

PERFECT MANHOOD AND THE WAY TO ATTAIN IT.

New and Distinguished Contributors
to the Herald's Great Symposium
Portray Their Views
on an All Absorbing Subject.

IDEAL MEN AND WOMEN.

Words of Wisdom to the Young Americans from Some of the Wisest and Most Thoughtful People Now Living.

HUMAN NATURE'S BEST QUALITIES.

Clergymen, Anthropologists, Philosophers, Poets, Generals, Novelists and Eminent Women Tell Us How to Improve Ourselves Mentally and Physically.

BETTER, MORE NOBLE, MORE BRAVE.

Sall know the word symposium means "drinking together." That "feast of reason and flow of soul," Plato's banquet, year by Christ, may be called the original symposium. At that feast Agathon, Socrates, Alcibiades and others discuss the profound interesting question of love.

B'Neill's symposium on the most important of all questions, "The Perfecting of Man," comprises one hundred contributors, and points of numbers and eminence of "genius" and the magnitude of the subject is believed to be the greatest that the world has yet seen.

Here, in concise form, are presented the lives of some of the ablest living thinkers on what constitute the attributes of perfect manhood. Their views as to the ideal man are portrayed vividly, earnestly and with eloquence, while the best types of men and women are named as models of excellence moral and physical.

Everybody can make themselves better, and the Herald's symposium forcibly illustrates the manner in which it can be done. Cultivation of heart, mind and body is necessary in order to attain perfection, and the Herald's contributors show just what qualities should be either nurtured or repressed.

Young Americans, and their elders too, cannot fail to be awakened to the imperative need of a higher education after reading the gems of thought from these eminent persons. It should inspire them with new ambitions, new hopes, new aspirations, new conceptions of life, and a determination to become stronger, braver, purer, more noble and more godlike.

ELEVATE THE HUMAN RACE.

PERFECTION IS NOT IMPOSSIBLE, THEN WHY NOT PERFECTION?

Mr. R. A. Sart, the tutor of gymnastics, writes from Cambridge, Mass.:—

"Man is a composite being, made up of body, mind and soul. One of these three elements can reach its full development except at the expense of the others; that is, a man cannot attain the highest degree of physical, intellectually or spiritually without reaching a state which is more or less abnormal."

He adds: "The best state of individual perfection consists in the balance of all our powers. As far as we are capable of understanding it, we are not capable of understanding it, and would respond to every change, be it in science, in art, in politics or any other department of human knowledge, with a spirit of inquiry, a desire to learn, a desire to teach, a desire to help others, a desire to do good, and a higher level of general culture than can be had at present."

"The other, more specialized questions, I dare not touch."

Byron-Jeanne Björnson

SYMPATHY WITH ALL ASPECTS OF LIFE.

Mr. Conan Doyle, M. D., the well known novelist, writes from London:—

"I should be proud to join in your symposium on so important a matter, but I do so with dimpled hands, for I am not a man of science, and am intimately associated with the development of a young man who has not yet so satisfied with the result as to feel encouraged to advise others. Speaking generally, however, I may say that sympathy with the best form of culture must always be the broadest form of culture, the culture which does not confine itself to this or that narrow sphere of clique, but looks with a wide knowledge of and sympathy with all aspects of life. The ideal state of culture would be one in which all men were equal, and the ideal state of human development in the future we must improve our whole scheme of education, and surely there is much room for such improvement."

I remain, dear sir, very truly yours,

A. Conan Doyle M. D.

A WOMAN ANTHROPOLOGIST.

Mme. Clemence Royer, Paris, member of the Ethnological Society, the Société d'Anthropologie, author of "Origin of Man and Society" and many valuable scientific memoirs, sends a most instructive paper. Following is a translation:—

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