

## WOMAN'S WORLD.

A FAMOUS MODEL TELLS WHY SHE IS SO SUCCESSFUL.

**A Strong Southern View—Tribute to American Women—The Prophetic Cat—Science of Falling in Love—A Woman's Foresight.**

Clara Betz, the most famous artist's model in America, has been engaged by Bucher, the sculptor, to pose for his statue of "Eve," which, it is believed, will be the masterpiece of next year's Paris salon. Miss Betz will sail shortly for Europe.

She has posed for the best American artists and has the ideal Greek figure. All her measurements correspond with the standards of feminine physical perfection laid down by artists. She is the only model, it is said, of whom this is true. These are the measurements: Height, 5 feet 4 inches; weight, 135 pounds; bust, 36 inches; waist, 25 inches; hips, 37 inches; thigh, 25 inches; calf, 14 1/2 inches; ankle, 8 inches; hands, 6 1/2 inches; feet, 4 1/2 inches.

"The secret of my success as a model," Miss Betz said to The Journal,



MISS CLARA BETZ.

"consists in my changing from one pose to another without making an awkward movement."

"Any one after a little training who is put in a pose can keep it, but graceful art is shown in changing artistically from one pose to another."

"I have posed for sculptors and for painters, and they have never had to change my position. They explain to me in advance what they wish, and I take up the position."

"I posed for Neagle when he was painting his Magdalen. He said to me that the Saviour's feet were sore and bleeding and made Magdalen weep and be sorrowful, and he wanted me to be likewise."

"I experienced poignant anguish of soul and was in the depths of sorrow for a week. Thus a model helps the painter or the sculptor and gives him inspiration."

"An absolutely cold model, no matter how perfect the pose, is not the best. Whether one poses in the studio or on the stage, the face should express pose. If I pose as 'Vanity,' I think and feel that I am very pretty, and an expression of prettiness appears on my face. This is facial language."

"To pose well one must be strong. It takes strength to hold a pose for any length of time. I take great care of my health. For several months I have posed before a looking glass for three hours a day."

"I am very fond of outdoor exercise and have won prizes for long distance swimming."

"As a rule women do not walk well. Many of them jerk along."

"I am studying the pose of Bartholdi's statue of Liberty and the attitudes of the Venus de Milo. The chief difficulty is to ascertain the position of the arms. There are two theories: One that she was holding an apple in her hand, the other that she was looking into a shield. I shall give them both."

"My proportions are almost exactly those of the Venus de Milo, the only difference being that I am half an inch taller."—New York Journal.

### A Strong Southern View.

There are plenty of northern women who come south to live and who never have the least bit of trouble. This is because they have good manners and do not set themselves up as the censors of the southern women with whom they are thrown. Many of them have a different conception of the negro from the southern women. They may not agree politically with their southern sisters. They have their own ideas of housekeeping, of food preparing and of giving entertainments. No one begrudges them their views, no one would interfere with their methods, no one cares how they manage their households. They get along in the south because they do not try to crowd their own ideas and methods on southern women and put on superior airs and speak contemptuously of southern methods. These people are as much at home in the south as if they were born in the south.

Some of the northern women who come south can doubtless do some things better than some southern women, but the southern women have the advantage over them in other respects. We do not admit that the general advantage is on the side of the north. The idea that southern women sit around the house reading paper back novels when they ought to be attending to their housekeeping is entirely fallacious. The best women in the south busy themselves with the details of housekeeping. They do not cook when

they can avoid it, but they know how to cook. The southerner does not want his wife to go into the kitchen. It breaks down her health and makes her a drudge. She is the home maker, not the servant of the household.

The northern woman who is offensive to the south is the one who comes here to "improve" our social usages and meddle with our manner of living, point out the evil of our ways and bestow upon us the light of civilization and refinement. This sort of person usually begins by calling socially upon the "colored ladies," admitting these "ladies" to social equality and then lecturing the southern white women for not doing the same thing. Northern women who come south to establish social equality between the races can be assured in advance of social out-lawry in the south.—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

### A Tribute to American Women.

"Why is it?" said an American lady in London the other day, "that most of you English people will persist in taking the noisy young woman of 18 or 20, who stays alone at a hotel and is her own protector and chaperon, as the typical American girl?" Probably the easiest reply would have been to say that the real Americans are so quiet and ladylike that they attract no attention and that the pushful hotel young lady was taken as the real representative of her countrywomen. It would not have been, however, a fitting answer. There is no such thing as commonplace American women. Their cleverness, wit and bright womanly qualities make them conspicuous. They aim at being real, helpful companions to their husbands and brothers. Perhaps that is why they have the best time of any women on earth. They have earned the position they enjoy in the estimation of their men folk, which made Max O'Reil declare that if he had any future reincarnation to undergo he would beg the Great Ruler of the universe to make him an American woman, says the London Telegraph.

However, passing from that, there is really no excuse why the old traditions should linger so obstinately in this country. There are now hundreds of American women permanently resident in our metropolises, and they are supplemented by thousands of their sisters, whose brilliant intellectuality every summer adds something to the charm and brightness of existence on this side of the western ocean.

The self-protected American girl exists, but she is not a type. As a real American lady said, "Most of us are neither freaks nor frumps; we're just normal." But that normality is, compared with most of our own womankind, abnormal, and it is our insular tendency to accept as the type of our neighbors that which differs most widely from ourselves.

After all, there is little difference between our national characteristics. What the difference is was very wittily expressed by the lady quoted above. She declared that both peoples were all alike, "Americans," she said, "are self-conscious"—at which some of her hearers seemed to smile, but she went on—"and self-confident. The English are self-conscious and shy. There's the whole thing in a nutshell."

### The Prophetic Cat.

In a neat little villa at Gentilly, near Paris, there has lived for several years a widow named Mme. Richard, whose sole companion is a splendid Angora cat. Alone the two lived in the comfortable home, and very rarely did either go far away from home. A short time ago, however, the lady felt very lonesome, and so she decided to invite a few of her neighbors to dinner. They came, and after dinner the cat entered the room and on account of its beauty at once attracted general attention.

The guests petted it fondly, and finally one of them, an elderly spinster, took it up in her arms and asked it a curious question.

"Tell me, pussy," she said, "which of us who are now in the room will die first?"

Straightway the cat leaped from her arms and, with tail erect and loud purrs, went straight to an old lady who sat at the other end of the room. Not being superstitious, the entire company burst out laughing, and the hostess was warmly congratulated on possessing such a wonderful cat.

A few days later, however, the old lady who had been selected by the cat as death's next victim actually died, and then the storm arose. Some persons insisted that Mme. Richard was a sorceress and that her cat was an evil spirit, while others maintained that the cat alone was to blame and ought to be promptly killed. The clamor at last became so loud that six of the ladies who had been Mme. Richard's guests on the eventful evening decided to take definite action, and so they laid a formal complaint before the police authorities in which they urged that the offending cat, whose eyes they described as "supernatural and diabolical," should be killed without delay.

What action, if any, the police have taken is not yet known.

**Science of Falling in Love.**

No two persons, it is generally admitted, will fall in love with each other unless they sympathize with each other to a considerable extent, and now a distinguished German scientist professes to have discovered the causes of this sympathy. This scientist is Dr. W. R. Schelller, and he is the head of an institute of electro-therapeutics at Berlin. He has recently published a definition and a description of that sympathy which is the precursor of love in language which is highly scientific if not very clear.

Here are his words: "The oscillations in the interior of a person's body, as may be seen in the case of vibratory attraction, are in harmony—that is to say, they are at the first movement in complete accordance with the oscillations in the interior of some other person's body. It is of course necessary

that the reactionary sentiment in the case of the two subjects should be of an agreeable nature, since the two vibrations facilitate the movement of all the atoms which in this way accumulate and emit their rays without disturbing the diffusion. This it is which causes the sentiment known as sympathy and which subsequently causes love."

Certain irreverent foreign journalists commenting on this learned definition of sympathy admit that it may be quite true, but complain that it can only be understood by those who have received a scientific education and who thoroughly comprehend the full meaning of the numerous scientific terms which have been coined during the past quarter of a century.

### A Woman's Foresight.

A Philadelphia woman who was for many years a stenographer and typewriter began to turn about in her mind some years ago for an occupation for herself when she should have reached an age to be superseded by a younger woman. First of all she proceeded to set aside a certain amount of salary. Then she looked over the field of feminine occupations and decided to raise small fruits. Upon arriving at this decision she set to work to obtain all available information and one winter spent all her spare time outside her office work in taking a university correspondence course in agriculture, says the New York Tribune. She kept her eyes open for real estate bargains and as soon as she had saved sufficient money bought a few acres of land about 20 miles from her native city. Before leaving her position she had a one-story house built and spent every Saturday in painting and preparing it for her residence. She had fruit trees and bushes set out, and as soon as they began to bear she gave up her position and plunged heart and soul into the new venture. She is now out of debt and is building a larger house. Her farm is near a large hotel and a fashionable suburb, and these provide good markets for her fruit.

She declares that there is no comparison between her free, independent, outdoor life and her former confined position, where she was a prisoner from 8 to 6 o'clock every day.

### The Wife of the New Japanese Minister.

Mme. Takahira, the wife of the new Japanese minister, is one of the most charming ladies of the diplomatic circle and is deservedly popular in the society of the capital. Her style of beauty more nearly approaches the western ideal than that of any of her countrywomen who have delighted Washington society in the past, and in her adoption of American dress she displays exquisite taste. Her husband having been previously stationed at the gayest capitals of Europe, Mme. Takahira has become a thorough cosmopolitan, adding the charm of being a brilliant conversationalist.—Joe Mitchell Chapple in National Magazine.

### Mourning.

Wearing of mourning has altered greatly during the last few years, the time for going about in garbs of woe having been greatly shortened, says Woman's Life. Some people wear black longer than others because they were more particularly attached to the lost relation or friend. But, putting sentiment aside, the established rules for mourning are as follows:

For a widow or widower, two years; for the loss of a parent, 15 months or so; for grandparents, nine months; after the death of a grown up brother or sister, one year; for a child, according to age, from three to nine months.

### Valuable Hair.

A beautiful plait of golden hair measuring 2 meters and 50 centimeters has been much admired at the Paris exposition.

He in turn sold it to a Parisian coiffeur for 1,000 francs, and now it is the property of a lady who desires the strictest incognito to be kept and who paid 3,000 francs for it.

Address Queen Victoria as "Ma'am."

If you happen to meet Queen Victoria, don't say to her "your majesty" or try to think of a longer phrase. Just say "ma'am." It is easier. Besides, it happens to be correct. Mr. Gladstone used to pronounce it "mum."

The formal title "your majesty" is used upon ceremonial occasions, and servants are expected to use it at all times.

When the Prince of Wales becomes king, he will be addressed as "sire." This might be shortened to "sir" without offense.

If you are looking for a wedding present, why not buy one of the latest novelties in tableware, a silver handled poultry scissors with which the wings of game or poultry can be cut off. This is a welcome addition to a carver's set and will prove a very acceptable gift for a housekeeper. This novelty is particularly useful in carving ducks.

Mrs. Jane E. Ketchum has been elected Justice of the peace of Burbank precinct, Millard county, Utah. She is said to be the only woman at present serving as a justice of the peace in the United States.

Quite the richest and newest cushion covers to be worked are the oriental designs to be executed in cross stitch, a work which will be appreciated by the old fashioned embroiderer.

If the American public school is great, Horace Mann is its prophet. This distinguished educator was born in 1796 in Franklin, Mass., and died in 1859 at Yellow Springs, O.

## ROUND THE REGION.

Relatives of Alexander Buchanan were overjoyed when he reappeared at his home in Centralia after a mysterious absence of one year. He was collector for a Pottsville installment house and when he left home he said he was going to collect money near there. He had over \$300 on his person at the time. Buchanan says the reason he left so quietly was that he wanted to go to the Klondike and return with a fortune and surprise his relatives.

Persons who suffer from indigestion can not eat the food required to nourish the body and the products of the undigested foods they do eat poison the blood. It is important to cure indigestion as soon as possible, and the best method of doing this is to use the preparation known as Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. It digests what you eat and restores all the digestive organs to perfect health. Grover's City drug store.

No. 3 schoolhouse in Wilkesbarre township was destroyed by fire on Friday. There were no children in the building, and the teachers managed to escape although some of them lost their coats and hats. A new furnace recently put in burst and the fire spread rapidly. The loss is about \$5,000.

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### THE TROTTING RECORD.

Twenty-five pacers in the new 2:08 list this year.

Gambrel has four new ones for 1900, the latest being Noah B, 2:19 1/2.

Ollie Graves of Kentucky is said to have won 43 races in two years.

Docking of horses has been prohibited by royalty in England, it is said.

Doctor Ego, 2:29 1/4, is a new one for Egotist, and his dam is by Dr. Herr.

Frank Starr's stable won over \$14,000 at the summer meeting at Moscow, Russia.

The weanling colt by Arlon, out of Nancy Hanks, has been named Lord Roberts.

Zalock, 2:10 1/2, pacing, by McKinney, was separately timed in 2:07 1/2 in a heat won by Hetty G.

The pacer Stackler Taylor, 2:09 1/4, took a 3-year-old record under the name of Prince Wilkes in 1896.

Charley Hayt, 2:07 1/4, pacing, is reported to have a yearling sister already taller than her brother, being over 15 hands high.

Flying Jib, 2:04, pacing, is ending his days at Rancho del Valle, near Pleasanton, Cal., but he may have many days to end, as he is but 15 years old.

Nina Wood, by Wood's Hambletonian, dam by Magnolia, is dam of two new ones this year in Hattie Mack, 2:29 1/4, by Wood's Hambletonian, and George Gunnert, 2:16 1/2, by El Mahdi.

It is said that Miss Posey, 2:29 1/4, by Baron Posey, dam Black Bess, by Mohawk Jackson, was bred, broke, trained, shod and driven to her record by her owner, D. M. Bell of Leonardsville, O.

John Hannan of Pittsburg has bought from J. D. Creighton of Omaha the 2-year-old pacer Emma C, by Ashland Wilkes. She is said to be very fast, and the price was a long one.—Turf, Field and Farm.

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