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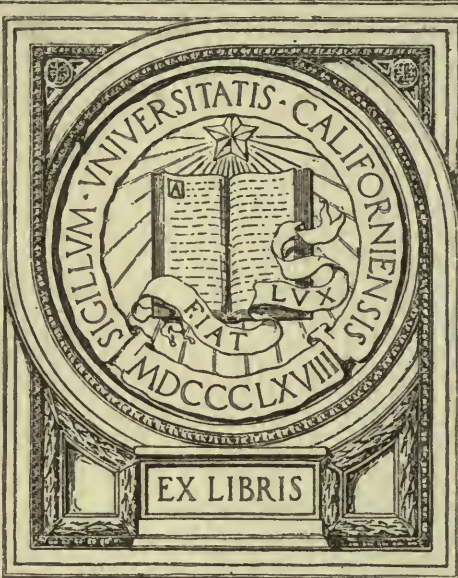


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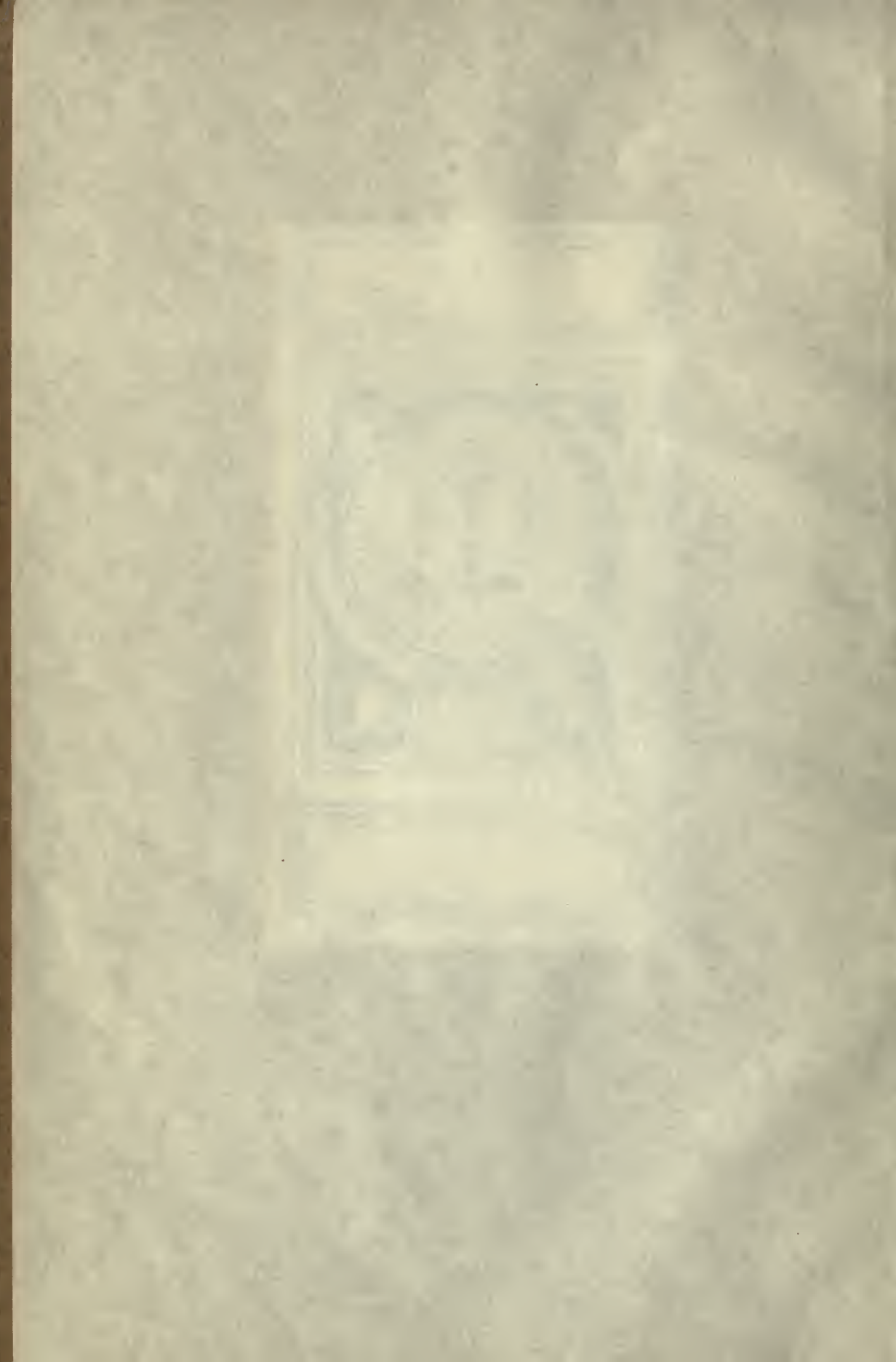
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A question which inevitably arises in conferences on social hygiene is "What books shall we recommend to those who ask us how they can learn more about the subject or what printed matter they may wisely place in the hands of others?" The American Social Hygiene Association has been studying this important question but has thus far published no approved lists of books.

The lack of any recognized standard by which to judge books dealing with the various phases of social hygiene is illustrated by the following tabulation based upon an analysis of the published lists of six social hygiene societies, which appointed special committees on selecting books for recommendation.

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TITLE	AUTHOR	NO. TIMES APPEARING	PUBLISHER, DATE	NOTES
✓ 1. From Youth into Manhood	W. S. Hall, M.D.	5	Assoc. Press, 1909, 50¢	6th edition, 1913
✓ 2. Damaged Goods	Eugène Brieux	4	Brentano's, 1911, \$1.50	Paper edition, 1912, 25¢ Printed for the Conn. Social Hygiene Society
✓ 3. Educational Pamphlet No. 1		4	Society of Sanitary and Moral Prophylaxis, 10¢	
4. Educational Pamphlet No. 4		4	do.	
✓ 5. New Conscience and an Ancient Evil	Jane Addams	4	Macmillan, 1912, \$1.00	Popular editions; 1914, 50¢
6. The Renewal of Life	Margaret W. Morley	4	McClurg, 1906, \$1.25	
✓ 7. Training the Young in Laws of Sex	E. Lyttelton	4	Longmans, Green, 1906, \$1.00	
✓ 8. Social Diseases and Marriage	P. A. Morrow, M.D.	4	Lea, 1904, \$3.00	
9. Vice Commission Reports		4		
✓ 10. The American Boy and the Social Evil	R. N. Willson, M.D.	3	Winston, 1905, \$1.00	
✓ 11. Educational Pamphlet No. 2		3	Society of Sanitary and Moral Prophylaxis, 10¢	
✓ 12. do. No. 5		3	do.	
✓ 13. do. No. 6		3	do.	
✓ 14. Education in Physiology and Hygiene of Sex	Philip Zenner, M.D.	3	Clarke, 1910, \$1.00	Revised edition, Stewart & Kidd, 1913
✓ 15. Education in Sex Hygiene	R. N. Willson, M.D.	3	Author, 1913	
✓ 16. Girl and Woman	C. Latimer, M.D.	3	Appleton, 1910, \$1.50	
✓ 17. Herself	E. B. Lowry, M.D.	3	Forbes, 1911, \$1.00	Second edition, 1913
✓ 18. Hygiene and Morality	Lavinia L. Dock	3	Putnam's, 1910, \$1.25	
✓ 19. Three Gifts of Life	Nellie M. Smith	3	Dodd, Mead, 1913, 50¢	
✓ 20. Social Evil	E. R. A. Seligman	3	Putnam's, 1912, \$1.75	
✓ 21. Panders and Their White Slaves	Clifford B. Roe	3	Revell, 1910, \$1.00	

The titles of sixty-four books appear on these six lists. No book appears six times, forty-three are mentioned once or twice only. Of the twenty-one mentioned more than twice only one receives mention five times.

A similar analysis of the lists of thirteen other organizations including religious, medical, educational, and social agencies shows one hundred forty-two books of which only twenty-five appear more than

three times. Arranged in order of frequency of appearance these twenty-five are as follows:¹

Books appearing on more than three lists—Arranged in order of frequency of appearance

TITLE	AUTHOR	NO. OF APPROVALS	PUBLISHERS, COST AND DATE	NOTES
✓ 1. Sex Instruction as a Phase of Social Education	Maurice A. Bigelow	9	Amer. Social Hygiene Association, 1913	
✓ 2. Girl and Woman	Caroline Latimer, M.D.	8	Appleton, 1910, \$1.50	
✓ 3. Health and Hygiene of Sex	Educational Pamphlet No. 6	6	Society of Sanitary and Moral Prophylaxis, 10¢	
✓ 4. How My Uncle the Doctor Instructed Me in Matters of Sex	Educational Pamphlet No. 5	6	do.	
✓ 5. The Four Epochs of Woman's Life	Anna Galbraith, M.D.	6	Saunders, 1907, \$1.50	Reprinted 1913
✓ 6. From Youth into Manhood	W. S. Hall, M.D.	5	Association press, 1909, 50¢	6th edition, 1913
✓ 7. Training the Young in Laws of Sex	E. Lyttelton	5	Longmans, Green, 1906, \$1.00	
✓ 8. Life and Love	Margaret W. Morley	5	McClurg, 1906, \$1.25	
✓ 9. Education with Reference to Sex	Charles R. Henderson	5	University of Chicago, 1909, \$1.50	8th Yearbook of the National Society for the Scientific Study of Education
✓ 10. New Conscience and an Ancient Evil	Jane Addams	5	Macmillan, 1912, \$1.00	Popular edition, 1914, 50¢
✓ 11. American Boy and the Social Evil	R. N. Willson, M.D.	5	Winston, 1905, \$1.00	
✓ 12. How Shall I tell My Child	Woodallen-Chapman	4	Revell, 1912, 25¢	Edward Bok Series
✓ 13. The Boy Problem	Educational Pamphlet No. 4	4	Society of Sanitary and Moral Prophylaxis, 10¢	
✓ 14. Reproduction and Sexual Hygiene	W. S. Hall, M.D.	4	Wynnewood Publishing Co., c 1907, \$1.00	10th edition, 1910
✓ 15. Instead of Wild Oats	W. S. Hall, M.D.	4	Revell, 1912, 25¢	Edward Bok Series
✓ 16. What a Young Woman Ought to Know	Mary Woodallen	4	Vir Publishing Co., c 1899, \$1.00	New revised edition. c 1905, Self and Sex Series
✓ 17. Ideal Married Life	Mary Woodallen	4	Revell, 1901, \$1.25	
✓ 18. Education in Sexual Physiology and Hygiene	Philip Zenner, M.D.	4	Stewart & Kidd, 1913, \$1.00	Revised edition
✓ 19. Instruction in the Hygiene and Physiology of Sex	Helen C. Putnam, M.D.	4	Heath, 1907	Reprinted from Boston Medical and Surgical Journal, Jan. 31, 1907

¹We are indebted to Miss Olive Crosby, office secretary, Society of Sanitary and Moral Prophylaxis for the compilation from which this tabulation has been prepared.

Books appearing on more than three lists—continued

TITLE	AUTHOR	NO. OF APPROVALS	PUBLISHERS, COST AND DATE	NOTES
✓ 20. What a Young Girl Ought to Know	Mary Woodallen	4	Vir Publishing Co., c 1897, \$1.00	Revised edition 1905
✓ 21. Four Epochs of Life	E. H. Muncie, M.D.	4	Brooklyn, Author, c 1910, \$1.50	9th edition, n. d.
✓ 22. Leaflets of the Chicago Social Hygiene Society		4	Chicago Social Hygiene Society	Leaflets distributed on request
✓ 23. Song of Life	Margaret W. Morley	4	McClurg, 1902, \$1.25	
✓ 24. Confidences	E. B. Lowry, M.D.	4	Forbes, 1913, 50¢	
✓ 25. Physiological Functions of Menstruation	J. R. Goffe, M.D.	4		

A third study has recently been made as follows. A list of one hundred and fifty books suggested by representatives of several national organizations and by individuals qualified to judge their value was arranged alphabetically by author. Fourteen persons interested in social hygiene work met for conference using this list as a basis for discussion. Each of the fourteen was well acquainted with the general literature of the subject, but of course had not read all of the one hundred and fifty books considered. Necessarily some of the books had the advantage of having been widely advertised and distributed or of having been on the market for several years. The following problem was outlined:

There are in the United States approximately twenty-five hundred public libraries equipped with more than five thousand volumes. Suppose these libraries have each the open-shelf plan of permitting men, women, and children to have access to the shelves for selection of books, and have each a limited staff of employees, what decision should be made relative to the purchase and use of these one hundred and fifty books?

Four questions were asked:

1. Which books should be approved for the open shelves?
2. Which books should be approved for use under the librarians' supervision?
3. Which books should be recommended for reading by parents?
4. Which books should be disapproved as not desirable for use in a library of this type?

Each member of the conference without discussion prepared a list based upon his knowledge of the books under consideration. Only

one book—"Three Gifts of Life" received fourteen votes. Seven received ten or more. These were:

TITLE	AUTHOR	NO. OF APPROVALS	PUBLISHER
✓ 1. Spirit of Youth and the City Streets	Jane Addams	13	Macmillan
✓ 2. New Conscience and an Ancient Evil	Jane Addams	12	Macmillan
✓ 3. Consecration of the Affections	Richard Cabot, M.D.	11	National Y. W. C. A.
✓ 4. Training of the Young in Laws of Sex	E. Lyttelton	11	Longmans, Green
✓ 5. Eugenics	C. B. Davenport	10	Holt
✓ 6. Essays in Eugenics	Francis Galton	10	Eugenics Education Society
✓ 7. Sex Education	Ira S. Wile, M.D.	10	Duffield

It should be understood that the above seven books received their ten or more votes of approval for open shelves. If to these votes for open shelves, the votes given to books for parents be added, the list is augmented by two, as follows:

TITLE	AUTHOR	NO. OF APPROVALS	PUBLISHER
✓ 1. Sex Instruction	M. A. Bigelow	9 + 3	American Social Hygiene Association
✓ 2. Plant and Animal Children	Ellen Torelle	9 + 1	Heath

If, further, the votes cast for supervised books be considered six more are added:

TITLE	AUTHOR	NO. OF APPROVALS	PUBLISHER
✓ 1. Report on Matter and Methods of Sex Education	T. M. Balliet, M. A. Bigelow, P. A. Morrow, M.D.	8 + 1 + 3	American Social Hygiene Association
✓ 2. Marriage and the Sex Problem	Foerster	7 + 1 + 4	Stokes
✓ 3. Kallikak Family	H. H. Goddard	9 + 1	Macmillan
✓ 4. Youth	G. S. Hall	9 + 1	Appleton
✓ 5. Education with Reference to Sex	C. R. Henderson	7 + 3	University of Chicago
✓ 6. Love and Marriage	Ellen Key	7 + 3	Putnam's

1. *Approved for Open Shelves. Received Six Votes or Over*

AUTHOR	TITLE	PUBLISHER DATE	NOTES
Addams, Jane	✓ New Conscience and An Ancient Evil	Macmillan, 1912, \$1.00	
Addams, Jane	✓ Spirit of Youth and the City Streets	Macmillan, 1909, 60¢	
T. M. Balliet, M. A. Bigelow and P. A. Morrow	✓ Report on Matter and Methods of Sex Education	American Social Hygiene Association	
Bigelow, Maurice A.	✓ Sex Instruction as a Phase of Social Education (Relig. Ed. Apr., 1913)	Reprint by the American Social Hygiene Association	
Burbank, Luther	✓ Training of the Human Plant	Century, 1900, 60¢	
Cabot, Richard C.	✓ Consecration of the Affections	Y. W. C. A., 1913, 50¢	2d edition, 1914
Chapman, Rose Woodallen	✓ How Shall I Tell My Child	Revell, 1912, 25¢	Edward Bok Series
Cocks, Orrin G.	✓ Engagement and Marriage	Assoc. Press, 1913, 50¢	Sex Education Series
Davenport, Charles B.	✓ Eugenics	Holt, 1910, 50¢	
Dodge, Grace H.	✓ A Bundle of Letters to Busy Girls	Funk, Wagnalls, c1887, 40¢	
Ellis, Havelock	✓ Task of Social Hygiene	Houghton, Mifflin, 1912, \$2.50	Second edition, 1914
Exner, M. J.	✓ Physician's Answer	Assoc. Press, 1913, 15¢	
Foerster, F. W.	✓ Marriage and the Sex Problem	Stokes, n. d. \$1.35	
Galton, Francis	✓ Essays in Eugenics	Eugenics Education Society	
Goddard, H. H.	✓ Kallikak Family	Macmillan	
Hall, W. S.	✓ From Youth into Manhood	Assoc. Press, 1900, 50¢	
Hall, W. S.	✓ Life's Problems	American Medical Association, c 1913, 10¢	
Hall, G. S.	✓ Youth	Appleton, 1909, \$1.50	
Hamilton, Cosmo	✓ Plea for Younger Generation	Doran, c 1913, 75¢	
Hamilton, Cosmo	✓ Blindness of Virtue	Doran, c 1913, \$1.00	
Henderson, Charles R.	✓ Education with Reference to Sex	University of Chicago, 1909, \$1.50	
Jordan, David Starr	✓ Heredity of Richard Roe	American Unitarian Association, 1911, \$1.20	
Key, Ellen	✓ Century of the Child	Putnam's, \$1.50	
Key, Ellen	✓ Love and Marriage	Putnam's, 1911, \$1.50	
Lytelton, E.	✓ Training of the Young in Laws of Sex	Longmans, Green, 1906 \$1.00	
Saleeby, C. W.	✓ Parenthood and Race Culture	Moffat, Yard, 1909, \$2.50	
Saleeby, C. W.	✓ Woman and Womanhood	Kennerley, 1911, \$2.50	
Smith, Nellie M. Thompson & Geddes	✓ Three Gifts of Life Problems of Sex	Dodd, Mead, 1913, 50¢ Moffat, Yard, 1912, 50¢	

1. *Approved for Open Shelves—continued*

AUTHOR	TITLE	PUBLISHER DATE	NOTES
Torelle, Ellen	✓ Plant and Animal Children	Heath, c 1912, 50¢	
Wile, Ira S.	✓ Sex Education	Duffield, 1912, \$1.00	
Zenner, Philip	✓ Education in Sexual Physiology and Hygiene	Stewart, Kidd, 1913, \$1.00	

2. *Approved for use Under Supervision*

Flexner, Abraham	✓ Prostitution in Europe	Century, 1914, \$1.30	
Kneeland, George J.	✓ Commercialized Prostitution in New York City	Century, 1913, \$1.30	
Morrow, Prince A.	✓ Social Diseases and Marriage	Lea, 1904, \$3.00	
Report of	✓ Health Education League of Boston. Session on Sex Hygiene		
Report of	✓ Committee of 14; N. Y., 1912	Kellogg Co., 1910	
Report of	✓ Minneapolis Vice Commission	1911, 40¢	
Report of	✓ Chicago Vice Commission	1911, 50¢	
Report of	✓ Elmira Vice Commission	1913	
Report of	✓ Hartford Vice Commission	1913	
Report of	✓ Lancaster Vice Commission	1914	
Report of	✓ Philadelphia Vice Commission	1913, 40¢	
Report of	✓ Pittsburgh Vice Commission	1913	
Report of	✓ Syracuse Vice Commission	1913, 40¢	
U. S. Report	✓ On Condition of Woman and Child Wage-earners in the U. S., Vol. XV: Relation between Occupation and Criminality of Women	1911	

3. *Recommended for Use of Parents*

AUTHOR	TITLE	PUBLISHER DATE	NOTES
Addams, Jane	✓ New Conscience and an Ancient Evil	Macmillan, 1912	
Balliet, T. M., Bigelow, M. A. and Morrow, P. A.	✓ Report on Matter and Methods of Sex Education	American Social Hygiene Association	

3. Recommended for Use of Parents—continued

AUTHOR	TITLE	PUBLISHER DATE	NOTES
Bigelow, Maurice A.	✓ Sex Instruction as a Phase of Social Education	American Social Hygiene Association	
Brieux, Eugene	✓ Three Plays	Brentano's, 1911, \$1.50	
Burr, H. M.	✓ Adolescent Boyhood	Seminar Pub., 1910, \$1.00	
Castle, W. E.	✓ Heredity	Appleton, 1911, \$1.50	Second edition, 1913
Cocks, Orrin G.	✓ Engagement and Marriage	Assoc. Press, 1913, 50¢	
Galloway, T. H.	Biology of Sex	Heath, c 1913, 75¢	
Hall, W. S.	✓ Instead of Wild Oats	Revell, 1912, 25¢	
Hall, W. S.	✓ From Youth into Manhood	Assoc. Press, 1909, 50¢	
Hall, W. S.	✓ Physician's Message to his Son		
Hall, W. S.	✓ John's Vacation	American Medical Association, 10¢	
Hall, W. S.	✓ Reproduction and Sexual Hygiene	Wynnewood Pub., 1911, \$1.00	12th edition
Hall, W. S.	✓ Sexual Knowledge	International Bible House, 1913, \$1.00	
Hall, W. S.	✓ Doctor's Daughter	American Medical Association, 10¢	
Hall, W. S.	✓ Chums	American Medical Association, 10¢	
Hall, W. S.	✓ Developing into Manhood		
Hall, W. S.	✓ Life's Problems	American Medical Association, 10¢	
Hamilton, Cosmo	✓ Plea for Younger Generation	Doran, 1913, 75¢	
Hamilton, Cosmo	✓ Blindness of Virtue	Doran, 1913, \$1.00	
Henderson, C. R.	✓ Education with Reference to Sex	University of Chicago, 1909, \$1.50	
King, H.	✓ How to Make a Rational Fight for Character	Assoc. Press, 1913, 25¢	
Lytelton, E.	✓ Training of the Young in Laws of Sex	Longmans, Green, 1906, \$1.00	
Morley, Margaret W.	✓ Song of Life	McClurg, 1902, \$1.25	
Morley, Margaret W.	✓ Life and Love	McClurg, 1905, \$1.25	5th edition
Morley, Margaret W.	✓ Renewal of Life	McClurg, 1909, \$1.25	2d edition
Morley, Margaret W.	✓ Spark of Life	Revell, 1913, 25¢	Edward Bok Series
Morrow, Prince A.	✓ Social Diseases and Marriage	Lea, 1904, \$3.00	
N. J. Mrs.	✓ How We are Born	Daniel, 1906, 50¢	
Sanger, M. H.	✓ What Every Girl Should Know	Sentinel Printing Co., 25¢	
Wood, Th. D.	✓ Education for Better Parenthood	American Academy of Medicine, 1912, 15¢	
Zenner, Philip	✓ Education in Sexual Physiology and Hygiene	Stewart, Kidd, 1913, \$1.00	

4. *Books Disapproved for General Public Library Use*
Received three or more votes of disapproval

AUTHOR	TITLE	PUBLISHER DATE	NOTES
Bloch, Iwan	✓ Sexual Life of Our Time	Rebman, 1913, \$5.00	
Carpenter, Edward	✓ Love's Coming of Age	Kennerley, 1911, \$1.00	Volumes sold separately
Ellis, Havelock	✓ Studies in the Psychology of Sex, 6 volumes	Davis, 1906, \$13.50	
Forel, August	✓ The Sexual Question	Rebman, c 1908, \$5.00	
Kauffman, R. W.	✓ The House of Bondage	Moffat, Yard, 1911, \$1.35	
Lowry, E. B.	✓ Himself	Forbes, 1913, \$1.00	
Lowry, E. B.	✓ Confidences	Forbes, 1913, 50¢	
Lydston, G. Frank	✓ Sex Hygiene for the Male	Riverton Press, 1912, \$2.25	
Stall, Sylvanus	✓ What a Young Man Ought to Know	Vir Pub., c 1904, \$1.00	
Stall, Sylvanus	✓ What a Young Boy Ought to Know	Vir Pub., 1897, \$1.00	
Willson, Robert N.	✓ Education of the Young in Sex Hygiene	R. N. Willson, 1913, \$2.00	
Willson, Robert N.	✓ If I were a Girl		Pamphlet obtainable from author
Willson, Robert N.	✓ American Boy and Social Evil	Winston, 1905, \$1.00	
Wood-Allen	✓ Almost a Man	Crist, c 1907, 50¢	
Wood-Allen	✓ Almost a Woman	Crist, c 1907, 50¢	
Wood-Allen	✓ What a Young Girl Ought to Know	Vir Pub., c 1905, \$1.00	
Wood-Allen	✓ What a Young Woman Ought to Know	Vir Pub., c 1905, \$1.00	

This disapproval is based on one of two standpoints; one, that the book, though of value to physicians or specially trained persons, is not fitted for the general public; two; that the book does not in itself merit recommendation.

A combination of the results of these three studies gives the following:

I. *Books Appearing in all Three Studies*
Arranged alphabetically by author

AUTHOR	TITLE	PUBLISHER, DATE	NOTES
1. Addams, Jane	✓ New Conscience and an Ancient Evil	Macmillan, 1912	
2. Hall, W. S.	✓ From Youth into Manhood	Association Press, 1913	
3. Lyttelton, E.	✓ Training of the Young in Laws of Sex	Longmans, Green, 1906	
4. Zenner, Philip	✓ Education in Sexual Physiology and Hygiene	Stewart, Kidd, 1913	

II. Books Appearing in two of these Studies

1. Bigelow, Maurice A.	✓ Sex Instruction as a Phase of Social Education	Amer. Social Hygiene Association
2. Chapman, Rose W.	✓ How Shall I Tell My Child	Revell, 1912
3. Henderson, Charles R.	✓ Education with Reference to Sex	University of Chicago, 1909
4. Smith, Nellie M.	✓ Three Gifts of Life	Dodd, Mead, 1913
5. Morrow, Prince A.	✓ Social Diseases and Marriage	Lea, 1904
6. Hall, W. S.	✓ Instead of Wild Oats	Revell, 1912
7. Hall, W. S.	✓ Reproduction and Sexual Hygiene	Wynnewood, 1911
8. Morley, Margaret W.	✓ Song of Life	McClurg, 1902
9. Morley, Margaret W.	✓ Life and Love	McClurg, 1905
10. Morley, Margaret W.	✓ Renewal of Life	McClurg, 1909
11. Educational Pamphlet No. 4	✓ The Boy Problem	The Society of Sanitary and Moral Prophylaxis
12. Educational Pamphlet No. 5	✓ How My Uncle, the Doctor, Instructed me in Matters of Sex	The Society of Sanitary and Moral Prophylaxis
13. Educational Pamphlet No. 6	✓ Health and the Hygiene of Sex	The Society of Sanitary and Moral Prophylaxis.

The fact that only fourteen out of approximately two hundred books and pamphlets on social hygiene can be said to represent in any degree the consensus of opinion of the large number of persons concerned in selecting these approved lists is evidence of the need for frequent conferences and persistent effort toward standardizing the literature of the subject. Following is a brief description or classification of the contents of the seventeen books selected by the above methods of tabulation:

✓ 1. *A New Conscience and an Ancient Evil*. This book of 219 pages, by Jane Addams, of Hull House, Chicago, is based largely upon reports of the field officers of the Chicago Juvenile Protective Association, and presents the author's views upon the factors favoring commercialized vice and the recruiting of victims for its immoral practices. The forces to be organized against these factors are discussed as indicated in the closing paragraph of the preface which reads, "I therefore venture to hope that in serving my own need I may also serve the need of a rapidly growing public when I set down for rational consideration the temptations surrounding multitudes of young people and when I assemble, as best I may, the many indications of a new conscience, which in various directions is slowly gathering strength and which we

may soberly hope will at last successfully array itself against this incredible social wrong, ancient though it may be."

2. *From Youth into Manhood*. This is a book of 106 pages written by Dr. Winfield S. Hall, Professor of Physiology, Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago. The following extracts from the introduction by Dr. George J. Fisher of the International Committee of Young Men's Christian Associations outline its contents. "There has been demanded for some time in addition to literature for young men and older boys, a book that can be placed in the hands of preadolescent and early adolescent boys of about the ages eleven to fifteen. . . . I believe this book meets a great need. Beginning with the romantic story of Ab it immediately secures the attention of the boy, then leads him gradually into the more technical description of his sex organs, then relates the subject to himself through the interesting story of the colts Morgan and Jack, dealing with him sympathetically throughout; and without any morbid suggestion whatever, it finally, through simple hygienic suggestions shows the boy how to secure a healthy body and a pure mind."

3. *Training of the Young in Laws of Sex*. This is a book of 117 pages dedicated to parents by the author, Rev. The Honorable E. Lyttelton, Head Master of Eaton College. The preface contains these statements, "The scope of this essay has been carefully narrowed to two divisions of one subject: The disastrous results which follow from neglect of home teaching about life and birth; and the way in which such teaching may be given. What parents are anxiously seeking is a simple answer to these questions: Since our children are exposed to the risk of gathering vicious ideas about life and birth, ought we not ourselves to forestall the danger by giving wholesome teaching? And, if so, how is this to be done? This essay treats of these two questions in order."

4. *Education in Sexual Physiology and Hygiene*. This book of 126 pages is written by Dr. Philip Zenner, Professor of Neurology in the Medical Department of the University of Cincinnati. The author says: "This book is intended as a message from a physician to the people. Its purpose is the prevention of disease. The means of prevention are modes of instruction that tend to make a pure mind, and the imparting of knowledge that helps to safeguard the individual. . . . The first three chapters of the book give talks of the author to school children and college boys. They are given as illustrations of what has

been and can be done. . . . Farther on . . . are discussed other and better modes of instruction."

The remaining thirteen books may be grouped as follows:

1. *For mature men and women who are studying the problem.*
 - (a) *The Educational Problems.*

Bigelow,	Sex Instruction as a Phase of Social Education.
Henderson,	Education with Reference to Sex.
 - (b) *The Medical Problems of Social Hygiene.*

Morrow,	Social Diseases and Marriage.
Educational Pamphlet No. 6,	Health and the Hygiene of Sex.
2. *For Parents.*
 - (a) *Practical Suggestions.*

Chapman,	How Shall I Tell My Child.
Hall,	Instead of Wild Oats.
Educational Pamphlet No. 4,	The Boy Problem.
Educational Pamphlet No. 5,	How My Uncle, the Doctor, Instructed Me in Matters of Sex.
 - (b) *Biological Stories of Reproduction and Sex.*²

Morley,	The Song of Life.
Morley,	Life and Love.
Morley,	The Renewal of Life.
3. *For Young Men and Young Women.*
 - (a) *Written for Young Men.*

Hall,	Reproduction and Sexual Hygiene.
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 - (b) *Written for Young Women.*

Smith,	Three Gifts of Life.
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However widely individual judgments of the value of these books may vary all must agree that the committees selecting them endeavored to provide (1) general information for the adult public, (2) aids for parents in instructing their children, (3) reading for young men and young women whose parents have failed to give them needed instruction, (4) detailed educational and medical knowledge for those persons especially interested.

²To some extent each of these books includes and elaborates the preceding one, although the texts and illustrations are different.

It would be unfair to the organizations whose lists have been used in the preparation of this study, and equally unfair to the authors who have published books not taken into account, not to emphasize the fact that many excellent books upon every phase of social hygiene have been published in the past year or two and are undoubtedly being recommended through correspondence. The fact remains however that the printed lists continue practically as originally adopted.

In succeeding numbers of SOCIAL HYGIENE these studies of social hygiene literature will be continued.

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