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Dear Sir;

Enclosed herewith
the circular of a new magazine for
parents about children. The first
number is to be issued next October.
If you will kindly read this cir-
-cular you will see what is intended
to be the general scope of our
magazine, "Childhood".

May we hope for
your sympathy and co-operation?
We should be very glad to have
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to you as appropriate. Articles
are prepared about 1200 words in
length and all used will be
paid for. Trusting to hear from
you before long I remain

Yours Sincerely
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THE need of a monthly journal whose dignified and scholarly tone, liberal and comprehensive spirit, and practical, common sense teaching shall clearly reflect the best thought and work of the human mind in all that concerns the welfare of the child will be apparent to every one who has a personal interest in child culture, when attention is directed to the fact that in the overflowing field of periodical literature a vacancy exists which none have attempted to fill. Such a journal the editor proposes to furnish in CHILDHOOD. He realizes the magnitude of the responsibility he thus assumes, but the urgent need that the work be undertaken by some one is his excuse, and he hopes that the magazine may be so conducted as to be gladly welcomed into every home to which it may come.

Until within the past two decades the interest and concern of readers has been directed chiefly to what relates to the affairs of an adult's life. It then entered into the consciousness of men that the large silent majority of unrepresented youth, heretofore ignored, should receive some consideration, and in consequence a new literature has sprung up devoted to the entertainment and instruction of the juvenile population. Succeeding this there has come into existence many departments of domestic journals, and one or two magazines whose title-pages evidence their exclusive devotion to the subject of the care and guidance of infancy. So far, so good. But physical existence is not all of life; and between the periods of infancy and maturity is a long hiatus. It is the aim of the editor of CHILDHOOD to fill this hiatus, and not only that, but to supply as far as may be possible, all that has been lacking up to this time, in the lore of infantile training and development. Not confining itself to the departments of either physical welfare or intellectual development, it will cover both these and extend beyond either, in considering everything that bears directly and indirectly upon the symmetrical and healthy growth of the child from the indefiniteness of fetal existence into the positive character of an independent individual. Science, constantly becoming more exact as well as more far-reaching in

its experiments, now asserts the fact that to understand the position and destiny of any organism you must study its origin, and consider its relations with all other organisms. Nothing can be taken by itself. So, to understand the child, it must be considered from the point of view of heredity, as well as from that of its present condition. Furthermore, to understand the child it is necessary to have sympathy with him; to be able to put ourselves back again into the mental attitude toward the world which we ourselves occupied as children. This is as difficult as it is for the civilized man to sympathise with and understand the savage. Its difficulties do not, however, lessen the obligation.

But although specialists in psychology and biology will be engaged to give the results of their study and research upon these important topics, CHILDHOOD will not by any means be a *technical* magazine. The intention of the editor is to make it a bright and spirited exposition of the most living subject in the world, and sketches and incidents of the daily life of children will be welcome to its pages, as well as more complete papers upon the cause and use of the less comprehended expressions of their existence. It will appeal to every mother and father in the land; to every teacher who desires to be more than a routinist and dogmatist, and to every man and woman interested in the development and highest welfare of the child.

Each number of the magazine will contain sixty-four pages similar in size to this, and will be made up, for the most part, of contributions from writers of known ability with original views. Without desiring at this time to make definite promises as to the actual contents of future numbers, the editor may be permitted to say that the list of those whose aid has either been secured or promised comprises many notable and representative names.

All important articles bearing upon this subject appearing in current English, French, German, Italian or Spanish literature will be carefully read, and when of sufficient merit will be reproduced, in condensed form, in this magazine, or commented upon in a crisp and concise manner. And all books, published either in Europe or this country, relating to the psychical or physical development, and the moral or intellectual training of the young will be carefully reviewed, in such a way as to convey to our readers a just idea of their merits, and the scope of the thought expressed.

GEORGE WILLIAM WINTERBURN.