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The girl who enters upon employment with a stamp dealer without any known of the more common varieties, but when stamps are purchased by him in bulk, as is often the case, the first thing to be done is to sort them and to gather together all of those belonging to the Argentine Republic, Austria, the Azores, and the other Accountries. Those of B countries are placed by themselves, and so on through the rest of the alphabet, untification of such stamps as those of the country of issuance appears in English, she passes at last to familiarity with and comprehension of such stamps as those of Afghanistan, Alwur, Bulgaria, Cashmere, Corea, Russia, Turkey and others printed in strange characters. When once the certain knowledge of the stamp's point of origin has become fixed in the girls mind, there then arises the perplexing questions of roulettes and their variations, perforates or imperforates, water marks, grills, inverts, surcharges, errors, essays, trial or experimental stamps, measurements in millimetres, the perforates or imperforates, water marks, grills, inverts, surcharges, errors, essays, trial or experimental stamps, measurements in millimetres, the perforates or imperforates, water marks, grills, inverts, surcharges, errors, essays, trial or experimental stamps, measurements in millimetres, the perforation gauge and a host of other items that are dear to the hearts of collectors.

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Guiana stamps of the face value of one cent has a catalogue price of \$1,500.

Novetties in Dress.

The high corselet of satin, velvet or panne promises to be a popular dress accessory throughout the summer. Panne is the favorite material, and it is fastened with handsome buttons of paste or of art-nouveau.

Embroidered effects in silk, in combination with open-work patterns, are steadily gaining in favor. The material most used is satin or crepe, and the open work is filled in with tulle, either plain or figured, and bordered or surrounded with embroidered effect. All styles of embroidery are seen, with a slight preference for chenille.

It is no longer an open question as to who's got the button. Every smartly gowned woman can answer the puzzle. Satin buttons of small size, covered with a spidery net work, are used in great quantities. Some costumes require as many as six dozen to trim them, according to the mode. Paste, metal and enamel buttons are also used on many new costumes.

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Composer of the Boer National Anthem. The national anthem of the Boers was written by an old lady who is at present living a peaceful, obscure life in Holland. She is Miss Catherine Felecia Van Rees, and was born Holland, at Zutphen, in 1831. \$\frac{1}{2}\$ She is an excellent musician, and in heryonth she composed several operettas, which were performed by the Choral Society, Utrecht. At one of these performances she made the acquaintance of Mr. Burgers, a member of the society, who was at that time studying theology in the University of Utrecht. In 1875 Burgers, who in the meantime had been President of the South Krit. In 1875 Burgers, who in the meantime had been President of the South Krit. In 1875 Burgers, who in the meantime had been President of the South Krit. In 1875 Burgers, who in the meantime had been President of the South Krit. In 1875 Burgers, who in the meantime had been President of the South Krit. In 1875 Burgers, who in the meantime had been President of the South Krit. In 1875 Burgers, who in the meantime had been President of the South Krit. In 1875 Burgers, who in the meantime had been President of the South Krit. In 1875 Burgers, who in the meantime had been president of the South Krit. In 1875 Burgers, who in the meantime had been president of the South Krit. In 1875 Bur

women in industry.

Their Opportunity in the Postage Stamps
Business.

Women appear as particularly adapted to the identification and classification of postage stamps, necessary in the stamp dealer's business, and are to be found in the employ of leading dealers. They also sometimes do business as philatelists on their own account. Girls are largely preferred as clerks by dealers of experience, as they are said to be more trustworthy than boys, who will sometimes steal stamps when nothing else would tempt them. Possibly the collecting mania or instinct is stronger with boys than with girls. For most boys collect stamps as they have the munps or the measles, but the girl collector is more rare, although not by any means entirely unknown.

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stripes pale pink, blue and ambor.

Women as Surgeons.

That for women women surgeons are the best, and that nature has especially adapted them for the work by bestowing on them peculiar gifts and qualities, is the opinion of Sir Thomas Smith. "Their small hands, definess and dextrons use of the needle and thread," he says, "are no small advantages, now that surgery is becoming more constructive."



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