

**FOR THE LADIES.**

**News and Notes for Women.**

Drake university, of Des Moines, Ia., has a woman professorship in the medical department.

The bride at a recent wedding at Lancaster, S. O., Miss Cato, was but eleven years of age. The groom had just attained his majority.

The central committee of the suffrage party of the State of New York have issued a tract offering fifty reasons why women should vote.

An Arkansas bridegroom caught the bride in his arms at the conclusion of the ceremony, and dislocated two of her ribs with a violent hug.

Granny Sumnerall, of Hillsboro county, Fla., is 111 years old. Her oldest son, aged ninety-two, and her second son, aged seventy-two, are living.

Some of the English ladies use an extract of cucumber for beautifying the skin. Some American ladies rub the under part of the rind on the skin to improve it.

Rev. Mary Thomas Clark, of Richmond, Ind., has been for several years a regularly ordained minister in the Universalist church recognized in full fellowship as far as the duties of the church are concerned.

Parsons college, located at Fairfield, Iowa, has had a donation of \$6,000 toward establishing a new chair of natural sciences to be called the "Sally Ringland Professorship." Mrs. Ringland, the donor, was a woman of wealth recently deceased.

The secretary of the Harvard "Annex" learns that at least two persons now preparing their wills have included in them generous bequests to help the cause of the education of women at Cambridge, and that offers of money for immediate use have also been made.

Pennsylvania is now the only State which has persistently refused women admittance to the bar. A lady in that State has been trying for seven or eight years to gain admittance, but the court refuses to allow her to enter under the existing statutes, and the legislature refuses to pass a new law.—*Hartford Times.*

A meeting of Indian widows was lately held in a temple at Madras, to discuss the unhappy fate of widows in that country, where they are condemned to either follow their husbands on the funeral pyre or lead a solitary existence for the remainder of their lives. It was remarked that at the present day very few widows, especially among the young, consent to be buried alive after their husband's death. It was resolved to send a petition to the queen of England to secure them the privilege of marrying again.

Mrs. Mary Todd Lincoln, afterward the wife of Abraham Lincoln, wrote, when a young girl, a letter in which she expressed a determination to become the wife of a President. The story is confirmed by the production of the document, now in possession of General Preston, of Lexington, Ky. It was addressed to a daughter of Governor Wickliffe, and contained a playful description of young Lincoln, to whom she was betrothed. She said: "But I mean to make him President of the United States all the same. You will yet be the President's wife."

**Fashion Notes.**

Indian sleeves are most graceful for mantles.

Hungarian braid patterns trim many fall jackets.

Watered and shaded ribbons will again be worn.

Marlborough is a new and delicate shade of copper red.

White lace ruffles are still worn at the throat and in the sleeves.

Colored handkerchiefs are studies of color in combinations and designs.

The favorite point of the corsage bow is the top of the left shoulder.

Three flounces of equal width cover new velvet skirts from top to bottom.

Laces of all kinds are in fashion. Even the old black Chantilly is revived.

A jacket of prone velvet is elegantly decorated with gold gimp and buttons.

Velvet bodies are worn with broadcated grenadine skirts the same color of the velvet.

An enameled gold bow is the newest ornament with which to fasten bonnet-strings.

Tan-colored slippers are seen with tan-colored gloves and light evening dresses.

The most becoming plastrons are pointed at the lower edge and made of horizontal puffs.

White blouse waists are worn under long loose jackets for seaside and mountain costumes.

Neck scarfs of white crinkled silk crapes are considered more stylish than are the Spanish lace scarfs.

White, pale blue and shell pink are favorite colors for evening dresses at watering-places this summer.

India red, a bright scarlet shade, is the most effective color for combining with the genuine India pongee.

Velvet collars, cuffs, sashes and many bows of velvet ribbons trim the cotton satine dresses worn in the country.

Short skirts of ball toiles are made short enough to clear the floor all around and show the tips of the slippers.

Soutache (or braid) embroidery is the fashionable trimming of the cloth traveling dresses that are made by English tailors.

Red and blue velvet parasols, trimmed with flowers, lace and embroidery, are carried in open carriages at the seaside resorts.

Tailor-made jackets of cloth are much worn over white pique waistcoats, with collars rolling over the jacket collar.

Evening dresses are made with very close elbow sleeves, so that long gloves may be drawn up over them without inconvenience.

A new fabric for ball dresses is not of various colors, sparkling with flakes of steel and otherwise ornamented with

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loose lozenges of metal hanging among the threads.

The new pink shade called *crevette*, or shrimp, is something between tea rose and salmon color. It is fashionably worn of satin or moire, draped with tulle, for evening toilets at Saratoga and Newport.

A new transparent lawn called *syphide* is made in the looms in which the celebrated Glasgow gingham are woven, and is one of the most serviceable thin goods for summer dresses. Tartan plaids, checks, blocks and bars are the designs of this soft undressed lawn.

Brandebourgs, or frogs, have become too common to be used on nice traveling dresses. In lieu of these braids arranged in large round spots that measure three or four inches across the middle, and are made by circular rows one after the other. These are put in rows of three on the dress skirt and on the upper skirt, with one row on the collar and sleeves. Dark brown circles of braid are stylish on tan or drab wool dresses.

**A Fearful Position.**

A Geneva (Switzerland) correspondent writes: "A few days since two schoolmasters from Morzine, a Savoyard village near the Swiss frontier, made an excursion to the Col de Coux, not far from Champery, in the Valais. As they were descending the mountain, late in the afternoon, they thought they heard cries of distress. After a long search they perceived a man holding on to a bush, or small tree, which had struck its roots into the face of the precipice. As the precipice was nearly perpendicular, and the man was some 1,200 feet below them, and the foot of the precipice quite as far below him, they found it impossible to give the poor fellow any help. All they could do was to tell him to stay where he was—if he could—until they came back, and hurry off to Morzine for help. Though it was night when they arrived thither, a dozen bold mountaineers, equipped with ropes, started forthwith for the rescue. After a walk of twelve miles they reached the Col de Golese, but it being impossible to scale the rocks in the dark, they remained there until the sun rose. As soon as there was sufficient light they climbed by a roundabout path to the top of the precipice. The man was still holding on to the bush. Three of the rescue party, fastened together with cords, were then lowered to a ledge about 600 feet below. From this coign of vantage two of the three lowered the third to the bush. He found the man, who had been seated astride his precarious perch a day and a night between life and death. It was a wonder how he had been able to hold on so long, for beside suffering from hunger and cold, he had been hurt in the fall from the height above. He was a reserve man belonging to Sameons on his way thither from Lamsanne, where he was working, to be present at a muster. Losing his way on the mountains between Thonon and Sameons, he had missed his footing and rolled over the precipice. He had the presence of mind to cling to the bush, which broke his fall, but if the two schoolmasters had not heard his cries he must have perished miserably. Hoisting him to the top of the precipice was a difficult and perilous undertaking, but it was safely accomplished. None of the man's hurts were dangerous, and after a long rest and a hearty meal or two, he was pronounced fit to continue his journey and report himself at the muster."

**A Novel Suggestion.**

The *Cleveland Leader* publishes a column editorial article advocating the employment of bees as aids to the police in suppressing disorder in cities. The *Leader* says:

All that is necessary to be done is for the police to keep on hand a supply of bee-hives filled with the most stinging kind of bees. It may be difficult to feed them on flowers, but that ought to be overcome. Sugar, honey and molasses are good substitutes for flowers. In case of a riot all a policeman needs to do is to take three or four hives in a wagon and drive in the midst of a mob and dump his hives, and then beat a precipitate retreat. In comparison to these hives of bees, all the military, Gatling guns or armed police would be as nothing in point of efficiency in scattering a mob and sending them all howling to their homes! Men can face revolvers, cannons, guns and all other implements of warfare, but they will run before a swarm of vindictive bees! Bees cost nothing, comparatively, and besides no lives will be lost. If the Pittsburgh police had only twenty hives of bees during the great riot of '77, and turned them loose, the streets would immediately have become as quiet as a Sabbath morning!

**About Spectacles.**

Those who are compelled to wear spectacles are often the victims of a good deal of personal ridicule nowadays; but time was when it was considered fashionable to wear them, even by people who were not in the least nearsighted. In Spain they formed part of the costume of every well-bred person. This absurd use of glasses was meant to increase the gravity of the appearance, and consequently the veneration with which the wearer of them was regarded. A young monk having, through the assistance of his family, caused his convent to succeed in an important law suit, thought himself an important law suit, thought himself liberally rewarded when the prior, having embraced him, said, to testify his gratitude: "Brother, put on spectacles!" The glasses of spectacles were proportioned in size to the rank of the wearer; those worn by the Spanish nobles were nearly three inches in diameter. The Marquis of Astorga, viceroy of Naples, after having his bust sculptured in marble, particularly enjoined the artist not to forget his beautiful spectacles.

Men's minds are as variant as their faces. Where the motives of their actions are pure, the operation of the former is no more to be imputed to them as a crime than the appearance of the latter; for both being the work of nature are alike unavoidable.

**WISE WORDS.**

The qualities we possess never make us so ridiculous of those we pretend to have.

Suspicious among thoughts are like bats among birds; they ever fly by twilight.

Seeing much, and suffering much and studying much, are the three pillars of learning.

Little do we care for the speech of people if conscience will not whisper approval.

Make friends with your creditors if you can, but never make a creditor of your friend.

One who is never busy can never enjoy rest, for rest implies relief from previous labor.

He who labors with the mind governs others; he who labors with the body is governed by others.

Every day a little helpfulness. We live for the good of others, if our living be in any sense true living.

Somebody says every failure is a step to success. This will explain why the oftener some men fail the richer they become.

The world we live in is the best world possible to those who use it, and the worst world possible to those who abuse it.

Do we not feel that we are apt to think of ourselves as others think of us? and that not by a rational act of judgment, but by a mere passive yielding to an impression from without?

When we have practiced good actions awhile they become easy, and when they become easy we begin to take a pleasure in them, and when they please us we do them frequently. Form, then, the habit of doing good.

**The Trade in False Hair.**

Hair has been so ill-treated by false hair that its vitality is now seriously impaired. What with the strain and over heating due to the blending of the false with the real, the binding, the crimping, the curling and the dyeing, a vast number of ladies have prematurely lost all or a greater part of this graceful appendage of the human form divine. Hence the unwelcome fashion, adopted perforce, of wearing short hair, as preferable to no hair, has gained ground, and we hope the refreshing effect of the scissors may repair some of the mischief done. At the same time, the demand for false hair has greatly increased, while the supply has diminished to an extent qualified as perfectly alarming by the West End coiffeurs. Europeans either will not sell their hair or have no longer any hair to sell, and the trade has been compelled to travel further afield. The actual supply of false hair for the European markets is now for the most part imported via Marseilles from Asia Minor, India, China and Japan. But the hair imported from these countries is almost invariably black, and fails utterly to harmonize with the Auburn and golden tints that so well befit a Northern complexion. It has, therefore, been found necessary to boil the hair in diluted nitric acid to deprive it of its original color, and it then can be dyed to the tint most in vogue. This operation has, however, been attended with considerable danger to the workmen engaged in this new handicraft. Severe coughs, bronchitis and other accidents were the natural results of the nitrous vapor escaping from the caldrons used for boiling the hair. This new danger appears to have been first discovered by Dr. Felix, of Bucharest, and the Roumanian council of hygiene has issued a circular to all members of the trade warning them of the danger, and suggesting the necessary precautions. These facts fail to harmonize with the poet's conception that beauty can draw love with a single hair. The demand is for hair by the ton, and it is time to see that in adapting the color of Eastern hair to Western usages the work should be carried out under proper supervision. We should strongly object to hairdressers indulging in amateur dabbling with dangerous chemicals, especially nitric acid.—*London Lancet.*

**A Precious Stone found in Georgia.**

The Atlanta Constitution says: Near Norcross there resides an old German geologist, who loves to live among the peculiar specimens of mineral and vegetable matter which he has unearthed and housed. He is an elderly gentleman of little sociability, but of great mental acquirements. His physical endurance is simply astonishing. For days at a time he wanders over the hills and through the dales near his home, collecting rocks and stones, limbs and roots, the properties of which are unknown to all but himself.

The room in which his collection is housed is wonderful. In one receptacle are ranged a number of stones whose bright rays remind the observer of diamonds. In the center of this room there rests a stone half the size of a hen's egg, which was picked up by the owner months and months ago. It was found by his owner one rainy afternoon. For nearly a week he had been on a tramp through the hills and dales near his home, and weary with his senseless toil he was wending his way home when his eyes fell upon something from which the rays of the sun were scattered in a thousand directions.

With little thought of what he was doing, the geologist stooped down and picked up the object. It was nearly the size of a hen's egg, and of an irregular shape. It was covered in many places with thick, heavy clay, which was removed with great care.

It was found to be exceedingly hard, and whenever struck with a hard substance gave forth little sound. It was almost colorless with a hue and tinge of green. Its form was that of an octahedron, but some of the faces or sides were inclined to be convex, while the edges were curved.

It was subjected to acids and alkalis without experiencing any perceptible change.

Some friends induced him to place it on the market, and only a day or two ago he received a letter from a diamond dealer in New York offering him \$46,000 for it.

**WISER WORDS.**

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