

My sister Edna, with all the advantages of youth, was, strangely enough, less tolerant. She admitted that Robert had a good heart; but she couldn't accept him, as my mother (1) ... him, for my sake. Her narrow ideas what was 'proper' (2) ... sharply with Robert's natural lack of respect for appearances; and she (3) ... at her mother's familiarity with the eccentric little man. I (4) ..., not only in sister's case, but in others as well, that we of the younger generation are not nearly so cheerful and so impulsive as some of our elders. I often see old people (5) ... wide-eyed and excited at the promise of some anticipated pleasure which totally (6) ... to upset the calm of their grandchildren. (7) ... we, I wonder, such genuine boys and girls as our seniors were when they were young?

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