

**KOSHER PROFITEERING.**

When we consider the varied unaccountable acts and doings of mankind, even of its most civilized portion, we are irresistibly led to the conclusion that ninety-nine percent of it consists of the following three parts: one third crazy, one third idiotic, and one third rascality and hypocritical.

The present agitation regarding the high cost of living, hoarding, profiteering, gouging, etc., is one more confirmation of our conclusion. What is all this excitement about? And what will it all end in? In nothing, of course. How can it be otherwise?

Profiteering has been going on ever since man began to trade, barter, exchange, sell and do business. What is the incentive, motive, reason, of all business and all effort? Profiteering. Everybody is trying to get all he can out of the general scramble. Business and profession, capital and labor, producer and gambler, worker and shirker, all are in the same game.

The process is not changed a bit at the present time. If the merchant is getting for a certain article of merchandise twice as much as he did, say, ten or five years ago, the professional man is getting twice as much for his services and the laboring man twice as much for his labor. And so we are exactly in the same relation in which we were five or ten years ago. Somebody always starts the bug upyard whether it is the farmer or the manufacturer, or the merchant, or the laboring man, and all the rest soon follow and catch up.

There is one small fraction of the human species, such as clergymen, clerks, and general office workers, and government workers, who for a while lag some distance behind. But sooner or later they, too, catch up with the procession, and all is once more properly adjusted.

Of course, there are times when the profiteer seeks to ut-profiteer himself, grasp just a little more than he has been in the habit of doing. That creates a commotion and stirs up wrath for a while, even as at the present time. But he always has an excuse for so doing, real or fancied—true or false. Does not all profiteering require an excuse? Just now it is the war, the reduced production, the European demand, inflated credit, cheap money (the most idiotic and hypocritical phrase ever invented). The profiteering manufacturer's excuse is high wages. The profiteering laborer's excuse is, high prices. The profiteering landlord's excuse is, high everything. And so everybody has his excuse, everybody makes a face and sticks out his tongue at the other fellow, and hypocrites are making a terrible commotion, while as a matter of fact we are just where we have always been.

The New York Times cites an instance of profiteering which is very illuminating in this connection. According to it forty per cent of the "Kosher" meat butchers of New York have been getting "Kosher" prices for meat that is quite un-Kosher. Their excuse for profiteering is "Kosher", which is true of every other excuse for profiteering.—The American Jewish World.

**FATHERHOOD.**

Nothing is more blessed and sacred than fatherhood. When a man be-

comes a father he receives the most precious crown that can be bestowed upon him. His responsibilities as father and husband are many, but he must be willing to meet them, and while it is essential that he provide his family with all the necessary financial requirements as far as possible, this does not include all of a father's duty by any means.

There are a large number of men who leave the greater part of the family responsibility to their wives, and while their wives may be strong and capable women there are many occasions when the father is far better able to cope with existing conditions than the mother.

Father and sons should be the closest of companions. There should be that bond of confidence between them which should inspire the sons to confide everything in their father, who should be their guide in all their actions.

Many a young man and woman have gone astray because they had not been taught by their parents to confide in them. There are no ones in the world who are as well qualified to advise our young people as their parents.

It is a sad thing when a father becomes so absorbed in his business and his pleasures that he has no time to give to his family. Every father should regard his family as uppermost in his thoughts. Their joys should be his joys and their sorrows his sorrows. The father and mother should be regarded as the king and queen of the domestic circle, and their reign, while it should be firm, should be marked with that kindness that makes the home a holy shrine of love and happiness. The father should be the tower of strength in the home, not only physically, but mentally, morally and spiritually.

No man should be such a slave to his business that he has no time to read, not only the newspapers, but some of the best literary productions. It is sometimes the case, which is much to be regretted, that children have not the proper respect for an ignorant father, even though he may provide them with all the worldly goods they desire.

Religion is a valuable asset to every one, and those who lack it are minus a vital link in character, and to a father who would guide his family ship in the right course an upright character is essential.—The Jewish Review-Observer.

**JEWISH PERSUASION AND CABARET SINGER BY PROFESSION.**

Abe Fox of the Jewish Persuasion, and within the draft age, cabaret singer by profession, took time by the forelock and sought admission to the officers training camp.

"So you want a commission," said the officer. "No," said Abe, "I'm a bum shot and I wouldn't kill many Germans. Better I should go on the regular salary." "Well," said the officer. "What do you prefer, infantry, cavalry or artillery?" "I think in the rear guard from the infantry," said Abe. "Why the rear guard," asked the officer. "Everybody tells me I am a fine singer and when the battle commences I will sing, "Onward Christian Soldiers."

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