



Castles—Real and Beautiful

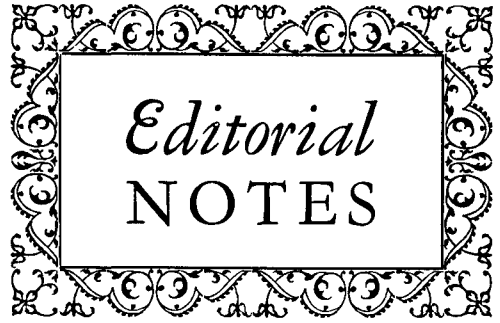
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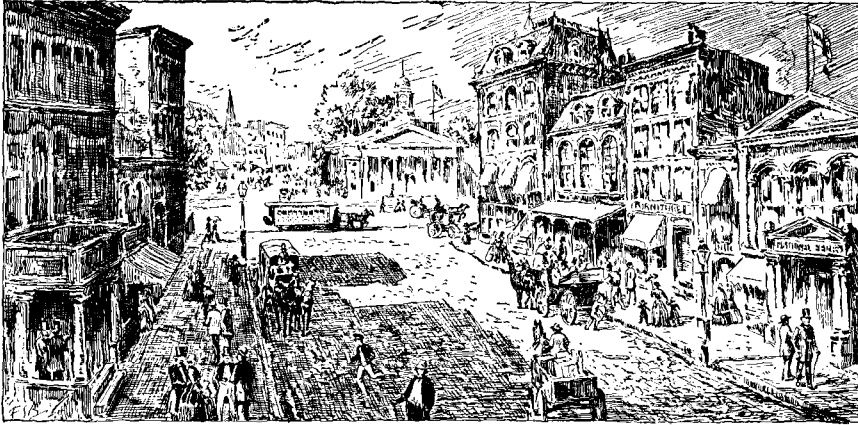
Mr. William Leavitt Stoddard sends in the following remarks about Mr. Clarence Darrow's article, "The Edwardses and the Jukeses," which appeared in the October, 1925, issue:

Mr. Darrow makes the basic blunder of not realizing that the science of eugenics never has set up the theory that all the descendants of an outstanding individual are themselves outstanding. Could human selection be as carefully controlled as experimental animal selection, the results would doubtless be similar. Mr. Darrow is shooting at an easy target when he picks on the hero-worshipping genealogist who argues that one prominent ancestor produces nothing but prominent progeny.

The mother of Jonathan Edwards was Esther Stoddard, "of whom little is known," says Mr. Darrow. Little, perhaps, but something of importance. She was the daughter of Solomon Stoddard and Esther Mather (widow of Eleazer Mather). Her father was the first librarian of Harvard College and a minister in Northampton, Mass., where his memory is honored to this day as that of a singularly upright, forceful and public-spirited man. Solomon was the oldest son of Anthony Stoddard, merchant, of Boston, whose wife was of the distinguished Downing family (Downing street, etc., London). In Anthony, great-grandfather of Jonathan Edwards, Mr. Darrow might discern a kindred spirit. When constable of Boston he made vigorous protest in the case of a conviction for heresy by the civil court, maintaining that the church, not the state, should try the culprit. Fairly radical doctrine this for an age in which the Church was state-controlled. Anthony was cited for contempt and was fined, whereupon he fulfilled his sworn duty and obeyed the court.

The "immaculate" Edwards germ-plasm is no more derived from the Tuttle side than from the Stoddard, and I would suggest for Mr. Darrow's consideration that the Stoddard plasm may have had something to do with the qualities of Jonathan, offsetting some of the weaknesses which he finds in the Tuttle stem. Nor

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The Telephone and Better Living

PICTURES of pre-telephonic times seem quaint today. In the streets were horses and mud-splashed buggies, but no automobiles and no smooth pavements.

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