to the lack of food, and that disturgances have occurred at Aix La Chapelle from the same cause. The police asked for the aid of troops, who it is said, refused to act.

An Amsterdam dispatch under date of February 21, said the Amsterdam Telegraf said its frontier correspondent said 17,000 workmen in the Krup factory had gone in a strike for two weeks. The correspondent said that many of the strikers had been sent to the front.

Much of Food on Pacific Coast Awaits Shipment.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 24.—Thousands of tons of foodstuffs on the Pacific coast are awaiting purchase and shipment east, commission men said here today. Of rice alone, there are 125,000,000 pounds and the price is lower than it has been for several years. Authorities also said there are millions of bushels of potatoes and beans besides canned and dried fruit and vegetables a plenty.

The San Francisco chamber of commerce telegraphed the Interstate Commerce commission asking it to permit the use of 250 refrigerator cars immediately. A traffic expert of the chamber of commerce estimated California could export between 200 and 300 cars of foodstuffs a day if the proper cars were available.

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