

passes unchallenged! The fault is not with the individual, but with the race. Our earliest writers spoke of women always in the mass. St. Augustine, one of the early writers of the Christian Church, described women as "a household menace, a daily peril, a necessary evil." St. Paul made his contribution, too, and although he was careful to say that in this matter he spoke on his own authority, yet this has not in any way obscured the faith of those who wish to believe as he did. "Wives obey your husbands." A woman must not speak in the Church but ask her husband quietly at home. St. Paul has made his commentary on the marriage question too, and advises all Christian workers to remain single "even as I am," but he goes on, "Marry if you must, only do not say 'I did not warn you.'"

No wonder women have had a hard time living down these things. In our own day we have historians who undertake to state what we are like and just where we stand. Sir Almoth Wright has recently written a book which no doubt will be popular in some circles. He says there are no good women, though there are some women who have come under the influence of good men. Women have never yet lived in their own world. Our world has been made for us; even the fashions for which we receive so much criticism are made by men. The feet of little girls in China are bound by the mother and the nurse, but it is not for their pleasure that this torture is practised, but that the little girl may be pleasing in the eyes of her father and in the eyes of a possible future husband. Missionaries tell us of the mother's grief and compassion for the little sufferer, yet the cruel fashion goes on. In our own civilization women have been taught that they must attract men. The attractive girl is the successful girl in the judgment of the world, and there is a deeper reason for this than appears, for the attractiveness of a girl often determines her social standing. A pretty girl marries a millionaire, is presented at court and travels in Europe; her plainer sister, though perhaps more intelligent and more unselfish, marries a boy from home, lives on a farm and works out in the