

**AS TO THAT GREAT PROBLEM.**

There is a subject of discussion called the race question, that is always going the rounds. It agitates some people more than it does others. Some people find in the relation of the races an abstruse problem that must needs be worked out with fear and trembling, and the solution of which is yet enveloped in mystery.

To such people a lot of theoretical discussion, with a great deal of hip! hip! hurrah! would seem to clear the atmosphere and pave the way for a correct solution.

To others, and we belong to this class, the race problem is merely a problem in right living, such as presents itself to any man anywhere in the world. Life itself is a problem, the more intricate as it is spent earnestly and operating in a wide sphere of influence. But there is no need of making a national problem out of the relation of the black and white races in the United States. The so-called race problem should be made an individual, personal problem, just as are the other problems of the human life.

There is not the least of doubt that the presence of the negro here furnishes its due proportion of difficulties and perplexities. But the presence of any other race, or the absence of the negro would also—as it really does—furnish difficulties to be met.

The following from the Biblical Recorder seems to cover the situation:

Since discussion [race] has served to make the matter worse, and has contributed not a jot to the alleviation of conditions, would it not be well to suspend it? Then each man would have not the national but the personal race problem. Instead of being stuffed by an hysterical (and in some cases degraded) press with theoretical notions, he would have at hand the practical business of dealing with the colored man in the domain of his activity. Instead of having the troubles of thousands of people whom he does not know, he would have only his own troubles. Instead of a political and social problem, he would have a business problem, and at times a problem in the restraint of vice.

A large part of the negro problem, as a problem existing apart from other problems and requiring special treatment, exists only in a superheated imagination.

The white man of the south understands the negro, knows how to get along with him so that both can live in the same territory. The negro knows the white man. The wisest of them have found out, and others are finding out, that thus far and no farther is the only rule to be followed. They are happy in their field of activity and accept conditions as they are.

Outside influences in urging impossible "reforms" are making the only real problem, and these influences are becoming far less powerful than formerly.

Meanwhile Mr. John Temple Graves, of Georgia, is urging an impossible, and therefore ludicrous plan of separating the races by deporting the negro, and Senator Carmack, of Tennessee, is unloading himself by proposing to take the so-called problem into the halls of congress by a proposition to repeal the 15th amendment.

Each of these gentlemen had better get well enough alone. The states can work out their own salvation, so far as the negro is concerned.

All that is asked is that cranks and agitators give us a rest.

In a sense there is a problem, but it is one similar to that which arises in the life of all peoples.

At any rate it is a personal problem.

**THE SUBSTITUTE CANAL BILL.**

The Colombia senate has promptly passed a substitute for the Hay-Herran treaty whereby the Panama canal was to be constructed.

The substitute provides that the president of the republic may negotiate treaties for a canal. It calls upon the French company to pay over to Colombia \$10,000,000 for the privilege of selling its rights to us. Then instead of a \$10,000,000 payment we are asked to hand over the lump sum of \$20,000,000, as a starter for the canal.

Besides this Colombia is to have entire police and sanitary control of the canal zone.

It will be seen at once that Colombia demands impossible conditions of us. We will not pay \$20,000,000 down, nor will we build a canal in territory controlled by another power.

We have gone to the limit with Colombia. If the Central American government fails to ratify the canal treaty before next Wednesday it will be the duty of the president to proceed to negotiate treaties with Nicaragua and Costa Rica, and proceed with the construction of a canal from Greytown to San Juan.

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**THE LOVE OF WOMEN AND THE LOVE OF MAN**

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**T**HE LOVE OF MAN IS THE LIGHTNING WHICH FLASHES, glows and is extinguished. THE LOVE OF WOMAN IS THE SUN RAY WHICH BEAMS, warms, inflames and fertilizes the heart. It slowly, voluptuously absorbs all the little roots of its sentiment, its joys, its thoughts, glorifies and fosters them. It is thus after the setting of the sun, its rays remain, hidden in the earth which it has heated.

OH, ALL YOU MEN WHO THINK YOU RENDER YOUR WIFE HAPPY BY GIVING HER LUXURY, GOLD AND GOWNS, REMEMBER THAT WITHIN EVERY WOMAN WISHES TO LOVE, FEEL WARMED BY THE SIGHT OF A MAN, LEAN UPON HIS FAITHFUL ARM, FEEL HERSELF NECESSARY TO A COMPANION WHOSE PRIDE SHE WILL BE! SHE WISHES TO BE THE FIRST FOR SOME ONE. IN THE MIDST OF A SPLENDID LUXURY YOU WILL SEE AN UNHAPPY WOMAN ENVELOPED BY THE GENTLE SOLICITUDE OF HER HUSBAND.

HERE IS ANOTHER HAPPY IN THE MIDST OF STORMS AND ALWAYS CONFRONTED WITH THE CAPRICES OF A SWEETHEART.

Mysteries of the heart, you say. Natural, I say. The first one does not love her husband, the second loves her sweetheart. And here is another essential difference between the love of man and that of woman: THE MAN WISHES TO BE LOVED; THE WOMAN, ABOVE ALL, TO LOVE. The sentiment which consumes is the more active, more expansive than with men. She REQUIRES LITTLE OF HER COMPANION, because she is too rich and her affection is too robust to need to lean upon conceit for support in the battle of life.

CERTAINLY PERFECT LOVE IS THE SUM OF THESE TWO SPLENDID THINGS—"I LOVE" AND "I AM LOVED." BUT FOR WOMAN IT OFTEN SUFFICES TO BE ABLE TO SAY, "I LOVE." TO MAN IT OFTEN IS ENOUGH TO SAY, "I AM LOVED."

DO NOT ASK A WOMAN WHY SHE LOVES. She succeeds in loving creatures uncultivated enough, poor enough, deformed enough to inspire astonishment or terror. In order that this creature may be all to her she must adorn it with flowers of her imagination, illuminate it with the light which emanates from her heart.

To woman it suffices to find a mind, a strength, sometimes even in a crime, in him whom she wishes to make hers; she can love the most unintelligent, the most criminal, the most deformed of men. SHE ENLARGES EVERY MAN WHOM SHE TOUCHES; SHE BELIEVES HERSELF CAPABLE OF HEATING ICE.

**ACTING IS AN ART**

By EDWARD J. MORGAN, Leading Man in "The Christian"



**"I**S ACTING AN ART?" you ask me. UNQUESTIONABLY, I should say. How can it be regarded otherwise? UNLESS IT BE AN ART THERE CAN BE NO PROGRESS IN IT, and no one can doubt that there has been progress.

IS ACTING "PURELY IMITATIVE?" Ah, that is an entirely different question. It is apt to be in part imitative, strive against it as we may. Yet who can say that it is not better so? If it were not so the stage could not profit by the experiences of the past, and the "art" of the stage would remain at a standstill until a new "genius" has been born and receives the baptism of recognition.

All actors possessed of the virtue of merit, or the ambition to be thus possessed, SEEK ORIGINALITY IN THEIR IMPERSONATIONS; but thus seeking, one must of necessity first know the treatment accorded the theme by others or else mayhap he will be credited with being but an imitator after all, albeit an unconscious one. If he seeks knowledge of the "original" conception of his predecessors or contemporaries, in order that he may avoid them, in what strange predicament does he find himself! For the very conception he seeks to avoid may constitute the only true advancement made in a decade and perforce a conception far superior to his own.

THE REAL TRUTH IS—DENY IT OR SEEK TO DISGUISE IT AS WE MAY—WE ARE, BY THE VERY FORCE OF CIRCUMSTANCES, THOUGH UNINFLUENCED PERHAPS BY OUR OWN DESIRES, ALL MERE IMITATORS, AND THE PROBABILITIES ARE THAT HE WHO DENIES IT MOST LOUDLY AND MOST PERSISTENTLY IS THE GREATEST IMITATOR OF ALL, OR, IF NOT, PERHAPS IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR HIM AND THE PUBLIC IF HE WOULD IMITATE MORE AND ORIGINATE LESS.

**THE NECESSITY OF ORGANIZATION AMONG EMPLOYERS**

**W**HEN capital is thoroughly organized, then will come the almost complete disappearance of the strike and the boycott, for they are but systematic manifestations of social disease growing out of imperfect organization.

WHEN ORGANIZED EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES CAN SIT DOWN TOGETHER, THEN MAY BE TAKEN UP TRADE DISPUTES AND OTHER MATTERS AFFECTING THEIR MUTUAL INTERESTS, AND THESE MAY BE DISPOSED OF IN AN INTELLIGENT, ORDERLY AND SCIENTIFIC MANNER.

As there is no national federation of employers at present necessity demands the immediate creation of one. There can be no industrial peace in the United States until a national organization is perfected, for, while labor is partially organized, capital is not organized at all.

**A GENIAL TURK.**  
Chekib Bey, Who Represents the Sultan at Washington.  
Chekib Bey, Turkish minister to the United States, who in consequence of the recent attempted assassination of William C. Magelsen, American vice consul at Beirut, has been brought into prominence, is in reality not a properly accredited envoy, having never



presented his credentials. In theory Turkey is not diplomatically represented at Washington.  
Personally Chekib Bey is very popular. He is extremely affable and fails to come anywhere near the old time notion of the Grand Turk, blending in a charming way the manners of the orient and the occident.

**A MECHANICAL SCULPTOR**

How Statues Are Carved From Living Models by Machine.  
The art of sculpture, since remote ages regarded as a gift vouchsafed to few, has by reason of a recent invention become a mere mechanical process. The device, which was invented by Auguste Bontempl, a young Italian sculptor and engineer, enables any one to carve busts and life size figures from living models or replicas of statuary with ease and perfect accuracy.  
In working the automatic sculptor block of marble is fixed in position and the head of the model secured in a



CARVING A STATUE FROM LIVING MODEL.  
wooden frame. The operator guides a wooden pointer over the features of the model, the movements of the pointer controlling a steel drill which faces the block of marble and which is so adjusted that it moves in exact correspondence with the wooden pointer. Power is supplied to the drill by pulleys, and as it revolves the marble block is cut into a facsimile of the model.

**VESUVIUS IN ACTION.**

How the Famous Volcano Looks in the Throes of Eruption.  
Vesuvius, Italy's famous volcano, which has been active for several weeks, presents a grand and sublime spectacle in eruption. The lava is unusually liquid and has covered a larger area than at previous eruptions of recent times.  
The volcano of Vesuvius rises on the mainland about fifteen miles from the city of Naples and about five miles



from the coast. Up to the height of 1,000 feet it is covered by cities, villages and farmhouses. At least 50,000 people live in the midst of continual danger, in which they seem indifferent, although thousands of them must have witnessed the destruction of 1872.  
These were eruptions in 1868 and 1892, and last year the railway that carried people in the crater was destroyed.

**CRUSHES OUT THE LIFE**

The most loathsome and repulsive of all living things is the serpent, and the vilest and most degrading of all human diseases is Contagious Blood Poison. The serpent sinks its fangs into the flesh and almost instantly the poison passes through the entire body. Contagious Blood Poison, beginning with a little ulcer, soon contaminates every drop of blood and spreads throughout the whole system. Painful swellings appear in the groins, a red rash and copper colored spots break out on the body, the mouth and throat become ulcerated, and the hair and eye brows fall out; but these symptoms are mild compared to the wretchedness and suffering that come in the latter stages of the disease when it attacks the bones and more vital parts of the body. It is then that Contagious Blood Poison is seen in all its hideousness. The deep eating abscesses and sickening ulcers and tumors show the whole system is corrupted and poisoned, and unless relief comes soon this serpent disease tightens its coils and crushes out the life. The only antidote for the awful virus is S. S. S. It is **made of purely vegetable** ingredients, composed entirely of vegetable ingredients. S. S. S. destroys every vestige of the poison, purifies the blood and removes all danger of transmitting the awful taint to others. Nothing else will do this. Strong mineral remedies, like mercury and potash, dry up the sores and drive in the disease, but do not cure permanently. Send for our home treatment book and write us if in need of medical advice or special information. This will cost you nothing.

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