NEWS AND NOTES FOR WOMEN. A BIRD CHARMER TALKS.

HOW HE MANAGES TO CATCH THE FEATHERED SONGSTERS.

earing Limbs of Trees With Bird Lime—Trapping Birds With a Cage—Raising Mocking Birds.

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"Come in," said the bird man to a Washington Star reporter, as the latter passed his door a few days ago; "I want to show you a genuine bird charmer." The reporter entered. Inside the store sitting on a box before the stove a tall, muscular individual was stretched out. He was dressed in a full corduroy suit and a wide brimmed white hat on the sombrero order adorned his head. This was the bird charmer. He looked more

sombrero order adorned his head. This was the bird charmer. He looked more like an elephant trainer. "Yes, I catch birds," said the bird charmer in reply to the reporter's in-quiry, "but my specialty is mocking birds, although I catch anything that flies. But mocking birds are my stand by and

quiry, "but my specialty is mocking birds, although I catch anything that flies. But mocking birds are my stand by, and the little fellows earn me a good living. How do I catch them? It takes two re-plies for me to answer that question, for I employ as many means—liming them and trapping them. The first named method is simple and very efficacious. "Bird lime is a sticky substance and holds on tightly to anything that touches it. How is it made? Oh, I can't tell you. If I did every boy in Washington would be stuck on sparrows," and the bird charmer laughed at his wit. "As I was saying this bird lime is very ad-hesive and when a bird touches it he enters the bonds of slavery. When I start out to use bird lime I generally select a place where the birds are thick-est. Taking my lime pot in one hand and a long flat sick in the other I smear the limbs with the lime and do the same thing to T-shaped perches which stick in the ground. A light sprinkle of grain about the perches completes the work. The birds soon return and those which are not caught in the trees fly down to are not caught in the trees fly down to the perches to examine more critically the food placed about them. The result is apparent. I then gather in the birds and move on to another spot. "To trap them is entirely different. A crear is wead with tree wine street here the

cage is used with two wing attachments, one on either side made of twine. These wings are so arranged with the help of a whigs are so arranged what the help of a spring that their normal position is close to the cage. When ready for use the wings are pulled away from the cage proper and held in that position by a sec-tional perch. These perches are so sen-sitive that the minute a bird lights upon them he falls and the winese does chut them he falls and the wings close, shut-ting the bird in. The bird is not hurt, ting the bird in. The bird is not hurt, but his pulse goes up to 1000 he's so scared. I forgot to mention that we use a decoy bird—that is, a tame bird. He is in the cage proper and his song draws the others. That is the way we catch birds, but the best mocking birds are hand raised—that is, they are taken from their nests when three weeks old and fed by hand. They are hardy little fellows and rather enjoy being orphans.

and rather enjoy being orphans "Great attention has to be paid to the food of these younsters, for improper food and irregularity of meals bread sickness. Hard-beiled egg and potato is a very good food and spiders and little insects also do them a great deal of good. is a very good food and spiders and little insects also do them a great deal of good. Of course when the bird grows older prepared mocking bird food should be given it. A great many people prefer hand-raised nestlings to young trapped birds. You can readily understand the reason for this. Hand-raised birds be-come attached to you and soon learn tricks. The hardest part about the sale of mocking birds is the shipping of of mocking birds is the shipping of them. Every year I ship hundreds of them to this city, but the result is not very satisfactory. The express companies are not very particular about the care they give the little fellows, and they neglect in many instances to give the water and the poor little fellows die." then

"The great fault about mocking birds," put in the bird fancier, who was standing near by, "is that it is difficult to distinguish the male from the female."

Why, that's easy enough," added the bird charmer, "but a great many people do not know how to distinguish the do not know how to distinguish the difference and unprincipled dealers often impose upon them. The way to tell the sex of a mocking bird is by its wing. To examine the wing of a mocking bird, the bird must be caught firmly in the left hand and the wings extended to their fullest extent to the right; looking at the wing at the upper side, the white covering will be observed to be the iongest of the feathers nearest tip of the wing, and the extent of the white colorwing, and the extent of the white colornearest the body. If the white mark-ings are splashed with black and do do not extend exactly across the feathers the bird is a female. The female bird does not sing at all, but merely utters a harsh, sharp ery. It takes about three weeks for a mocking bird to attain its full size. There is just one thing more I want to say about the mocking bird, and that is that I consider him the finest for the other and respective of the model. feathered songster in the world. He commences to sing as early as eig weeks old, and his voice increases as eight ìn volume and compass with age. He is a perfect mimic and can imitate anything from a buzz saw to a humming bird."

The Soudanese women wear no shoes Nearly all the women in Corea can Sultana silks make pretty evening

Chenille is once more in hightfavor.

Queen Victoria's daughters are all good cooks.

Bracelets of heavy designs are grow-ing in favor.

Beauty is a very fine thing to have, but style is vastly better.

Queen Elizabeth started the style of wearing silk stockings.

A great deal of embroidery/is used to decorate winter gowns.

All the favor fans bear the monogram of the recipient in silver.

The favorite shades in gloves are gray, tan, mode and pearl.

Undressed kid gloves are now seldom vorn with elaborate toilets.

The new "sac" gloves, as they are, allow the hand to pass freely in.

Marie Antoinette instituted the cus-tom of wearing feathers in the hair.

Gold serpents do duty as necklaces, bangles, girdles, and even as wedding rings.

The School Board of Nottingham, England, has three women amon members.

The golden-rod's rise in public favor is followed by a craze for yellow colors in dress goods.

It is a very pretty finish to fancy slip-pers to use small gold or silver buckles on the vamp.

Plaid silk coat scarfs are the "newest," and not so trying to the complexion as plain colors.

Industries in the west of Ireland consist mainly of lace making and embroidery for women.

The average Wellesley College girl weighs but 1194 pounds and is but five feet two inches tall.

A New York woman tried to have her husband arrested because he would not take her to the theatre.

At the recent marriage of a Middle-bury, Vt., widow the bride was given away by her daughter.

The Queen of Italy received as a birthday present from her husband the other day a superb ruby ring.

Tight-fitting coats, like little new-markets, with long capes, are very neat on girls with trim forms.

An old lady fell in New York, the other day, and hat pins were driven into her head, killing her instantly.

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Large Fee for Medical Attendance. Probably the largest fee for medical or surgical attendance ever paid in New York was the sum of \$100,000 to Dr. Willard Parker, about fifteen years ago, for an operation in a wealthy family resi-dent near New York. The case was one of goitre, a rare afficition in the United States, at least among native Americans, although far from uncommon in France and Switzerland. From the side of the face and the neck hung a large fleshy sack, hideously disfiguring and making life burden to the heir of several mil-lions. He carried the outgrowth in a black silken bag, which hid it from view, but did not render less conspicuous the fact of its presence. The young man ap-pealed to the surgeons of highest reputa-tion in France and London; but they made an examination and concluded that an operation would result fatally. Then he turned to the well-known American surgeon, who consented. It is said to have been a most arduous task of surgery. But the patient lived, and without the fee does not appear to have been too large. But if New York leading physicians

But if New York leading physicians and surgeons receive large fees from the rich, they more than make up for this good fortune by free attendance on the poor, not only at medical institutions but also at the houses of patients.—*Chicago* Herald.

Little Use for Flying Machines.

Flying machines are among the neat possibilities—an enthusiast might almost possibilities—an enthusiast might almost say probabilities. Man may yet har-ness himself into a light, tough frame-work of aluminium, and, compelling the electric current completely to his will, mount the ether like a lark or cleave the clouds like an eagle. But the world has as little practical use for flying machunes as it has for the North Pole. Scientists would be deeply interested in them; the rich might conceivably use them as luxurious play-things; adventurous cranks would play mad pranks with them, not "before high heaven," but in high heaven; and the managers of the agricultural fairs and Fourth of July entertainments would hail them with joy as the legitimate heirs to that old favor-ite, the balloon ascension. But the ite, the balloon ascension. But the ite, the balloon ascension. But the spectacle of a perfect flying machine to-morrow curving its graceful spiral above the New York Exchange need not shake by a ripple the watery instability of the most dropsical railroad stock in that hydropathic centre. The mass of man-kind will live and move forever upon earth's surface. The nower that binds earth's surface. The power that binds solid substances to that surface will never be defied or evaded to any beyond the most limited extent.—North American Revien.

Picture Framing.

Picture Framing. Picture framing seems to have fol-lowed the upward and onward move-ment of all present art work, and has now attained to the dignity of an art itself. This is as it should be. How often paintings and engravings are ruined by injudicious framing every one who has taken the trouble to investigate knows very well. One of the first things to be considered in the selection of a frame is the subject of a picture.

things to be considered in the selection of a frame is the subject of a picture. For studies of peasant life, "The An-gelus," for instance, elaborately carved and heavily molded framing is unsuitable and overpowers the picture itself. One of the most attractive frames for a Breton peasant group had roughly carved farming implements on an antique oak frame; there was no varnish nor careful smooth-ing of the carver's work, and thus the frame possessed the artistic charm that surrounds Venetian glass; where every piece comes directly from the hand of the desired and ear no ware he du piece comes directly from the hand of the designer, and can no more be du-plicated than a sunset or a frost land-scape on a window pane. Another, a Dutch interior, "The Burgomaster's Family," had a curious frame of pale red and blue tiles surrounded by a carved molding of time-polished and darkened oak.—Boston Traveler.

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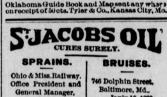
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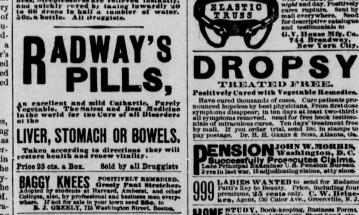
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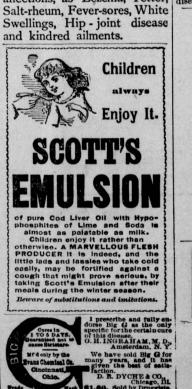
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