Some Tricks of Rich Dames.

A handsome, richly dressed woman entered a large dry goods store on Twenty-third street. She had just stepped out of a very swell carriage drawn by two spirited horses, and surrounded by all the accessions of a fashionable turnout. The coachman and footmen were of the most correct pattern, and wore the latest uniforms. There was a monogram on the panel of the carriage door, and it was quite evident that the woman was a person of considerable pretensions. She carried herself with great haughtiness and the solitaire diamonds in her earrings were of immense size and beautiful color. As she swept through the aisle to the silk counter every one stopped to stare at her, and the clerk dropped his cold and repelling attitude and became at once a most obsequious and attentive slave.

"I want to see the best black silk, if you please," the woman said with a drawl. "I want it to line a cloak with."

The clerk pulled down half of his stock and she selected several patterns, of each of which she ordered a large quantity.

"Here is my card," she said when she had concluded; "it is to be charged."

The clerk bowed lower than ever, and the woman moved on to another counter where she looked at gloves. She chose several boxes and gave her card to the clerk with the same directions. She was about to set herself in front of the lace clerk when a member of the firm approached her and called her by name.

"I am very sorry, Mrs ——," he said, in a low tone, "but we cannot fill your orders unless we are paid cash, or have your husband's written guarantee. When your husband paid the last bill he informed us that he would not be responsible for any future bills contracted by you unless his written guarantee was first received. We have allowed you to buy several hundred dollars worth of goods since then without this condition, but we cannot go any further."

The woman's face, which had at first flushed scarlet, became sickly pale as the merchant concluded, and her teeth were firmly clenched.

"Very well, sir," she said coldly. "I will see about this. I am not accustomed to be insulted by the tradesmen whom I patronize, and I will teach you, sir, that I know how to resent such an humiliation."

Her tone was ominous of revenge and she trembled with wrath. The merchant listened gravely and attentively and bowed as he said:

"I am very, very sorry, madam but I must obey your husband's instructions."

The woman turned her back sharply upon him and swept grandly out of the store. A moment later her horses were prancing toward Fifth avenue.

"I couldn't help it," the merchant said afterward to a friend. "I have lost several thousand dollars through disregarding similar instructions, and I can't afford to keep it up. This woman has no money of her own, and her husband has grown tired of humoring her extravagant ideas. Her bill in this establishment have been as high as $3,000 in one year. She is the wife of a millionaire who is well known. If he didn't shut down on her expenditures she would land him in the poorhouse. There are plenty more like her in New York, many of them well known and we merchants are frequently their victims. There are no sharpers so hard to get along with as wealthy women, who are ready to go to any extreme of misrepresentation to gratify their tastes."

Mr. Patrick Lynch, the head of the collection department in Sheriff Grant's office, has grown gray in the work of collecting bills from unwilling debtors. When he heard what the merchant had told the woman he smiled and said:

"It is true. Women who are dishonest about contracting bills give a great deal more trouble than men. When women are shrewd they can give me nine points in the game and beat them hands down. There was one woman, I remember, who was very beautiful, and had a long-suffering husband. He was a Scotchman who, by years of frugality and unremitting toil, had got a lot of money. He loved his wife very sincerely and gratified her in every reasonable desire, but he was strongly opposed to some of her unreasonable whims, and, like a sensible man, refused to sanction them. One day there was placed in my hands a judgment obtained against her for $2000 by Lord & Taylor. It seems that she had run up a bill there for that amount. The firm had had dealings with her husband, and knew him to be perfectly responsible, so they had allowed her to buy as much as she pleased on credit. After the bill had touched the thousand dollar mark they respectfully asked for a settlement. She got them off with plausible excuses and added another thousand to the score. It seems that she intercepted the bills sent to her husband, and he knew nothing about them until the suit was brought. He was thunderstruck when he learned what had been going on, but paid the judgment to avoid notoriety. After that she went around to jewelery stores and bought a large quantity of diamonds in the same way. Her husband finally left her, but even after that she traded largely on her husband's name, and his fortune was considerably diminished before he was able to convince tradesmen that he would'nt be responsible for her.

"The large dry goods firm like the one I have mentioned, Macy, Altman, and others, are frequently swindled by the wealthy women who run upstairs and then refuse to pay for them. I know personally that Lord & Taylor and Altman & Co., have had $15,000 in bad bills which were contracted in this way. The women were all wives of wealthy men, and some of them had property of their own. In many instances judgments were obtained against them, but they kept out of the way of the deputy sheriffs, and we could not serve them with the orders of court. I have in my possession at this moment papers in over one hundred suits against high-toned and rich women in this city who refuse to pay the bills they have run up.

"All of the women are either rich in their own right or else have wealthy husbands. The latter refuse to pay because their patience has been exhausted and the debts were contracted without their consent. These women are, many of them, leaders in society, and some of them are known all over the country. If their names were published it would create a tremendous sensation.

"The most frequent victims of the duplicity of such women are women. Fashionable dress makers and milliners could tell tales of imposition that would melt a heart of stone. You see they are placed at even greater disadvantage than the tradesmen, for the latter do largely a cash business and their trade is not much affected even if a number of wealthy customers leave them. With the tradeswoman it is different. If Mrs. ——, who has traded for years with a dressmaker, introduces her friend, also a well-known society lady, the dressmaker must accept her trade and trust her. If she has learned that the lady is not reliable she dare not put her off because that would offend her old customer, and even a lady who does not pay her debts, can, if she has a standing in society, do a dressmaker a great deal of harm by ridiculing her work. The dressmakers and milliners, too, are forced to take the trade of such women and trust to chance to receive their pay. Many a pure working woman is ruined in this way. I suppose the very swell milliners and dressmakers can afford to be more independent, for their reputations are too firmly established to be easily shaken.

"I remember a most remarkable case of a woman who managed to live for years in the most extravagant way without paying for it. She traded entirely upon her nerve and the friendship of well-known and reputable people. Her name was Lovalt. She was remarkably beautiful and highly accomplished. She was a glib talker, and could convince most men of anything she undertook. Her parlors were visited daily by wealthy men and statesmen. Some of them were badly bitten, too. She got them to endorse notes which she drew on a bank in Palmyra, her native town, and every one of them was returned protested. The endorsers had to pay and none of them cared to prosecute her because she knew too many of their secrets. She worked $7,000 out of one hotel proprietor. She lived in New York in her magnificent style for three years and then disappeared. She came of good family and had considerable property, which she managed to keep out of the way of the persons who had secured judgments against her.—*New York Sun.*

Honey-moon.

"Say, Perkins, old boy, why don't we see you at the club any more? Has your mother-in-law shut down on you?"

"No, Brown; the fact of the matter is, my home is so happy now that there is no inducement for me to leave it. You look incredulous, but it's a positive fact. You see, my wife used to suffer so much from functional derangements common to her sex, that her spirits and her temper were greatly affected. It was not her fault, of course, but it made home unpleasant all the same. But now, since she has begun to take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, she has been so well and so happy that we are having our honeymoon all over again."

Told of a Trooper.

Two G. A. R. men of Company ——, Third Michigan Infantry, who had not seen each other for years, met at dinner the other day.

DeGraw, who was lieutenant of the company, said:

"And so Sam Slick is dead?"

"Yes, Sam is dead," answered his companion.

"It beat seldom how he'd eel out of a tight place. I heard him one time convince a whole court room that he had been defrauded of two months' pay, when at the very same time I knew that he had overdrawn $140."

"I don't doubt it. I heard him brag right before the captain that he had deserted twice before he enlisted in our company.

"Oh, that was nothing. Sam had deserted until it became a fine art with him."

"I received a letter from Mr. Perry the other day saying that he was trying to prove a pension claim, and asking me if I could give him Sam Slick's address. I wrote back by return mail and told him yes, that it was 'Coal Station, H—l,' or was, when Sam left America two years ago."

"Yes, but you're off the track now old boy. Sam was probably sent there all straight enough, but before roll-call came around he had deserted.—*Detroit Free Press.*

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His Plea.

It is very well to desire the good opinion of our fellow men, but it is dangerous, as well as bad taste, to angle for compliments.

A conceited young lawyer made a "spread eagle" speech in a Missouri court, and falling in with the judge the next day, he said to him: "Good morning, Judge Lucas! good morning, sir! What did you think of my little effort yesterday?"

"Ah," said the judge, "you are the young gentleman who addressed a jury in my court. "Yes, yes. Well, sir, your speech reminded me of a little yellow dog I have at home. When he wants to lie down, he starts and makes a circle, and round and round he goes, half a dozen times or more, and then he lies down at the very place he started from.'—*Youth's Companion.*

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JOHN H. UHL, Attorney. SILAS H. CABLE, Administrator.

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