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### WOMAN'S REALM

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If any man is entitled to an opinion as to women travelers, it surely is one who for years has accompanied Cook's tourist parties in all parts of the world. Joseph I. Young, who has been long an attaché of the famous London agency, declares that beyond doubt the best lady traveler is the American girl. "I reach this conclusion," says Mr. Young, "after an experience extending over a number of years and embracing recollections of travel in every country of the globe. Of course, I have been all over the United States, and wherever I went in that country I found the tendency of education was to make women self-reliant in a degree unknown elsewhere. The American girl thinks nothing of traveling from the Atlantic to the Pacific unattended. She goes to Europe, to Japan, to Africa, and is in perfect security, and is always sure of meeting with respect.

"As a rule women are not good travelers. Some engage a berth on a first-class steamer, and they are unable to start at the appointed time, and wind up by sailing in a slow freighter. We have a good deal of trouble with the woman who reads a lot of guide-books before she starts. She is usually so busy finding the proper page that she misses some of the best sights. Then there is the woman who travels with too much luggage. The experienced person provides herself with the smallest possible amount of such impediments, wears a serviceable dress with a few invisible pockets, and is happy. The greatest luggage fiend is the English girl, who is liable to have as many as fifteen packages, and wonders why she sometimes loses one or two. Taken as a whole, women are not so much of a trial as might be imagined. Nearly always they graciously recognize good attendance, and a pleasant smile from one of them goes farther, even with a surly guide, than a handsome tip from some men."—Chicago Chronicle.

#### Women, Marry If You Can.

"It is not a question of 'How to be happy though unmarried,'" said Miss Yendis frankly to the agitated persons who sought to write an equation in terms of marriage and happiness at the meeting of the Study of Life Society. "It is a question of how to be married under any conditions." This was a new and refreshing note in the evening's discussion. "I never have been asked the important question," confessed Miss Yendis. "I have had hard luck, for I have been keenly alive to every possible opportunity. I advise those girls who are dreaming of matrimony in the future not to wait upon the order of acceptance, but to hustle and say yes, for one-half a slide on the matrimonial toboggan is better than none." Most of the unmarried speakers had made the spurning of an unworthy suitor such an act of virtue that Miss Yendis' prosaic assumption of a yearning to marry any one relieved the tension of the too-good-for-the-ordinary-world sentiment that had been in the ascendancy.—New York Press.

#### The Sway of the Shirt Waist.

A devotee of the wheel says: "Yes, it's all very well to talk of the brooks and ferns, the spring air, the sunny sky; but what won't me forever was the ravishment of finding myself outdoors in a skirt I could not step on and a waist which did not pull, press, pinch or drag at any point. I felt like a little girl!"

At first women would make such confessions as this: "Do you know, I kept on my wheel rig all day yesterday! I was ashamed, but it is so easy to run up and down stairs in, I could not bear to change."

Soon all saw its advantages and perceived that an outing get-up was feasible for even those who did not take outings, and the costume became so general that the women at the Pan-American seemed to be in a uniform of white waist and gray skirt. A few still hold out against it, but even they will doubtless fall into line this summer and "own the mighty sway" of the shirt waist—Julia Ditto Young, in Good Housekeeping.

#### Women's Faces on Postage Stamp.

For more than fifty years our Government has been making postage stamps. The first issue, in 1847, represented but two values, and on each was printed the likeness of a prominent man—a policy ever since continued. Other nations have women's faces on their stamps. Why not the United States? Surely we have representative women enough. There was Dorothea Dix, for instance, whose work for the insane marked an era; Maria Mitchell, whose pure mentality and magnificent reasoning faculty made her pre-eminent; Frances Willard, whose reform work claims recognition; not to mention our many noted literary women. There is also a dusky face well worth considering; the face of a woman who holds a unique position in our history and who had much to do in keeping alive that struggling English colony on the James River—why not her face? Why not Pocahontas?—Julia Fraser, in the Ladies' Home Journal.

#### Whims in Jewels.

Translucent enamels with rays of brilliants are being fashioned into brooches, and to fix the loose hair at the nape of the neck there are Mercury wings in diamonds. Plain rings of moderate size encrusted with diamonds, emeralds, rubies or sapphires promise to replace the big pearl earrings now so much worn. Among the most lovely ornaments are the art nouveau pendants and combs, with their rich coloring and lovely workmanship. A round throat clasped by peacock feathers, with a wonderful presentment of the bird

with outspread tail in the centre, looks beautiful, and a comb of ivory with encrustations of gold nearly covered with color and a few very deftly placed diamonds suits a blonde head well. Buckles and buttons, rings and chateaux are produced in art nouveau, with classical and modern motifs, senseless and garden inspirations.—New York Commercial J. vertiser.

#### Picturesque Dress.

Dress is becoming more and more picturesque, each lady being allowed to choose the style that best suits her; hence so many styles are now called fashionable, whereas the truth is that there are several fashions, not one alone. The last five King Louises of France give their fashions, with their splendid brocades, laces and all kinds of rich extravagance, which can be worn in the evening. These models are made up in chine, silk and oriental satin, in white, biscuit, turquoise green and pink.

Empire gowns, however, are preferred by ladies in general, especially for home wear. They are as becoming to the overhills as they are to the overout, their long lines concealing all the defects of each. Then, again, ladies with pretty figures may display them by wearing a sash or jeweled band round the waist.

#### The Lace Boa a Necessity.

It is declared now that the lace boa has become a necessity. Some women who can afford it have one to match every gown. They do, indeed, give the gown a charming softness and always look dainty till they become stringy, but they will always be perishable because they are so delicate. A very pretty style that one can make one self is of ruffled white chiffon, with rose leaves, whole violets, or tiny pink roses tucked on at close intervals. To be graceful the streamers or ties in front must always be long and full enough not to look scant, a trouble with all the inexpensive wools.

#### For Transparent Frocks.

A useful article of apparel is a satin slip finished with a shaped flounce all ready to wear beneath a muslin or lace gown. It is made of low-necked and sleeveless, or with a yoke and sleeves, and comes in all the soft evening shades. A special corset bodice is made to wear under cambric and lace shirt waists. It is of satin with lace trimmings and arm holes like those of a silk under vest. In front this charming dainty little stay is laced round small staples, and at the back there is no lacing at all. What could be cooler or more supple for the summer?

#### Wedding Dress Frits.

Berthas, debus and fancy draperies are a feature of the corsage of wedding dresses, while some of the newest and certainly most unusual models are a series of lace ruffles, falling one above the other, so that the figure seems to be wound in soft, flimy masses. Sometimes these ruffles are quite narrow and extend from the waist to hem, and again there may be only three of graduated depth, each one having a dainty edging of orange blossom applique. With such a gown the train may be of plain white satin or of fancy brocade.

#### Ties.

Some of the pretty new cravats are of fine lace adorned with drawn thread work, the collar being formed of bands of lawn with hemstitching between, while every description of lace and insertion, with stole or scarf ends, touches of black or colored velvet, and a pretty arrangement of tiny ornamental buttons are pressed into service.

#### NoVELTIES in MATERIALS.

Linten batiste in natural color, spotted with black velvet woven in, is one of the novelties in materials; and still another is a new velveting with a stripe, all in one color, which gives the appearance of a cord, and yet is not one.



#### Ribbon bows are beautiful.

Paris muslins are the "sweetest yet." In vellings velvet dots rival those of chenille. Embroidery designs on turnovers grow bolder. Colored dots on linen are shown in great profusion. Poul-de-soie is the choice for elegant silk tulle-mades. Many coat-tails amount to no more than little loops. Hats of white maulzes are first choice for evening. Some smart hats show tulle braided in with the straw. Pale mode and pale gray are two of the very best colors. Moire ribbon is a noticeable feature of the new millinery. With summer the soft wash weaves will be more in evidence. Norfolk shapes distinguish blouses, coats and even shirt waists. Cherry blossoms vary in size, some being little larger than currants. Black and white effects are very noticeable among the finer parasols. A charming new grass linen shows both black and white embroidered dots. Braided inca-wide straws in black and white make exceedingly striking headgear. Most silk petticoats match the dress, though some show a preference to have it like the shirt waist or the leading note in the hat.

#### A Kansas Obituary.

A Kansas editor wrote this obituary notice: "He was born May 3, 1875, and therefore escaped this earth in time to celebrate his twenty-seventh birthday in the home of his eternal abode beyond the arching skies, leaving terrestrial land on Friday, March 10, 1902, at 9:30 p. m., central time."—Oklahoma State Capital.

### OUR BUDGET OF HUMOR.

#### A Foolish Vain.

We have the horseless carriage, The horseless sausage line, We have the wireless message, Also the grassless wire, There's the coalless fire in the kitchen To make the housewife glad; But oh, for a brand-new genus, To give us the boneless shad.—Judge.

#### A Come-Down.

First Billionaire—"You're not looking very well this morning." Second Billionaire—"No. I feel like thirty million dollars."—Life.

#### Her Rival.

Mrs. Hoyle—"My husband says that I am one woman in a thousand." Mrs. Doyle—"Aren't you jealous of the nine hundred and ninety-nine?"—New York Sun.

#### Fashions.

Selina—"They say some of the old fashions are coming in again." Lisette—"No doubt. And they do seem so absurd until they come in!"—Brooklyn Life.

#### Geography Lesson.

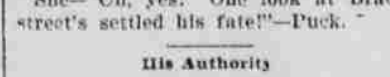
Teacher—"Now, Johnny, the King of Siam is coming to visit this country. What are the principal products of Siam?" Johnny—"Twins."—Puck.

#### Riches.

"Yes," says the philosophical person, "wealth brings its disappointments." "After we lose it," puts in the materialistic man.—Judge.

#### A Real Girlish Situation.

He—"It was a case of love at first sight with the Count DeRattmushashe, wasn't it?" She—"Oh, yes! One look at Bradstreet's settled his fate!"—Puck.



#### His Authority.

Teacher—"What is a paragon?" Pupil—"A figure with several angles." Teacher—"Where did you get such an idea?" Pupil—"Well, my aunt says you're paragon."—New York Journal.

#### Exact Statistics.

Crank—"Yes, sir; there are at least ten blooming idiots in this meeting to-night." Goodart—"I don't believe it." Crank (meaningly)—"You're right. There are eleven."—Philadelphia Press.

#### Her Opinion.

"Some men," said Willie Washington, "act like perfect fools when they are in love." "Yes," answered Miss Cayenne, "and a great many more do not wait even for that excuse."—Washington Star.

#### Tearing the Tables.

"Will you propose to that American heiress?" said the titled youth. "I don't know yet," answered the other. "After talking with her father on financial matters I shall decide whether I will propose to her, or be a brother to her."—Washington Star.

#### Her Reason.

"Why do you insist on Mr. Eastler singing?" "It's a choice between two evils," answered Miss Cayenne. "If he doesn't sing he'll talk. And the words of any song are infinitely preferable to his original remarks."—Washington Star.

#### A Chance Yet.

"I am afraid," said the high-browed bard, "that my poetry will never attract public attention." "Cheer up," said the loyal companion. "Maybe you'll get appointed to office one of these days, and then everybody will talk about your poetry."—Washington Star.

#### Something Left to Stand On.

Bardon—"I understand your interview with the father of your inamorata was not altogether satisfactory?" "Nixon—"Oh, I don't know. True, I didn't get his consent to my marrying the girl, but I have had very tempting offers to appear upon the lecture platform to tell how it feels to be kicked downstairs."—Boston Transcript.

#### An Old Settler.

—New York Life

#### Learning.

Once upon a time a boy ran away to sea and was extremely happy until he found he was learning geography, in spite of himself.

This made him sick of the whole business, and at the first opportunity he went ashore and took up agriculture, in which calling one learns nothing, unavoidably, except esthetic political economy.

Moral—Boys, don't leave the farm.—Puck.

Could Not Be Reformed.

"I don't enjoy visiting with folks that want their own way all the time, and I won't stay, not when I find it out," said Mrs. Tarbell to her sister, Miss Porter. "I suppose that's why you've come home from Annabel's," said Miss Porter, with a faint smile. She had been enjoying a restful week, and it had seemed all too short.

"Yes, that's the very reason!" said Mrs. Tarbell, with considerable heat. "Annabel's got the notion that her sugar-bowl looks better sitting on the table than the table, and the first day I put it at the right, and she moved it back!

"Why don't you have it sit at your right?" I asked her one day, and she just smiled and said she'd get used to it at the left. I moved it three times a day all the week I was there, and last of it got me so provoked and nerved up I just packed my bag and came home.

"If her mother realized what a headstrong will Annabel had, she never would have let it go, as a child. But I'm too easy-going to cope with her, and being only a cousin and all, I've just left her to her own devices. But it's an awful pity!"

The Inverted Comma.

"Mr. Bernard Shaw will have the sympathy of writers—and we should think of composers—in his protest against the use of the apostrophe," says her letter in the Chronicle. "He has himself dropped it out of 'aim,' 'don't' and 'shouldn't'—but not out of 'he'll'—before he wrote his protest in 'The Author.' But why all these inverted commas, the silly trick of peppering pages with these uncouth bacilli? You will find none of these bacilli in the Bible. Take this passage, chosen at random: Now Jesus knew that they were desirous to ask Him, and said unto them, Do ye inquire among yourselves of that I said, A little while, and ye shall not see me; and again a little while, and ye shall see me? The modern compositor would set that passage, between two brackets of inverted commas, for it is a quote within a quote. But it is beautifully clear as it stands. And among all Biblical misunderstandings no one we think has been misled by the absence of an inverted comma.

An Organized Protest.

"What do you think of this ere new laundry trust, Weary?" "It's an outrage, Lumpy, an outrage. An 'ell be one of the first organized bands of fellers that'll agree to have no laundryin' done for the nex' six months."

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Miss Marie Johnson, 11 Columbia, East, Detroit, Mich., is Worthy Vice Templar in Hope Lodge No. 8, Independent Order Good Templars, Miss Johnson, as so many other women also have done, found in Pe-ru-na a specific for a severe case of female weakness. She writes:

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Miss Ruth Emerson, 72 Scammon st., Buffalo, N. Y., writes: "I suffered for two years with irregular and painful menstruation, and Pe-ru-na cured me within six weeks. I cannot tell you how grateful I feel. Any agency which brings health and strength to the afflicted is always a welcome friend, and to-day the market is so

Apprehensive.

"I'm kind of worried about Josh," said Mrs. Cortmasset.

"He seems to me to be doin' pretty good," rejoined her husband.

"I don't know about that. His last letter says that he has gotten to be a trusted employe. An 'editor' from the newspapers, those are the kind that are allergittin' into difficulties."—Washington Star.

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