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Interests of Women and the Home.

YANKEE SEWING MACHINES.

They Are Admittedly the Best in the World-Over a Million Made Annually.

New York, May 7.-America, says the | crease during the last ten years in the sun, is the sewing machine centre of factory production of clothing has been world, and New York is the centro coincident with and largely the result of the sewing machine industry of of the invention of special appliances merica. In this city nearly all the and attachments adapting the sewing reat factories producing these machmachine to factory operations in this es are directed and controlled, and performance of all stitching processes ully 90 per cent, of the sewing machine including buttenhole and eyelet maktrade of the world is managed and ing, attaching buttons, staying seams, ic. From 1880 to 1890 there was an inhandled here. The production amounts to more than 500,000 machines annualcrease of 6,166 to 18,658 in the number ly, and nearly 190,000 persons in one of establishments in the United States way or another make their living out devoted to the manufacture of men's of sewing machines, either as factory clothing, and during the same decade operatives, agents, clerks, canvassers, the number of establishments devoted collectors, or in some other capacity connected with the making and marto women's clothing increased from 562 to 20.811. The last mentioned figure includes custom dressmaking establishketing of machines. ments having a product of over \$600 in value, whereas the smaller figure

chine,

The American sewing machine, like the American watch and the American reaper and mower, is the standard of or 1880 does not include the custom excellence for the civilized world, and dressmaking establishments. the export trade in sewing machines IMPORTANT ECONOMICS.

penetrates to the uttermost ends of the earth. Everywhere throughout Christendom the American sewing machine holds the market against all competitors. It is not a question of price, but of merit, quality and reputation. The only country that is making any headway in the struggle for the sewing machine trade is Germany. There they have gone into it seriously. and are turning out machines that show a great improvement over their product of a few years ago.

PATENTS.

It is now twenty years since the expiration of the last important patent on a fundamental principle of the sew-ing machine; but the inventive genius of the age has not been idle all this time, and patents covering devices of greater or less utility have been granted in large numbers. From Feb. 21. 1842, to Sept. 10, 1895, there were issued by the United tSates 7,429 patents for sewing machines and accessories. Many of these patents cover several minor features of the sewing machine. So that the aggregate of patented inventions is much larger than 7,439, Among the patents issued during the fifty-four years ending with 1895 were the follow-

Sewing machines making the chain 433 Sewing machines making the lock 1001 stitchwing machines for stitching leather 431 Machines for sewing on buttons Machines for making buttonholes (48 .2.350 chines . Attachments, rufflers, hemmers, cord-

The earlier machines had no driving ower except the common hand crank. This involved the use of the right hand, and only the left hand could be used for managing and guiding the material to be sewed, Isaac Singer conceived. the idea of using a treadle similar to

that employed on the old spinning wheel, and also discovered that with

Beyond this, it appeared that certificates attested by a police magistrate would have to be forthcoming from the wners of our respective places of abode, certifying that we had resided here for at least six months previously, and, in addition, a doctor's certificate to the effect that we had been duly vaccinated.

As soon as I had been able to procure the necessary documents, which took week or ten days, I pald a visit to the British consulate, and there ascereisurely hours of 11 and 3; and, as it obliged to return on the following day. I was then informed that I must leave my birth certificate and the sum of 27 francs 50 centimes, and call back in a ouple of days. At the time specified I called, and was handed a very formidable document stamped with the British royal arms, and setting forth in Franch that as a British subject of full age I was free to contract marriage without the consent of my parents. This was accompanied by a translaion of my birth certificate, which was

alone made possible by the sewing mahas effected some important appended to the original document I infants, drawn up by the French Acadeconomics in the marketing of the cloths, especially the cheaper fabrics, had left. The whole of these docu- emy of Medicine, nents bore consular stamps, and were such as jeans, denims, shirtings, etc. signed by the consul. I now had to take my documents to the revenue of-These goods are now sent directly ice, and there pay two francs to have from the mills to the factories where overalls, shirts and other articles of them stamped; and from there I had to clothing are made, and no longer pass proceed to the French foreign office to through the hands of the selling agent, get the visa to the consul's signature,

which cost me another two francs. commission man, the wholesaler, For the second time I returned to the the jobber, and the retailer, each of whom formerly enjoyed his slice of Mairie, thinking that my troubles were rofit in the handling. The extent to at an end; but alas! the asthmatical old gentleman waded carefully through which wearing apparel of all kinds has the mass of papers which I had inbeen cheapened in consequence of the use of the sewing machine could be exdustriously accumulated, and found pressed only by figures running far into the hundreds of millions. that he could not accept them because the consent of the maternal grand-It is also an interesting fact that mother was not drawn up by a public while the large manufacturing indusnotary, who in France is a ministerial officer, I remonstrated with the old tries dependent upon the sewing magentleman, and said it was monstrous chine much more than doubled their output from 1880 to 1890, the population that a young woman of 25 could not get married without the consent of her of the country only increased onequarter. It therefore follows that the maternal grandmother. "Monsieur," he replied testily, "such is the law," I did not make the law." quantity of sewing done in the home has been greatly reduced and the cost

INDEED A TASK. I began to feel that I had undertaken task almost beyond my strength, but rincipal manufacturing industries that I resolved to go through with the busiuse the sewing machine largely, the ness even if it took me years to accomfigures show that the total value of plish.I communicated with my fiancee, products in 1890 had increased who went off to see her about 75 per cent, as compared with the value of their products in 1880; they grandmother; but the old lady fell into state of nervous excitement at the had about \$437,000,000 invested in maidea of having to execute a notarial chinery, tools and implements of all kinds, and the total value of their proddeed, and endeavored to persuade her granddaughter to give up her foolish

uct was \$1,161,195,659. The manufacnotion of marrying an "Anglais," of tures in which sewing machines are eswhich, she said, no good could come. After a great deal of trouble she was sential are awnings, tents, sails, bags, bookbinding, boots and shoes, clothing persuaded to consent, and we have for men and women, corsets, flags, banners, men's furnishing goods, finally managed to convey her to the nearest town where a notary resided. gloves, mittens, hats, caps, pocket-All this had taken several days to acbooks, rubber and elastic goods, shirts, saddlery and harness, and horse clothcomplish, for the old lady was over 80 and very deaf. Ridiculous as it may appear, if the old lady refused her con-

posed, to prove that we had been duly simple affair. When we had taken our born, but also to satisfy him that we seats a man in livery opened a pair of were being married in our proper large folding doors at the back of the names-though I fail to see what there would be to prevent any one from us-ing other people's birth certificates. Up. The mayor, a dapper gentleman with waxed mustachlos and in evening dress, with his badge of office, consisting of a red silk scarf across his chest, then entered and bowed to the people present. The clerk proceeded raphily to enumerate our names, and the various ontracts and certificates of which I have spoken, after which the mayor read over to us that part of the Code Civil relating to marriages and the obligations which the law imposed on the contracting parties. This done, we ver asked if we consented to take tained that the officials deigned to as husband and wife, and on replying transact business only between the in the affirmative the mayor said. "Au nom de la loi je vous unis"-and that was then five minutes past 3. I was was all. As I left the platform to make way for another couple, after signing the register, the mayor handed me a book in a brown cardboard cover, entitled "Livret de Famille." In this book are to be entered by the nearest registrar the births and deaths as they ccur in the family, and I noticed that the number of spaces allowed for births was six, but I am not aware if this is the limit which the French law imposes on heads of families. The book also contained numerous directions for

> TALMAGE'S IDEAS ABOUT WOMAN

The Noted Preacher Advances Several Interestthe Fair Sex.

In the course of an interview with : oman representative of the Times-Herald Rev. Dr. T. Dewitt Talmage recently gave interesting opinions of oman's possibilities and duties. The following are culled expressions:

"Whether women will ever become rominent as regularly ordained ministers I cannot say, but successful they must Le, for they have more control over those sympathies which appeal to the human heart. If the gospel is to be preached successfully, it is by appealing to the heart, not the head. I have heard most effective preaching from women in religious meetings, if not exactly in the pulpit. In prayer meetings I always ask women to take part, and I always find they intensify the interest of that or any other meeting they participate in. "That is," said myself have recently undergone the the preacher, reflectively, "unless they are women with hard voices and amaconian presence.

"I don't like a manly woman, nor an effeminate man," said the doctor, but I can hardly state my ideal. The ideal woman is not one woman-wo-manhood extends over many different realms. mother I could describe, but a man is as much time as women of leisure, it

sider the man the tougher organization, HOUSEHOLD HINTS. made to battle with the rough world, and I like to see the woman protected and sheltered as much as is consistent From the Sun. with rer independence." An old housekeeper says that there

A SYSTEMATIC REST-HOUR.

How to Enjoy Complete Relaxation

During the Day. There are very few housekeepers, With a soft brush rub the carpet, maktays the New York Tribune, who appreclate the necessity for a systematic rest-hour in the midst of the daily and washing the lather off with clear duties. Physicians tell us that there water. The water should be changed are very few women who would not be benefited in health by nine hours' sleep rubbed with clean cloths until dry. at night and an hour's rest after the midday meal. Most busy women plead they have no time for this rest-hour, and even borrow from the night hours mon yellow soup and hot water and afwhich should be devoted to refreshing sleep. Most women, however, make wonderfully improved. a special toilet for dinner. The hour preceding the afternoon toilet is usually the most convenient hour in the day for a nap.

inviting appearance in a room that All women who can spare two hours otherwise looks fresh and clean after in the afternoon to themselves should the spring renovating. The tarnished cast off all household and social cares surface may refuse to become bright, for this period and enjoy a complete no matter what cleaning materials are relaxation in a bath and rest-hour preemployed. By being your own work vious to dressing. It is not absolutely man you may, at a trifling expense necessary that an hour be spent in sleep, but it should be spent in resting in a recumbent position. It is not an easy matter for a wo

man who is not accustomed to sleep in the daytime to fall in a doze at will. Sleep, however, can usually be induced at this time by a tepid sponge bath perfumed with lavender water and by resting in a recumbent position under the bedclothes in the regular nightthe proper nourishment and rearing of dress. It does very little good to simply loosen the clothing and lie down in a wrapper on the lounge.

After the habit of the daytime nap once established the moment the bath is over and the tired women dons the brush and sand soap to make sure or night attire she will easily fail that all greasy particles have been reasleep, and succh is the control of the moved. Then rinse it in clear hot wat mind over the body that if she looks er and thoroughly dry. Cover it with at a watch or clock and firmly desertwo coatings of the common paint, letmines to awake at a certain hour she is quite sure to find herself wile ting one thoroughly dry before putting on the second coat. Then give it sevawake at that time. The daytime nap eral coats of the enamel paint. This should always be taken in a darkened paint will dry more quickly than the ing Opinions Concerning but well-ventilated room, and under other, and the bath will no longer be sufficient bed covering. In a sleep like an unsightly object. Care must be this a weary housekeeper gains enough used not to run very hot water into extra strength to enable her to feel the bath alone until the paint has fresh and bright in the evening, when hardned. many women are worn out. Where one must trespass upon night hours usually allotted to sleep the daytime

for that well known and desirable dish, pork and beans? They are excellent, nap should be prolonged. On ordinary occasions an hour is suf-These beans are also very nice baked ficient from the time one enters the and served in place of potatoes. They privacy of one's rooms to prepare for should be allowed to bake very slowly the sponge bath and rest until one and a tablespoonful of butter should arises refreshed from the doze to dress for dinner.

oc substituted in this dish of beans for he, to many desirable, pork. Not little of the value of this day. time rest consists in a complete change Hot breads and cakes should be cut all clothing worn in the morning with a warm knife, The under flannels often become dank with perspiration in the morning hours and are unfit to wear all day and ought to be aired. Afternoon flannels Journal of Agriculture, should be used with afternoon dress. A sliver polish that it is alleged will Still another set should be used at c)can silver without hand rubbing is made by mixing whiting with a few drops of night and during the daytime sleep. Thus three sets of underwear are in use and a great part of the time are the consistency of cream. It will keep if hung up in the air to be purified. This tightly corked in a bottle. If you are tired of your white lace curfrequent change of the clothing worn

tains, or if they do not harmonize with your new cream tinted paper, make them next to the skin is a cleanly and com fortable practice. of a pretty eeru tint by washing, drying and dipping in thin starch made with cof-fee instead of clean water. Dry them as Working women should make some acrifice to obtain a regular rest at midday if only for a few moments. rapidly as you can by planing them in a My ideal wife, daughter or While they may not be able to spend room where you can have the wind blow

on them. The worst spot made by greasy head on

Have you ever used dried lima beans

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amonia, then thinning it with water t

the ox gall into the water with a stick

do this work, one following the other

Many spring cleaners do not know

that an old carpet scrubbed with com-

again with fresh paper till you get it out, To prevent the long of a cake from run-ning down the sides, double a piece of buttered paper about three inches wide and pin it around the cake, letting the upper edge project half an inch above the oake. In this way a cake may be frosted evenly and thickly to the very edge. Do may be many new liquids for freshen-ing and brightening carpets, but she ot remove the band until the icing is has yet to find anything that will do perfectly dry. better work than ox gall. Use one glil to a gallon of cold soft water, stirring

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Making Perfume.

Never throw away rose leaves, for ing a white lather. Two persons should after they may no longer gladden the eye, there is still perfume left. To conserve this sweet odor keep a covered jar partly filled with almond or olive often, and then the carpet should be oil; when clearing out the vases save carefully the leaves of any sweetscented flowers or the heads of mignonette and the like; stir them into the oil, and after it has stood for twentyfour hours strain through a bit of terward with clean cold water will be choose cloth and return to the jar. Repeat this process until the oil is thoroughly perfumed with the volatile prin-Among the crosses many housewives ciple of the flowers. Whenever a bottle have to annoy them is a bathtub of unof pure and exquisite perfume is desired it may be made by adding to the scented oil equal parts of pure rectified spirits; shake every duy for a fortnight, and it is ready for use.

Rice Bread.

To make a really healthful hot make the tub quite desirable. Procure bread is a difficult matter. Rice bread a small can of common paint of any not only satisfies the demands of hylight color desired, a can of enamel paint of the same color, and a good gienic theory, but is very delicious to sized brush. Cut eight or ten inch the palate. To make it, boll one teacup of rice till it is perfectly tender, pieces of yellow soap into bits, and put shake, but never stir rice when cookit over the fire to dissolve in a couple ing. While hot, add butter the size of of quarts of water. Fill the bathfub with very hot water, and throw in a an egg, a pint and a half of milk, half a pint of bolted cornmeal, two tablegenerous handful of powdered borax spoonfuls of flour, two eggs and salt and the dissolved soap. When the water becomes cool enough to put the to taste, Pour in well-buttered pans, hands in it, scrub the surface with a having it not over two inches thick, and bake just one hour in a moderate brush, letting the water run off as the oven. Eaten hot with nice sweet butwork is done. Again partly fill the tub with hot water and scrub it with ter, or good syrup, it is at its best,

Smart Shrit-Waist Sleeve.

The smartest shirt-walst sleeve has the fullness laid in plaits at the cuff. with rows of stitching running up each plait about five inches, a quarter of an inch back from the edge. Another thing about this season's shirt-waist sleeves is that the leg-o'-mutton-shape of two years ago is the one to have (bishop sleeves have been declared passe by Dame Fashion), but they will not droop at the top as formerly, the puff being cut at least three inches short just directly in the centre of the top to hold them up and give the desired effect.

Preserving Cut Flowers.

Alex McClellan of Newport, R. I., writes to Mechan's Monthly: "In-the De-cember number of the Monthly, page 249, appeared an article on Preserving Cut Flowers,' recommending the placing of the stems in cold water. Much better results can be had by using warm water, $i_{e_{i_1}}$ water of a higher temperature than that usually known as lukewarm. An-other important point in getting cut flow-ers to keep fresh is to put the stems into the water the instant they are cut from the plant. Let any one who uses cannas for cut flowers try the experiment, and note the difference,'

The Latest Girdle.

The very latest girdle is a plain one two inches wide. For some time we couldn't get our girdle wide enough, and they were all fulled. Now to change the fashion the order is reversed as to both points.

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Lost It. "I noticed you at the opera last night, Mrs. Budd. Wasn't that a delightful

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the addition of a balance wheel on the upper shaft for increasing the momentum he could run his machine by foot power. Soon after came the iron stand with the rocking treadle for both feet. Mr. Singer missed a great chance here He did not realize the supreme value these discoveries, and so neglected to take out patents. Two years later, when his devices had become public property, he saw the lost opportunity. One of the latest devices for driving ; sewing machine is a revolving treadly with the bicycle movement, but none of the new wrinkles have proved a satisfactory as the old-fashioned rocking treadle

The proportion of hand to foot power sewing machines used in Europe and in Aslatic countries is far greater than in the United States. The operation of a sewing machine by hand power in this country is exceptional and is usually confined to those in some manner crippled or physically unable to apply foot power. In Europe and Asia much of the sewing machine work is done by peripatetic operatives who travel from house to house and carry along their own machines, and as they find the iron stands and wooden cabinets an imperiment they prefer the handpower machine that can be rested on a table, bench or box.

REVOLUTIONS WROUGHT.

In no branch of manufactures has a greater revolution been wrought by the sewing machine than in boots and By its aid the quality, style, shoes. and value of footwear have been greatenhanced, while prices have stead-Hy declined, until there is no nation on carth today whose people are so well and so cheaply shod as are the people of the United States. Changes in shoemaking methods and processes have been most radical. Formerly the fitwas to go to the Mairie, or town hall, of the district in which I lived, and inting of the uppers was accomplished by sending them out in small quantities erview the functionary who was in to be sewed and stitched by hand in charge of the "Eureau des mariages." This official was an asthmatical old the homes of the operatives, When sewing machines were introduced the gentleman with a troublesome cough. scattered home industry was concenwho was none too gracious in regard trated in factories, and steam power to my suggestion that I wanted to get was employed for driving the mamarried. He glared at me through his chines. In 1861 the first machine for glasses as though I were a criminal rewing on soles was put into successful upon whem he was about to pass judgoperation, and a royalty of 2 cents on ment, or at the very least an applicant for parish relief. He condescended to each pair of shoes was exacted by the owners of the patent. They must have inform me that, although I was 29 hed a liberal income from this source years of age, he should require the as in one day of ten hours 200 pairs of shoes could be sewed on one maboth my parents, as well as that of the chine, and by the aid of machines 250,parents of my fiancee, before even the banns could be published. "But," I 600,000 pairs of shors had been made up to the year 1877 in the United objected, "I am a British subject and States, and probably an equal or greatmy fiancee is an orphan, and of full or number in Europe. The machine now in general use does its work in a manner closely resembling hand sewing, and is sold on a royalty plan based on the rate of production. This machine is considered one of the marvels of an age of mechanism. It is said that after examining the operation of the sewing and welting machine of today Thomas A. Edison declared it to rank equal with the Blanchard lathe In ingenuity and importance. Certain it is that a shoe which can be bought at retail for \$3 is in all respects equal and in many respects superior to the \$5 shoe of fifteen or twenty years ago Another effect of machinery has been to greatly increase the finish and beau-

ty of ready made aboes. Buttonhole machines have also had a large sale on the royalty plan, and have been very remunerative to the owners of the patents. During the carly years of the sewing machine the custom tailors showed great prejudice against its use, but this prejudice has wholly disappeared, and the machine is that it would be necessary to produce now in general use for making the

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The reports of the sales of sewing machines during 1873-76, the period of ient the French law would have rethe "sewing machine combination" which was entered into by the leading manufacturers twenty-four years ago. show a total of 2,303,941, the average t year being about 576,090. Since 1876 there has been no available information other than that indicated in the census which cost twelve francs thirty-one reports. These figures indicate that the centimes exactly-for a French notary average number of machines made anyould consider he was dishonoring his nually during the last twenty years in profession if he did not charge an odd the United States has been from 500,number of centimes. 000 to 600,000, and that the average first On my return I once more hastened cost per machine has been about \$20. to the asthmatical old gentleman at the

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to the consumer of sewing machine

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'Bureau des Mariages," armed with BEFORE MARRIAGE IN FRANCE hese documents: 1. My birth certificate

Formalities That Must Be Gone 2. A translation thereof. Through Before the Mayor Ties the 3. The consular documents setting orth my liberty to marry. Knot. 4. A certificate of residence.

From the Pall Mall Gazette. 5. The "permis de sejour," or permis-In the eyes of the French law mardon to reside in France, which every riage is entirely a civil contract. It does not recognize a marriage celebratforeigner is bound to take out at the olice office. ed in a church or other place of wor-6. A doctor's certificate that I had ship, nor will any priest or clergyman officiate until a certificate of the civil een vaccinated. One likewise of 'ny fiancee.
My fiancee's birth certificate. union has been presented to him. myself have recently undergone the painful operation of being married in The certificate of decease of her father France by this civil process, and it has 10. The certificate of decease of her seemed to me that, instead of benevonother. lently assisting to crown the happiness 11. The certificate of decease of her

of loving couples, the law places every paternal grandfather. possible barrier to keep them apart. 12. The certificate of decease of her The plain narrative of my own experipaternal grandmother. ences may be found of interest. My wife is a Frenchwoman, an or-

13. The certificate of decease of her naternal grandfather. phan, and 25 years of age, the only near 14. Her maternal grandmother's conrelation that she has living being her sent to the marriage. maternal grandmother. I myself am a 15. The certificate of her residence British subject of full age, resident in

and mine. France, and had we both been British 16. Notarial documents setting forth subjects we could have dispensed with that there was a marriage contract. the formalities of French law and been 17. A declaration that my fiancee was married without trouble before the not my sister, aunt, mother, nor grand-British consul. The first step I took nother.

I tremblingly submitted the whole of the above-mentioned documents to the asthmatical old gentleman, who, haying carefully adjusted his spectacles. proceeded to wade through once more the whole mass of papers from beginning to end. When he had finished, he soratched his head and said that, "seeing that my fiancee was an orphan, he was not quite sure as to whether he ought not also to have the birth certificate of the maternal grandmother;" but, on reference to the "Code Civil, he found, to my intense relief, that this was not necessary. He seemed someonsent in writing to the marriage of what disarpointed that there was not same document missing; and, in a warning voice, he said; "Well, monsieur, you can publish' the banns now if you like, but at your own risk and peril; for is there is any hitch at the

ime of your marriage you must not "Then you will be dispensed from obblame me." I accepted the tremendous taining the corsent of your parents if responsibility, paid one franc twentyyou can get your consul to give you a five centimes for the necessary forms. certificate stating that, as a British subject, it will not be necessary for filled them up, and handed them back to the old gentleman. according to the laws of your country, to obtain the consent of your MARRIED AT LAST. parents to your marriage. As for At last the eventful morning came, mademoiselle, your fiancee, she being

and, contrary to the forebodings of the an orphan, we shall require the certifiasthmatical old gentleman, there was cate of decease of both her parents no hitch. The room where the marand the consent in writing, of her riage took place was beautifully paintgrandparents, if living." ed in white and gold, with a bust em-ASTONISHED.

blematic of the republic in a prominent position. At one end was a raised plat-I began to feel astonished, and told form, with a table for the mayor and the old gentleman that, with the exrow of gilt arm-chairs facing the table for the parties about to be married and ception of her maternal grandmother, all her grandparents were dead. "In that case," said the old gentleman, "I their witnesses; then a barrier cov shall also require coples of their certifi-cates of decease, and the consent in ered with velvet, and, below the plat form, a row of seats for the friends of the parties, and for those who might writing of her maternal grandmother, unless she intends to be present at the wedding." He further informed me care to be present-the law requiring that the public shall have free access to all ceremonies such as marriages, copies of my own and my fiancee's public competitive examinations, and at garments. The enormous in- birth certificates, not only, as I sup- so on. The civil marriage was a very

so apt to sketch his own home for an is comparatively easy to contract the ideal. My womanly companionship all habit of ten minutes' map directly afquired as to give three respectful my life has been so delightful, tender, ter dinner, and this short daytime rest 'sommations," or notices, at intervals sweet, kind and heavenly that I hardly will be of more value than an hour's of a month, before we could get marwant to give any other man the idea sleep at night. ried. It was, therefore, with a feeling of it!'

of relief that I at last found myself "Why is it that men are so much in the train in possession of the notarnore wicked than women?" ial act by which she gave her consent

"Oh, most of us admit that women are naturally better than men, and that they are getting better all the time. But when a woman starts cut o be had, there is no limit. She is as ad as a man-and a little worse. She goes the whole hard road usually. That eems characteristic. All history shows it. A good woman is 'very, very good,' and a had woman is"---and tab loctor spread out his hands as though ie had no words quite strong enough. "I think woman ought to have every good and proper opportunity of earning her own living and being independent. Wherever there is an open door, women should be allowed to enter it. There following: are none too many avenues by which a

To prepare a piece of beef for roast woman may pass to fame and fortune. believe that girls should be trained ing do not wash it, but wipe it off with a damp cloth. Place it in a baking for a life of independence as much as boys are. I don't think it was intendpan, rub some beef drippings over the ed that every woman should marry. top and dredge the top and sides with flour. Put in the pan a couple of spoon Thus every daughter should be brought up that she can carn her own livelifuls of drippings. Water should no hood if need be. 'The trouble is'' (and be added if you wish the roast to be a here the doctor warmed up) "that lice brown, and do not add the sal mothers impress their girls that an ul- and pepper to the pan until after the timate marriage is their destiny. Per- surface of the meat has been well haps it isn't, but the daughter is led browned. Remember that after the

to believe so. Hence she spends the first twenty minutes roast beef requires senutiful days of her youth preparing moderato oven and baste the meat to be led to the altar. Sometimes this | frequently with its own drippings from is a fairly good idea, if the girl is of the the pan. If there is danger of the marrying sort, for I do believe that a gravy growing too brown or cooking woman is happiest in the secluded away, a little beef stock may be added home circle, but if she be not of that to the pan, and frequently a gill of kind, the idea is ruinous. It is the cooking wine is added to the pan in fashion to be married, she thinks, and the last twenty minutes of cooking, she must follow the fashion. When giving the gravy a delicious flavor. she arrives at a certain age, if the hand When the roast is sufficiently cooked she would desire has not been offered emove it to a heated platter and make to her she will take-well-almost anythe gravy. First turn off the top thing! That means disaster. She ofgrease from the liquid in the pan, and ten makes her own life a failure and if there is not sufficient liquid left add spoils another life at the same time. It a little stock. Lightly dredge the pan is the reason for so many miserable with flour and stir over a hot fire. Seamarriages. If, on the contrary, girls son with a spoonful of some sauce and were permitted to keep their independmore salt and pepper, if needed. Strain ence and develop naturally, whether in into a heated gravy boat and serve. art, music, science or philosophy-if all For a pot roast get a short, thick the avocations of the world were accespiece of the cross rib of the beef and sible, and spinsterhood as honored as lard it with litle strips of clear, fat wedlock-then the scheme of things pork. Put the pot in which the meat must be bettered. I repeat that I beis to be cooked over the fire, and when lieve independence to be as essential it becomes hot put in the beef and to women as to men, and I do not hebrown it, turnig the meat until every lieve it was intended that every woside is browned. Add half a dozen litman should marry!"

"I don't think that marriage is essential to develop noblest womanhood, but I do think that when a clever woman marries she will find abundant starch. Place the pot where the meat directions in which to enlarge and dewill just steam and the liquid simme velop her talents. If she has genius, for three hours, keeping the pot closely even more so, for genlus is a faculty covered. One hour before serving add for surmounting environment and cretwo carrots, sliced thin, and another ating space for itself." cup of stock, if it is needed. Remove "I think woman's influence in poll-

the meat when done to a heated plattics is chiefly through her husband and ter and season the sauce with salt and brother, father or son. Why, a woman pepper and a teaspoonful of Worcesn politics is almost as bad as a man! tershire sauce and rub it through a If a woman gets to be a politician" coarse sleve, Pour the cause around (here the doctor shook his head sorthe meat. rowfully, as at some horrid sight) "she gets out of that sphere which is one of

her greatest attractions." "Then you don't believe in suffrage?" "I didn't say that. I have been in egions where women had the right of suffrage, and things went pretty well, but I do not call these women politiclans any more than I would call evry male voter a politician. I recollect that I was in New Zealand at election time. Women have the suffrage there, and I was very agreeably surprised at

secluded realm for women, but I con-

vall puper can erseverance and a hot flat-iron and blotting paper. When the spot first with a clean dry cloth, hay white blotting paper against it, then hold the hot iron to the paper till the grease is absorbed. Try, try

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