

rifice in a girl:—sometimes to a high degree; but not often the first two:—don't you think your very letter is a good illustration of this?

We all know that in most cases, a girl enters office life from sheer necessity, in order to support herself or else to help the home; and to such an one we all must say "God bless you, may you prosper for you are self sacrificing and sweet." On the other hand, what about the multitudes of girls who are in offices, and who are not compelled by necessity to seek employment at all:—whose homes are comfortable and even luxurious—who merely enter office life in order to obtain pocket money, which is all spent on dress and selfish amusement—who are just as fond of afternoon teas and social functions, as the class you mention in your letter. Do you think that such a girl takes your "rest and quiet after the heavy day's work" or does she rush off in the evenings to the theatre or to a dance, etc., and above all does not her unnecessary employment prevent that of some poor soul who really needs it.

Do you, dear Business Girl, with your pronounced ideas on the equality of the sexes, consider that if girls enter the field on an equal footing with men, they should still expect to receive the deference and courtesy now accorded to them on account of being the weaker sex: or should they be treated exactly as men are? Do you ever realize how often the head of an office has to bottle up his wrath when dealing with a lady clerk who has made some mistake in her work, or who may have arrived late at the office, or who may be at the telephone talking with dear Mamie about a "duck of a hat" she has thought—at the very time that she is wanted; and in how different a manner a man would be spoken to if he were the delinquent. I am sure that if your Chief spoke to you as if you were a man, you would think that he was

"Just a horrid rude thing." Wherefore, if you enter the field with men as you state "simply on the ground that it is intellect and its application that is being paid for, and not sex" you should be content to receive the same treatment that the men receive—neither more or less; and I fancy this would not, as a rule, tend to make you more sweet or gentle than you are by nature; so that I must be permitted to differ with your statement that office girls are just as sweet and gentle as were their mothers: because office environments prevent it. They certainly are more aggressive and self reliant than the home bred girl.

Your suggestion that children should be instructed in business matters at their mothers, knee' in conjunction with the Golden Rule, is immense. I can fancy one of your business mothers calling her flock around her and saying "Now children, remember that as it is not a life of sweet childhood I am training you for, you must not play with toys as you will not require them in after life; and on Sundays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays we will study the Golden Rule; and on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, business and its tricks will be our theme."

Dear Reader, would not life amongst men and women brought up on Business Girl's plan, be one long sweet dream.

ARCADIA.

THE FORTNIGHT IN SPORT.

The Ottawa 'pro' hockey team have been lucky in defeat. On two occasions in which they were vanquished, their most dangerous rivals—the Wanderers—were also beaten in their matches. In this way the status quo has been maintained and the interest in the series kept alive. Although the team at the Capital