

licity, it will not try to end this evil; and until it has tried, I for one, will not admit that the evil cannot be ended.

The Value of Knowledge.

Finally, as every student of the social problem well remembers, the bitterest cry of the girl that goes wrong is, "Until it was too late, I didn't know!" It is a fact that nearly all of our boys are left to discover the fundamental truths of life from the worst of teachers—their own ill-trained minds. It is a fact that nearly all of our girls are never told the full facts until, if they are not too unfortunate, they learn them from their husbands, or until, as is increasingly the case, they learn them, to their ruin, from a man whose sole purpose is seduction. Next to a satisfactory wage, there is *no guardian of a girl equal to a complete, clean knowledge of the truth*, and any girl may secure that knowledge—may be given that armor—in her own school or her own home.

To quote Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus of Harvard University:

"Does any one protest that such an educational process will abolish innocence in young manhood and womanhood? Let him consider that the only alternative for education in sex hygiene is the prolongation of the present awful wrongs and woes in the very vitals of civilization."

Have you a sister, a daughter? Is there any woman or girl dependent upon your care? Make, then, no mistake about it—ignorance is not innocence; ignorance is the worst enemy of innocence.

What are you going to do about it?