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In connection with the Van Dyck tercentenary, which is to be celebrated at Antwerp in August next, one million special postage stamps will be issued, which will bear a portrait of the great painter from a drawing by Gerard Postleifer. In the program of the fete, drawn up by the committee appointed for the purpose, is included an historical procession representing the development of art from the earliest known times to the days of Rubens.

**The Ground Floor Preferred.**  
Little 4-year-old Marie lives on the fourth floor of an apartment-house, and one day she said: "Mamma, is heaven higher than this house?" "Yes, dear," was the reply. "And will we go there when we die?" "Yes, if we are good." "Well, then, mamma," said Marie, "let's be real good and maybe they'll let us occupy the ground floor when we go there."—Brooklyn Times.

**Indian Justice of the Peace.**

Antoine Jackson, a full-blooded Indian, known familiarly as "Kanaka Jack," has been elected justice of the peace for the reservation adjacent to Tacoma. Although he can neither read nor write, he is said to fill his office with dignity. The first case he had to deal with came under his notice the other day, was that of a man arrested upon the charge of carrying concealed weapons. The Indian judge demonstrated that the alleged culprit could not force the entire revolver in question into any of his pockets and therefore dismissed the case. Although the court's reasoning was not based on Blackstone and Kent, it was strictly in accordance with the evidence.

**Gracefully Submitted.**

New York Tribune: M. Ernest LeGouve, the senior member of the French Academy, has just received by vote of his fellow-members the \$2,000 prize of the Jean Reynaud Foundation. He wished himself to give it to the author of "Cyrano de Bergerac," but submitted with a good grace to the choice based on his works concerning education and family life.

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**NEWS AND NOTES FOR WOMEN.**

**Two Successful Stenographers.**  
Twenty-five hundred dollars a year is the highest salary the United States Government has ever paid to women. This is the sum that was paid to the stenographers—Miss McNaughton and Miss Atkinson—who accompanied the American Peace Commission in Paris. Both these women are familiar with the French and Spanish languages.

**Cashmires and Cloths.**  
Cashmires and light-weight cloths will be the style during the summer. Some of the newest of these materials are charming in texture and color. Gray, which has been so fashionable all winter, will be in favor again, there being many different shades to choose from. White, too, is to be quite the rage. There are already a number of charming white gowns being made up in both cashmere and cloth. One, very attractive, is made with coat and skirt trimmed with applique of outwork. The coat is to be worn over a white chiffon waist. One of the newest ideas is to have these cloth suits in white or very light gray, with the chiffon waists to be worn underneath. Of course this is only the revival of an old fashion, but the effect is so charming it is worth while reviving it.—Harper's Bazar.

**Mathematics and Matrimony.**  
"It may not be complimentary to the men, but there seems at least a semblance of truth in the statement that the greater the quantity and the better the quality of education among women the less the chance of marriage," writes Professor D. R. McNally in the Ladies' Home Journal. "It has been shown conclusively that college women marry less than others. The explanation of this apparently anomalous condition may perhaps be found in the fact that a large percentage of college-bred women educate themselves for the purpose of becoming teachers. Teachers have not so good an opportunity of marriage as other women—in fact, teachers in female seminaries have hardly more prospect than nuns, their limited association with the opposite sex and the restraints under which they are visited by gentlemen fully explaining the situation. It is clear, however, from the figures furnished, that the rate of marriage among 'co-educated' women is higher than among women who attend female seminaries. It is singular to notice that in the case of educated women the same geographic differences between the East and the West may be observed as in the case of the others. In the North Atlantic division—that is, in New England—the marriage rate is lowest. It gradually rises toward the West, attaining its highest figure in the mountain States, a fact which indicates that the educated Eastern women who goes West to teach has an excellent prospect of finding a husband there."

**Summer Fashions.**  
A most bewildering display of silk is exhibited. It is evident that foulard silks are to be more fashionable than the taffetas. The dark ground foulards with the white figures have been worn for several years, and yet the same idea is repeated, and with such variation as to make them seem quite new. The Liberty foulards are perhaps the newest. They first came out from Paris last year in the imported gowns, but were not seen enough over here to make them too popular. This Liberty foulard is a very soft material and yet has considerable body. It is a much cooler fabric for mid-summer wear than taffeta, and some of the new shades and designs are exquisite. The old-fashioned polka dot of white on the dark ground is going to be immensely fashionable, but the very fine dots are the smartest, and there is one new and very smart design—a light ground with a dark dot in the centre of which is a white dot.

Among the ready-made foulard gowns the circular skirts are the most noticeable, and these are trimmed with bands of lace insertion from three to four inches wide.

The principal note in summer millinery is the excessive use of tulle and chiffon, but tulle is used much more than chiffon. Very few of the hats are made entirely of straw. They almost all have the brims of these two materials. When the tulle is used it is put on in soft folds, one fold over the other. The chiffon is sewed into myriads of tiny tufts or puffings. This looks very soft against the straw crown, and, as a rule, is becoming. The shapes are mostly of the toque and turban variety—nothing very exaggerated, and the colorings quite subdued. Every shade conceivable of light gray and tan unrelieved in many instances even by white. Among all these neutral tints stand out very sharply the purple green, and blue hats, very smart in design; worn with gowns to correspond, they will look far better than they do in the show case.

Oddly enough, some tulle hats are in sailor shape with a stiff trimming at the side. But these last are a little too odd, and the smartest hats are those built upon the same lines and looking much like the velvet and fur turbans of the winter. This style of hat is more generally becoming than any other, and does not require to be worn tipped exaggeratedly down over the face. The brim is short in the back, allowing a very full view of the back of the head, and this means an elaborate style of hair-dressing, and the wearing of the jewelled combs so fashionable this spring.—Harper's Bazar.

**New York's Business Women.**  
With all her faults there is no more capable business woman than Chicago anywhere than she who is in the smart set in New York. There is no use trying to estimate the number of feminine millionaires who live in Fifth avenue and its fashionable tributaries, but it is safe to say that most of these ladies know as much of the value of money and how to take care of their inheritances as the wildest of Wall street bankers.

Miss Serena Rhineland has one of the oldest and biggest New York estates on her hands, and she keeps the management of it mainly in her own hands. She owns scores of tenement and apartment houses, knows their exact condition and the rental they should yield, and she has perfected herself in domestic architecture to be able to examine and criticize intelligently all building and improvement plans for her property. Mrs. Elisha Dyer personally administers every penny of her own big inheritance. She superintends and draws a large revenue from her big Maryland stock farm, deals occasionally in real estate and has by clever manipulation increased her wealth.

Mrs. Dunlap Hopkins, who will be a richer woman at some future day than she is even now, is her own adviser on investments, her own agent and bookkeeper. To realize what the care of these estates implies, the reader must understand that each and every one of these ladies is worth in her own right well into the millions. Mrs. Elliot R. Shepard and Mrs. Fitzhugh Whitehouse are each worth something over \$10,000,000. Perhaps either of these two ladies can draw the biggest checks of any woman in New York, and next after them, perhaps, comes Miss Caroline de Forest and Mrs. Wysox, who individually enjoy incomes of \$50,000 a year, and who, like Mrs. Arthur Dodge and Mrs. Herter, know how and where every cent of their capital is invested. The financial good sense and acumen of these millionairesses is very well attested by the fact that rarely does a rich widow or heiress, so long as she keeps in her own hands the conduct of her property, feel any shrinkage in her fortune, and all of these women are, in spite of their showiness, the most admirable landholders. Mrs. Shepard's improved tenements are among the best in New York; Miss Rhineland has given more land as the sites for handsome philanthropic edifices than any one New York man, and Miss Helen Gould, who possesses as fine a row of tenements as any landlord in the city, has never permitted her agent to press a poor lessee or evict one, though she has never failed to collect her rents. Chicago Record.

**Gossip.**  
In private life Mme. Duse dresses almost entirely in white. Women are employed as letter carriers in several districts in France. The Empress of Germany's private wedding present to her relatives always consists of a very plain travelling clock, for she values among all other virtues that of punctuality. Evangelina Probasco, a Chicago society girl, has established a shoe-cleaning establishment for women in the shopping districts of that city. Boys will be employed to do the shining. Only one of Queen Victoria's twelve bridesmaids is still living. She is the Duchess of Cleveland. She had the honor of assisting as train bearer at the coronation as well as at the wedding. Madame Demont-Breton has been elected on the hanging committee of the Society of French Artists, where she will take her place on the jury with Bonnat, Laurens, Detaille, Gerome, and the others. Dr. Belle Gemmel, a graduate of the medical school of Michigan University, is at present performing the duties of county physician in Salt Lake City, Utah. Her father holds this office, and she is his assistant, practically conducting all the affairs of the office.

**Fashion's Fancies.**  
True lover's knots in black and colored velvet and satin, stiffly wired, appear on some of the new hats. Foulard frocks are inexpensive, cool and serviceable, and the patterns for this summer are fascinating. Fine imported challies are more artistic in color and design than ever before, and they promise to rival the foulard gowns. Domino rose is the 1899 name for the bright but soft shade of red that the tailors and dressmakers say is to be worn during the summer. The expensive silk-finished French crepons which are tentatively displayed show wholly novel and stylish arrangements of their soft wavy surfaces. Provident women will find yellow and tan shoes, both high and low, better for the summer. They don't draw the sun and they are easy to keep in order. The plain, tight sleeve is coming in, but the modistes are hesitating to leave off the becoming little caps which have been such an addition to the sleeves for some time.

A boned underwaist is one of the most useful garments a woman ever possessed. It is made without sleeves and boned either with featherbone or whalebone, and is cut like a tight-fitting dress waist. Ruches of mousseline de soie in a variety of pale colors, machine stitched on the edges with silk to match, are one of the novelties in trimming. They are very narrow, are box plaited and are very effective. A trimming for a blue and white foulard is a band of white satin, on which are sewn two rows of black velvet, arranged in vandykes around the hem. Frills of white edged with velvet may trim the bodice, with a vest of cream lace over white chiffon.

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Chicago Times-Herald: For many years it was the habit of the gay pleasure-seekers of France, men and women, to enroll themselves in companies composed of valentines. Every 14th of February they would assemble in the center of the town. Here, two by two (a lady and gentleman riding together), they would make the circuit of the neighborhood on horseback. The procession would generally be led by Cupid, Mercy, Loyalty and Chastity, attended by trumpeters, banner-bearers and a crowd of persons, young and old. Usually the procession would return to the town hall, where, in a rather sacrilegious fashion, the Valentines worshipped Love in a mass. Then each pair kissed and went their separate ways, for each was now to choose a new valentine. The names of all the gentlemen present, written on slips of parchment, were now drawn by the ladies from a casket. Thus each lady received a new mate for the coming year. Each gentleman was bound by laws, which were read aloud to the whole company, to be faithful to the lady who had chosen him for a twelve-month. He was to supply her with flowers, to make her staid presents, to act as her escort whenever she wished, to compose songs in her honor, to fight in her honor, to resent every insult offered her. If in any respect he failed he was to be driven from the society of the other Valentines. The code prescribed the manner of his excommunication, the final token of which was the burning of a bundle of straw on his door.

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