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MEN LEAD IN SOCIAL IMPURITY

CAUSTIC OBSERVATIONS OF REV.
A. H. LEWIS ON SOCIAL EVILS.

**The Man Furnishes the Money Which
Puts a Commercial Value on Evil—
Ideal Fatherhood Begun in Physical Life**

The following is an abstract from the address of Rev. A. H. Lewis, of this city, on Tuesday before the Social Purity Congress at Boston on "The Sacredness of Fidelity."

Men lead in social iniquity. They furnish the money which creates the commercial power of this evil. Enough will be offered upon the altar of lust in this city tonight to build many churches and relieve thousands who are in distress. The fires of lust turn the forces which belong to pure fatherhood to bitterness and hate. The use of these things in this theme is pertinent to the occasion, and I must speak with such plainness and earnestness as the time demands.

The world puts great price on fatherhood.

men seem to care more for their country fatherhood than they do for their own divinely-ordained fatherhood. They are willing to sacrifice and demand the highest standard of womanly purity when they seek a wife.

We talk of "fallen women." There are at least two classes of women. Every fallen woman, man, and they should be classed as "irretrievables" along with those whom they hire for purposes of prostitution. Every high conception of fatherhood is a "fallen woman" standing out against such shame and stain of sinfulness.

It is a Divine gift by which each man may create a subordinate creature, under his law, a creator, not of animals for today, but of immortal for all time. Thus God has ordained to perpetuate the work, which he alone could begin. Man's creatorship involves body and soul, and all destiny. No one creature stands alone.

twentieth century ought to see, begins with preposterous physical life. To be valuable for fatherhood, a horse must be a "magnificent animal." So must a man. This is especially true as to everything which touches that form of life we call "nervous force." Whatever in the world is good for the nerves, is good for the father. And a splendid host of lust, Heretofore the crime of men against themselves, and their children, in the use of alcohol, tobacco, and all like poisons; the wickedness of placing the pleasures of an animal indulgence over against the demands of fatherhood. Men, have you asked why tobacco shops and saloons must abound in indecent pictures; why the cigarette which is corrupting the fountain of fatherhood in our boys sets a com-

of Judged by the highest law, the just-indulgent man has no right to become a father. He must be right to cast weights on body and soul which his innocent child must carry through weary eternities.

We talk of the glory of motherhood. Art puts the aureole upon the head of the madonnas; this is well. But fatherhood has equal glory. When a pure husband knows that another heart is beating beneath the heart of his wife, that another life belonging equally to both is preparing to step into full birth, that he has thus begun his proper himself in the life of all life and all times, that he serves before he begins to put on the crown of manhood, and to take part with God the Everlasting in the work of creation; then the

universe places his name among those who have entered the sacred temple of "Fatherhood."

PROGRESSIVE WOMEN.

Leading Brooklyn Woman.

The regular meeting of the Study Class, carried on by the Alliance of Unitarian and Other Liberal Women, was held in the lecture room of All Souls church yesterday afternoon. A business session was held first. A report of the last meeting was read and then Miss Reynolds gave an account of the postal mission which she conducts. E. R. Leonard then read the religious news report.

Mrs. Charles T. Cattin, a prominent

member of the Brooklyn women's Club, was then introduced and read a paper on "Self Culture and Self Sacrifice," as typically represented by Margaret Fuller and Sister Dora. She took Margaret Fuller as an example of self culture and spoke of her as the

America. Her history was briefly and interesting told, and her wonderful literary powers described. Sister Dora was next discussed, and the difference between her and Margaret Fuller compared to the difference between their homes, Old England and New England. Sister Dora's wonderful career of self sacrifice was described with feeling, and her dominating influence and its effects spoken of. A general informal discussion followed.

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