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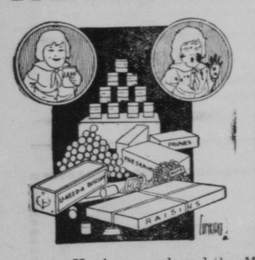

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my 14tf E. P. GOODWIN.

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DAVID E. WALSH.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

This is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, Md., letters Testamentary on the estate of

NATHAN W. GOSNELL,

late of Carroll county, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the 24th day of August, 1910; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 24th day of January, 1909.

ADA ELIZABETH HAINES,
jan 28 4t Executrix.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

This is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, Md., letters Testamentary on the estate of

LEWIS W. ECKER,

late of Carroll county, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the 11th day of August, 1910; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 11th day of January, 1910.

MARTHA JANE ECKER,
jan 14 4t Executrix.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

This is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, Md., letters of Administration on the estate of

ELEANORA S. KOONTZ,

late of Carroll county, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the 18th day of July, 1910, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 18th day of January, 1910.

WILLIAM H. KOONTZ,
jan 21 4t Administrator.

Executor's and Attorney's Public Sale of a Valuable HOUSE AND LOT

on Pennsylvania Avenue, Westminster, Md

The undersigned, as Executor of James Boylan late of Carroll county, deceased, and as Attorney in fact of the heirs-at-law of Bridget Boylan, deceased, will offer at Public Sale, on the premises, at 103 Pennsylvania Avenue in the City of Westminster, Md., on

SATURDAY, the 19th of February, 1910,

at 1 o'clock, P. M., all that lot of land fronting 60 feet on said avenue and extending back to an alley. The northern half of said lot is improved by a Two-story Weatherboarded Dwelling House, Stable and other outbuildings. The southern half is unimproved. The northern and southern halves will be offered separately and then as an entirety.

Terms of Sale.—One-third of the purchase money to be paid in cash on the day of sale or upon the ratification of the sale by the Orphans' Court, the balance in 6 and 12 months, deferred payments to be secured by the notes of the purchaser, with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale; or all cash at the option of the purchaser. A cash deposit of $50.00 will be required on day of sale.

JAMES E BOYLAN,
Executor of James Boylan, deceased, and attorney in fact for the heirs-at-law of Bridget Boylan, deceased.
Michael E. Walsh, Attorney. Jan 21 5t

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF A VALUABLE PARCEL OF LAND, IN FREEDOM DISTRICT.

The undersigned trustee in cause No. 3985 Equity, in the Circuit Court for Carroll county, will offer at Public Sale, on the premises near Daniel, in Freedom district, on

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26th,

1910, at 2 o'clock, P. M., a Parcel of Land, containing

25 Acres, 2 Roods and 33 Square

Perches, more or less, all of which is tillable, except about 1 Acre which is in TIMBER. It is part of the real estate of which Larkin Shipley died seized and possessed.

Terms of Sale.—One-third of the purchase money to be paid cash on the day of sale or upon the ratfication thereof by the court, the balance in two equal payments, the one in 1 year and the other in 2 years from tne day of sale; the credit payments to be secured by the notes of the purchaser or purchasers with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale.

DANIEL F. SHIPLEY,
Surviving Trustee.
Michael E. Walsh, Sol. jan 21 4t

E. OLIVER GRIMES, Jr., Solicitor.

Assignee of Mortgagee's Sale of a Desirable Dwelling Property

on Hotel Heights road in the city of Sykesville, Carroll County, Md.

By virtue of the power contained in a mortgage from Thomas P. Hatfield and Hannorah Hatfield his wife, to the Westminster Savings Bank, dated November 6th, A. D. 1908, and duly recorded among the Real Estate Mortgage Records of Carroll county, in liber D. P. S. No. 55, folio 48, &c., and duly assigned to the undersigned, for collection, I will sell at public sale, on the premises on said Hotel Heights road in Sykesville in Carroll county and State of Maryland, on

SATURDAY, February 12th, A. D. 1910,

at the hour of 2.30 P. M., all that lot or parcel of land described in and conveyed by said mortgage, containing

12,533 Square Feet of Land, more or less,

situate lying and being in Sykesville, in Carroll county, and State of Maryland, on the Hotel Heights road. The improvements thereon consist of a Two-story Weatherboarded Dwelling House, in good condition, containing 6 rooms and a Stone Basement, containing 2 rooms. This house has been built 5 years. Also a good Frame Stable, erected about 1 year ago; Fruit and Shade Trees and a well of good Water. This property adjoins that of Asa Hepner, Samuel Newman and J. Thomas Harris.

Terms of Sale.—Cash; or, if desired by the purchaser or purchasers the following credit terms will be given: One-third cash on the day of sale, or upon the ratification thereof, one-third in 6 months and the balance in 12 months from the day of sale, the credit payments to be secured by the notes of the purchaser or purchasers, with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale. A cash deposit of $100.00 will be required from the purchaser or purchasers on the day of sale.

E. OLIVER GRIMES, Jr.,
Assignee of Mortgagee.
Jos. W. Berrett, Auct. jan 21 4t

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FEBRUARY.

Much accumulated information concerning the suggestive month of February is condensed in the Scrap Book for that month. February can boast a varied career and is worthy a more impressive coat-of-arms than darts argent upon a red paper field. The Decemvirs first gave February its important position next to January about 452. Potentates then began to steal time from February—who has ever proved a soft-hearted and easily-thawed member of the numerical family. Augustus Caesar did not hesitate to pilfer a day from the month and annex it to August.

The wary woman wears no gem except an amethyst in February, unless she sometimes permits herself an opal a sapphire or a turquoise. Her flower for the month should be the camelia japonica—for which the present popular gardenia is an admirable substitute. According to astrologists, February is most influential upon boys born on the 3rd, 6th, 17th or 28th of the month, as they will prove quick, clever, ambitious in business. On the otherhand, girls born on the 8th, 13th or 23d of February will marry kind, amenible middle-aged men. Gardeners will be particularly lucky if their birthdays occur on the 8th or 9th of of the month. In fact, February appears to have been energetic in its occult and astrological influences upon the human race. During the last century it refused to have less than five Sundays every 28 years, and on its present schedule it is billed for the following positive engagement: Feast of the Purification, on the 2d; Quinquagesima Sunday, on ohe 6th; Shrove Tuesday, on the 8th; Ash Wednesday, on the 9th; Lincoln's birthday, on the 12th; Quadragesima Sunday on the 13th; St. Valentine's Day, on the 14th; spring election day in Pennsylvania, on the 15th; Washington's Birthday, and in Texas, Arbor Day, on the 22d, and Ember days, on the 16th, 18th and 19th.

In the astronomical world February will have as morning stars Mercury and Uranus throughout and Venus till the 12th, and as evening stars Jupiter, Saturn, Mars and Nepture throughout.

CAPITALIZING THE HEN.

[From the Wall Street Journal]

It is claimed that the average production of a hen is 200 eggs per annum, but it is safe to assume that the actual is much below this figure. Adopting the very conservative figure of 120 eggs per hen per annum, we find on the above basis of production there are 150,000,000 laying hens in the United States responsible for the production of 18,000,000,000 eggs.

At the farm price of 20 cents per dozen the total income derived from each hen annually would amount to $2. Allowing 40 cents for maintenance and 10 cents for depreciation, which latter would wipe out the market value of the hen in four years, irrespective of salvage when the period of production is over, the net profit per hen per annum amounts to $1.50.

This profit, according to Wall street standards, capitalized on a 5 per cent. income basis, would place a nominal value of $30 on each hen. For the 150,000,000 hens this would amount to the enormous total of $4,500,000,000.

That the American hen can return a yield of 5 per cent. per annum on a capitalization of 4,500,000,000 appears nothing short of remarkable, but such is the case. The entire outstanding capital obligations of the railroads of the United States in 1907 were less than four times this amount, or $16,082,146,683, while the total paid out in interest and dividends represented but 4.05 per cent. of this amount.

ECONOMY OF HUMAN LIEE.

[New York World.]

The health records of London show a death rate for 1909, of only 13.8 per thousand. That of New York when corrected by the census this year will figure out close to 19.

From 1851 to 1860 the London death-rate was 23.7. That of New York cannot be so accurately stated, but it was much higher. The fall in the death-rate in London in 50 years, due to better sanitation and more accurate knowledge of disease, means the saving in a single year of almost 70,000 lives. The saving in New York has extremes of climate to contend with which London never knows. In spite of later marriages and a falling birth-rate, the natural increase of population in both cities is considerably greater than it was 50 years ago. In 1860, each 100,000 people in London increased in one year to 100,909; now each 100,000 increase to 101,140. With the present estimated population of both cities, the natural increase of London in one year is nearly 80,000 and of New York about 55,000, with immigration greatly aiding the newer city in the race.

Make few promises.

Keep your own secrets if you have any.

WHY NOT BOYCOTT WASTE?

[New York World,]

Commenting on some phases of American life at the close of his recent visit to this country, Sir Thomas Lipton, who is himself a dealer in groceries and provisions, and therefore presumably interested in their consumption, said the thing he could not get used to was the great waste at American tables. This he had noted alike in the home, the hotel and the restaurant. Enormous quantities of food were carried from kitchen to table, to be toyed with more or less and then sent back useless and destined to the garbage pail. For himself he remarked he could never bring himself to send his plate away with "leavings" on it. The waste of meat struck him as particularly reprehensible. A living creature had to be deprived of its life to furnish a food for man, of which man made the scantiest use. Huge steaks were served, out of which only the tender spots were cut. The question of nutrition gave way entirely to taste or whim. No soil could forever produce food enough to permit such waste.

This observation will readily be confirmed by every observer of American habits. Desire and needs are kept as far apart as possible in the average mind. A boycott of waste would work a greater reform in the cost of American living than any other step that could be taken.

TALE OF A TAXI.

Bat Masterson tells this taxicab story of Harry Allen, who brought the first fleet of taxicabs to New York, and managed it well while he was in charge:

"Allen took a ride during the Hudson-Fulton week," says Masterson. "He paid the $1.50 advance graft that was exacted during that period by some companies without demur. He couldn't help himself. But after the cab started he looked at the indicator flag. It should have pointed at an angle of 45 degrees above the horizon. Instead, it was pushed clear down out of sight. Mr. Allen tapped on the window and the cab stopped.

"'You have that indicator down to the double-fare notch,' said Allen. 'Put it back where it belongs.'

"'Why,' stuttered the indignant robber, 'you—you—you—what do you know about my business, anyhow?'

"'Everything,' said Allen. 'I have fired most of our thieves from my companies at one time and another—and I invented that particular style of register. Now, put it back.'

"And," said Mr. Masterson "the cabman put it back. But when Mr. Allen paid the fare this nervy chauffeur looked at him with sorrow in his eyes.

"'I should think,' said he 'that if your in the business you wouldn't mind a poor guy makin' a dishonest dollar for himself.'"—New York Sun.

The Porcelain Man.

London, January 29.—Alban Rushbrook, aged 35 years, is attracting the attention of the leading physicians of the London hospitals in consequence of being what is termed an "exceptionally perfect" case of a disease known as myositis ossificans. He is practically a porcelain man and is so brittle that a fall would probably break him beyond repair.

His muscles are turning into bone. He can walk, but he cannot sit in a chair, and it is difficult for him to turn his head far to right or left. Fortunately, he takes his condition very philosophically and thoroughly enjoys his pipe. As a rare specimen he is welcomed in all the hospitals, and he has been examined by the conjoint board of the Royal College of Surgeons and Physicians.

The muscles of his chest, back and thighs are all affected. He lies flat in bed. When he desires to rise he is shifted to the edge of the bed and his rigid body is tipped up till his feet touch the floor. A stick is placed in his hand, and he can then make his way in a straight line ahead.

"Great care has to be observed," said a prominent doctor. "The man might break one of his ossified muscles just as he might an ordinary bone. His body is becoming more or less 'locked.'"

The Lovable Lords.

Lord Landsdowne once congratulated Lord Crewe on an eloquent speech in the House of Lords.

"I have followed it," he said, "with earnest attention, not only on account of the importance of the subject, but also on account of the noble lord's judicial attitude. I admired his. eloquence, but what impressed me was his impartiality."

A pause.

"Yes, until the last minute, I did not know on which side of the fence his lordship was coming down."—London Globe.

Good character is above all things else.

INSURANCE LAWS

Important Changes Proposed by a Commission.

The commission appointed by Governor Crothers to consider modifications in the insurance laws of the state has completed its work. Upon its recommendations State Insurance Commissioner B. F. Crouse has prepared a bill which will be submitted to the General Assembly.

The members of the commission are Senator John P. T. Mathias, chairman; Benjamin F. Crouse, C. O. Richardson, Henry M. McCulloh, W. B. Claggett, Dr. Charles V. Hayden and Joseph B. Seth. The commission was appointed for the purpose of modernizing the insurance laws and bringing them up-to-date.

According to the report of the commission to Governor Crothers, the laws now in force are very much in need of rearrangement, as the subject matter is not presented with any regard to order, and is of the "patchwork" variety. The laws have undergone change and addition from time to time, and the same subject is to be found, in some instances, enacted two or three times.

In the proposed revision no attempt has been made to introduce any drastic changes, but some elimination of useless matter and the introduction of a few new sections was considered necessary in order to bring this branch of legislation in some measure in line with modern ideas and methods. Among the changes proposed in the new law are the following:

A requirement that all Maryland companies, which have complied with the law, shall take out an annual license; also, that each agent of such company shall be licensed, the cost being nominal, as under the present law the insurance department is not informed as to who are appointed agents by the local companies. The The new bill also provides for the risk undertaken by fire and surety companies to one-tenth of the sum of their capital and surplus; allowing a portion of the assests of companies to be loaned on leasehold property to the extent of 60 per cent. of its value.

The changes further provide that making false estimates and misrepresentation by agents of life insurance companies shall be a misdemeanor; more stringent provisions against rebating and advisory board contracts; an enactment of the Massachusetts Nonforfeiture Law, by which persons who have paid three full annual premiums on a life policy, if unable to continue payment, have a right to obtain paid-up insurance proportional to the amount paid.

The last important changes are those providing for investigation by the insurance commissioner in case of violation of the Insurance Law; the enactment of what is known as section 63 of the New York Insurance Law, allowing the commissioner to take charge of insolvent domestic corporations under authority of the court.

The bill will probably pass without a dissenting vote. It is entirely in line with what Mr. Crouse and the other members of the commission declare is needed in this state. Governor Crothers has indorsed the bill and will give it his support when it comes before the legislature.

THE SPIRIT OF SEARCH.

[Columbia (S. C.) State.]

Search—ever since man wandered beyond the pale of his pristine Edens or jungles or caves this has been the watchword. He began his great quest when he strolled out into the great spaces of the world, whether he was savage or angel. And he has kept it up—this, indeed, is the charm of life, the one charm that survives the unrestrained primeval joys of life. Search, the desire to learn what mysteries the savage woods held from his curious questioning; what wild beasts, that he would one day meet in the forest or in the arena in deadly conflict, what wastes of space, what morasses, what stretches of water and desert and plain and mountain lay beyond.

When he had explored his immediate neighborhood, and peeped from some near mountain height into the flattened plains below, he was satisfied for a time. But new stirrings came into his heart. The sea, the great stream that seemed to him to flow around the flat world, must hold many secrets and delightful mysteries. And so many a Ulysses embarked upon many an Odyssey and returned, bringing back fabulous tales of adventure—few of them true.

And the spirit of search, of curiosity, created also, the workers and the pioneers and heroes and martyrs in romance and in science. We must know. The simple truth that satisfied the ancient Greek philosopher—Know thyself—no longer satisfies us. There are countless things we must know; we must ransack the ages, spoil the climes.

Make no haste co be rich, if you prosper.

HISTORY AND ROMANCE.

[Pittsburg Dispatch.]

Now, what do you think of this? Mrs. Charles Henrotio, addressing the Highland Park Women's Club at Chicago, said: "Our history has no picturesqueness; it is the most dull and limited history of any great nation and the reason is that woman has been ignored. Woman makes history romantic and interesting. Napoleon inspired the love of women and their admiration, but you cannot say so much of Washington. Compare Josephine and Mrs. Washington and you can see how much the feminine element was emphasized in the former and forgotten in the life of the Father of His Country."

If this comparison represents her ideal of what history should be, then Americans can be thankful that our history does not meet with her approval. We are willing to let other nations furnish material for "best sellers" and problem novels while our Presidents and statesmen continue to live the lives of decent American citizens. Cleveland's description of that White House wedding as "one grand sweet song" is worth more than all the romance of a hundred Napoleonic divorce scandals.

PROBLEM OF EATING.

[Louisville Courier Journal.]

One who possesses a healthy, normal appetite and a good digestion is apt to take a different view of the eating problem from that of the man who is not living under such desirable conditions. He is fortunate who has an appetite for breakfast, and is doubly fortunate if he has a breakfast for his appetite. Conceding that many persons eat too much, it must be remembered that many eat too little.

The world is full of well-meaning individuals who spend a considerable portion of their time in telling their fellow men what to eat and how to eat it. These persons forget that eating is largely a matter of likes and dislikes, and that a regimen that is acceptable to one palate is entirely distasteful to another. The old saying has it that what is one man's meat is another man's poison. The physician may prescribe a diet for his patient because he knows from experience what is best adapted to his particular case. The layman who undertakes to lay down a universal bill of fare will have his trouble for his pains.

Her Large Experience.

The attractive young lady who had written "urgent" on her card was shown into the consulting room of Sir Choppham Fyne, head of the famous surgical hospital in Splintshire.

"And what is the matter with you?" said the great man.

"I wish," she answened, "to become a nurse in this institution."

The surgeon tapped a thoughtful tooth with his lancet. "First, one question: Have you had any previous experience?"

She dazzled him with a reassuring smile.

"Experience?" she cried. "I should just think so. Two of my brothers play football, another has tried to cross the channel in an aeroplane of his own make, mother is a suffragette, and father keeps a motor car."—Tit-Bits.

WOULDN'T HAVE MARRIED HIM.

A clergyman, noticing the simple appearance of the couple he had just married, decided to give them a few words of advice.

He explained to the young man his duties as a husband, and then told the young lady how she should conduct herself, winding up with the old injunction that she must look to her husband for everything, and, forsaking, father and mother, follow him wherever he went.

The bride appeared very much troubled at this, and faltered out:

"Must I follow him to every place he goes?"

"Yes," said the clergyman, "you must follow him everywhere until death doth you part."

"Gracious!" cried the girl. "If I had known that before I would never have married a postman."—Spare Moments.

THE COLLEGE JOURNALIST.

At the University of Missouri is the first working school of journalism in the world. As practical laboratory work, a daily paper, with telegraphic reports, is issued. Walter Williams, its dean, tells of the vicissitudes he encounters in turning laymen into journalists.

A student was sent in haste to cover a railway wreck at a town a few miles away. It was almost time for the daily to go to press, and still no word had been received from the young man on the assignment.

In desperation Dean Williams telegraphed, asking why the story was not forthcoming. The reply was "Too much excitement. Wait until things quiet down."—Kansas City Journal.

Keep your promises if your would would be happy.

Lost Pie Contest When Face Slipped.

Bloomfield, N. J., Jan. 28.—Amid great enthusiasm 35 young men, trained to the minute, in Junior Hall, last night entered the annual pie-eating contest for the championship of New Jersey. Five of the contestants, as well as the State record of 26 pies in half an hour, fell during the battle.

Walter W. Tappin of Bloomfield was the winner of the championship. He managed to put himself on the outside of 27 pies in the allotted time, while at least three more, considerably mussed up, clung about his features. Besides the honors which go with the title he won the first prize of a $5 gold piece. Second honors went to John Winthrop Brewster of Newark, the favorite of the outsiders. Mr. Brewster reduced the mountain of 200 pies by disposing of 22. For a long time at the start of the race he was in the lead by three mouthfuls, and he blames his defeat on the fact that when his face slipped on No. 17 he changed by mistake from peach to mince.

Sylvester Pollitt, last year's winner, was third. He declared while being led from the arena by friends, that he was satisfied to have been able to even enter the contest and not let the title go by default.

The contest was under the auspices of the James T. Boyd Council No. 244, Jr. O. U. A. M. More than 300 members were in attendance. Harry Pillgrim, deputy State counselor of Newark, was referee.

WHEN JACK BALDWIN PRAYED

An old man in Georgia named Jack Baldwin, having lost his hat in an old dry well one day, hitched a rope to a stump and let himself down. A wicked wag named Neal came along just then and, quietly detached a bell from Baldwin's old blind horse, approached the well, bell in hand, and began to ting-a-ling.

Jack thought the old horse was coming and said: "Hang the old blind horse! He's coming this way, sure; he ain't got no more sense than to fall in on me. Whoa, Ball!"

The sound came closer.

"Great Jerusalem! The old blind fool will be right on top of me in a minit! Whoa, Ball! Whoa, haw, Ball!"

Neal kicked a little dirt on Jack's head, and Jack began to pray:

"Oh, Lord, have mercy on—whoa—Ball!—a poor sinner—I'm gone now! Whoa, Ball! Our, Father who art in—whoa Ball—hallowed by Thy—gee, gee! What'll I do? Now I lay me down to si—gee, Ball!" Just then in fell more dirt. "Oh, Lord, if You ever intend to do anything for me—back, Ball! Whoa—Thy kingdom come—gee, Ball! Oh, Lord. You know I was baptized in Smith's mill-dam—whoa, Ball! Ho up! Murder! Whoa?"

Neal could hold in no longer and shouted a laugh which might have been heard two miles, which was about as far as Jack chased him when he got out.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

VANITY IN ANIMALS.

According to a story told by former Governor Storkes, of New Jersey, at a recent banquet, vanity is not confined exclusively to the female sex of the human species.

In a small town over in Jersey, Mr. Storkes said, there is a corner grocery where you may buy anything from a 20-foot ladder to a pearl necklace. Adhesive plaster, sauerkraut and toilet articles are also sold, and in case of necessity you may get a haircut or a horse shod in the back yard. Sometime since a farmer stopped in the store to get some horse liniment to rub the rheumatism out of a sick cow, and two or three days later he came back with a life-size kick.

"Look here, Abner," he complainingly remarked, "I wish ye would be a lettle might more keerful how ye throw yerself back o' thet counter. T'other day ye give me cologne instead o' hoss liniment, and gosh-dast if I didn't put it on thet sick cow afore I found out what it was."

"It didn't hurt her any, did it?" broke in the groceryman.

"Can't say thet it did." answered the farmer, "but ever sence she has had thet sweet smellin' stuff on her she hain't done a derned thing but jes' look at her reflection in ther duck pond an' sigh."—Philadelphia Telegraph.

Few College Girls as Brides.

[Washington Herald.]

Less than 34 per cent of the alumnae of Smith College have married, according to the last quarterly bulletin of the Smith College Alumnae Association. These records are the nearest correct of any that can be obtained and their accuracy is not questioned by the college authorities.

These figures confirm the deductions made some years since by Dr. G. Stanley Hall, president of Clark University, pyschologist and pedagogue. With the aid of his assistant, Dr. Theodore A. Smith, himself a Smith graduate, Dr. Hall compiled statisties showing that college graduates, both men and women, are annually showing less inclination toward matrimony, while those who do marry are failing to raise families.

These considerations have led Dr. Hall to a severe arraignment of the results of higher education for women, his contention being that there is serious need of reform in any system of training which unfit women for the great vocations of homemaker and mother or makes them indifferent to those states as the aim and mission of women.

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