WOMAN'S WORLD

THE SUMMER PESTS OF THE HOUSE AND HOW TO FIGHT THEM.

n Autograph Skirt—The Queen's Three Daughters—Carmen Sylva's Health. A Woman Doctor of Philosophy—An Exasperating Creature.

Exasperating Creature.

There is scarcely any household scourge that brings with it more annoyance than the insect tribe; the very fact that the troublesome agents are in many cases minute seems to invest them with a greater power of trying the patience of the most long suffering housewife. The appalling regularity, too, with which the enemy invades our dwellings is, to say the least of it, extremely perplexing; what with the black beetle (whose "season" has no limit), the faithful fly, the annual moth, to say nothing of red ants, mice and homely fleas, our life is not "a happy one." Methods manifold of ridding ourselves of these have been set before us, but still they flourish undisturbed; the question to be solved is not that of extermination alone, but the most effective way of keeping them away.

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First of all, it is important that all wainscoting, window ledges and other parts of the room where cracks may prevail should be thoroughly overhanded and closed with putty, well pressed in and slightly mixed with vitriol if necessary. That sounds a commonplace remedy, and yet it is an infallible one, greatly lessening the invasion of the intruders. Insects of all kinds, and most of the small winged tribe, can effectually be kept off by rubbing all the woodwork of the rooms, bedsteads, etc., with a solution of vitriol, the strength of which can be increased in obstinate cases by adding to it an infaison of colocynth or bitter apple. It leaves no mark on the wains@sting, etc., and can easily be done with a flat whitewashing brush. Worms in wood, rea ants, etc., will infailibly be destroyed if this is done.

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The great objection to the common fly killers is their ungainliness or general ugliness; papers in plates are far from ornamental, while the inartistic bottles, with openings underneath, through which the poor things crawl to their watery fate, are positively aggressive. Papers nevertheless are very efficacious, and it is perhaps not generally recognized that the higher they are placed the more flies they will attract. It is therefore quite possible to distribute one or two out of sight on bookcase or ward-robe. They should be slightly moistened and changed as soon as the water becomes discolored.

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Another remedy could be kept in one or two of the ornamental cups or bowls which are found in almost every apartment, whether it be study, reception room or bedroom, and is prepared as follows: Grind two ounces of pepper freshly for the purpose, mix it well with four ounces of brown sugar and stir it all into one pint of infusion of quassia. Keep it well corked in a bottle, store it in a cool place and pour a small quantity only when wanted into some small receptacle. Some folks hold that flies will never congregate in a room containing castor oil plant. That may be, but on the other hand it attracts the green fly in a most marked manner, so that this remedy would not be without a drawback.

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The eucalyptus plant certainly is a good preventive and, unless the leaves be deliberately squeezed, emits no objectionable odor. Sachets of the same are very strongly recommended, but presumably those who tried that particular remedy for disinfecting purposes during the influenza plague will remember the all pervading powers of that particular oil. Of course one great thing is to keep the blinds down while the sun is full on a room.—London Queen.

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Mrs. Taylor's Autograph Skirt.

Mrs. Abner Taylor, the wife of the millionaire Chicago congressman, has initiated a startling unique fad, perhaps the most unique ever inaugurated by a Washington society lady.

It has been customary for a long time here in Washington for ladies to secure the autographs of senators, representatives and high public dignitaries in albums. Mrs. Taylor's ambition has outgrown the album stage. There is now passing through the house of representatives one of Mrs. Taylor's undergarments, which is known to the female sex as a skirt. A neat little note from Mrs. Taylor is appended, addressed to the representatives of the people in general, requesting each one of them to write his autograph upon the garment. She explains in the note that it is her purpose to embroider the names in silk, with a view to possessing when the ornament is completed an autograph skirt of the present congress.

The passage of this linen affair from desk to desk through the house has created no end of amusement among the congressmen, and many of the more modest of the people's representatives are anxiously inquiring where this autograph fad of the ladies is going to stop. When the garment reaches the senate that august body will probably experience a shock from which it will take some time for it to recover.—Cor. Philadelphia Times.

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Queen Louise's Three Daughters.
By the way, some of the papers went a few steps too far with their admiration of the almost miraculous beauty of Queen Louise of Denmark's three daughters. "Loveliest of the lovely," to begin with. "Time has recoiled from touching them with his marring fingers," and so on, with plenty more of the same sort. Well, flattery of this strength is a far remove from an honest compliment, and even the touched up photographic portraits of the Princess of Wales, the Empress of Russia and the Wales, the Empress of August Alexandra, as all the Wales, the Empress of Russia and the Wales, the Empress of August Alexandra, as all the Wales, the Empress of August Alexandra, as all the Wales, the Preserving Wales August Alexandra, as all the Wales August Alexandra, as all the Wales Alexandra, as all the Wales Alexandra, as all the Wales Alexandra, as all th

expression; the czarma's targe, instrous eyes constitute her one perfection, and both these illustrious sisters find the rest of their wondrous youth and attractiveness in the mighty art of dress, in the pursuit of which they must spend any amount of time and attention.

It is their get up which is so marvelous, and in their elevated position it naturally draws world wide attention. As for the Duchess of Cumberland, always the least pretty of the three, illness and unhappiness have changed her into a very plain woman, with an almost miserable expression, differing greatly from the bright look she wore as a girl.—London Society.

Letter from Carmen Sylva.

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An interesting letter from Carmen Sylva, the queen of Roumania, has been received by a personal friend of the queen at Munich. It is dated from Mon Repos, the home of Carmen Sylva's childhood. "My health," she writes, "is improving day by day. This miracle is no doubt due to the shady walks in the palace garden of Mon Repos, the pure air I breathe in this place and to the delightful promenades through the green lanes of Wied. During my walks I often think of how your mother and I used to walk together in years gone by, dreaming fair dreams of the future and talking about the beautiful, romantic Germany of former times, so different from the Germany of today.

"Alas! your mother is dead. I am still here, ill and bereft of all illusions, although the doctors seem very hopeful about me. Life is indeed very short, and the apostle's words, 'Here we have no abiding city,' are very true."—Pall Mall Gazette.

Mall Gazette.

A Woman Doctor of Philosophy.

Among the women who have received deserved honors during the present season is Mrs. A. E. W. Robertson, of Muscogee, I. T. The University of Wooster conferred upon her the degree of doctor of philosophy. This title was granted in recognition of high scholarly attainments and literary productions. Mrs. Robertson has recently completed the translation of the New Testament from the original Greek into the Muskogee or Creek language.

Some of the books of the New Testament had been previously translated by others, but she revised and retranslated all, and the complete volume has been published by the American Bible society, New York. She has likewise translated some of the historical books of the Old Testament from the original, and has complied a Muskogee glossary, a vocabulary of the Chicknsaw and an English and Creek vocabulary.—Christian at Work.

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She is usually pretty and attractive to the men, which accounts in part for her demeanor to the other girls less fortunate than herself. She is seldom over twenty-one or twenty-two, or she would be likely to have more sense, and she is very numerous, which goes to prove that there are hosts of pretty young women to be found almost anywhere in America, but especially do they thrive at fashionable summer resorts.

Her tactics are to be most affectionate. Terms of endearment trip glibly from the tongue, though they are used, as a rule, only to show her own importance and but preface some condescending remark that makes one want to tear her eyes out, yet cannot resent it owing to the very sweet manner in which it is said.—Philadelphia Times.

A Cold Klaser.

A Cold Kisser.

Doctors say that kissing is unhealthy, but if it were possible to kiss to death we'd all make our immediate start on a blissful journey to "that bourne from which no traveler returns."

The stage kiss is one to be studied. It is artistically done. Some of the old timers have a sort of careless, indifferent way of doing it. No amount of study will enable them to do it successfully; it is nature, not education, that makes an actress an experienced kisser. It is pretty hard to say who is the most artistic kisser of all the pretty women on the stage whose lines make them indulge in osculation. Mary Anderson, now Mrs. Navarro, was paramountly the coldest.—New York Jour al.

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Women Active in Politics.

Among the most prominent women in the political party which has grown out of the Farmers' Alliance are Miss Mary E. Lease, of Wichita, Kan., a platform orator of much eloquence and power, who will be constantly engaged in speaking for the People's party through the campaign; Sarah Emery, one of the editors of The New Forum, a party paper just started in St. Louis; Fanny Randolph Vickery and Mrs. Gay, of Texas, and Eva McDonald-Valish, whose two years' career on the platform has been one of great credit to herself and of brilliant and efficient help to her party. She has been a self supporting newspaper writer for several years.

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Tuesday the Indian woman Nellie left for Pendleton. She was richly, not to say gaudily, dressed in a "toot assemble" surmounted with an Easter bonnet that looked like a section of the morning robes of spring. Her red blanket, neathy rolled and fastened with a shawl strap, gave her a distingue appearance, and the equipoise of her bearing was only equaled by the sang froid with which she grasped the car rail and swung herself aboard as the train pulled out, with the easy grace of a Pullman porter and the blushing diffidence and careless indifference peculiar to the saddle covered colored maiden of the Oregon woods.—Hood River (Or.) Glacier.

Preserving with Saccharin.

or coan tar. It is expensive, but mas-much as it is 200 times sweeter than sugar a little saccharin will go a great way. The idea of preserving fruitin coal tar is enough to make our great grandmothers get up and come forth.— New York Evening Sun.

Their Father's Busin

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Why do not girls who spend their time sighing for a career legart their father's business? A man died in this city a few years ago leaving a manufacturing business that paid \$6,000 a year, but not one of his large family of daughters was able to conduct it, and therefore it passed to strangers, while the family went into comparative poverty. When a real estate man died in Jersey City not long ago his daughter announced her intention of carrying on the business. She had assisted her invalid father in his office and had become so familiar with the business that she is now conducting it successfully.—Newark Advertiser.

The President's Nicce.
Of all the people at the White Hou at the notification ceremony probab none so thoroughly appreciated what really waster. Of all the people at the White House at the notification ceremony probably none so thoroughly appreciated what it really meant to the president as Mrs. Dimmick. She is the one next to Mrs. Harrison with whom the president has freely discussed affairs of the government. Mrs. Dimmick, who is the president's neice, rides with him frequently, and in this way has gained a clear idea of the most annoying things in the inside of the administration machinery, and of how the president copes with them.—Washington Post.

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For Dainty Feet.

No woman can make a mistake as to the correct footgear for the season. For everyday wear white canvas ties and boots are the style. They are tipped and trimmed with patent leather; white canvas ties fiwe also a white kid tip. Russet shoes and those of tan leather are also much worn. A novelty is the walking boot of Russian leather, with the uppers of white buckskin. Slippers of black snede are perfectly plain, save for the presence of some remarkable gilt buckles over the instep.—Shoe and Leather Facts.

Mr. J. A. Bright's "lady elector" has turned up again. The first time Mr. Bright was returned to parliament a lady contrived to vote for him, and at the central Birmingham election on Wednesday a similar incident occurred. Some question arose as to the validity of the vote, but the mayor and town clerk agreed with the Liberal agent that as the lady's name had somehow got upon the register the returning officer had no option but to receive her paper.—London News.

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A New Word.

Miss E. U. Yates, of Maine, has invented a new word, "Mrdame" (Mr. and lady), pronounced Merdam. She says, "In the new order of things there is a demand for a title to express the partnership of men and women in business. This word can be applied when the partners are husband and wife, brother and sister or brother and somebody else's sister, viz., Mrdame Smith & Jones." This is ingeuious and may be found to meet a "long felt want."—Boston Woman's Journal.

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A Trying Ordeni.

A famous duchess in London recently went through the ordeal of having a dress made on her own figure. She stood for three hours while the dressmakers wrought fifty yards of rare old lace that could not be cut into a gown for a soiree, at the close of which every stitch had to be carefully cut and picked out before the lady could disrobe. The amount of torture that fair woman will undergo in the name of vanity would astonish the martyrs.—London Letter.

To Be Viewed Through Smoked Glass.
A girl who attracted much attention from masculine passers by stood on the corner of Brattle and Washington streets yesterday. She wore a red hat, red suspenders over flaming yellow waist, red skirt and red shoes. She was a sight for gods and men, but not for men who are troubled with weak eyes.—Boston Record.

The Tale of a Tag.

A woman not a thousand miles from Richmond was without doubt the most flurried female in seven counties when she discovered, after coming out of church Sunday, that her brand new hat was adorned with a tag, whereupon was inscribed the legend, "Reduced to \$2.75."

—Richmond Review.

Lady Frances Balfour, the mother of the Hon. Arthur and the sister of Lord Salisbury, has undertaken a large con-tract. She says she will undertake no philanthropic duties until home rule is a nightmare of the past and woman suf-frage an accomplished fact.

Among famous literary women who have been unmarried are Hannah More, Frederika Bremer, Mary Russell Mitford, Harriet Martineau, Maria Edgeworth, Jana Austen (novelists), Eliza Cook, Adelaide Proctor and Joanna Paullie, receptors and Joanna

In these days of putting up jellies it should be recalled that cotton batting is more often used by experienced house-keepers to cover the glasses than paste or papers dipped in liquor.

We have Colonel Wright's authority for believing that the pay of women for doing the same work is not so disgrace-fully less than the pay of men as it has been commonly supposed.

Apple blossoms in their delicate pink tints are favorite designs for table linen, and an especially splendid oblong piece of linen was worked with white silk chrysanthemums.

Spinning is the latest fashionable oc-cupation. A number of women are learning the art, and the antique spin-ning wheel is no longer a mere orna-ment.

GEMS IN VERSE.

The Way It Struck He

The Way It Struck Her.

A little ragged orphan girl, who ne'er
Had had a home, nor known a parent's care,
And who, with shocless feet and hattess head,
Nowspapers sold to earn her scanty bread,
Was taken from the city far away,
With others of her kind, one summer day,
To look upon the ocean. At the sight
Hor thin, sharp face was filled with grave deAnd some one said, "I wonder what can be
Her thoughts, poor child, about this mighty
sear?"
She heard the words and quickly turned her
head,
And in low tones, "I's thinkin, ma'am," she
said,

Peters Prophesies.

I ain't much of a reader, and I writes a little

less,
But in appreciatin things I'm hard to beat, I
guess.
There ain't a man among us, from Uriah
Skeggs to Bill,
Who'll sit 'n listen to a tale like yours sincerely
we'll

will.
Particularly if the tale has stirrin qualities,
'N isn't slathered through 'n through wit
writer's theries.

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I like a tale with lots o' horse, 'n live stock runnin through.

Where pigs 'n dogs get chances just as lords 'n ladites dogs get caround in shirts like mine, 'n where the girls along, 'n ain't afeared Ni when they bring the thunder in, I like it good 'n loud,

'N not that noiseless stuff that goes with all the cultured crowd.

the cultured crowd.

I hate a sneak in life, I do, 'n hence, I hate to see
In readint what a college girl I knows calls
called the strength of the straight, 'n let
the fluid run.
A long as it's a mind to if you write to give
me fun.
"N talk can't be too noble when it's writ to
please my taste,
'n when you draw your heroines, don't have
'em pallid faced.

Det. give, 'ny, life, like applea let their sheek.

But give 'em lips like rubles, let their checks be red as paint:
'N when you touch their morals, keep 'en some ways from a saint.
'N let the heroes have a bit of comfortable vice.

vice.
No for a change once in awhite have viliains sort o' nice.
Leave out your fads, 'n bind your books in red with lots o' gold,
N Silas Peters prophesies they won't stay long unsold.

The age is too diffusive. Time and force
Are frittered out and bring no satisfaction.
The way seems lost to straight, determined action.
Like shooting stars that zigzag from their bow

Like shooting sure our orbit's pathway; spoil
We wander from our orbit's pathway; spoil
The role we're fitted for to fail in twenty;
Bring empty measures that were shaped for plenty
At last as guerdon for a life of toil.
There's lack of greatness in this generation,
Lecusa no more man centers on one though

There's lack or greatness in this generator.

Because no more man centers on one though
We know this truth, and yet we heed it not
The secret of success is concentration.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

A Woman's Query.

I saw tonight the man I loved
Three little years ago;
I did not think so short a time
Could change a mortal so.

A voice of music; hair by which The raven's wing would seem But pale indeed; a face and form To haunt a sculptor's dream.

But when I looked at him tonight
I saw no single trace
Of the old glory; only just
A very common face.

No marble brow, no soullit orbs;
The face was round and sleek,
That once to my love haunted eyes
Was so intensely Greek.

I know full well he has not changed So very much. Ah, me! But I was blind in those dear days, And now, alas! I see.

One little thought will bother me I only wish I knew Whether he still is blind, or if His eyes are open too.

The Tone of Voice.

It is not so much what you say,
As the manner in which you say it;
It is not so much the language you use
As the tones in which you convey it.

"Come here!" I sharply said, And the baby cowered and wept; "Come here!" I cooed, and he look smiled, And straight to my lap he crept.

For words but come from the mind, And grow by study and art; But the tones leap forth from the in self And reveal the state of the heart.

Whether you know it or not— Whether you mean or care— Gentleness, kindness, love and hate, Envy and anger are there. Then would you quarrels avoid
And in peace and love rejoice,
Keep anger not only out of your words,
But keep it out of your voice.
—Youth's Companion

A little spring man ose its way along in grass and ferr.

A passing stanger secoped a well, where weary has a spring stanger secoped a well, where weary the walled it in and hung with care a ladle at the brink;

He thought not of the deed he did, but judged that toil might drink.

He passed again, and iol the well, by summers never dried,

Had cooled ten thousand parching tongues and saved a life beside.

Charles Mackay.

Heterodoxy.

Ah, wherever after death my still faithful soul may dwell.

Saints may call it bilss or woe—they may name it heaven or hell.

By thee only, oh, beloved, will my joy or pain be wrought,

I shall find my heaven beside thee, or my hell where thou art not!

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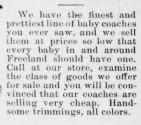
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