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"RACE SUICIDE" NO LONGER A MENACE.

JAPANESE USED TO PRACTISE BIRTH-CONTROL.

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TELLS WHY HER COUNTRY

BIRTH-CONTROL IN THE LAST ANALYSIS IS THE ONLY WAY FOR JAPAN.

Jasan has not even enough ships for emigrating ber surplus population.

The Asabi Weekly publishes a reasoned article by Baron Ishimoto, in

of steamship accommodation must also be taken into consideration in this connection. A steamer of the type of the T.R.B. Shinyo Maru can carry about 800 passengers, and it takes about two months for the ship to go to Central or South America and return. Supposing that six return trips can be made in a year, one ship can take 4,900 people a year. Thus it will be taken up with Congress again direct. The would be required to carry 600,000 people there anoughly. The Shinyo Maru is a 20,000 ton ship, and it means that 2,400,000 tons would be necessary yearly for the purpose. Now the total tonage of Japanese shipping stands in the vicinity of 2,520,000, according to investigations made to emigrate even from an economic point of view.

The steam WASHINGTON.

*The offence is punishable by a five thousand dollar fine, or five years in the Penitenting, or both. Ignorance of the law is no excuse."

The question of freeing Contraception from the degradation of Comstock prohibition will be taken up with Congress again direct. The Voluntary Parenthood League with a strong body of important sis not daunted by disappointment, in spite of the fact that the new Postmaster-General is far from friendly.

The offices of the Voluntary Parenthood League are at St. Denis Buildings, Broadway, New York (City. The Director of the League is Mrs. Ware Dennett, who is actively at work to show the dilemma on the horus of which the new Postmaster has placed himself.

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UNITED FARMERS' CONVENTION ON BIRTH CONTROL.

Slums and Sunshine

A Clean Home in a Clean City

Every Child's Birthright There would be fewer "born blind" babies if city conditions were what they should be. The Gas Undertakings of the Country are doing their bit to solve the slum problem. Write for leaflet, entitled "SAVE THE BABIES."

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CHANGED CONDITIONS.

UNREGULATED BIRTH RATE NOW THE WORLD BARONESS ISHIMOTO INTER- MENACE, SAYS PROF. ROSS, THE ORIGINATOR OF "RACE SUICIDE."

SHOULD ADOPT DOCTRINE. Edward Alsworth Ross, who is in the Chair of Sociology at the Univer-

The "Japan Advertiser" publishes an interview with Baroness Ishimoto, who is one of those anxious that Mothers Clinics like the first Birth Control Clinic founded in the British Edupire and such Clinics as are in Holland, should be established also in Japan. She was asked:

"It has often been said that birth control is countried to the traditions and to the religious belief of the Japanese: is this true?"

"Ob. 20." she replied quickly. "The idea does not contradict religious belief with us as it does, especially with Catholics, in Western countries. As a matter of fact, hirth control was widely practised during the Tokugawa Shongmate, when the country shut itself in from outside influences and had to limit its population. The practice was much less scientific and content, and "red accepted as the term) than is advocated and accepted as the term thought above the term thought above the problems of the author of a number of anumber of wiscents and is the author of a number of anumber of whe form and the problems of the

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HINDERED BY HAYS.

Hay's Resignation throws back Volun-tary Parenthood League's effort to get Comstock Law revised.

measoned article by Baron Ishimoto, in It will be remembered that Postmaster Hays which he satter. What about the emigration to Korea, Mannetora and Chinese labourers, who work for 30 to 40 were a day. This is most convicingly illustrated by the fact that the immigration of Japanese farmers to Korea for the last ten years amonated to only about 30,000, in spite of the most indefatigable efforts made by the Oriental Development Company for the purpose."

The Voluntary Parenthood League of New Mork to the most indefatigable efforts made by the Oriental Development Company for the purpose."

Viscount Takahashi, the Premier, thinks that Ceatral and Sooth America hold bright prospects for the Japanese emigrants and urges the people to go there, but it costs about Yen 200 per capita for emigrants to go there and another Yen 200 before the immigrant can find a job. Thus about Yen 200 will be required for each emigrant. Supposing Japan seeds 600,000 people there, it will cost about Yen 240,000,000. The question of steamship accommodation must also be taken into consideration in this connection. A steamer of the TK K chinum Mary can the control of the TK K chinum Mary can the control of the two of the TK K chinum Mary can the control of the two of the TK K chinum Mary can the control of the two of the TK K chinum Mary can the control of the control of the top of the TK K chinum Mary can the control of the control of the control of the top of the TK K chinum Mary can the control of the contr

AT LEAST TEN MILLION "CRIMINAL" FAMILIES IN AMERICA.

MEDICAL ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

TAKES OFFICE AS POST-MASTER-GENERAL IN THE

[In America, NOT in British Colonies, Ep.] directions for the prevention of con-

Women Farmers also keen on this topic, which they say is most important.

Mrs. Sears, President of the U.F.W.A., spoke to the resolution, which was worded as follows:"Whereas one of the primary necessities for
family and therefore for public health is an Under the present law in the United States recryone who uses or hands on Birth Control information is a criminal, liable to five years in the Penitentiary or a fine of five thousand dollars, or both. It is estimated that there are about 25 million families in the United States, and that roughly of these 10 million families and that roughly of these 10 million families are well-to-do people, whose very small families indicate that they must have received, and probably also banded on to their friends, Birth Control information. If the new Postmaster General convicts all, as he professes is his intention, he will have his gaols nicely full. If he does not convict, then he stands self-convicted as a negligent official.

MINISTER OF HEALTH

RECEIVES ROMAN CATHO-LICS SYMPATHETICALLY.

deputation organized by the Roman olic Women's League to protest A deputation organized by the Roman Catholic Women's League to protest' against birth control propaganda was not only received by Sir Alfred Mond, Minister of Health, but according to the Roman Catholic papers was "received sympathetically."

The Roman Catholic women were accom-panied by Mrs. Scharlieb, C.B.E., M.D., one of the few well-known medical oppo-nents of birth control, and also by some representatives of the Mothers' Union.

The Deputation demanded "as ratepapers" that advice or lectures on birth-control should not be given in the Maternity and Child Welfare Centres which receive grants from the Ministry of Health.

We have no record of whether the Roman Catholics answered the question—Whether British ratepayers are to be forced to pay for the nurture of infants who should never have been born, whose parents did not want them, whose lives are a danger to the State, and who need never have been conceived if birth control information had been given to incovire to the Cathons. had been given to inquirers at the Centres?

FATHER OF 36.

DEMANDS PUBLIC RELIEF FOR 7 OF HIS CHILDREN.

In Norfolk the Boards of Guardians faced by an excellent illustration of the results of absence of birth-control information. A labourer, who is the father of thirty-six children, applied for public relief r seven of them.
Who wants those children?

BARKING'S TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND POUNDS FOR MENTALLY DEFICIENT.

Barking and the Board of Education are barking at one another over the sum of \$26,000 of public money which Barkingites require from intelligent and healthy potential parents to keep the mentally and physically deficient children of the neighbourhood who need special care. The children are neglected. Who is responsible for their coming into existence? Defectives can generally be anticipated in a certain type of family.

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Resolution on behalf of the Unemployed.

At a well-attended General Meeting in the Esser Hall on November 22, 1921, a Resolution for the Unemployed was discussed and finally passed. It was proposed by Dr. Stopes from the Chair, seconded by Councillor E. King, J.P., and spoken to by Mr. Austin Harrison, Editor of the "English Ileview." After some slight suggested modification by Mr. Aylmer Maude, the Treasurer, seconded by Mr. Miles Malleson, the Resolution was further spoken to by Councillor Miriam Price, Mrs. Bernard Mole and others, and passed with acclamation by the meeting. The Resolution runs as follows:—

"Both to spare your own personal distress and to avoid bringing a weakly child into the world, it is important that all should realize that no one should conceive in times of individual misery or ill-health. Of course, wherever a child is already on the way, the best must be made of it. But sound and wholesome methods of Birth Control (Control of Conception) are known and advice will be given free by a qualified nurse to all unemployed married persons who present this skip at the Mothers' Clinic, 61, Marlhorough Road, Holloway, London, N.19."

This has been reprinted in small slip form for the use of members of the Society to be distributed to the Unemployed and others who would find Birth Control information useful, as a convenient way of drawing their attention to the helpful service available. Mombers who would like to have small slips of this Resolution should write to me at the Society's offices.

Manifesto of the Society's offices.

Manifesto of the Society:

The Society has prepared and circulated to the ordinary Press the following Manifesto, which gives in explicit form some of its main aim: and objects

Bables in the Right Place.

Babics in the Right Place.

The C.B.C., Society for Constructive Birth Control and Racial Progress, desires that the socially helpful nature of the work on which it is ombarking may be realized so that the community may take full advantage of it. The objects of the Society in Clause 2 of its Constitution are worded as follows:—

"The objects of the Society are (a) to bring home to all the fundamental nature of the reforms involved in conscious and constructive control of conception and the illumination of sex life as a basis of racial progress; (b) to consider the individual, national, international, racial, political, economic, scientific, spiritual and other aspects of the theme, for which purpose meetings will be held, publications issued, Rasearch Committees, Commissions of Inquiry and other activities will be organized from time to time as circumstances require and facilities offer; (c) to supply all who still need it with

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BOOK REVIEW.

Dr. Havelock Ellis: "Little Essays of Love and Virtue." Publishers: A. and C. Black

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CORRESPONDENCE COLUMN.

As the projected existence of the BIRTH CONTROL News has been kept an absolute secret, correspondence for our columns has

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POPULATION STATISTICS OF DEYLON.

The "Ceylon Independent" publishes an interesting account of the vital statistics in Ceylon:—
"In this connection it may be noted that the town of Colombo with a continual excess of deaths over births is entirely dependent for its rate of increase upon the migration difference.

"An approximate calculation shows that the hirth-rate in 1911-20 has improved as compared with the previous decade, and that the death when we also the provided a compared with the previous decade, and that the death are fallen short of births."

Pagical power than before to propagate their many find!

Many of the "M.D.a" will lose no time in the indicate of their "deficiencies"—which also are frequently sphilitio in origin.

To redeem the bad if possible is a humane idea; but a far more important duty is to protect and develop the good!

I wonder when we shall have some courageous, common-sense legislation dealing with the first intained of a vital reform be left to an uspaid, altruistic few when a castly Health Department exists with the previous decade, and that the death.

Tours sincerely.

R. J. Syssem Malvow (Mrh.).

Birth Control Dews.

LCNDON, MAY, 1922.

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LEADER.

OUR AIMS AND POLICY.

should, like a wise futher, first be sure that the public is healthy and happy.

At present those who lack either health or happiness or both run into an appulling number of millions, even in our comparatively small English community, and the tinkering at the surface of their woes which satisfies our pre-ent rulers is not statesmanship. Politicisms will never solve the root problems of to-day if they continue to think and legislate on the lines they now follow.

We say explicitly that the prosperity of the nation can only be reckoned in a direct ratio in proportion with the number of its homes which are centres of health and happiness Homes in which sex-ignorance and wex-friction lead to daily misery; homes in which uncontrolled and incessant child-hearing leads to weakness, poverty, ill-health and revolt homes nonecistent because potentially happy and loving young people dare not marry; homes in which healthy and loving potential parents dare not have even one child because of the terror that they cannot make cods meet if they do—all such homes rot the foundations of the State. To-day such homes are in an increasing majority. In Constructive Birth Control, coupled with true, seientific and sympathetically helpful sex knowledge, we have the restorative of health, happy. Constructive Birth Control, coupled with true, scientific and sympathetically helpful sex know-ledge, we have the restorative of health, happiness and racial vigour for our people. We do nor desire to see the numbers of the English Peoples reduced (and must explicitly

English Peoples reduced (and must explicitly and emphatically separate ourselves from many cranks with whom the public may at first confuse us), but we do desire, indeed we may say we intend to see that the numbers of the English Peoples shall be recruited with joyous understanding and willingness from bentby, well-conditioned individuals only Constructive Birth Control will fill the comfortable cracks, and Ampty the gutters.

Control will fill the comfortable cradics, and supply the gutters.

It is our present intention to appear monthly, because great events are not so numerous or so rapid in growth as to require harvesting daily. The daily press in the rush and welter of current events, mostly ephemeral though exciting, have either deliberately or inadvertently passed by indications of the great renainance upon which humanity is now entering. It will be our business to spread Truth and knowledge, to record and point the moral of events of nation-making significance.

POEM.

England's Race.

thin her borders many desolate
there is the night through, waiting for the day
f warm them with the succour of her State.
Her tainted, whom fierce secret tortures flaying.

Her tainted, whom fierce secret tortures flay, in thowing themselves congenitally lost, Ktain in the dark their tear-stained blinded syes. In tope that they for others paid the cost, Consoled if on their dust the country rise. Let Life use knowledge thus so dearly bought: Let England's unborn to conceived in peace: Let all her future souls in joy be wrought; Let every birth be love-desired increases. Then free from fear, Motherhood's power will rise And rear the English race to meet the skies!

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WITHIN AND AROUND.

Seen by SAMKINS BROWNE.

As I write in preparation for the first number to do. A queer sight, my masters, and one we of the Birth Contract News my calcudar can contemplate with a chuckle from this safe reminds me that it is just over a year since the Mothers' Clinic—the first Birth Control Clinic

Mothers' Clinic—the first Birth Control Clinic Mothers' Clinic—the first Birth Control Clinic in the British Empire—was founded and opened. The same kind nurse then installed still sheds her comforting personality daily, and the same kind specialist helps the founders to reach thousands of poor mothers. They say the course of true love never runs smooth, but that applies to selfish love. The course of the Clinic—an expression of the truest love for humanity—has run absolutely smooth. n alisolute)y smooth.

In a world already overstocked with newspapers, ail clamouring for the suffrages of the public, it may well be asked why we have decided to exist, what is our policy, and to whom we may appeal?

We have decided to exist because among all the many newspapers we do not find any with a fundamental policy of stotesmanship. The "Birth Control News" intends to present to those who desire to see them shorn of the ephemeral, the real problems facing national and international statesmanship to-day. The politicians may pander to the public: the statesman should, like a wise father, first be sure that the public is healthy and happy.

Certain ill-informed nolodics who evidently do not haunt the Ritz and the Cecil give voice to the queer idea that the supposer and cranks. What bo Phew! And I don't think! They evidently missed the sight of the Maître d'Hotel at the first the missed the sight of the Maître d'Hotel at the first the missed the sight of the Maître d'Hotel at the first the nucleus of the bee in their bonnets, for in this world of selfishness and profiteers people are queer if queerness consists in really working hard and working for others, and for distant ideals rather than immediate returns.

Give a dog a bad name—you know the rest vone.

The Terrible Turk is going in for a perversion of the positive side of Control with a vengeance. I have just learnt from a medical paper that the Turkish Parliament is dealing with a bill to render it compulsory for each and every man of 25 years of age to be married or to lose one-quarter of his income, of bis salary, or whatever visible means of support be may possess. From him that hath not shall be taken away, and this quarter shall be given to him that hath a wife. Even more, he that hath one wife is going to be encouraged to have two. Some people we think must c, oy war in spite of crocodile trars and professions to the contrary.

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The Underground not only takes us wherever we would to go, but supplies an exciting lot of information which increases our respect for it. We are told the millions of miles their trains travel and how many times this distance would have taken us to the sun and other desirable places. Their method set me thinking. I started working out how much good has already been saved and how many millions have already been receated by Constructive Birth Control, and then out to how much more good could be done, and how many millions have already been saved and how much more good could be done, and how many millions have already been saved and how much more good could be done, and how many millions have already been saved and how much more good could be done, and how many millions have already been saved and how much more sould be created by the Politicians and Statesmen of they would read and have their policy on the Burru Costroor News. But the printers will not have enough "oughts" after one to represent these large figures.

James Provinces

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"FAIRY CRADLES."

By Mrs. STANLEY WRENCH,

Author of "Burnt Wings" and other well-known novels.

There are some blossoms which make cradles to our children if we will. Beauty illestones in the floral year, and before the matters . . . beauty of sound, of milestones in the floral year, and before the milestones in the floral year, and before the flame of the crocus has faded I find myself watching for the green shoots which mark the coming of the "Painted Ladies" of the stiff partere To me tulip-time is one of the most rapturous seasons; with their tones and semi-tones of colour one can almost hear a triumphant pæan of triumpharer dead winter. over dead winter.

Bosides, they are "Fairy Crodles," and Besides, they are "Fairy Cradles," and I go. always hoping to catch a drowsy elf still slumbering in the heart of my tulips, on a May morning.

This superstition is shared by many. In

This superstition is shared by many. In Devonshire I have heard cottage mothers speak of "pixie-babies" in connection with tulips; in Sussex children are told they come from the tulip-bed instead of the more prosaic gooseberry hush, and there is a West Country saying that if a May-born baby has its eyes washed with dew caught from the chalices of the tulips, it will never lose its eyesight even in extreme old age. I have heard elsewhere that "tulip dew" is good for "all troubles of the eyes and of is good for "all troubles of the eyes and of the heart."

There is a belief, too, that fairies put their babies to bed in the tulips, but sometimes an elfish sprite 'al'ca out the fairy babe and leaves it as a changeling in the craftle of a mortal, and that babe, destined to grow up among humans, has fuërie vision and an intense delight in beautiful things. With this heritage it can hear music where others hear only the wind rustling in dry leaves or water dripping from a rock, and when the silver birches make a flickering with their leaves the child catches glimpses of its lost playmates. Not the oft-quoted charm of the fern-seed, but the fairy cradle gives such gifts, well worth the having.

And yet ... we may all give fairy

young mothers-to-be who equipped with sound and you have equipped with sound and you leaven life with belauty years of childhood matter aftermath of life, just as months matter greatly to the born.

We of the C.B.C. do doctrine of "empty cradles their cost of our endeavour. M. Star is a belief, too, that fairies put

cradies to our children if we will. Beauty inatters beauty of sound, of colour, of speech, and a little child should have its fairy cradle not only after its actual, so-called birth, but during the nine mouths of waiting, and even before that. Above all, beauty of thought can be woven into a faëry fabric for the child, so that it comes the world with harden its ill. comes into the world with a heritage it will

One need not be wealthy to do this Although money greatly eases matters. endeavour to bring beauty to babyhood and those better blessed with this world to babyhood.

But the poorest among us may make endeavour to bring beauty to babyhood, and those better blessed with this world's wealth can help in a myriad ways. Right willingly should those who are happy mothers try to help the less fertunate babies who had no fairy favours at their christening.

There are babes born in slums who may be helped by creeke and Centre to sound health and better physique; there are poverty-stricken mothers who may be taught to bear better babies, and there are young mothers-to-be who need to be equipped with sound and useful knowledge. But with all the practical help we give let us leaven life with beauty. The first seven years of childhood matter greatly to the aftermath of life, just as the pre-natal months matter greatly to the child that is born.

We of the C.B.C. do not preach the doctrine of "empty cradles" as some assert. We desire better babies and we want more "fairy cradles." That is the root of our endeavour.

M. STANLEY WRENCH.

RIE STOPES.

Who had no fairy favours at their every child is loved and wanted before birth avery child is loved and wanted before birth as well as after it

Yet with a queer kink—a sort of impish humour—Father Vincent McNabb quite often assists the Birth Control movement.

"Two dates in the present year are likely to the for great moment to the historians of this rountry. On Thursday, March 17 (8t. Patrick's day), there was opened at 61, Marlborough Read.

Bolloway, London, N. the first Mothers' Clivic for Birth Control" ... "and on Tuesday.

May 31, the Queen's Hall beld a large and sympathetic audience at a meeting convened by Dr. Marie Stopes, author of 'Married Love.' Wise Parathood, and 'Radiant Motherhood,' on the theme of Constructive Birth Control: its Ideals and Helpfulness to the Race." This paragraph is from his pen.

Father McNabb, the avowed opponent of Birth Control, who condemns the "mortal helpfulness to the Race." This paragraph is from his pen.

Father Well is loved and wanted before birth we will be a directly to the after the process of

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those who most approve of and who secretly benefit by the help of Constructive Birth Control to keep silence in public.

All honour to those who are honourable

when honour means bonesty.

A FOE OF PROGRESS.

The Very Rev. VINCENT McNABB, O.P.

The Very Rev. VINCENT McNABB, O.P. A typical Roman Catholic Father in many respects, saliently, in denying himself the onerous burden of fatherhool, while placing it upon the shoulders of others, Father Vincent McNabb is perhaps the most brilliant writer who voices the Roman Catholic position and prejudices in the Press. Lurid adjectives drip from his pen: the beneficent Birth Control Clinic, for instance, is to him a "Murder Clinic." The sinful crusade against the child." "ust uncontrolled." "grievous disorder," nation slayers," mortal sin and vice, are the kind of phrases which he applies as epithets to those who are working for

epithers to those who are working for national progress and for the elimination of wanton and needless misery. He hurls abuse at those who desire to ensure that every child is loved and wanted before birth

eussion!

From the safe vantage ground of Roman Catholic publications he is permitted to hurl epithets—but the glare of light which envelops the two protagonists in a public debate on an open platform withers his zeal. Yet one feels so strongly the eager champion of reaction in his pen that it would be unkind to hold up to derision his personal courage. There must be a strong hand representing authority clutching him from behind to prevent him making a public exhibition of the hopeless case of those who pit themselves against Truth. From the safe vantage ground of Roman

PARLIAMENTA

IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

DEBATE ON HOUSING POLICY

A Statisman's Notes by DUX ARCANUS. Sir Affred Mond, Minister of Health, said: "People were not marrying because they could not get work."

Lord Robert Cech: "Because they cannot get houses.

Sir Alfred Mond: "No, because they cannot afford to marry."

In the debate apparently no one asked the question why people could not afford to marry-nor why marriage, which costs out a few shillings, should be any difficulty

aniable.

Jesses of "Cruelty to Children" are use to the overburdened corve of the mother giving out in face of the constant demands of her progeny.

In short, one needs but little imagination to see how much of our noble judges' time would be saved to say nothing of the misery avoided were birth control information at the service of furniture, can people not afford to marry?

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Underlying Sir Alfred Mond's remark (which went down in the House without protest) is the implication, accepted by almost everyone, that marriage is an expensive thing: whereas, as a matter of test rearriage is a wary increvensive thing. fact, marriage is a very inexpensive thing Seventeen Babies in 17 years. -certainly one of the most inexpensive thing Seventeen Babies in 17 years.

One wonders what Coroners think of Birth to be responsible for the small audience, but no more interesting audience could have been ceremony is far cheaper than six weeks at the seaside: far cheaper than even one visit to a Harley Street specialist, whose diagnosis may be that the patient's physiological condition necessitates marriage.

Our rulers in the House of Commons and the community at large swallow blindfold the community at large swallow blindfold the uniture statement that "roomle connect was thought to be responsible for the small audience, but no more interesting audience could have been many a woman has given her life for the want of it.

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It was stated that the "woman had bad 17 children in 17 years, and that 14 died at birth or a few house of Commons and the community at large swallow blindfold the community at large swallow blindfold the most inexpensive of the subject of Birth Control a good advertisement by their opposition.

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the community at large swallow blindfold few hours after."

Fifteen Murders for want of Birthafford to marry "simply because society has piled upon the back of marriage the expensive encumbrances of a household (involving furnishing and servants), and the uncertain but sometimes very heavy expenses of pregnancy and child-birth involuntarily descending upon the pair. Yet

The murders for want of BirthControl Knowledge.

In my opinion the death of the woman at Brighton and her 14 infants was a direct case of murder by the community of one of its weak and ignorant members. That woman was undoubtedly murdered by ignorance, and she was kept in ignorance by the lethargy and the prejudice of the instructed members of the community.

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The Roman Catholic Archbishop Hayes, one was a direct case of murder by the community. voluntarily descending upon the pair. Yet none of these things are in the least inherently necessary to the condition of marriage if people will but shed the social snobbery of desiring a household because they link their lives, and will apply intelligence to the determination of a suitable time for the procreation of their offspring.

It is easy to perceive how deferred marriage is the forcing ground of individual ill-health in many respects, and is the very soil in which prostitution flourishes. The House of Commons has had in the past, and will have again to sit in solemn conclave over some of the more flagrant ques tions raised by prostitution, and will do as little in the future as it has done in the past to deal with the subject fundamentally until it perceives that early marriage and voluntary parenthood are the only alter-natives to prostitution likely to do any immediate good.

Immediate good.

In the past weeks, the House being in vacation, there has been nothing to report. When the House resumes its sittings, however, I hope to have many opportunities of indicating an attitude toward national problems which, if generally adopted, would tend to solve the difficulties that press most hardly on the vital centres of our community. our community.

Meanwhile, the first swallows of the future aummer are seen here and there, even in official circles. The official annual report of Dr. C. Rolleston as County Medical Officer for the Soke of Peterborough, contains the following: "Gradually the voluntary restriction of fertility is spreading to all classes of the community. Restriction is practised in all the most progressive countries. In Russia and China the infant mortality and the general death-rate are enormous, while in New Zealand, where fertility is low, the death-rate is lower than anywhere else, and it can be said that the troops raised from this colony and Australia were the finest, physically, emong the helligerent nations, and perhaps the most mentally alort. Unrestricted fertility undoubtedly leads to much suffering amongst women, and its warmest advocates, be it noted, are calibate bishops. In the light of experiences it may be well to reconsider views formerly held, and to institute a system of birth control."

AND OFFICIAL. NOTES FROM THE LAW COURTS.

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From time to time cases arise either in the Law Courts themselves or in various accessory local courts which bring vividly before the reader the national need for birth control. Divorce cases soldom reveal the truth of their foundation, but in more than one recent case, absence of kirth control knowledge at an early stage of the marriage was the cause of the couple appearing in that Court. Still more important is the absence of the right sort of foundation, but in more than one recent case, absence of hirth control knowledge at an early stage of the marriage was the cause of the couple appearing in that Court. Still more important is the absence of the right sort of birth control knowledge. There is little doubt that many harmful methods employed by those important of scientific truth lead to ill-health and ill-temper and "sicken of marriage" many coupled who would be happy had sound knowledge set them in the right way.

A few months ago there was an epidemic of prosecutions in the Courts for abortion. One may safely say that abortion cases would be very rare indeed were sound physiological contraceptive information available.

How many cases of "Cruelty to Children" are due to the overburdened cerves of the mother giving out in face of the constant demands of her progeny.

prejudice of the instruction measured community.

It is of course impossible to arraign a whole people. The number now of our people who perceive the necessity for proper control of conception is getting so large that one ought to be able to discover who are the individuals who force ecercive ignorance upon the public and to arraign these individuals one by one As I born, detect them I intend to arraign them at the bar af the public, whether they be individuals or to the indees on the bench.

OUR BOOKSHELF.

SAMUER J. BOLMER, Ph.D., Professor of Zoology in the University of California. "The TREND OF THE RACE, a Study in Present-day Tendencies in the Biological Development of Pp. 396. London Civilized Mankind." Constable and Co. 21s.

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This well-balanced and informative book is full of just the type of facts which are so soldow curefully understood, but which should form part of the mental equipment of all thinkers.

A serious study of this book would, of course, put a stop to a lot of the cheap repartee with chap-trap pseudo-scientific phrases which a certain type of person so delights in to-day. How wonderful it would be to be able to talk rationally with people who did not hurl cliches of pseudo-science at one in place of accepting suggestions for clear discussion. If thoughtful people can persuade the others to read this excellent book, general progress in intelligence would be much accelerated.

The author is unbiased, and presents well-

JAPANESE POLICE HOLD MEETING TO DISCUSS BIRTH

MEETING TO DISCUSS BIRTH CONTROL.

Mr. Sugano, the Chief of the Police at Kobel Japan, took part with 40 policemen in a debate on Birth Control on February 28. According to the "Asahi Weekly," the Chief of the Asahibashi police expressed a hope that the population is now necessary. He quoted figures of birth control. Many policemen earnestly discussed the subject. It was noticeable that not many took the line that the prosperity of the State depended on the increase of population.

The majority were in favour of birth control.

Eugenics Education Societ.

Mr. Harold Cox, Editor of 'he ' Edinbargh Espire Normany occupied the whole session of the Society's Rooms, Burlington House, on Theeday, March 14. In a clearly put and interesting paper he maintained the contention that not merely control, but an actual reduction of our population is now necessary. He quoted figures of the cost of emigrating the daily surplus of the cost of emigra The majority were in favour of birth control.

MRS. SANGER IN JAPAN.

Mrs. Margaret Sanger, about whose landing in Impus so much fuss was made by the authori-ties, disembarked on March 10 without any very great difficulty. Although not permitted to whak about methods of Birth Control ahe gave ne or two talks.

"Japan Advertiser" Reports Mrs. Sanger's Meeting.

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"Prosperous-looking business men, well-groomed women, students, shep girls, coolies, a Bhuddist priest or two, a number of foreigners and a battery of camera men composed the audience of about 500 persons, which heard Mrs. Margaret Sunger, the American Birth Control advocate, speak on 'War and Population' in the Tokio Y.M.C.A. Auditorium. The late date it which the meeting was announced was thought to be responsible for the small audience, but no more interesting audience could have been secured."

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The Roman Catholic Archbishop Hayes, of New York, is not to be confused with the late Postmaster Hays of the same confused. the late Postmaster Hays of the same city

on very different person. Like most in Fathers in God, "Archbishop Hayes has nover experienced human fatherhood nor done his duty by the souls waiting to be born. Yet he is rampageously out to conderm other fathers who regard their duties to their families. In the "New York Star" he runks birth control with "jazz and such fantastic fulls as psycho-analysis." He hurls denunciations at the people who go in for them as "They are interforing with the laws of the soul—trying with finite minds to comprehend the infinite."

Sir James Barr, C B.E., M.D.

Lecturing on Mendelism to the Blackpool Scientific Society, Sir James blamed the medical profession to a large extent for the prosent C3 population. We have been trying to get rid of the selected death-rate, but only a few bare been advocating a selected birth-rate." He pointed out that most of the world's annest was due to the creat formulity of the world to be state and to the Race. No one had any right to bring delicate children in the world to be an oncumbrance to themselves and to the State

SOCIETIES.

Royal Colonial Institute.

Lieut. Col. L. S. Amery, M.P., in a paper dealing with "Migration within the Emp.," said that the problem of Unemployment was resentially one of the right distribution of population. In the British Empire the population was wrongly distributed.

National Council of Public Morals.

At a meeting at the house of the Marquess Curron of Kedlestor, the Bishop of Birmingham presiding, several distinguished speakers dealt with the Problems of Race and Emigration.

Sir Arthur Newsholme spoke of the Birth-rate

Sir Arthur Newsholme spoke of the Birth-rate being so largely in the wrong place, and at the same time declining. The speaker, however, did not show a realization that the decline could be checked and controlled so that the birth-rate could be restored in the right place, and checked where it was wise to do so.

The Duke of Devonshire took the opportunity of praising the Roman Catholic Church for the enormous families frequent in Canada. One wonders whether the noble Duke has ever had full opportunity of realizing all the conditions of life in these families.

Sir Joseph Cook, High Commissioner for Australia, said that 98 per cent of their entire population was British, and that they intended to keep Australia for a pure British Ruce.

British Society for the Study of Sex Psychology.

The above Society held a symposium on Birth Control, at which there were five speakers. Mr. S. H. Holford was in the Chair, and also read a short paper dealing with the reversed selection of Birth Control as at present practiped. The other speakers were Miss Stella Brown, Binnie Dunlop, M.B., Eden Paul, and Norman Haire, M.B.

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The brief papers were all very explicit and represented a variety of points of view. Justituately no discussion was allowed, questions only being permitted.

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