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METHODISM AND WORLDLY
AMUSEMENTS.

The General Conference of the
Methodist Episcopal Church, re-
cently meeting at Minneapolis,
took up for serious consideration
and formal action, the question of
modifying the disciplinary rule of
its organization governing what is
termed "worldly amusements,"
embracing dancing, games of
chance, attendance at horse races,
theatres and the circus. The re-
tention of the rule against these,
it was argued violated Christian
freedom, bred hypocrisy and was
not enforceable. The history of
this denomination from the time
Wesley promulgated his "general
rules" against worldly indulgen-
ces which were held incompatible
with Christian living, frivolous
books and alcoholic drinks being
included with worldly amuse-
ments, has stood prominently for
more than 150 years. Puritanic
has been the criticism often ex-
pressed against this denomination,
for the early Methodists stood al-
so against wearing jewelry and
display in dress, and the outsider
viewed with distaste, born of
worldly dissipation an ethical dis-
cipline that appeared to border on
monastic rules.

The question as to a relaxation
from Wesleyism, as proposed at the
Minneapolis Conference really has
a double bearing, to those already
communicants and for those who
may be. It might be asked if the dis-
cipline is too heavy upon Method-
ists, then it is remarkable that
this denomination should today
have more than one-sixth of the
total religious population of the
world. With a more liberal ten-
dency would there be greater ac-
cessions to the church, of those who
now think that Methodism is so
hedged about as to make its accept-
ance a sort of religious bondage?
This from a secular view point is
all important. It is questionable
if this proposed concession to mod-
ern ideas would be a gain. The
tenets of every order are broken,
not perhaps with design, but thro'
stress of environment. The church
as a religious order is strong as its
separation from purely worldly
pursuits is held, and while the
world may chide, it inwardly re-
spects the church that demands
its rules lived up to.

ASSUMING ALL POLITICAL
PROPRIETORSHIP.

"It is going to be up to the people
of North Carolina to say whether they
wish to nominate Woodrow Wilson or
Champ Clark. Mr. Underwood will
have no votes except in a few Southern
States, and has no chance for the nom-
ination. The contest for leadership at
Baltimore will be between Clark and
Wilson. With this as the direct issue
in the State nine-tenths of the people
at least are for Wilson. Why not meet
the issue?"

The above from the News-Obs-
erver, shows the presumption to dic-
tate to the Democrats of North
Carolina. First it was all Wood-
row Wilson, no other candidate
would be in the running at Balti-
more, now it is between Clark and
Wilson. But the political dicta-
torship is still in evidence as there
is the declaration that "nine tenths
of the people (in N. C.) are at
least for Wilson." What is the
actual basis for such a positive
statement? Nothing except the
News-Observer's own opinion,
backed by the hope that the North
Carolina Democrats will blindly
follow its leadership and not have
opinion of their own.

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that Messrs Clark and Wilson are
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and therefore meet the News-Obs-
erver's "direct issue," namely,
Governor Wilson, and give him all
North Carolina's vote, regardless
of the thousands who favor Con-
gressman Underwood, or those
who might want Governor Har-
man. It is up to every State Dem-
ocrat to declare for his candidate
and refuse to be politically smothered
because the News Observer
has only its own candidate and re-
fuses to give a square deal to the
voters.

The really "direct issue" in the
presidential matter in North Caro-
lina is whether Democratic voters
shall be able to give full voice to
their choice in this presidential
matter.

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of the RUBIES
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ILLUSTRATIONS BY RAY WALTERS

from the tray tendered by Jenkins
and slipped it slowly, eyeing me curiously
over the top. Then he set it back,
very deliberately, wiped his mouth
with the bit of napery, and without
taking his glance from me, waited un-
till Jenkins had left the room. Where-
upon, after another searching look at
the button, he dropped it with the
garment upon the table, and with
hands jammed deep in his pockets,
faced me with a long-drawn whistle.
"Well, I'll be hanged!" he ex-
claimed. Just a coarse, vulgar out-
burst, you know—no sense to it; no
point at all, you know—that's Bill-
ings.

He caught up the coat again. "And
these others—four of them—are they
just the same?" he demanded sharply.
"Dash it, how should I know? I
suppose so," I answered indifferently.
And I closed my eyes and leaned back,
feeling a bit—just a bit—weary. Some-
how, Billings is always so exhausting
when he gets started on something.
"Oh, cut it out, old chap," I protest-
ed, drowsy-like.

"I will," I heard him say. Then I
guess I must have dropped off a bit,
for the next thing I knew he was
shaking me.
"Dicky! Dicky! Say, look here!
Look, I tell you!"
I did look, and—well, I was jolly
vexed, that's all.
"Och, I say now!" I spoke severely—
just that way, you know. I went on,
remonstrating: "Devilish silly joke. If
you ask me. You've gone and ruined
the thing, Billings! Flashy buttons
like that, you know—too tawdry, too
cheap!"

"Cheap!" He almost shouted it.
Then he leaned over the back of the
leather chair and pounded his fat head
against the cushions, writhing his big
bulk from side to side.
"Quite impossible," I said firmly.
"Not an eye at all, you know!"
And I fixed my glass and stared gloomily
at the things. The five shiny buttons
still lay there against the delicate
silk like so many fiery crimson cher-
ries.

He leered at me, chuckling. "Look
cheap to you, eh? What you might
call out, so to speak?"
"By Jove, of course," I answered
ruefully. "I can't sleep in the things
now, you know. What would people
say?"
Billings stared at me disagreeably
a moment and said something under
his breath. Then he caught up the
button and the silk, and crushing
them in his hands, buried his face in
the mass.

"Oh, you beauties, you darlings!" I
heard him murmur.
Then he looked at the buttons
again, and dash it, he kissed me.
Maudlin—jolly maudlin, I say, if you
ask me!
"I say, Dicky," he said carelessly.
"You may not care for them, but I've
taken rather a shine to these buttons.
Mind letting me have one, eh?"
He flashed a quick glance at me
and then away.

DELICATE BUT KEEN THRUST

English Lawyer's Method of Handling
Witness So as to Discredit Him
With Jury.

Said John B. Curtis, the well known
lawyer, and president of the Indiana
Society of New York, speaking about
the recent heckling of Detective Burns
when he was on the witness stand in a
marriage case: "I'm afraid that
sometimes we get a little too personal
and severe with witnesses. How much
better was the handling of a famous
detective who was testifying in a Lon-
don court. It was a divorce case and
Mr. Frank Lockwood was the opposing
counsel. The detective witness came
to the stand dressed in black broad-
cloth, wore a gold fob and seals and
looked much more like a respectable
middle-aged solicitor than a member
of the police force. The man's tes-
timony was likely to be damaging to
his client, so Mr. Lockwood began his
cross-examination very gently and
was exceedingly polite.

"I believe you are John Blank of
the firm of Blank & Co., the eminent
detectives?"
"Yes, sir," said the witness, I re-
sponded that firm.
"And I presume," continued the
counsel, "that in the course of your
duties as a detective you have, at
times, to assume many disguises?"
"Yes, sir."
"Then," said Lockwood, smiling,
"will you have the goodness to tell the
court just what you are disguised as
now?"

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sumed.
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