

Would Apply Scientific Mating to Humanity.

"If the people of America would keep the coming generation from inhabiting madhouses they should abolish indiscriminate marriages, forget that hallucination called love, and choose their life partners on the same principle that a successful cattleman chooses his stock." In the above sentence Dr. Julius Grinker, professor of nervous and mental diseases at the Chicago Post-Graduate Medical School, voiced a warning to the American public of the great dangers which may confront it in the near future. He spoke in the Public Library building under the auspices of the Chicago Medical Society, on "American Nervousness, Its Cause and Cure." "Like begets like," said he, "and the nervous system bows to the law of all life—the law of heredity; the law that governs your life and mine. If we are bundles of unstable nerves and abnormal susceptibilities. It is but little trouble to trace the cause back to our forefathers. The youth of today should be educated and compelled to choose his mate in the way that fine horses and cattle are chosen. When a man comes to marrying he should choose his wife in the same way that she chooses a new dress. Love is an hallucination, an illusion provided by nature to cause men and women to mate and to procreate the species. But love should be thrust in the background and relegated to the scrap heap of worn-out adages if the health and security of posterity is to be taken into consideration. Do not have your children afflicted with the evils that have been inflicted upon you. Stop falling in love with a pretty face, and get a wife who is healthy and will rear strong and wholesome children. If there could be a law passed in this country by which men and women would be compelled to undergo physical examinations and have the physical records of their ancestors investigated before a marriage would be allowed it would be the best thing that could possibly happen. If it were possible that this law could be passed hundreds of diseases, ailments, and ills would be eradicated from the race."

What a Good Cow is Worth.

What are the cows worth that produce 400 pounds of butter per annum? Here I am going to make a statement and undertake to prove it correct. When a cow that produces 200 pounds of butter per annum, at a food cost of \$39 and a labor cost of \$12.50, is worth \$35, the cow that produces 400 pounds of butter annually is worth \$400, and the owner can make net \$16 more from her after paying interest on the \$400 than he can from the cows that produce 200 pounds of butter. There is no more labor connected with the 400-pound cows than there is with the 200-pound cows. The price at which butter has been credited, i. e., 20 cents per pound, is the next price from the creamery after the making has been paid for. In this herd the increased cost of feed for the 400-pound cows was more than offset by the increased amount of skim milk, so we have the 200 pounds increase of butter as net profit over the 200-pound cow. Two hundred pounds of butter

at 20 cents is \$40. We have \$400 invested in these cows, which at 6 per cent. interest, is \$24, which we will deduct from the \$40, and we have left \$16 to the credit of the 400-pound cow. — H. B. Gurler in Successful Farming.

The Doll Habit.

Love of dolls is natural and world-wide. A list of desired Christmas present written by a teacher in a school for Indian girls on the Western frontier begins with the item, "A doll for every girl, or we shall have some broken hearts!" At the other extreme of child life, the daughters of the Tsar have their whole colony of dolls, from the muzhik to the soldiers, and from the lady in waiting to the peasant girl.

The doll love is a perfectly natural manifestation of the maternal instinct. The girl baby is scarcely out of arms herself when she begins to want a baby in her arms. The wise mother supplies the desire promptly—and watches with tender sympathy the reflections in miniature of her own emotions.

The instinct of the little mother shows itself still further in the fact that the best-loved doll is not mademoiselle of the golden locks and the pink cheeks and the fashionable wardrobe. The favorite is poor Peggy, who has lost an arm whose eyes are dull and fixed, and whose complexion is much the worse for wear. She is selected most often for an outing, and is exhibited with most pride to mama's callers.

Beneath this seemingly inexplicable taste lies another universal fact—for the beneficent influence of which in the perplexities of human life we are not half grateful enough. The little mother but fortells the crowning glory of the best of mothers—her whole-hearted devotion to the child in need. The sick boy, the plain, shy girl, the dull, the unsuccessful, and—thank God!—the sinful are the dearest treasures of the mother's heart. The little girl's love for her ragged and worn out doll is the prophecy of the mother's glorious loyalty for her child in trouble.

College Students Burned to Death.

Seven persons met a tragic death last Friday morning at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., in a fire that destroyed the Chapter House of the Chi Psi society. Three of the victims were volunteer firemen of the city of Ithaca and four of them students of Cornell university. O. L. Schmuck, one of the students, had made his way to safety but he re-entered the burning building to save his room mate and perished in the flames. The money loss is about \$200,000.

Mrs. Jones—"Whatever we got ter be thankful fer, Silas?" Mr. Jones—"Wa-al, th' mortgage hez bin foreclosed on th' farm, so we hain't got ter pay no more interest and taxes; th' automobile's bin attached fer debt, so we hain't got ter worry about that no more; Johnny Smith has thrown over our daughter Sal, so we won't have him ter support. Great Scott, Maria! we've got every-thing ter be thankful fer."—Judge.

Seth Low has just paid to the City of New \$27,000 for back taxes on a mortgage for which he did not know he was liable.

Banker on Clerks' Responsibility.

President Forgan, of the First National Bank of Chicago, speaks out as follows in a letter to the "Review," his employees' organ: "It has come to my knowledge that some of the clerks in the Milwaukee Avenue State Bank had knowledge of the frauds and irregularities perpetrated in that bank by some of its officers, and that they took no action to protect the bank, its shareholders or depositors against such frauds, of which they were fully cognizant. I desire it to be clearly understood by every employee of this bank that knowledge or any reasonable suspicion of fraud of any kind by which the bank suffers or may suffer will be regarded as guilty knowledge unless immediately disclosed. If the fraud is perpetrated by any officer or clerk under the rank of president, the employee who has knowledge or suspicion of it should report it to me. If it is perpetrated by the president, it should be communicated to the directors."

The bill of the Minister of Agriculture providing for an expenditure of a hundred thousand dollars in aid of cold storage plants throughout the country is a good one. The butter and cheese industry of Canada has made great strides in recent years, but there is still a lamentable lack of appreciation of the importance of keeping the finished products in perfect condition from the moment they are made until they are marketed. Carelessness in this respect seems to go by districts, but the injury done by the shipment of goods which have been improperly looked after falls upon the whole Canadian product. The adoption of proper methods of handling, as well as of manufacture, is therefore of importance to the whole country. In order to obtain, if possible, a greater uniformity in the condition of the Canadian products, Mr. Fisher proposes to aid the general establishment of cold storage plants in the districts where they are not already in existence. The direct result, of course, will be, let us hope, a very considerable general improvement in the marketable condition of our butter and cheese, apple, and other perishable exports. The movement should also be educative in its effects by emphasizing the importance of modern methods in the handling of other farm commodities.

A Fair Offer.

The young housewife was thrifty and, as a writer in the Chicago News hints, a trifle pert.

"You ought to take something off for the holes in these doughnuts," she said to the baker.

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