

A QUEEN'S VIEWS.

Queen Margherita of Italy Opposed to all Extravagant Theories About the "New Woman."

Rome, June 14.—The Dowager Queen of Italy is probably the best authority in Europe on the subject of the education of her sex, the proper bringing up of girls, how they should be prepared for the duties of life, including widowhood and motherhood, etc.

Queen Margherita believes that the most effectual way to prevent race suicide is to bring up young women with a becoming sense of the duties of life, and she holds in the highest esteem the dignity of motherhood. With President Roosevelt, her Majesty decries the childless family, and denounces those who shrink the duties of motherhood.

In addition to her many and varied accomplishments, Queen Margherita is a well equipped Shakespearean scholar. Her Majesty has especially studied the works of Queen Victoria, as mother of Victor Emmanuel II., as she developed in the present King of Italy high ideals, sober wisdom and wide culture.

Such is the authority who has given me her views on the all important questions of family life which President Roosevelt, American mothers and others have made so actual in the United States.

OPPOSED TO THE NEW WOMAN.

"I am absolutely opposed to any extravagant theories of what is called the emancipation of women," was the first shot fired at me by Queen Margherita upon the question under consideration. "In whatever condition of life," continued Her Majesty "a woman may be placed, her first duty is to the nation, one of not giving up the qualities that distinguish her sex. Poor or rich, high or low, a woman should be educated so as to contribute to her own needs and requirements and to those of her family."

"She should not associate unnecessarily with men, nor should she meddle in politics as the word is broadly understood. Above all she should guard against developing the traits of men. A blending of ancient reserve with modern independence would give us the ideal woman. Let her study, teach, work, shine in society or stay at home she should, nevertheless look to her father, her brother or her husband for council and support in difficulties. Why? Because a woman, as a rule, cannot have the wide experience of a man. In Latin countries, women have been kept in too much subjection to men. But this is gradually disappearing, and during the past 20 years the women of Italy have made great progress."

BELIEVES IN LARGE FAMILIES.

"Your Majesty believes in large families?"

"Yes. How also is a nation to progress except through its people? A childless family is incomplete. There is a poetry and a pathos about childhood which appeals to every righthearted woman. Most women, though they may not be able to put this idea into words feel it. They have the maternal instinct. Hence the remoteness of race suicide."

"The woman to whom the blessing of motherhood is denied misses the best in life. I speak not of the necessary exceptions. They may have another mission in life. A holy call may claim their soul and senses all. Unmarried women need not of necessity be unhappy or useless. They may have wide fields of useful activity and they can make their lives beautiful as well as useful, by working for the welfare of others. Altruism is but another name for the charity of Christ, and the greatest thing on earth is love."

"Women show their intellectuality by rearing healthy and great children; just as much as they do by writing books or painting pictures."

"The wife who deliberately refuses to bring children into the world must have something wrong with their moral make-up. Her shirking of the obligation may even amount to a heinous crime. Her action may even be contrary to patriotism. I am pleased to know that there is a movement in the United States in favor of large families, and that the President has put himself upon record as favoring them. European women have begun to look for light to their sisters at the United States."

"People are still influenced very much by the force of example. I have frequently heard that the good example set by the late Queen Victoria of England has worked untold good for her people. I do think that the force of example is particularly effective for young girls. They are susceptible of the highest powers of imitation. Improve the condition of the highest powers of imitation. Improve the condition of the women of the country and you elevate the whole section of the human race."

"Extravagant theories about the emancipation of women do not improve her condition."

THE BASIS OF CULTURE.

"What should be the basis of culture, particularly for women. Their character will grow with it. A religiously trained girl is always better able to take care of herself than a strong-minded unbeliever. This is true of all circumstances of life. The unbelieving girl is called strong-minded, she is really not strong-minded. Furthermore, she loses the

grace of imagination. Her heart is hardened by prosaic experiment such as cannot give her the strength needed in difficulties and sorrows. When the world fails her, as it is sure to do some time, such as she will not be able to trust in a heavenly power. A woman without religion is a flower without perfume. She is an object to be pitied."

"From infancy religion should be instilled into children, more especially girls. This should be followed by general culture, keeping in view a practical aim for girls, particularly the university and almost all walks of life suited to their sex are open to them. As a result men, in European countries, are beginning to consider and to respect women after the fashion of America, and those who are called the weaker sex are commencing to exercise a stronger influence on society."

"In Italy a quarter of a century ago women had only needlework and teaching between which to choose, so that they could scarcely earn a modest living."

BASIS OF FAMILY LIFE.

"Will Your Majesty state what is the basis of domestic or family life?"

"It is love. This is true regardless of social conditions. Society or the body politic, to be successful, must be founded on love. The body politic is formed from the families of the nation. If these be not individually cemented by love, society cannot hold together. A loveless marriage is a curse; a marriage based upon love is a blessing. From such marriages spring a kind and a capable people. The human family is blessed and cheered by the heart influence of brave spirits, whose well-spring of love ever flows fresh and is never checked by sorrow or disappointment."

"The teaching of women should not only make her useful to herself and others, but should tend to make her good, kind, loving, should help her fill her life with sincere friendships, intellectual pursuits, charitable interest and domestic affection, while always preserving that charm of reserve which is the crowning glory of her sex."

"Will Your Majesty state whether or not the tone of society is improving?"

"In Italy, at least, I am sure it is. It is more elevated today than it was 30 years ago. Then amusements, carnivals, and dress were the foremost pleasures of women of position. Now much of their time is given to useful social work, thus greatly ameliorating the condition of the less favored."

"What is thought of Anglo-Saxon women?"

"In Italy we appreciate them very much. An English nursery governess was engaged for the King when he was a child. The same has been done for the little princesses and the baby prince. English is a familiar language at the court. Of course we speak French and German also."

"What of coquetry in women?"

"It is quite reprehensible. The coquette is usually cold hearted and cold-blooded. She has not capacity for love. She seeks admiration, not affection. She lacks cheerfulness. She plays upon men's vanity."

"And a lady, your Majesty?"

"Is soft of speech and pleasant of manner. A lady always has perfect control of herself, keeps her engagements and is not oblivious of her liabilities. She has the courage of her convictions. If there be an occasion for self denial, she is capable of it. She cannot help having nerves, but she should not make a display of them to the discomfort of others. A lady is the complement of the gentleman as defined by the late Cardinal Newman."

HOW WOMAN SHOULD PASS HER TIME.

"Will Your Majesty please explain how a woman in easy circumstances should pass her time?"

"Great is the power and the pleasure of altruism. She should help others. The laws of nature and the common teachings of Christianity point to this."

"She should protect, befriend and help such enterprises as are worthy of support. She should improve herself mentally and otherwise. A woman can and ought, to make her conversation deeply interesting. She should read. Personally, I am very fond of Shakespeare. A woman of culture should know the classics of her country and of other countries also."

"Should she have talent for music or the fine arts, why not cultivate it? She should set up lofty ideals. A woman's sunny smile promotes cheerfulness. Every woman has domestic duties which are not to be shirked. It is a most pleasing sign to see a refined woman helping children."

"Is marriage a help or a hindrance in life, your Majesty?"

"The question scarcely admits of discussion. For those who have a vocation to the married life, and they constitute a majority, it must be a great help. In fact, it could not be otherwise. A sympathetic woman can do much to encourage and to inspire a man in any work. The encouragement of a good woman may prevent a man from losing faith in himself. Happiness helps. A suitable marriage brings happiness. Therefore, it helps. A child and amiable wife is a most valuable aid to any man. She may also be an orna-

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"Yes, she has always had enormous influence since the world began. It was either for good or evil. If some of the heinous crimes of history can be traced to woman, so can some of its most heroic virtues. Men owe their best qualities to their mothers. When society is correct and courteous it is because of the influence of woman."

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To Succeed.

Dr. Samuel A. Green, the historian, says that the late ex-Governor Boutwell once gave these hints to a student at the Groton academy: "If you wish to take a college course I trust you will be able to do so. But there are three things you must have to succeed—industry, integrity and civility. You cannot get along without civility." This advice made so much impression upon the boy that his grandfather has the words printed on a little card for distribution to friends.

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His Objection.
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"That sounds pretty good," yawned the man on the herring barrel, "but there is one thing I don't like about it."
"What's that?"
"Waking up."—Chicago News.

All He Left.
"Didn't Smugley leave anything at all?"
"Oh, yes, but it was dissipated immediately."
"You don't say? What was it?"
"A good reputation, but two widows presented themselves to claim it."—Philadelphia Ledger.

No Reciprocity.
"Almost every father overestimates the intellectual capacity of his children."
"Yes," answered the gloomy person, "and the misfortune of it is that the children so seldom reciprocate when they get big enough to take notice."—Washington Star.

The Real Scheme.
"There's always somebody bobbing up with a scheme to extract gold from sea water."
"Their real scheme is not to extract from sea water."
"What, then?"
"To extract gold from lobsters."—Houston Post.

Appropriated It.
She—They say there is only one person in fifteen who has perfect eyes.
He (with uncommon fervor)—In fifteen? There's only one in a millenium!
She—There you go again, Mr. Spoonmore! Always flattering somebody!—Chicago Tribune.

Her Greater Trouble.
Mabel—Does your husband talk much about his mother's cooking?
Martha (wearily)—Some, but not as much as he does about mine.—Brooklyn Life.

He Was Properly Impressed.



Mr. Good.—Well, Bobby, how was school today? Did anything make an impression on you?
Bobby.—Well, I should say so. The teacher caught me throwing paper wads, and she took a whip and made about a dozen impressions, I guess.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

An interesting Skull.

Prof. Montgomery of the Toronto University has recently received a cast of the skull of the animal between man and the apes, remains of which were found by Dubois a few years ago in the island of Java. The skull shows a greater brain capacity and a higher intellectual conformation than the skull of either the Chimpanzee or the Gibbon, the highest of the existing apes. A thigh-bone and two molar teeth were also found by Dubois in the same rocks and within a short distance of the spot where the skull was discovered. The thigh-bone indicates that the animal walked in an erect position. The expert scientists who examined the remains at Leyden, where Dr. Dubois had brought them by the authority of the Dutch Government, gave the opinion that they were those of a creature very little lower than man, and a step in advance of the Simian or ape animals. Several of them also expressed an emphatic opinion that the rocks in which the remains were found are of Pliocene age, as proved by the collection of other fossils taken therefrom, they being similar to those occurring in the Pliocene of the Siwalik Hills of India. As to the capacity of the skull, this animal, which has been named Pithecanthropus erectus, was very close to the fossil man known as Spy number one found in Belgium. Prof. Haeckel of Paris, Sir William Flower, Haeckel and the late Prof. Huxley were among the first to recognize the importance of the discovery.



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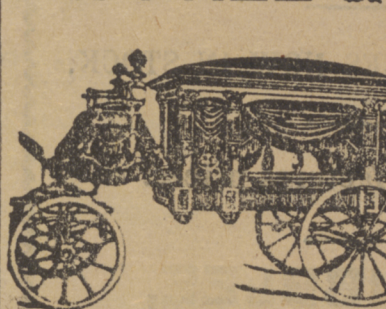
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