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## Respect For Those Who Are Older



**I**N the old days, the respect for those who were older was very strongly emphasized in the training of children. Old people believed that the eldest brother and sister were as worthy of respect as were the parents themselves. They were called by respectful names. They had the right to be obeyed and to punish disrespectful younger sisters and brothers.

Marcelo H. del Pilar wrote many letters about this rule when he was in Spain. He often wrote his wife about Sofia and Anita, his daughters. Sofia was older than Anita. In one letter he said:

"I am glad that Sofia is in good health and Anita is strong. Don't allow Anita to strike her elder sister. She may get into the habit of not respecting Sofia, and it will be difficult to correct it when she gets older. Sofia, on the other hand, I expect, should be considerate in treating her younger sister, not in spite of her ill manner, but because of her young age. Sofia might ill-treat Anita; tell her I have always thought of this; it is a pity if Anita would not be loving to Sofia."

In another of his letters home, he said to his wife: "It is good Anita's aggressiveness has been overcome. I should like to see her outlive her fighting her older sister."

Marcelo H. del Pilar was a good father. He suffered very much when he was living in Spain. He thought always of his children. He hoped that his children would have enough food and care, but more than these, he hoped that they would love one another. He knew that to make a happy home, children should recognize those who are older and show due respect.

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## Honesty Is The Best Policy

The rule "Honesty is the best policy" has been practiced two times last month in the Ideal Theater. The first to practice the rule is the usher Juan Arevalo who found a bill-fold containing P88 and a steamer ticket for Cebu. The money and the ticket belonged to G. Mori who later claimed it.

Arevalo did not accept any reward, though he was offered money for his honesty.

A week after this happened, Mrs. Maxima Caballes, winner of the first prize in the sweepstakes of December, 1934, came to the city and got P10,000 from the bank.

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