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Dear Puck and Beavers.—This is my first letter to your Circle. My father has taken "The Farmer's Advocate" for about ten years. I like reading the little letters very much. So I thought I would write too. For pets I have one dog; his name is Spottie. I go to school every day. My teacher's name is Miss Devereux; I like her very much. We live on a farm. I must close now as my letter is getting long. I hope my letter

will escape the w.:-p. b. Elmira, Ont. MIRIAM MAURER.

The Ingle Nook.

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An Opportunity.

Early last fall, and speaking of Canada at that, a well-known writer said: One hates to count over the cases, widespread and persistent, of greed and graft. They involve nearly every branch of service, civil and military. They tarnish the good name of Parliament. They record the gigantic greed of great corporations that boast their million-dollar profits on an expenditure of two months. They are foul with the petty briberies of merchants and of military officials. And the worst of all this, the most damaging to Canada's moral life, is not that one here and there are guilty, but that their guilt has not been visited by that swift and investigation. been visited by that swift and impartial punishment which would relieve the whole nation from complicity, and make the law against dishonesty and dishonor in Canada as sacred as we all say it ought to be in Germany."

On the very face of it, doesn't it seem ridiculous—lamentably, pathetically, tragically ridiculous—that grown men should ever need "punishment?"—That in a single instance any grown man, come to years of maturity of mind and body, should ever have to be whipped into line to save either his brother or his nation's credit? And a thousand times the worse when the man is one who holds a position of responsibility, trusted by the people, placed where he is by their nomination and their votes. contemptible creature indeed who will not only drag down his own honor and trample it in the mud under his feet, but who will stab those who trusted him in the back.—For what is betrayal of one's trust better than that? And all for what?—For the gaining of a million dollars or so, blood-money that can at best secure but a few luxuries that one can do without very well, for a few short years. Honor sold for a few luxuries! A name that might have been fair, held up to the hisses of future history! Can even the most successful rogue ever feel, once, in the one little honest spot that he must extill process. honest spot that he must still preserve in the depths of his heart, that it has been worth while? Would he ever have taken the steps he has taken if he had not felt that they would never come to light?—he, dyed all the blacker because he has felt that he could carry

out his contemptible work in darkness. And yet at all times, and over and the beginning of the war, this thing has happened—either has happened or has been said to happen, in which case is a culpability scarcely the less; for the man who will, for political reasons, trump up a charge against another, absolutely without reason, is as bad as the one who will consent to avail himself

The war, it appears, has given a grand chance to boodlers everywhere, and to calumniators. In Canada have arisen stories, in the United States, in England, in Russia, in Germany. There is rottenness everywhere—as well as—thank heaven!—much that is big, and honest, and good. It is sweet, and inspiring and reassuring to look at the thousands of instances of high honor, and makes self-specified, and utter upself-sh noble self-sacrifice, and utter unselfishness that have come to the top every week since the beginning of Europe's horror, but it is also necessary to look at the rottenness, and so the peoples are glad whenever the Governments are fearlessly ready to probe. Rotten spots must be cut out to preserve the sanity of the whole.

It has often been said, sneeringly and condemnatorily enough, that a politician can scarcely keep honest. Yet this is ridiculous. Pity that there should have been so continuous opportunity for it to be said. Government, despite the lurking suspicion in the subconsciousness of many people, does not and cannot create dishonesty. It may, it is true, afford opportunity for the development of a latent dishonesty. After all it has to deal with a finished product. As the members elected so must the whole machine be made or marred. When men with latent inherent streaks of dishonesty get into government, as into big corporations, the dishonesty has a peculiarly favorable chance to coze through to the top. It recognizes its opportunity to have the blame distributed over a whole body-to stand back personally, as it were, and let the mischief work as an impersonal thing. Occasionally, it is true, is committed a breach so gross that names are mentioned, but all too often, perhaps, the genial "firstrate sort of fellow" is screened, when he should not be, because of the otherwise entirely laudable spirit of good fellowship that is likely to obtain among a body of men thrown together in common and daily interests.

And yet Government itself is a high and holy thing. At its best it offers the highest opportunity for the best type of men, and when the world reaches its climax of development, should Government, indeed, then be necessary, men will not shrink from assuming its re-sponsibilities, but will gladly accept them as a sacred opportunity for service to the race.

Yes, the trouble is, not with Government, but farther down. And now, why give place for all this in a women's column? Simply because here seems a field for women. There has never been a great educator who has not dwelt, with all the emphasis he could command upon the necessity of giving the right bent to children—in consideration of their future work as men. "The child is father of the man." True, heredity means much, but there is endless power in early training. May not the fault be then, when men do not "measure up," that, in many cases, early training "measure has not been given. And does it not appear plausible that, realizing their responsibility in giving early training, the women of the world may hold the future of the nations, to a great extent, in their hands?—the mothers and sisters in the homes, the teachers in the schools.

It is not wrong training, but lack of training, that may be at fault. In how many homes are children just left, for the most part, to grow up anyhow in regard to certain matters. They are fed well, they are clothed, they are strapped if they "say swear words" or caught telling a lie, they are made to do their home-work, and, perhaps. given definite training in manners. The matter ends there. Nobody has time to bother further. And yet how much it might mean to these boys and girls if pains were taken, by suggestion, chiefly, as opportunity offers, to inculcate in them a spirit of high honor?
Were it only made clear to them that a sharp business trick, by which the other fellow is "done," is a contemptible trick; that, while a certain amount of money is necessary, it is not the best thing in life, nor the pursuit of it the highest endeavor: that every human is under the responsibility of making the very best and highest of his life; that we are put here to grow, and to make friends, and to be of use not to become mere lumps of selfishness. are among the things that should be made clear to children, but are very seldom, generally speaking, touched upon in any way. Were such training carried out, quietly and unobtrusively and insistently, there might still be plenty of blunderers in the world, but there would be fewer knaves.—And there is all the difference in the world between a dreaming blunderer and a calculating knave.

Votes will come to woman, after the war; but in using the ballot she has not her last word in Government. In helping to raise clean men she has even greater opportunity. It is hers to Be, and to teach—and urge that her husband help to teach—the future makers of Government, the greatest science in the world, the one that holds the happiness of the peoples in its hand. What think you?

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