

the novel as fully up to, if not surpassing, Mr. Gunter's former works. The following, selected from near the end of the story, is satisfactory:—

"And you were working to give me a name *before* that night?" mutters Flossie, disappointment in her face.

"What night?"

"The—the night I told you when I had a name I'd answer—" stammers the girl. Then, looking angry, she cries out: "Are all cowboys as stupid as you, Mr. Peter?" and is going away.

But the cowboy has caught her, not with his lariat, though just as strongly, and is whispering: "You have a name *now*! Is *this* your answer? You expected me to speak last night; that's why you were haughty; You darling—you—"

"Be careful!" cried his victim, in a blushing laugh. "Perhaps I'm a ward in chancery, besides a peccress of England."

"What do cowboys care for chancery or titles—cowboys who love," says Phil, who is handling the possible ward in chancery and certain peccress just as if she were a plain, ordinary, every-day betrothed kind of girl.

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"The Genius of Galilee," an historical novel by Anson Uriel Hancock, was issued Dec. 10th by Charles H. Kerr & Co., of Chicago. Mr. Hancock has produced something new under the sun, in a novel dealing with the scenes of Palestine and Rome in the first century. The story takes up the adventures of some of the associates of Jesus, bringing out in one and another of its characters the various types that made up the motley population of Galilee.

THE COMING WOMAN.

The coming woman is anxiously awaited by the twentieth century. She is but a slip of a girl now, but when the new century dawns, with all its gracious promises, she will be there to meet it, equipped for its victories and its defeats. Indeed, is it too much to say that the girl, a woman then, may do much to prove that life is worth living in the new century? Society and civilization are to be determined largely by women. Whether they be allowed to vote or not, they will have a part in moulding human life. This is a strategic point—the training of our girls. Mothers have a large responsibility put upon them in the nurture of their daughters. It is becoming increasingly difficult to lead them along the perilous path to a gracious womanhood.

What shall be the characteristics of the girl who will be wanted in 1900? (1) Genuine modesty; an intelligent purity of thought and act. Innocence is not prudery, ignorance is not virtue. Our girls should understand the perils and dangers that beset this temple of the body; they should have an exact and truthful knowledge of the mysteries of physical life. The bloom of the blushing peach is not impaired by insight into the mysteries of paternal life, birth and progress toward maturity. No shadow will lie on the consciousness of any maiden, because she is perfectly aware of the obligations the fact of her sex has conferred upon her. She should have a frank and genuine interest in those questions which the vile may have distorted to their own evil purposes, but which are a legitimate subject of thought. An honest, intelligent contact with physiological facts will be as a corset of steel to protect her maturing life.

Modern life threatens genuine modesty in our girls; ignorance is often allured by flippant word into unwise thought. Modesty is the basis of all noble womanhood; it is the flower of maidenhood, the inexpressible charm of every young girl. It is not ignorance, a simpering prudery. It is the citadel of a pure heart.—*Good House-keeping.*

INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

Our correspondent dropped into the show rooms of the "Willis Piano & Organ Co." at Stellarton last week, and was greatly pleased with the display. This firm, which is doing a large and increasing business in Nova Scotia and P. E. Island, always keeps in stock a good supply of pianos and organs of superior make, as the Williams, Emerson and Oxbridge. They are the sole agents of the Province for the celebrated Williams Piano, which they handle in all styles, grand, square and upright. This firm, which has its headquarters at Stellarton, N.S., has recently established a branch agency at Charlottetown, P. E. I. They received a large shipment of stock for the Christmas season.

GETTING READY—On December 1st the Bottling Factory, which has been building at Spa Springs for the Company, was completed and taken over. It is a fine establishment, being 112 feet long by 35 feet wide, and three stories from the ground, with store rooms in the basement. It has been finished in sheathing, and the workmanship has been done in the most substantial manner. In the basement, which is 6,000 barrels capacity, will be placed a 15 H. P. Leonard Boiler, now on hand, and steam carried to the next floor to engine and for heating the building, which will be done through coils. The second floor is divided into a bottling room, in which one of the largest sets of bottling machinery used with appurtenances will be placed, a laboratory, store-room, office and packing-room. The workmanship throughout reflects the highest credit on Messrs. Neily & Young, the contractors.—*Kentville New Star.*

During the past season 129 cargoes of grindstones, lumber, piling, etc., were shipped from ports in Cumberland basin. During the same time, 150 cargoes were shipped for local ports. Forty-one vessels of 35,958 tons, carrying 32,566,186 superficial feet of deals, cleared from Parrsboro for Great Britain this season.

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