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There is a little girl, an infant almost who knows a thing or two, and is growing daily in that wisdom which makes the fair sex adorable. Not long ago this young lady, who, when she was a year old, was a few more falls than the average youngster, was with her parents, a guest in a prominent boarding house. She was made much of by the other boarders and, in return, she made them feel her affection upon a traveling man who happened to be staying in the house. One evening she seated herself beside him on a full sofa and laid her head on his shoulder. He was a bit startled, but he was a gentleman and he didn't mind. A little sister rebuked the young lady with the sage remark that it was wrong to kiss a gentleman and that "kiss" ought to be ashamed of herself.

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"Is it wrong, Mr. Blank?" inquired the man with a puzzled air. "Oh yes," said the young man, gravely, "very wrong—when there's any one looking," he added as a brilliant afterthought. In the meantime several persons who had loitered in the hall had gone their various ways and the couple on the sofa had the field to themselves. The young man had become interested in his boot when he felt a tug at his elbow. Finally he became more persistent and he looked down to see what the trouble was. His small companion looked eagerly up and down the hall and snuggled down close to him with a whispered: "She's nobody looking now."

She was only a little tot but the wisdom of the centuries was hers. She was trying to bear another's burdens. That other was the family washwoman. The little mite had spent a busy hour in the kitchen doing his little best to help out on wash day. Her mother watched her for a while and then calling to her she suggested she had better go upstairs and play with her dolls instead of helping with the family wash. "Why do you need to bother helping Mrs. Jones in her work?" queried the mother. The answer came without a woman's hesitation, tinged with a gentle surprise that there could be any doubt on such a weighty subject, "Why? Jesus wants me to." It was conclusive.

There is a joke in one family in town and the telephone is the cause of it. An instrument had been installed but the ladies of the family had not acquired that easy familiarity with it which enables the ordinary user to recognize clearly through it the familiar voices of their friends and relatives. One of the brothers of the family rang up the house of his office and an unmarried sister answered the phone. "Who's there," he asked after he had received the familiar "hello." "It's Miss Jones," she replied. "Well, don't you think you are deuced formal this morning?" he queried. A little later another of the boys rang up the house. This time the married sister answered the call. Not expecting her to be at the house he asked who the speaker was. She was just as formal as her sister. "It's Mrs. Jones," she answered. Since then the christian names of the family answered the girls as "Miss" and "Mrs." But they are getting used to the buzzing of a phone.

An individual who was moved by a spirit of generosity and who evidently desired to practice his benevolence upon some worthy of such consideration on his part might have been wandering around Reed's Point wharf yesterday morning. Approaching a person who was standing nearby he asked in a whisper, "Say, do you drink?" and upon receiving a reply in the negative he turned his attention to another individual from whom he received the same answer. His opinion of St. John people in general, clearly, was lowered by these unexpected and inexplicable refusals, but as if sure he saw a way out of the difficulty he said, pointing to a group of men standing on the wharf, "Point me out a drunkard among them." When the person to whom he had addressed himself declared his inability to do so, he determined to find out for himself. Approaching the group he, after some inquiries, at last found the object

later subsquensness and remained for further developments to bring back to her conscious memory.

MR. HARRY COHENISH, Knickerbocker Athletic Club, Madison avenue and Forty-fifth street, New York City.

When this woman, whose reputation is declared to be in every respect above reproach, saw the man who had been in connection with the death of Mrs. Adams she remembered the incident in the Post Office. She told her husband of the address which she did not wish to divulge her memory, but she was insistent, and finally the husband physician, in whose judgment the husband had great confidence, was appealed to, and to him the woman told her story.

He was impressed with the truth of it and advised the woman to go to Molineux's attorney, which she did. "Do you think you would be able to recognize the man who mailed that package if you saw him again?" she was asked. "That was the vital question. Was it or was it not Molineux who mailed the poison package?" Without her presence at the coroner's inquest apparently having any significance at the time, she was taken where she could see Molineux and the other persons present.

Molineux was pointed out to her. "Is that the man who stood in the line ahead of you?" she asked. "That is not the man," she said. Others were pointed out to her in various parts of the room. "Do you recognize any one here as the man you saw in the post office?" was the question put to her. Her eyes, wandering from one to another, fixed themselves on one of the persons present. "There is the man I saw," she said, pointing him out. "Whether she will be asked on the witness stand to name this other man under oath remains to be seen. You saw her there, didn't you?" There have been mysterious hints ever since the present trial of Molineux began that the defence would not only clear Molineux but would point the finger of guilt at another, leaving it to the District attorney to take up the case from the beginning again and bring the real criminal to justice.

For snatching a kiss in the street from a woman is a crime which the law punishes by a fine of three months.

It was an interesting character study to watch the audience of Parisian St. John gulping down, with mingled feelings the clever epigrams of Pinner's of The Second Mrs. Tangueray. The outspoken references to the social evil were gilded over with a subtle philosophy which, like the sugar on this man's pill, enabled the audience to swallow them without getting the full flavor. Here and there through the large audience it noticed the look of disgust on the face of some woman, or the covert glance from chaperone to chaperone to ascertain if the self-satisfaction of innocence had been rudely ruffled by the millions of phrases of the shadow of that other world from which Paula Tangueray had been emancipated only to discover that its shadows followed her into the sunlight of the brighter sphere into which she had emerged.

The old, old question seemed itself upon me. Is purity protected by the knowledge that evil exists, or is it rather endangered? Are the virtues of innocence soiled by contact with the baseness of the world, so that they require to be fenced in by a wall of protection, or does the pure spirit find in itself its own protection sheltering its innocence from the defilement of the world of sin? In other words, is it a case of "where ignorance is bliss