

College Extension work at Amherst. On July 3rd, a similar lecture will be given before the American Institute of Instructors, at North Conway, N.H., at its eighty-first annual meeting, when the subject of eugenics will be dealt with for the first time in the history of the institute.

"At the conference in Cleveland, where moral, sanitary, and economic aspects of eugenics were freely considered, certain definite conclusions resulted:

"1. That we should denounce the false and unscientific tradition of the necessity of vice.

"2. That we should abolish for ever the unjust double moral standard for men and women.

"3. That we should repress by every known means the commercialism of vice. The methods advocated for children and adults were (a) education; (b) legislation. These sentiments were repeated and enthusiastically applauded by practically every speaker at the conference. No other three conclusions could have better paved the way for the School of Eugenics; and no other three conclusions could, in my judgment, be more in line with the Votes for Women movement.

"The new school will be like a new star shining bright and clear in the murky, cloudy sky of white slavery, social diseases and race degeneracy. It is a star of hope. Think of it! A school whose sole purpose is to teach how the race may be well born! Every suffragist will hail it with delight. Every believer in Votes for Women will want to help on the new project, and watch its development. It is advance work, and out of it is coming New Legislation. The School of Eugenics is one of the fair young daughters of the feminist movement. Watch her. She will make this a new world. She will yet make all men and all women glad they were born."

## BOOK OF THE WEEK.

### "THE WOMAN HUNTER."\*

This story sets out to tell of a young and pampered girl on her wedding journey. Though she had not lacked proposals, she had elected to wed the vicar of a little East-end parish, who had succumbed to the charm of her—perhaps to the flattering hero-worship of her—in violation of his pre-conceived convictions and intentions. Too straitened in means to afford a honeymoon, he takes her direct to the squalid neighbourhood that is to be her home, and on the journey he studies New Theology. This is only a foretaste of what is to come.

Their home-coming was cheery, in its way.

"On the fire a baby copper kettle boiled, on the square little table a white cloth with a crochet border was spread with a big loaf, a half-pound pat of butter and earthenware teapot, thick platter cups, a dish of water-cress, and shrimps."

"It was all so sweet and quaint and simple that she sat down on one of the wicker-chairs, and

laughed and wept into the lace handkerchief she had not considered it too extravagant to use on her wedding day."

Alan Hartland was really the most impossible bridegroom that could be imagined. Apparently, no sooner had his marriage vows passed his lips, than he was possessed with the notion of having fallen from his ideals. He proposes to dedicate the week of their bridal happiness to God, "and not a single kiss will I permit myself." At the end of this period the bride is smitten with scarlet fever, and on her convalescence both agree that the arrangement shall be permanent.

At the end of two years Nerissa "still regarded her husband as a saint and something of a hero, but she no longer loved him. She had become Hartland's right hand. So he congratulated himself he had, by the grace of God, converted his back-sliding into a blessing, making her an agent in a good cause."

Eventually, he retires into a Trappist monastery, and she, of course, meets her affinity in the shape of Otto Bellairs.

"And so you are neither wife nor widow. That explains you where I found you inexplicable." He seemed to find her tragedy of Hartland something of a comedy—for when, brokenly, she reached the climax, briefly describing Hartland's retirement into a monastery and final abandonment of her, he exclaimed harshly—

"Oh, good Heavens! what an ass! what a dashed, dashed prince of asses!"

But all things come to those that wait; and, in due course, Alan is obliging enough to die, and leave the course of true love free to Otto and Nerissa.

A book that will be welcomed for the holidays.  
H. H.

## COMING EVENTS.

July 23rd.—Meeting of Central Midwives' Board. Penal Cases. 2 p.m.

July 23rd.—Women's Local Government Society. American Fair, Bedford College, South Villa, Regent's Park. 3.30-7 p.m.

July 24th to 30th.—First International Eugenics Congress. July 24th.—Reception and Inaugural Banquet, Hotel Cecil, Strand, 7 p.m. July 25th.—Opening of Congress, Great Hall, University of London, Imperial Institute Road, South Kensington, S.W. 10 a.m.

July 24th.—Garden Party at Kingston Infirmary, by invitation of the Matron. 4-7 p.m.

July 25th.—Monthly Meeting Central Midwives' Board.

July 27th.—Irish Nurses' Association. Social gathering. Killiney Hill, Victoria Gate. Cyclists' meet, Park Gate, 4 p.m.

July 27th.—Meeting of members of the Trained Women Nurses Friendly Society (approved by the National Insurance Commissioners). To elect officers and to pass rules. Medical Society's Rooms, 11, Chandos Street, W. 5 p.m.

August 3rd to 9th.—International Council of Nurses. Triennial Meeting. Congress. Exhibition, Cologne.

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