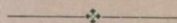


sake? Take our standard of morals. What is the main reason for woman's protest against that standard at the present time? That it is entirely man-made. The husband expects to marry a pure, chaste woman, but he denies her right to ask the same of him. The fallen woman is driven out of respectable society; the partner of her guilt escapes scot-free. Take our hateful fashions. Who is responsible for them? Is it the woman who follows them? Not so. It is the men of China who compelled their women to keep their feet in machines to prevent them growing. It is the men of Turkey who compel the women to wear veils. It is the men of Europe and America who are responsible for the sex decoration which we commonly call fashion. Take our health. Who is responsible for the lessening vigor of the human race? It is the men by confining women within a small range of duties and within the four walls of a home they have robbed her of her early out-of-door life and reduced her physical vigor and by their own vicious living have inoculated a large portion of humanity with poisonous and noxious diseases. Take our religion. If women maintain it, men at least made it. Its vindictive deity, its terrible Hell, its fire-breathing devil, ecclesiastical tyrannies and persecutions, its rigid creeds—what are they all but the basic male impulse of force carried up into Heaven and down into Hell and into the innermost life of the church and the mind? Its Heaven of golden streets, its happy hunting-grounds, its (Mohammedan) Paradise where men are waited on by beautiful houris—what are they but pictures of a world where the basic male impulses of combat and desire find limitless expression and satisfaction? Look into human institutions, human ideas and human literature where you will and you find overwhelming evidence that it is essentially a man-made world. Man with his basic impulse of self-assertion has impressed himself on everything human, and if he has not kept the other half of the world, the woman, in servility, he has at least shut her out of

his counsels and made but little use of her distinctively feminine qualities.

Is this man-made world a success? Let the first page of my lecture be an answer to my last. The wide-spread unrest of the world today shows that the masses do not think so. We have learned, or at least a few of us think we have learned, that you can no more row a boat straight towards your dock by pulling on one oar than you can make a just, happy, harmonious society by allowing the qualities and ends of one sex to dominate in all human institutions. Man alone has not made a success of society. Woman alone would not make a success of it in the future. God made us male and female—alike in a vast number of human qualities, but different in some fundamental impulses, and it is only through an equal development of the male and female qualities and an equal expression of them in the institutions of society that we can hope to permanently improve life. The question of the hour is not merely giving woman a vote—that is a mere incident in the social evolution—it is a question of giving woman an equal chance with man to become her true, her whole self and of utilizing all her qualities in the creation and regulation of the institutions within which all people—male and female—must alike live.



"Dat ol' man o' yohs is a purty good provider."

"He shows his sense," replied Aunt Chloe. "He wants to keep me busy occupyin' dishere skillet as a utensile instid of a weapon."—Washington Star.



Miss Jane Addams has written the following new verse for "Illinois" as a campaign song for the new voters:

Through the world the news is ringing,
Illinois! Illinois!
Hear thy daughters gladly singing,
Illinois! Illinois!

By the word of thy command
Citizens at last they stand;
Honor to thy heart and hand, Illinois!
Honor to thy heart and hand, Illinois!