HOUSEHOLD SERVANTS IN GERMANY

IN GERMANY the servant question has not reached such a critical stage as in this country, the weekly evening out—generally more than one nowadays—is there practically unknown. The German servant considers herself lucky when she is able to get "Ausgang" for a few hours every other Sunday, regular attendance at church not being considered necessary, except for the Catholic girl, who generally manages to get away early before breakfast to perform her religious duties.

There are no "friendly" societies as in England, where educated people give up their time to improve the minds both intellectually and morally of the servants. No, in Germany, it is quite otherwise; there a servant's life is, on the whole, a hard one. To begin with, she must be up very early in the morning, as school commences at 8 o'clock in winter and 7:30 in summer, and the children want breakfast before they start. Then, again, in the towns and cities where her master and mistress generally spend the evening at the opera or play, she is late going to bed.

During the day any spare time a housemaid may have from actual housework is spent in assisting with the family mending, for the German is as a rule clever with her fingers, and many a girl will do up last year's dresses as daintily as an expert, as well as making new clothes for the children. The general servant or the kitchen maid in a larger household has a most unenviable position; for our annual "spring clean" is almost of weekly occurrence in Germany, and the exemplary "Hausfrau" is rather an exacting personage where the work of her household is concerned. All the washing and ironing, too, is in most cases not sent to a laundry, but is done with perhaps the help of a "waschfrau" by the maids themselves, which greatly adds to their work when the family is a large one.

Socialism, which is now so general throughout Germany, is gradually having its effect upon the working girl, and in this case it is beneficial. The servant will soon not only ask for higher wages, but for more free time, and it is her right. On the whole the wages are good, but rarely is the German servant able to save, for a working man's family is usually a very large one, sometimes more than 12 in number, and the older daughters are expected to give the greater part of what they earn to help to feed and clothe the younger members. It is only quite lately that the sons have begun to realize that it is their duty to spend less on themselves, and help their younger brothers and sisters. But many a sister still denies herself to send money to her brother, who is serving his three years' term of military service in some distant barracks. Money which might be put to a better use, for such a sacrifice is seldom appreciated.

Fortunately she is insured against illness in the same way as English servants are. The meaure was at first regarded with distrust, but is now looked upon as a boon, for it gives the girl a chance of recovering her health when run down from overwork.

As a woman, the German servant is not so intelligent as her English contemporary, but she is infinitely cleaner, and more capable in her work, while she possesses a shrewdness born of early hardships which is of great use to her in life. In many families it is the cook who does all the marketing, starting out early in the morning to buy the necessaries for the day, and she bargains just as conscientiously as if the goods were to be paid for with her own money. For the kitchen, provision of cheaper quality are bought, even when there is only one maid; but there is no grumbling, for the food is much better than what she is accustomed to at home.

Even in the best families, the German servant does not always wear the conventional black dress, and the white cap is rarely to be seen. However, the neat English costume for the afternoons is becoming more and more the mode among smart town people, who are fond of imitating English customs. There is, too, a lack of that stiffness which an English mistress thinks so necessary to keep the servant in her right place. The younger children are addressed by their Christian names. It is only after confirmation, when they are 14 or 15 years old, that the prefix "Fraulein" for the girls, and "Herr" for the boys, is used by the servants.

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Spiritual Sympathy the Keynote of Perfect Love

By Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

THE ideas of love between the sexes are changing with conditions. According to one authority, romantic love between man and woman first came into the world with Dante's love for Beatrice. Before that period gallantry had existed, but only the gallantry of the male, who tries to attract the female—a purely sex impulse, devoid of real romance and high sentiment.

In the Middle Ages and the days of the Christian Fathers, woman was considered the author of all evil. She was even called "the door of hell." She was told she must live in continual penance on account of having brought sin into the world.

In the sixth century woman was forbidden to receive the Eucharist in the naked hand, because of her impurity.

No oriental religion ever reduced woman to such degradation as did the fanaticism of these early Christian Fathers.

Here are some proverbs about women which men made popular in that era:

"Women and horses must be beaten."

"Women and money are the causes of all evils."

"Trust no woman even were she dead."

"If you are too happy, take a wife."

Montaigne recommended poetry to women, because "It is a wanton, crafty art, disguised all for pleasure, all for show, just as they are."

John Stuart Mill once said in reference to those times:

"Some generations ago, when satires on women were in vogue, men thought it clever to insult women for being what men had made them."

Woman Man's Equal.

The world has grown away from such ideas of women, and, with other changes, its viewpoint on what constitutes love has changed. Where once woman was supposed to be man's absolute chattel, she is now regarded as his comrade, mate, friend and equal; and comradeship rather than service is demanded of her.

This question is propounded: "What is the highest form of woman's love for man?"

The question is at once simple and complex. Not every woman is endowed with the qualities which enable hed to be a loveress. Not every woman so endowed meets the one capable of inspiring her.

Not every woman who loves deeply possesses the spiritual and mental traits which alone render that love a blessing and a power for good to the recipient. There are women whose love blights and ruins. There are others whom to love or be loved by brings forth the latent powers in a man's nature and speeds him to the summits.

The highest form of love in a woman is that which ennobles not only the man who receives it, but her who gives it.

I have more than once seen a woman belittled and cheapened by a spaniellike devotion to a man who was unworthy of the sentiment bestowed upon him, and who was wearied by it. Such love is pitiful and holds no element of grandeur. It is merely one form of hysterics, and ought to come under the head of nervous diseases.

A great love, "the highest form of love," must contain a large element of womanly self-respect, and must dignify the giver as well as the recipient, even in its most extravagant phases.

It must to some degree absorb all other loves and make them secondary, yet if it renders the heart, which is its home, cruel to every living thing, or blind to any duty, it ceases to be the "highest form of love."

The Love of Alcestis.

Phaedras tells of a woman who loved her husband so much that in comparison father and mother seemed like strangers. This wife was Alcestis, the daughter of Pelius. She cheerfully laid down her life for her husband, and the gods accorded her the rare virtue of returning to earth when she felt like it.

It is quite possible these parents deserved to seem like strangers to their daughter. Parental affection is not infrequently a most selfish sentiment, and one which in no sense includes the highest good for the children. To the majority of fathers and mothers the inner life of their offspring is as unknown as the Sanscrit language.

A mere tie of blood cannot force us to love what is unlovable.

If Alcestis passed from the home where the average domestic conditions exist into the full effulgence of a real love life, it is no wonder her parents seemed strangers to her. But if her new found happiness caused her to ignore their feelings or to disregard a properly courteous and thoughtful code of conduct toward them, then it was not the "highest type of love."

To love truly, absorbingly and passionately any one human being ought to make us more considerate and tender toward all humanity; just as the sunlight penetrates into dark recesses and warms and blesses every leaf and blade of grass, so a great love should cast its radiations upon all who come within its aura.

Our sympathies, our benevolence, our affections should all be deepened and widened by the presence of the great awakener in our hearts. A woman's faith in the man she loves should be firm and patient, yet it should not be blind.

It should expect results. It should not be satisfied to see him degenerate into selfishness, greediness or immorality and make no protest or give no warning.

Woman's Love Should Inspire.

It should be a spur to his best nature, to his highest impulse.

Unless a man improves under the influence of a woman's love there is something wrong with her love or the man.

Every human being either improves or degenerates as years pass by. To the unprejudiced eye these subtle changes are visible year by year. There is no such thing as remaining stationary, mentally, morally or physically.

A man may lose fortune and position, yet grow into a finer and more admirable manhood through the experience. He may gain wealth and at the same time lose or gain in moral worth, and these changes should be first visible to the eyes of the woman who loves him.

The highest type of love is not blind. It has the good of its object too near its heart to be blind to the changes which encompass it.

"Patient Griselda" was not a noble type of loving woman. She encouraged the brute and the tyrant in the man, and allowed him to lower himself in the moral scale.

When a man says of a woman: "No matter what I do she will say it is all right," be sure that woman is not giving the highest type of love. What a man ought to be able to say is: "No matter how appearances are against me, she will believe in me until I can explain to her, and if I make a mistake she will be the first to encourage me to begin anew and the quickest to forgive."

No woman who loves utterly would think it a great sacrifice to give up her life for her lover were it necessary. Love is immortal, and has no fear of death.

A perfect love must include spiritual sympathy, mental companionship, physical responsiveness.

Any one of these elements lacking, love is crippled.

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Unique Arabic Book.

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