

THE AGE AT WHICH GIRLS SHOULD MARRY.

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By John Strange Winter.

Personally, I believe in early marriages, always providing, of course, that the girl is a time when a girl on her promotion. It is a half life at best. I think that when a girl marries young, that is from 18 to 25, according to her temperament and position, and always supposing that she marries a husband who is a contemporary to her own (or surely nothing can be more against the original intention of marriage than a difference of a generation between husband and wife).

There is another thing in favor of early marriage. It is that it is much easier to take up a new life than when habits have become very set. I have heard of a young man who was married to a woman who was a great deal older than he was. He said that he had never had so much fun in his life as he had in the first few months of his marriage. He said that he had never had so much fun in his life as he had in the first few months of his marriage.

There are very few old maids nowadays. They have all become bachelors. Women, but even so the married woman has the best of it. She has a status and a dignity that an unmarried woman never gets. She is poor, and by poor I mean of the class who cannot afford to keep their daughters in idleness, she does not have to work harder, and at all events she is working for herself, and to work for herself is to take away half the drudgery of labor.

I do not think that any person's education, even in the most intellectual sense, should ever be regarded as complete; therefore I think it is undesirable that any girl should marry until she has left her college course behind her. This teaches her only the use of educational instruments, and she should surely have had time for some practice before she involves another in her experiments.

It is not somewhat singular that these questions as to the right age for marriage, the best preparation for marriage, and the character and antecedents of the spouse are so often discussed solely from the woman's standpoint? Is not this a concession to the accepted theory which some of them have never entertained, that marriage is a most important element in the life of woman than that of men? Away with the idea! There is, as always, a balance, and always will be, a desirable natural equality between the sexes.

This is one of the questions which people are prone to consider by the light of their own personal experience. Ideas on the subject of the age at which girls should marry vary considerably. When wives and daughters were the goods and chattels and men had the principal say in the matter, little girls were cruelly forced to marry at the beginning instead of the completion of the change from childhood to womanhood.

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HOW A RIVAL WAS REMOVED.

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DEWEY'S LIVER.

He Still Possesses All of It, Notwithstanding the Popular Impression.

LONDON, Sept. 29.—There has been much talk in the English press about the American press about Dewey's physical condition. Many accounts of the operation performed by Dr. Williams on the liver of the admiral have been printed, and it is generally held that the admiral's liver is in a state of health which is a safe conduct through life. It makes no difference at what age she marries, she is the clinging sort of a creature, who looks about for a man to lean upon, and she generally finds one for men in the city, still prefer her. When they are captured, if they do not suffer the fate of the cat smothered by the ivy, but survive, they are generally taken to the city, and they spend the leisure hours of their married life at the club.

WHEN DEWEY FIDDED.

He Was a Captain Then, and a Commodore Danced a Jig.

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—Thirteen years ago, when he was only Capt. George Dewey, the story of his fiddling was plain as a pike staff. He called it a "fiddle," too, not a violin, though, of course, if Admiral Dewey still retains his musical accomplishment he must go down in his own estimation as a fiddler. Of Dewey, who is one of the most active of the committee which is arranging the Dewey testimonial, says a correspondent at the Metropolitan Opera house next month told a story about Capt. Dewey and his fiddle at the Fifth Avenue hotel the other night which will be recalled by many other officers, as well as by the fiddle player who is returning to meet a nation's glorious welcome.

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- AS A CHILD. George Dewey was born in Montpelier and comes of a race of gentlemen and fighters. In every war of the past two hundred years a Dewey has been in the fight—sturdy, resolute, black-eyed, uncompromisingly warlike.
AS A CADET. At the old Norwich university in Vermont, which he boy entered at fourteen, he got his first military training.
AS A "LEFT." "Dewey a hero? Why, we knew that years ago," said Col. James Morgan, a prominent Confederate leader.
AS A LOVER. Dewey married when a young man Miss Susan Goodwin, daughter of the "Fighting Governor" of New Hampshire.
AS A CHILD-LOVER. A correspondent who met the admiral in the East before his return begged from him a message to a young American lady.
AS A COMMANDER. The great admiral is as dignified and self-possessed in the crises of war as at his Washington clubs.
AS A VICTOR. An Englishman, Maj. G. J. Youngblood, tells in his volume, "The Philippines and Roundabout," of a conversation with Dewey shortly after his great victory.
AS A VERMONT. Dewey never forgets his home. Before he left Manila he said: "I want to go away up to my native village in Vermont and get a couple of apples to take to my mother up there in the town hall from the city fathers."

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