

ヴァージニア・ウルフの主治医サヴェッジ医師の矛盾と

『ダロウェイ夫人』のレディ・ブルトンから考えるウルフ像

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引用 1

Removal of the patient absolutely from all friends, and the personal supervision, in all but solitary confinement, of the patient by a skilled nurse. Rest is essential, in general in bed, and in pronounced cases for weeks. [. . .] Milk in half-pint quantities must be given every hour or two hours, and strong beef-tea in similar quantities in the morning and afternoon. (97 *Insanity and Allied Neuroses*)

[2] サヴェッジ医師の主張と矛盾

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引用 2

The insanity associated with premature decay, with toxic brain infection, is best represented by general paralysis of the insane. Here again, without doubt, there is considerable increase. [. . .] In England the progress is steady, and it is interesting to note that this disease is now more prevalent among women than it used to be. This is markedly observable in Scotland. Women will have men's rights and with them they incur further risks. (17 "The Increase of Insanity")

引用 3

The lay public as a whole, and the majority of medical men, would at once reply to the question as to the insane ever being allowed to marry in the negative, but I shall contend that a dogmatic statement of this kind is unscientific and unpractical. Such a declaration is taking it for granted that all insanity is alike and is to be treated as of equal value. (97 “Insanity and Marriage”)

引用 4

Neurotic heredity certainly must influence your advice when you have to decide when the patient has symptoms of some form of insanity, such as delusional insanity, which is generally met with in members of insane families. (98-99 “Insanity and Marriage”)

引用 5

If a race is healthy, vigorous, and successful, the best citizens are those who approach the average. They would have well-balanced nervous organisations, and they would hand on the same characteristics to their offspring, for if physical strength is transmitted, so must mental strength. These men would be more useful than geniuses who are individuals with a disproportionate development of some particular faculty, leading to a disturbance of mental equilibrium, psychopathic phenomena, and emotional spasm. Can such be designated as Nature's finest handiwork? And whoever has heard of a genius being produced from an idiot or imbecile? These remarks are made because it is evidently the belief of some that by segregating the feeble-minded you will produce nothing but mediocrities. I am not touching the question of the “insane.” Another important point to remember is the “transmutation of disease,” which means that diseased organisms are apt to breed disease, but not always, though sometimes, their own disease. (112 *The Journal of Mental Science*)

引用 6

Marriage should never be recommended as a means of cure. In so-called hysterical cases the prospect even of relief is small, and the risk of permanent alienation is great. [. . .] I would speak equally strongly against marriage as relief for so-called neurasthenia or hypochondriasis, and I have already said that for sexual disorder it is dangerous. (100 “Insanity and Marriage”)

[3] 『ダロウェイ夫人』におけるレディ・ブルトン—狂気と権力—
・レディ・ブルトンの狂氣的側面

引用 7

Power was hers, position, income. She had lived in the forefront of her time. She had had good friends; known the ablest men of her day. (110-11)

引用 8

But she feared time itself, and read on Lady Bruton's face, as if it had been a dial cut in impassive stone [. . .]. (30)

引用 9

Shredding and slicing, dividing and subdividing, the clocks of Harley Street nibbled at the June day, counselled submission, upheld authority, and pointed out in chorus the supreme advantages of a sense of proportion [. . .]. (101)

引用 10

She was getting impatient, the whole of her being was setting positively, undeniably, domineeringly brushing aside all this unnecessary trifling (Peter Walsh and his affairs) upon that subject which engaged her attention, and not merely her attention, but that fibre which was the ramrod of her soul, that essential part of her without which Millicent Bruton would not have been Millicent Bruton; that project for emigrating young people of both sexes born of respectable parents and setting them up with a fair prospect of doing well in Canada. She exaggerated. She had perhaps lost *her sense of proportion*. Emigration was not to others the obvious remedy, the sublime conception. (107, 筆者強調)

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