

honor and honesty than can be forced into a week of sermons. Marmy returned the beer casks (empty of course); he would not see the unfortunate beer dealer lose wholly by the transaction. Marmy might not pay for the beer right away, but keep the dealer out of the casks—never. He would return them, and therein shines the immortal Marmy; he would be honorable despite everything. Here is an example, young men, for you to follow. Drink the beer, but, although you may not pay for it, return the casks.

I was much interested in the interview with Mrs Besant, the noted theosophist, published in THE HOME JOURNAL last week. I am afraid that too many people regard Mrs. Besant as a crank, instead of an exceedingly clever woman. Concerning this lady Mr. Stead, of the *Review of Reviews* says, "Annie Besant is one of the most remarkable women of the apostolic type of this generation." And Mr. Stead is undoubtedly right. With theosophy as a philosophic basis, she has devoted her life to philanthropy, and has done more good than could be exploited in a dozen newspaper columns. Coming from one of the first families in England, she has cast aside all the allurements of birth and social prominence and has given her life to the helping of the unfortunate and the downtrodden. Mrs. Besant is not only a theosophist, but a philanthropist, and has done more good in London than almost any other women. She is working now on account of her love of the human race, and her lectures interest all who have the slightest feeling of philanthropy, aside from any desire or curiosity to hear the fundamental principles of theosophy expounded.

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