

RICHEST WOMAN IN UTAH.

Poor Widow Six Years Ago, Her Income Now Nears \$100,000 a Year.

Mrs. Susanna Bransford Emery is the richest woman in Utah and perhaps of the entire west.

About five years ago her husband, A. C. Emery, died, leaving his widow a lot of supposedly worthless mining property with which to make a living. Being in great financial difficulties she



MRS. SUSANNA BRANSFORD EMERY, went to work, developed the property, and to-day Mrs. Emery receives over \$6,000 a month in dividends. Her mine is known as "Silver King." The property adjoins the Great Ontario, the richest silver proposition in the world.

An income of \$75,000 a year ought to satisfy any woman. But this does not represent the amount of Mrs. Emery's "spending money" by any means.

She became interested in the Grand Central, a gold prospect in the great Tintic or Eureka mining district. In one year this has paid the rich widow something like \$10,000, and she has recently refused to sell her interest in the mine for \$100,000.

To Beautify Scrawny Necks.

Now that it has been discovered that the linen collars worn by women for several years are ruining the beauty of their necks, remedies for scrawny and wrinkled necks are in demand.

If there be a general absence of flesh on the body, careful dieting will do all that is required. As many as five meals a day may be indulged in, but they must be taken at regular hours, allowing sufficient time for digestion in between.

Plenty of milk, milk puddings, eggs, bread, cakes, sweet fruits and all kinds of vegetables, meat well cooked and fish should be partaken of till signs of improvement are visible. Then care must be observed that one does not err in the other direction and become stout. When trying to put on flesh, avoid everything acid; take plenty of warm baths, and sleep and rest as much as possible.

But if it be only the neck and shoulders which are scraggy, and more flesh is not required or desirable on the rest of the body, a different method must be pursued. Cod liver oil can be easily taken in a little cold water, with a pinch of salt afterward to remove the taste.

The neck and shoulders must be oiled in warm water before retiring for the night, and olive or sweet oil well rubbed in. In the morning, after bathing, rub gently and in a circular direction for about ten minutes, followed by ten minutes' exercise with dumbbells.

Singing lessons always greatly improve the shape of the throat, as this has a great deal to do with breathing properly. Take a deep breath and hold it as long as possible. Keep the neck always well and warmly covered.

Danger of Children Sucking Thumbs.

Although many babies thrive and grew up in spite of sucking their thumbs, perhaps many who died might have been saved if their mothers had prevented their doing so. At least that is the theory of Dr. Monae Lesser, who says that fever germs and all sorts of other germs may be carried to the system by putting the fingers in the mouth.

The careful mother of to-day, in her wholesome fear of deadly germs, must have no sympathy for her little one's determination to suck its thumb. She should exert all her self-control, when the temptation comes to her to yield to the little tyrant, to keep him quiet. Should the habit be a fixed one, she should treat the rebellious thumb to a coating of aloe, or its possessor to the more heroic remedy of a good spanking.

Can Abuse Their Husbands.

In the matter of woman's rights Abyssinia is far ahead of Europe. According to an authority, the house and all its contents belong to her, and if the husband offends her she not only can out doors turn him out of doors till he is duly repentant and makes amends by the gift of a cow or the half of a camel—that is to say, half the value of a camel. On the other hand, it is the privilege and duty of the wife to abuse her husband, and she can divorce herself from him at pleasure, whereas the husband must show reasons to justify such an act on his part.

Watch Children's Ears.

Mothers should be careful in tying a cap or bonnet down over the little one's ears. The ears should be laid flat against the side of the head instead of carelessly folded forward. It is this carelessness on mothers' part that result in the wide spread ears that deform so many grown people's heads.

HOUSEHOLD TALKS

Tell the Cook.

That beefsteak broiled without salt is much more juicy and tender. It may be seasoned with salt, pepper and butter when ready to serve.

That a little boiled rice or corn left from dinner can be made into most excellent fritters by the addition of an egg or two, a little baking powder and flour to make a stiff batter; then fry in hot lard.

That rancid butter boiled in water with a pinch of charcoal will lose its rancid odor and taste and may be used for cooking purposes.

That musty coffee or tea pots may be cleaned and sweetened by putting in a tablespoonful of wood ashes and filling with cold water; then set over the fire and boil, and after a thorough washing and rinsing they will be as good as new.

That broken bits of bread should not be allowed to accumulate, as they can be fried or served as cream toast when too large to be put in with the crumbs for powdering; beat up an egg or two with a little milk, dip the sliced bread in this and fry slightly in good hot drippings, or toast, dip in hot water, butter slightly and cover with white sauce.

Bag for Opera Glasses.

A pretty bag for opera glasses is made of cream colored satin, lined throughout with pale pink silk and elaborately trimmed with lace. The bottom is made over a firm round piece of card-board, measuring five inches in diameter, and is covered inside and outside and sealed together at the edge. The satin for the sides and top is eighteen inches long and six inches deep.

The dainty design is worked on the lower part of the bag with silk and beads. Ten rings are sewn on the bag



OPERA GLASS BAG. about an inch above the embroidery and pale pink satin ribbon is run through these both ways so that the ends will draw up the bag.

A Cold Cream Jar.

Our grandmothers excelled us in dainty trifles. One of the prettiest ornaments on the dresser was an egg. At first sight it looked exactly like an egg from the pantry, for the shell was unpainted. Only as you looked at it you saw that one end was broken. This eggshell was used as a cold cream jar. When making cold cream our grandmothers would pour it into an empty shell which had been carefully prepared. After the egg was taken out the shell had been washed and sweetened with perfume with a few drops left in the bottom. The cold cream was poured in and was left to harden. The result was a very nice eggshell full of lovely white cosmetic. Try this for yourself.

Grease Spots on Books.

To remove grease spots from the books heat the greased spots by holding them before the fire, and place clean blotting paper between each sheet, warm the leaf once more, and paint the stains on both sides with essential oil of turpentine made boiling hot. Repeat, if necessary; then brush over the parts again with rectified spirits of wine.

Measuring Fruit.

In following recipes for the canning and preserving of fruit it should be remembered that a quart of fruit must be measured in a quart measure, not in the tradesmen's baskets, which vary in size, but are never a full scriptural quart. Fruits and vegetables should be sold here as they are abroad, by the weight, instead of by measure.

Good for Young Canaries.

The best food for young canaries is hard-boiled egg mixed with a little wheat bread. Cut up the egg fine and add to it a part of a roll that has been soaked in water for a few minutes, and then squeeze dry. Great care must be taken that the food be fresh, for if it be the least sour it will kill the birds.

Novel Baking Dish.

A newly designed pie and cake baking dish has a hollow projection formed in the bottom, which extends level with the top and has vent holes in the sides, while the top is provided with a screw-threaded recess for the insertion of a handle by which the dish may be lifted when hot.

Onions are great absorbents. They should not be left cut for any length of time and then used.

WASHING THE HAIR.

A GREAT MISTAKE TO WASH IT TOO FREQUENTLY.

Never Wash the Hair When Suffering From a Cold in the Head—Plain Advice That Should Be Strictly Followed in Order to Avoid Trouble.

It is as great a mistake to wash the hair too frequently as it is to wash it too seldom. In the former case the constant use of water is apt to wash away the natural oil of the skin, without which the hair not only loses its glossy look of health, but is apt to turn prematurely gray and grow thin and scanty. In the latter case the mouths of the oil vessels at the root of the hair become clogged, dandruff forms, and the growth of the hair is impeded, and the hairs themselves become matted and dusty looking, and utterly impossible to be endured.

To keep the hair in perfect health it should be washed at regular stated intervals. If you are strong and well and free from a cold of any kind, once in every three weeks or a month is the proper limit of time to allow between the washings. If you are in delicate health, it should be washed every six weeks.

On no account should the hair be washed if you are suffering from a cold in the head or from influenza, as serious trouble may be the result. And in winter time it is best to have the hair shampooed at home instead of going to the hairdresser's, and it should always be done in a room with a fire. It is a bad plan to wash the hair just before going to bed, as the hair has no time to dry properly, and is apt to remain damp until morning, which is very injurious to its growth. The best times to wash the hair are the morning, the afternoon, or between 6 and 7 at night.

In the latter case the hair will have plenty of time to dry before you have to go to bed. In the former case, if you have it washed in the daytime, be careful not to go out of doors till it is quite dry, or you will run a very great risk of taking cold.

It is well to give the final drying with a palm leaf fan. Hold the long hair at arm's length and fan the air through it vigorously. This is the Norwegian method, and is a very successful one, and is not at all likely to give cold, as it would seem liable to do at first sight. If in winter time, you should sit near the fire with the hair down for half an hour or an hour before putting it up again. If in summer time, sit by a sunny window, or in the open air for the same length of time, provided, of course, that your hair washing has taken place in the daytime and not after sunset.

You must be sure that you have an abundant supply of fresh, warm towels, and that your hair is quite dry before it is brushed and combed. Your brushes must be perfectly clean as well. It is better to brush and comb a small portion at a time to avoid tangles. Never have the hair put up till it is as dry as before you began to wash it.

If you prefer to have your hair shampooed by a hairdresser, be sure to only go to a first-class man who is very particular in his methods. I have too often known terrible skin troubles, eczema, parasites and other horrors caught by people who were not particular over these points, going to any and every hairdresser that they happened to be near. I much prefer to have the hair properly done at home by a skilled maid to running any of these risks. In one instance that came under my notice, a terrible skin eruption of this kind was caught at a hairdresser's abroad, and though that is over seven years ago, medical skill has not yet been able to effect a cure, though the disease is beginning slowly to yield to treatment.

It must also be borne in mind that the shampoo wash, which may be excellent for greasy hair, is not so effective when the hair is dry.

Latest Style in Toques.

The accompanying illustration is that of a stylish toque. It is composed of tulle with spangled gold and



STYLISH TOQUE. silver lace application, and is trimmed with a large pink coral colored velvet bow, surmounted by a white aigrette.

Divorce in China.

In Cochin, China, the parties desiring divorce break a pair of chopsticks in the presence of witnesses and the thing is done.

WOMEN'S REALM

PROMENADE TOILETTE.

Quite Smart Is the Appearance Made in This Simple Winter Costume.

Smart indeed are the promenade toilettes of winter. The waist of one recently seen was executed in heavy tan broadcloth. It completely covered the hips and rounded off at the front precisely after the style of a man's cutaway. The sleeves were tight-fitting, finished around the wrists with bands



PROMENADE TOILETTE.

of black velvet. The belt and collar were also of velvet. Broad lapels of broadcloth embroidered in black silk braid trimmed the front.

The skirt of this costume was of dark green and cardinal plaid with a box-like figure of light brown between each square. It fitted closely over the hips and was made without trimming of any kind.

A tan velvet toque with black crown and white pigeon was also worn.

In Gray Broadcloth.

The sketch shows a delightful little street frock of princess build. The waist is double breasted and embroide



IN GRAY BROADCLOTH.

ered along the border of the rounded tabs. Huge neck boa and "grandmother" muff.

Lavender Redivivus.

Old-fashioned lavender perfume has come back to favor among the many other revivals of nearly a century ago. It appears in the list of French extracts and sachets, and its delicate fragrance exhales from the petals of choice Parisian-made artificial flowers. The color of the lavender is agreeable to many people who do not like other perfumes. In imagination it is always associated with freshness, sweetness and housewifely daintiness. Poets have sung the praise of lavender, and in general estimation the odorous grey-blue-tinted spike ranks next only to the regal rose and the modest violet.

To Mend Waterproof Cloth.

Mackintoshes, which with autumnal rains become necessities, may be mended when torn in the following manner: Dissolve some pieces of pure india rubber in naphtha to create a stiff paste; choose a piece of stuff as much like the waterproof material as possible, and apply some of the cement to it and to the torn edges of the mackintosh. Then bring the torn parts over the new material to form a patch and place a weight over the part until the cement is quite set and firm.

Throat Culture.

The throat should be round, full and pillar-like, and nothing will give those qualities so quickly as the daily exercise of rolling the head completely around, several times in one direction and an equal number in the opposite way. This exercise fills out the hollows like magic and strengthens the muscles as well.

Tolstoi's Wife His Business Manager.

Tolstoi leaves all practical matters relating to his publications to his wife. She supervises the printing, attends to the correspondence and reads the proofs. She has brought out two complete editions of his works, one in a sumptuous form, the other a cheap edition for the public. Their text is identical, but the edition de luxe has a number of portraits of the author, some of which cannot be obtained elsewhere.

Curious Things Found in Australia.

There are some curious things in central Australia. According to Prof. Baldwin Spencer, Lake Amadeus in the dry season is merely a sheet of salt. Ayers rock, about five miles round, rises abruptly from the desert. Formerly vast rivers flowed here, and the diprotodon, a wombat like creature worthy of its name, and four times as large as a kangaroo, flourished on the plains. Now there are hardly any animals to be seen. The fish live in water holes of the hills until the floods wash them down to the valleys. At the end of the wet season the water frogs fill themselves with water, roll themselves in the mud, and lie low till the next rains, which may not come for two years. Meanwhile, the provident frog, like the "mouse" of Robert Burns, may have the misfortune to furnish a drink to a thirsty black. The natives also get water from the roots of trees. They are in the "totem" stage, and revere certain plants or animals which protect them. Men of one group can only marry women from another single group.

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