Mary Roberts Rinehart, Novelist, Is Threatened With Blindness.



MBS. MARY BOBERTS RINEHART, AUTHOR OF THE WINDOW AT THE WHITE CAT.

Mary Roberts Rinehart, the popular novelist and playwright, is threatened with blindness and is now on her way to consult a specialist in Europe who has done wonderful things in restoring eyesight. Last summer Mrs. Rinehart and her husband, Dr. Stanley M. Rinehart, spent a day at Lilydale, the spiritualistic camp meeting near their summer home, Lake Chautauqua, N. Y.

As one might suppose, at this meeting all sorts of mediums, slate writers, clairvoyants, etc., do congregate, and the air is said to buzz with the whizzing of spooks. Mrs. Rinehart found excellent situations for "copy." She said that day at Lilydale gave her suggestions for ten farce comedies and just as many mystery stories that will, if she is able to carry out her ideas, rival the success of her play "Seven Days" and the detective story "The Man In Lower Ten."

Coming back from the ghost convention in their automobile they had a terrible experience, being caught in a cloudburst after night on strange roads, with lamps that wouldn't light. For an hour they worked in darkness through wind and howling storm to get the chains on the car. And then they beat it back to Spokesville-a wild waltz - me - around - again - Willie ride, hub deep in mud and water, skidding every inch of the way and only recognizing the road by flashes of light-

Mrs. Rinehart's readers do not need ghosts, cloudbursts and spirit rappings for excitement. All they need is to sit n a comfortable chair and read her latest romance, "The Window at the White Cat." It sends up and down your back delicious thrills and chills. If some one rings the bell unexpectedly you jump five feet in the air while the spell of the story is on you. And yet all the time you're laughing your head off, it's so funny and clever. Mrs. Rinehart seems to have a monopoly on this combination of mystery and humor. She constructs a plot as intricate as any of Anna Katherine Green's. She solves it with an ingenuity worthy of Conan Doyle, and she adds to these virtues the priceless gift of ringing

The author of all this fun and mystery is a very domestic woman, devoted to her husband and children, and story writing at first was begun as a pastime, her family laughing at her first literary efforts, but in spite of little encouragement she is now one of the most successful of women story writers and playwrights of the day.

A Glove Cleaning Hint.

In washing chamois gloves do not wring them or even squeeze very dry, as with ordinary glove cleaning. The skins pull easily, and wringing breaks

the tender fabric Put the rinsed gloves into a thick Turkish towel and press out most of the moisture, then hang them in a strong current of air to dry. Fasten the pair together by buttons and hang with fingers down.

The shrinking, of which many women complain in chamois glove washing, can be overcome by drying the gloves on the hand after they come from the Turkish towel and a few

minutes' airing. Rub gently until dry. The heat of the hand makes this drying a quicker process than most women imagine, and there is little danger of taking cold,

Do not neglect rinsing as well as washing in soapy water if you do not wish your gloves to stiffen.

Lady Gordon's Dress Ideas.

Lady Duff Gordon thinks that every woman should dress according to her face and form. Middle aged women, she thinks, should not follow the fashions, but should have fashlons of their own, as a dress that suits one's own face and form doubles the chances for looking well, which is all middle aged women may expect.

DAMES AND DAUGHTERS.

Miss Georgina Hogarth, who is salo be the original of Agne. In "The Copperfield" and was one of the best rlends of Dickens, is still living.

Lady Islington, the wife of the covrnor general of New Zealand, is can sidered one of the best dressed one most beautiful women in English off-

Mrs. Mary Carroll has been appoint d sanitary officer in St. Louis. She works under the direction of the city's ecreation department and visits rest coms and public comfort stations to ee that all sanitary precautions are

Mrs. Estill of Ada, O., has earned a living and built herself a home by serving meals to students at 8 cents ach, and she is said also to have belped hundreds of struggling boys and girls to get through the university. She has been in the business for more than twenty years.

Mrs. W. H. Felton, despite her sev enty-five years and white hair, made a orilliant Portia recently when she apcared before the Georgia railroad commission to argue single handed in opposition to the briefs of fifteen corporation attorneys. Mrs. Felton is the widow of Representative Felton.

Pen. Chisel and Brush.

Signor d'Annunzio is coming to this ountry next year after a visit to South America. He proposes to deliver lectures during his journey.

Miss Laura Stedman, who is editing the papers and letters of her grandfather, the late Edmund Clarence Stedman, terms her book "an auto-

dographic blography." William Holman Hunt, the artist. who died recently in London at the age of eighty-three, was the last survivor of the pre-Raphaelite movement of which he and John Everett Millalwere the founders.

Miss Anastasia Eberle was born in Ohio, but was carried to Porto Rico by her father in his military career. She continued her studies in sculpturin the island province, and now that she has returned to America and has a studio in New York she is rapidi: gaining a wide reputation for artistic creations.

Recent Inventions.

A pneumatic bed bathtub which per mits a sick person to be bathed with out removal has been invented by Tennessee doctor.

An attachment by which loose shoe may be temporarily fastened to a horse's hoof until a blacksmith ireached has been patented by a New Jersey farmer.

A New Yorker has invented "mat tress trucks," a bit of fire apparatus which is designed to be elevated to about the second story of a house and then spread out in such a manner that imprisoned persons in the upper stories may jump into them with absolut.

Current Comment.

When the baseball players join or ganized labor the "fans" will have to listen closely to hear whether it's the impire or the walking delegate who calls out "Strike!"-Albany Journal.

Sullivan county has just said farewell to the last tollgate within her boundaries. The old relics are gradually passing. It won't be many years before a tollgate will be regarded as a curiosity.—Utica Observer.

If there is a rich lady in New York who has not smuggled something through the custom house this summer, will she kindly send her address to Collector Loeb and receive a handsome reward?-Albany Knickerbocker

Train and Track.

The frames of the most recently constructed locomotives of large size are made of vanadium steel.

It is stated that the Great Southern railway will soon submit to the minister of public works a plan for an elevated rallway in Buenos Aires and its

The Baden state rallways, after investigation, decided that the hearing of locomotive engineers is affected by vibrations of the engines communicated from the floor on which the men stand. To prevent this cocoanut mats are to be provided both for enginemen and firemen.

Proverbs.

He is lifeless that is faultless.-Latin Proverb.

Emulation plows and rivalry reaps.-Irish Proverb.

Every wind is against a leaky ship .-Danish Proverb.

Where the best wine grows the worst is drun man Proverb.

Change yourself and fortune will change with you.-Portuguese Proverb.

State Lines.

Ohlo mines a greater proportion of its coal by machinery than any other

state. The school fund of Minnesota has been increased \$400,000 by the returns from fron lands.

Michigan, New York and California produce about 60 per cent of the beans grown in the United States every year. Rhode Island means Red island. Sailing up the bay, land of a reddish appearance was observed, and it was called Rood (red) Island.

TIMELY BREVITIES IN THE REALM OF FASHION

The figures seem to Indicate that insanity in this country is largely due to the immigrant.

Automatic machines have been invented which will thoroughly clean \$.000 fish an hour.

continent of Europe.

the number was 56,500,000, this year 55,700,000.

Birmingham, Ala., shows the greatest annual rainfall in this country (sixty-two inches), with Hatterns next (sixty inches).

Norway prohibits doctors dispensing medicines where pharmacies are convenient and pharmacists prescribing If a doctor is in reach.

"Dry Goods Store-Dry Goods Sold by the Yard or Pound," is the sign that appears in an Italian store window in Van Brunt street, Brooklyn.

There are no regular theaters in most of the Turkish towns, and moving picture shows have the amusement field practically to themselves.

The University of Cairo, the most celebrated institution of learning in the Mohammedan world, will cefebrate its thousandth anniversary this year. By the formal annexation of Korea

Japan has added to its territory nearly two-thirds of its own area, including Pormosa, and increased the population of the empire by one-fifth.

Few people realize that the gasoline engine would be impossible without electricity. It is the tiny electric spark which at the proper moment releases the hidden powers of the gasoline vapor.

Four and one-half miles of the channel at the Pacific entrance to the Panama canal have been completed. Throughout this distance the dredging has been carried down to a depth of forty-five feet.

A lamb belonging to the Marquis of Downshire in England, trained to visit houses and to bleat until some one opened the door, collected £6 12s, 6d, in bags hung to its body in aid of a hospital of the district.

Dead axle carts and wagons are still in general use in the Valencia region of Spain. The typical freight cart of the district is a strong two wheel vehicle of two to five tons capacity. drawn by two to six horses.

The Paris theatrical season of 1909ord year. About \$10,300,000 was spent style. by playgoers, a sum only once exceeded, in the exhibition year of 1900, when the receipts reached \$11,600,000.

New York city's board of health is looking carefully after its school children and correcting their physical dehave nasal troubles and 38,000 poor sight.

Ireland goes on booming industrially. She raised 4,000,000 sheep last year, shipped nearly \$13,000,000 of linen from Belfast to the United States alone, and other exports were: Cattle, \$45,734,575; butter, \$17,883,600; eggs. \$13,637,050.

The centenary of David Livingstone's birth will be observed in 1913. Charing Cross hospital in London, where he studied medicine, is soliciting gifts of 1,000,000 shillings, which would enable it to reopen the wards now closed because of shrunken funds.

The building of an observatory on the rim of the great crater of Kilauea has been advocated for several years. The prospects are now brighter than they ever were, and it seems likely that the observatory will be built as part of the College of Hawaii.

The municipality of Freiburg, in Prussia, carries on a pawnshop, an insurance business, theater, several res-9 cents and supper afterward for 6 cents.

An erroneous opinion has widely prevailed for some time to the effect that the yield of wheat to the acre in the United States is decreasing. On the contrary, there has been a considerable increase, amounting to one and four-fifth bushels in the last forty have stripes varying in width to suit years.

German manufacturers have taken up the production of paper clips, foun- little wider than a hairline set quite tain pens, crayons, inkwells and a hundred small devices originally American and protected by trademarks and are now, because of their low prices, satisfying the home market and exporting to foreign countries.

A motorcar designed and owned by a gentleman of Calcutta has over the usual bonnet the enormous figure of a swan, the eyes of which are composed of prism lenses, which are lighted up brocaded with veivet. Several of these at night by electricity. The benk is made so that the exhaust can be sent through it, causing a noise like the hiss of a swan.

thorities that malaria is caused by the polka dot. mosquitoes of the genus anopheles. But it has recently been learned that malaria is prevalent in certain sections of Mexico where there has never been a mosquito of the genus anophelez. Therefore something else must cause the Mexican malaria.

Chicago's new city hall will be one of the finest in the world when completed, at least electrically speaking, as it is to contain 22,000 incandescent lights, 1,800 horsepower in motors, 900 telephone outlets, 900 floor boxes, fourteen electric elevators, a complete electric vacuum cleaning system with about twenty-five outlets on each floor. 100 electric clocks and eighteen private branch exchange telephone boards.

The Winter Tailor Made.

The Scotch tweeds have a prominent Next to Holland, Finland is the lar- place this senson and come in several gest consumer of American flour on the color mixtures in the true Bannockburn homespun effect. The Scotch The winter cod fisheries of Norway plaids are in their places again-twenyielded in 1908 48,220,000 fish. In 1909 ty-five different clans represented by one department and the names marked



STRIPED SERGE SUIT WITH NOVEL WAIST-COAT.

plainly on each piece. The suit in the drawing is made of dark blue striped serge of one tone with collar of the material and lapels of velvet. The waistcoat is made of one of the odd 10 closed with what is nearly a rec- patterned silks in hand blocked linen

Some Useful Goods.

A useful suit of English worsted in brown dashed with white has a skirt with alternating box plaits attached to a third length yoke that is perfectly fects. It has found that 183,000 of smooth fitting. A machine stitched the pupils have defective teeth, 73,000 band in two sections, the ends of each curved a trifle and rounded, covers the line joining and at the same time furnishes a trimming.

The coat that topped it was equally chic, with darts in front that made it all but close fitting. It fastened with braid loops diagonally down to the waist line, where the two edges were slanted and took on a cutaway aspect.

DRESS FABRICS FOR WINTER WEAR.

Stripes and Other Combinations In Blue and Black.

The new materials appearing in the shops just now are quite bewildering taurants and a newspaper as well as in their beauty and variety. There the schools. A seat can be procured are some distinct novelties, and many at the opera in this German city for old friends are seen in such different guise that they attract as strongly as ever. Stripes, for one thing, have taken on such interesting form that it seems unlikely that their popularity will suffer any decline for some time

to come. Some new velvets in blue and black different tastes and types of figure. One piece seen had a black stripe a closely on its blue ground, and in another there were alternating stripes of blue and black about half an inch wide. A very soft pliable corded silk in blue had wide velvet stripes of the

same tone. The use of blue and black together is another mode of the spring and summer that seems likely to prolong its It is shown in the new chiffons chiffons in blue have designs in black. which, like the stripes, are in styles the most conspicuous or the most subdued. They vary in form from gar-It is stoutly maintained by the au- lands of big flowers to the modest lit-

Among the trimmings that may be effectively used for these blue and black combinations are lovely motives in gold embroidery with bits of pale blue worked in with beads. Bands of silver embroidery on the finest of black net, too, are exquisite, and for guimpes there are the most delicate traceries upon black net in a number of more or less brilliant colors, gold being the predominating one. A benutiful though more somber effect is produced by the use of black beaded net.

One of the most fashionable color combinations at present is blue with brown, and touches of brown of a dark old gold shade are seen on costumes of blue and black.

He Wanted an Equal Chance.

The "sporting parson," once a familiar figure in English society, has all but disappeared, in consequence of the religious revivals and reforms of the last century and a half. A hundred years ago, however, he still existed, says a writer in Tit-Bits, and one of the type presided over a little seaside parish in Lincolnshire.

The place was a favorite landingplace for woodcock at the time of their annual immigration, and the parson used to tell off a native to let him know as the birds began to ar-

On Sunday he was preaching to his congregation, and had just reached the second head of his discourse. when the church door was cautiously opened and a head appeared, followed by a beckoning finger. The parson either did not see, or would not heed the intruder, who then gave a loud cough.

The preacher stopped in his preaching in the middle of a sentence and excitedly asked, "What is it, John?"

"Cocks is coom," replied John. The parson hurriedly closed his sermon case. "Shut the door and lock it!" he cried to the clerk. "Keep the people in church till I've got my surplice off. Let's all have a tair chance."

The Usages of War.

War is necessarily bad enough under any circumstances, but its laws and usages are steadily changing for the better. In very early times all prisoners were ruthlessly put to the sword or reduced to slavery, and as for the property rights of the belligerents, they did not exist. In the famous Pandicts of Justinian it is stated, without the least equivocation, that an enemy's property of every description is res nullius (that is to say, is without an owner), and that occupancy, by which the captor makes it his own, is an institution of Natural Law. If things were as bad as that so late as the time of Justinian, what must they have been in still earlier times?

Ceaseless Change.

Reflect often upon the instability of things and how very fast the scenes of nature are shifted. Matter is in a perpetual flux. Change is always and everywhere at work; it strikes through causes and effects, and leaves nothing fixed and permanent. And then how very near us stand the two vast gulfs of time, the past and the future, in which all things disappear. Now, is not that man a blockhead that lets these momentary things make him proud, or uneasy, or sorrowful, as though they could trouble him for long?-Marcus Aurelius.

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