

Interesting to WOMEN

In Praise of Marriage.
Celibacy does not pay. A good marriage is the supreme human felicity; a tolerable marriage is as much as the tolerable majority of people deserve; but even a bad marriage is better than no marriage at all.—Book-fellow, Sydney.

Cross Saddle Used.
The Sun says that even New York women are finding it necessary to learn to use the cross saddle when riding horseback, for it is the practice in conservative cities like Boston and Philadelphia, and at the southern resorts, to which so many New York women flock every winter, the side saddle is not popular and in the west it is little known.

Goes to Vassar at Sixty-five.
That it is never too late to learn is signally illustrated in the case of Miss Mary E. van Dyne of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., who, though 65 years of age, has been during the past school year a student at Vassar college. She has been taking a special course and has been classified as a freshman, being supposedly the oldest freshman in the country. It is said that Miss van Dyne was eager in her younger days to enter Vassar, but for financial reasons was unable to do so. Some time ago her fortunes improved, and she carried out the ambition of her youth.—Leslie's Weekly.

She is a "Mother Queen."
"Grandma" Mary Ramsey Lenox Wood, who lives in Portland, Ore., a town that has furnished several striking specimens of human longevity, received the title of "Mother Queen of Oregon," yesterday at exercises in that city. Mrs. Wood is 120 years old, and it hasn't been science, she says, that has shown her how to live long. She doesn't care a rap for antitoxins, vaccines and all the other modern improvements. She attributes her long life to the fact that she always has been contented. Mrs. Wood, though in possession of her faculties, did not share actively in the exercises, as it was deemed an unnecessary hardship to bring her from her home in a suburb. After the exercises General George H. Williams named her publicly as queen and was applauded by hundreds who had gathered.—New York Press.

Child as Easy to Keep as Dog.
"I never see a society dame, bedecked and bejeweled, fondling a spitz dog, parading it as a product of her femininity, that I do not revolt," said Frank S. Roby, judge of the Indiana appellate court, in an Independence day address made at Albany, Indiana. Judge Roby spoke in commendation of three institutions that he thought were epoch-making—the juvenile court, the state board of health and the board of state charities.

It was while speaking of the work of the board of state charities that Judge Roby made the remarks already quoted. He said:
"It costs no more, either in money or time, to rear a child than it does to keep a dirty-nosed, red-eyed, long-haired spitz dog. The tramps of the boulevards who are too rich to have children of their own do not go out for homeless waifs. The poor must help the poor. If there is a vacant place at any hearth or in any heart, let its possessor fill the place and have a share in the great work which every day is being done."

The Care of the Voice.
Culture and character are indicated more clearly in the human voice than in the features or the bearing. The ideas expressed naturally affect our impression, but the pitch, intonation and strength of every utterance convey in a subtle way the innate spiritual tone and depth of the speaker. Many children destroy the sweeter tones of their voices by screaming and shouting too much. It is perfectly natural for a child to wish to make itself heard, and to have it use its lungs is excellent. But the vocal cords are delicately adjusted, and any straining injures them seriously. Nothing improves a child's voice as much as singing easily, quietly and sweetly. An imperfect ear can be trained by persistent effort, and even if the child's singing voice is not perfect, the benefit of its trying to vocalize pleasantly will be felt in the speaking voice. Neither children nor adults should sing higher or lower than nature intended them to. When a boy's or girl's voice is changing in pitch they should be advised not to sing.

The voice should be used sparingly when one is suffering from a cold in the head, sore throat or weakness after illness. In such cases muscular action has to make up for lack of lung power and energy. The result is a

PEARLS OF THOUGHT.

Trying to avoid work is often the hardest kind.
Never borrow trouble, but always be ready to lend it.
Fortunate is the milkmaid who has no kick coming.
Unless you strive for your rights you are apt to get left.
This world remembers the man who dies game—for a day.
A man never gets dyspepsia from eating the things he dislikes.
There are many high-salaried teachers in the school of experience.
Honor thy father and thy mother—if they give you half a chance.
Babies have nothing in common with the silent watches of the night.
Marriage is responsible for the destruction of many happy delusions.
About the first step toward reforming a man is to catch him in the act.
A pleasing conversationalist is a person who talks to you about yourself.
A cold hand-out appeals to the hungry man more than a warm handshake.
A woman who gossips is bad enough, but a man who listens to gossip is worse.
Some people climb to the top for the purpose of looking down on their neighbors.
Many a man's idea of hospitality is to bring other men home and have his wife cook for them.
It isn't always policy to believe the man who tells you what he would do if he were in your place.
And some people are so industrious that when they haven't anything to do they proceed to do somebody.

Every time you register a protest it saves a lot of trouble for the easy-going chaps who have occasion to follow in your footsteps.—From "Pointed Paragraphs," in the Chicago News.

EARTHQUAKE UNDER SEA.

Effect Upon Fish of Destruction of Minute Plant and Animal Life.
Far below the surface of the sea the earthquakes make as much commotion as on terra firma. The latest volcanic eruption of Vesuvius was observed with respect to its effects in the Gulf of Naples by Dr. Salvatore Lo Biondo. The day before the eruption, says the Chicago Tribune, not a sardine was to be caught in the neighborhood, although it was the height of the sardine season, for by some sixth sense the fish seemed to know of the impending disaster.

The spawning of fishes was retarded, oysters, clams and their kin were killed, and there was great mortality among other types. Fishes that frequent deep waters were somewhat protected from conditions prevailing at the surface and escaped death, but evidently they were thrown into a panic that caused them to leave their natural hunting grounds, for men fishing from small boats caught species which never had been brought up before except by a special deep water dredge.

The minute plants and animals comprising plankton, which form the main food supply of many of the marine animals, were largely destroyed to a depth of ten fathoms, and as a consequence the scarcity of the food caused the death of the fish to such an extent that in Sardinia the fishing industry practically was ruined.

One of the most curious effects of the shower of cinders was to cause certain animals to throw off all appendages in the endeavor to protect themselves. The lobster is one of the familiar animals that adopts the philosophical plan of giving up much to save more, and when caught will automatically detach a claw and leave it in the hands of its captor in order to escape with the rest of its corporeal entity.

A Missing Boot.
A curious incident and one, suggesting tantalizing questions has just taken place in the Church of Santa Maria Giordana, in Venice. In 1405 Venice was engaged in war against Padua, and in October of that year, during an attempt to take the latter city by storm, there fell one of the famous "condottieri" of the Venetian Republic, Gen. Paolo Savello. He was buried in the church of Santa Maria Giordana, where for five centuries his mounted effigy has been supposed to mount guard over his tomb. Some repairs to the church, however, led to this being opened, and though the skeleton was found still wearing the cuirass and thigh pieces which the old soldier wore when he was slain, the boot was missing from one foot and there was neither sword nor other weapon. And the question arises, How came they to be missing?—London Globe.

What He Had.
"Can you give bond?" asked the judge. "Have you got anything?" "Judge," replied the prisoner, "sence you ax me, I'll tell you. I hain't got nuthin' in the worl' 'cept the spring chills, six acres o' no' count land, a big family, a hope of a hereafter, an' the ol' war rheumatism."—Atlanta Constitution.

SCIENCE

Glassless goggles for drivers of motor vehicles have thin steel plates in place of the usual lenses. There is nothing brittle to break endangering the eyes, and three ingeniously arranged slits, enable the wearer to see everything in front of him.

The most prodigious power of muscle is exhibited by fish. The whale moves with a velocity through a dense medium of water that would carry him, if continued, round the world in something less than a fortnight, and a swordfish has been known to strike his "sword" through the oak plank of a ship.

Speaking of the evils of smoke in London recently, Sir W. B. Richmond said late springs and early autumns were caused by London smoke and nothing else. Where there was no smoke there was no color. Hence the pallor of the people and the fact that poor girls of 15 or 16 were often toothless. Snub noses and retreating chins were largely due to the absence of light, the speaker declared.

Several powers have been subdued already to the purpose of driving a motor, and an Italian claims to have added another to the list. He is a science student named Di Leo, a native of Bari, but studying in Milan and Rome, and he describes his invention as a permanent compressed air motor. The invention, it is added, is within the next fortnight to be practically tested at Milan. Experts from the Italian Ministry will be present to study the experiments and to watch the results.

A Pennsylvania man has devised a machine to date hens' eggs, so that the purchaser may ascertain their age at a glance. His scheme is to provide a nest to which is attached a rubber chute, which conveys the egg to the dating appliance. The chute is arranged with rubber stops to lessen the speed of the egg as it rolls merrily on its way. The dating attachment is operated by clockwork, and one winding will keep it running a year. As the egg reaches the dater it is caught in a clutch and held in place while the stamp is applied. The egg then rolls into a basket.

Skunks.
The trade of the skunk hunter is one of the few occupations of the present that is not overcrowded. Nor is it likely to be. The animal bears a bad name and is shunned among men for reasons which border on the supernatural. No fire-breathing dragon was ever gifted by popular superstition with more terror-inspiring powers of defence than this little pariah of the wilderness. Indeed, with due regard to the fitness of the appellation, one may term the skunk the Mephistopheles of the four-legged world. And devil chasers are as scarce nowadays as they were in the days of legend.

The average farmer will drive miles out of his way to avoid a close encounter with the "varmint," not only because he fears its effective means of defense, but more because tradition has endowed the animal with powers of almost preternatural magnitude, and in the absence of proof to the contrary, tradition keeps in the whip hand over common sense. Superstition was ever hard to overturn.—Outing Magazine.

Philippine Tobacco.
Special Agent W. A. Graham Clark of the Bureau of Manufactures reports that tobacco is the fourth largest export of the Philippine islands, while in point of crop value it is only exceeded by hemp and rice. Considered as a manufacture, the making of cigars and cigarettes is the largest industry in the islands today. The largest company is the Compania General de Tabacos de Filipinos, with a capital of \$13,500,000. The best class of Philippine tobacco rivals that of Cuba. A large quantity goes to China, India and Australia, and smaller quantities to England, the Continent and the United States. Exports of cigars amount to nearly \$1,000,000 a year. The islands' consumption is probably larger. Cigarettes are largely made, but only \$71,632 worth were exported last year. In 1900 \$1,767,395 of raw and \$1,075,639 of manufactured tobacco were exported. Half to three-fourths of the leaf tobacco exported goes to Spain.

Branded as a Deserter.
An army pension has just been granted to J. Tomlin of Nottingham, who is now eighty-one, and his medals, granted for Sevastopol, have been replaced.

It seems that he was invaded home from the Crimea and granted a month's furlough. While enjoying his rest he was stricken with typhoid fever, but, being unable to read or write, did not acquaint the officers of his regiment with his misfortune or ask a friend to do so. The consequence was that when his furlough expired he was posted as a deserter, and while on his way to rejoin was arrested. At Aldershot he was tried by court-martial, and sentenced to be branded with the letter "D."—London Standard.

FINANCE AND TRADE REVIEW

DUN'S WEEKLY SUMMARY

Interior Merchants Flock to New York to Lay in Their Stocks for Fall.
R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says:
Jobbing markets are well attended by interior buyers and country merchants, who operate with great freedom, considering the financial stringency, which has compelled the postponement of much contemplated structural work. Yet many Western and Southern cities report building operations in excess of last year. As the harvests progress there is more disposition to increase preparations for future needs.

Retail stocks have been depleted by the customary bargain sales. Preparations for fall and winter trade indicate confidence in continued activity.

At most domestic points there is no complaint regarding collections, but reports from Canada indicate many requests for renewals.

Leading industrial plants are well occupied. Many mills have their output sold far into 1905.

Inquiry for pig iron has improved, chiefly for small lots and prompt delivery. Customers for Bessemer iron are notably urgent for quick shipment, but scarcely any can be had earlier than October.

In most sections of the iron and steel industry, conditions are more quiet at this time than at any other month of the year. The moderate decrease in new business of late has received more attention than the circumstances warranted, because of the phenomenally active period preceding.

Conditions in the cotton goods industry continue satisfactory. Some mills have contracts covering production through most of next year. Manufacturers find no difficulty in maintaining their prices at the top.

Some plants have been compelled to stop machinery until the production of gray goods is caught up, but otherwise the industry is fully occupied and prices are readily maintained. One element of strength is the high position of the raw material.

Weekly shipments of footwear from Boston again exceed seven figures for the year. The volume of new business has improved over recent weeks. Yet buyers persist in operating only in accordance with actual requirements.

Business is more active in the West. St. Louis manufacturers are receiving orders more freely than those in New England.

MARKETS.

PITTSBURG.

Wheat—No. 2 red.....	45	93
Wheat—No. 2 white.....	44	71
Corn—No. 2 yellow, ear.....	71	75
Corn—No. 2 yellow, shelled.....	64	65
Mixed ear.....	61	62
Oats—No. 2 white.....	51	51
Flour—Winter patent.....	49	47
Flour—Straight.....	43	43
Hay—No. 1 Timothy.....	16	16
Clover No. 1.....	19	19
Feed—No. 1 white mid. ton.....	21	21
Brown middlings.....	22	21
Brain bulk.....	22	23
Straw—Wheat.....	10	10
Oats.....	10	11

Dairy Products.

Butter—Elgin creamery.....	21	27
Ohio creamery.....	22	21
Fancy country roll.....	18	20
Cheese—Ohio, new.....	14	15
New York, new.....	14	15

Poultry, Etc.

Hens—per lb.....	17	18
Chickens—dressed.....	18	20
Eggs—Pa. and Ohio, fresh.....	30	21

Fruits and Vegetables.

Potatoes—Fancy white per bu.....	15	16
Corn—per ton.....	1	50
Onions—per barrel.....	3	45

BALTIMORE.

Flour—Winter Patent.....	4	45	43
Wheat—No. 2 red.....	71	74	71
Corn—Mixed.....	46	47	
Eggs.....	22	23	
Butter—Ohio creamery.....	25	27	

PHILADELPHIA.

Flour—Winter Patent.....	4	40	47
Wheat—No. 2 red.....	71	73	
Corn—No. 2 mixed.....	47	49	
Oats—No. 2 white.....	44	45	
Butter—Creamery.....	22	23	
Eggs—Pennsylvania firsts.....	22	21	

NEW YORK.

Flour—Patents.....	4	40	47
Wheat—No. 2 red.....	69	90	
Corn—No. 2 yellow.....	53	53	
Oats—No. 2 white.....	52	43	
Butter—Creamery.....	42	27	
Eggs—State and Pennsylvania.....	22	21	

LIVE STOCK.

Union Stock Yards, Pittsburg—Cattle.....	5	50	55
Extra, 1,450 to 1,600 lbs.....	6	00	65
Prime, 1,300 to 1,400 lbs.....	6	00	60
Good, 1,200 to 1,300 lbs.....	5	75	50
Tidy, 1,050 to 1,150 lbs.....	5	35	50
Common, 700 to 950 lbs.....	4	60	40
Oxen.....	3	75	41
Hogs.....	3	00	47
Heifers, 700 to 1,100.....	2	50	41
Fresh Cows and Springers.....	15	00	50

Hogs.

Prime heavy.....	7	00	70
Prime medium weight.....	6	65	67
Best heavy Yorkers.....	7	25	70
Good light Yorkers.....	7	25	70
Cow.....	7	15	70
Roughs.....	5	50	55
Stags.....	3	50	40

Sheep.

Prime wethers, clipped.....	5	50	50
Good mixed.....	5	30	44
Fair mixed ewes and wethers.....	5	50	50
Culls and common.....	5	50	50
Lambs.....	5	50	75

Calves.

Veal calves.....	5	00	80
Heavy and thin calves.....	3	00	40

LEARNING HIS LESSON.
"Carper has no enthusiasm in his nature."
"What makes you think so?"
"Why he never applauds anything at the theatre, and even sneers at the finest points of the play."
"Oh, he is studying to be a critic, you know."—The Bits.

The fastest elevators run at a speed equal to about seventeen miles an hour.

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NEWSY GLEANINGS
England is "pageant mad."
Pittsburg now claims a population of 600,000.
London is full of Americans unable to obtain passage home in overcrowded liners.
The French Government absolutely opposes the sending of a large army to Morocco.

Five cases of bubonic plague, four of which were fatal, were reported at San Francisco.
Experts on animal life gathered for the international zoological congress in Boston.
Americans touring in Europe find it cheaper to rent automobiles abroad than to take their own.

The first conviction under the Missouri eight-hundred telegraphic law was found against the Burlington road.
Secretary Taft says the efficient administration of the law is the most important problem before the American people.

Advices received in Washington, D. C., showed that Russia is changing her military base in Siberia from Harbin to Irkutsk.
King Leopold has objected to the selection of members of the Belgian Parliament to discuss with Congo delegates the treaty of transfer.
The International Socialist Congress opened in Stuttgart, more than 900 delegates, representing twenty-five nationalities, being present.

Henry C. Ide, former Governor of the Philippines, expressed the opinion in an interview that the newly elected Assembly for the islands would prove a success.
Advices from St. Petersburg say that the rush of immigrants to Siberia is so great that all the available homestead lots have been exhausted and the authorities are unable to distribute recent arrivals.

Dawn of Mono-Rail Transit.
Parts of the old structure upon which Captain Boynton ran his "bicycle railway" short line in 1890 are still visible in the vicinity of Coney Island. The captain had narrow two-story cars and a tall, big-wheeled locomotive, the whole train being kept in equilibrium by an attachment at one side.
Nothing came of the Boynton outfit save the originator's enthusiasm and a few freak rides for visitors. But now, almost twenty years later, New York is suddenly face to face with a real possibility of mono-rail rapid transit, involving the latest ideas in electric invention.—New York World

Perhaps, as a London scientist asserts, strawberries do cause insanity. The price in this sylvan neck, remarks the New York Mail, is enough to make anybody mad.