

The New Woman.



certain, however, that reputable manufacturers do not adopt this questionable policy.

Woman Suffrage a Success.
Chief Justice Grosbeck of the Supreme Court of Wyoming, in speaking of the effect of woman suffrage in that State, says: "It has been weighed and not found wanting. It has tended to secure good nominations for public offices. The women, as a class, were not knowingly voted for incompetent, immoral or inefficient candidates. It has tended to make women self-reliant and independent, and to turn their attention to the study of the science of government, an education that is needed by the mothers of the race. It has made our elections quiet and orderly. No rudeness, hawking or disorder would be tolerated at the polling booth. There is no more difficulty or indecision in depositing the ballot in the urn than in dropping a letter in the postoffice. It has not marred domestic harmony. Husband and wife frequently vote opposing tickets without disturbing the peace of home. Divorcees are not as frequent here as in other communities, even taking into consideration our small population. It has not resulted in unsexing women. They have not been office seekers."

"Women are generally selected as officers, superintendents of schools, country for which they are particularly adapted, but they have not been applicants for positions. Equal suffrage brings together at the ballot-box the enlightened common sense of American womanhood. Both these elements govern a well-regulated household, and both should control the political destinies of the entire human family. Particularly do we need in this new Commonwealth the home influence at the primaries and at the polls. We believe with Emerson that if all the virtues are represented in our politics some of the virtues should be."

Capote for a Matron.



To Make a Chair Cushion.

Not a new way, but a very good and simple way to make a chair cushion, is as follows: When it is desired to give the cushion height square corners may be secured by turning in the corners, after the cushion is filled, and sewing together the two vertical edges thus formed; the amount turned in decides the height or thickness of the cushion. This is much simpler than the sewing of a strip between the top and bottom of the cushion. In covering the same plan may be pursued, except that the material for the top should be cut large enough to cover the sides and front, turning over the lower edge where it may be faced with anything convenient. If preferred the cushion proper may be made in the way described, and the cover made with a strip of the same or a contrasting material sewed between top and bottom to form the sides.—Womankind.

Relied on His Wife's Judgment.

A man who has returned within a short time from Samoa, and who saw much of the Stevenson family while there, adds another to the many comments upon the devotion of the novelist to his wife and his complete reliance on her judgment. He never undertook any trip or excursion, however unimportant, without deferring to her opinion, and if she held the slightest dissenting notion he promptly relinquished the idea, as he said she was his best doctor. Mrs. Stevenson was very careful in looking after his health and zealously guarded him from overfatigue.

Out for a Morning Walk.



The Life of a Shoe.

According to an intelligent and observant member of the trade, the average purchaser of footwear counts the life of a shoe by the number of times it requires resoling and healing. If a shoe is resoled and healed twice, the wearer thinks it is a better shoe than the one which, though giving longer wear, will hardly bear resoling and healing more than once. The same retailer claims that some manufacturers take advantage of this knowledge and put inferior leather in the soles and heels, and thus attain the apparently impossible feat of increasing the reputation of their goods, by using inferior material. It is

THE FIELD OF LABOR

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THOSE WHO TOIL.

Statistics Presented to the New York Legislature New Headquarters of the Federation—Labor's Wage Percentage Growing Smaller—Notes.



Organized Labor.
THE REPORT of the Commissioner Dowling of the New York Bureau of Labor Statistics, presented to the Legislature last week, treats chiefly of trade and labor organizations, and whether or not labor has been benefited by such organizations. Many facts and figures furnished by labor organizations are given in answer to questions put to them by the Commissioner. The report shows that the labor organizations of the State have materially increased their membership since the date of their formation. This growth has been particularly noticeable since 1888. In that year 580 organizations informed the bureau that they had 118,328 members. The returns received in 1894 from 680 unions show that the present membership is 155,363. Four hundred and one labor organizations say that they have increased wages, 61 report that wages are less now than they were previous to the formation of the organizations, and the figures presented by 174 unions indicate that there has not been any change in the schedule of pay.

As to working time, 463 organizations report that the hours of labor have been increased, six state that they have been reduced, and the returns from 246 show that there has not been any change. Twenty-one organizations do not report the working time that prevailed previous to organization, and 17 failed to respond to the query. The largest amount expended by a single organization in out-of-pocket benefits is recorded by New York Typographical Union, No. 9, which paid \$30,858.52 for this purpose; the next highest being \$9,455.99, disbursed by New York Cigar-makers' Union, No. 90.

In reply to the question, "Has your organization rendered any financial aid to its members during the past year?" 540 organizations say "yes," 137 report "no," and 16 do not answer. Four hundred and seventy-three organizations, with 122,530 members, state that they expended in benefits the sum of \$511,717.59. Of this amount \$106,801.69 was for out-of-work benefits, \$90,167.98 for sick benefits, \$93,437.92 for death benefits, \$88,150.94 for strike benefits, \$10,674.74 was deducted to other labor organizations and \$151,548.22 was expended in benefits that are not classified by the organizations. Presumably, a greater portion of this last named sum was paid to members who were unable to procure employment.

The question, "Has a reduction of wages been prevented by the fact of the existence of your organization?" was answered by 671 labor organizations. Of these 543 report that they prevented wage reductions, 36 say that they were unable to prevent decreases in the rates of pay, and 33 say that there has been no demand for a reduction. At present eight hours is a day's work for 32 per cent of trade, with a total membership of 50,829. Nearly one-third of the 155,363 members of labor organizations now enjoy the eight-hour day, and the call for further legislation extending the benefits of shorter hours comes from workers in nearly every trade and calling.

A New Platform.

A number of the delegates of the Supreme Council of the National Alliance in session at Raleigh, N. C., favored a reaffirmation of the Ocean platform, but a larger number endorsed the committee's report. Some changes were made. The transportation plank demanding the government ownership and control of the railroads is modified so as to demand that the government shall own and operate just enough of the competing lines of the country effectually to give the government full control of the regulation of passenger fares and freight rates. The demand for election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people is changed so as to demand that each State shall be divided into two districts of nearly equal voting population, and that a Senator shall be elected from each by a direct vote of the people of the district. The resolution on finance declares that "while standing firmly by all of our alliance demands, we recognize that no other reform is possible until the destructive policy of contracting our money volume is overturned and the banks of the country be forced to retire from government business. Having at last forced the financial question to the front we will fearlessly meet the issue and serve notice on the country we will never rest until the people shall rule instead of the dollar, and a pronounced American financial system is established." The proposed financial system is established. The proposed funding of the Pacific Railroad debt to the government was condemned. The officers for next year are: President, J. F. Willetts, Kansas; Vice President, H. C. Snowely, Pennsylvania; Secretary Treasurer, D. P. Duncan, South Carolina; National Executive Committee, Mann Page, Virginia; H. L. Loucks, South Dakota; I. E. Dean, New York; H. C. Dembling, Pennsylvania; Marion Butler, North Carolina.

Greed Has No Mercy.

It is not at all probable that the common people will receive any more mercy at the hands of the corporations

that they did at the hands of the depots of old. Greed has no mercy. The liberties of the people are perishing by their own ignorance. Labor-saving machines will do the work of the future with fourth of the people—the balance, what will become of them? Public ownership is the only theory that even promises relief.

Now at Indianapolis.

The headquarters of the American Federation of Labor has been removed to Indianapolis, Ind., and is on the same floor with, and in adjoining rooms to, the headquarters of the International Typographical Union in the De Soto Block. All the furniture, books, papers, and other appurtenances of headquarters machinery have arrived and the offices are fully open for executive and other official business. The outgoing secretary, Chris Evans, accompanied Mr. McGrath and will remain for an indefinite period to assist the new secretary in conducting the machinery of this great organization. Nothing has occurred to mar the progress of the federation, and things ahead present an aspect the most cheering and encouraging. The new officers are men of experience and ability and will strive with zeal and fidelity to carry off laurels of green in their new field of labor.

Industrial Notes.

It is proposed to build a \$5,000,000 sugar refinery at Camden, N. J., with a capacity of 4,000 barrels a day.

Gardner & Sons, axle manufacturers of Carlisle, Pa., have received their third large order from Birmingham, England.

The Southern Railway Company has awarded a contract to the Ohio Falls Car Company to build 350 ventilated box cars.

The receipts of grain at New York by canal during the season last year were 26,698,000 bushels, and by rail 1,723,275 bushels.

Trades-unionism is not dying worth a cent. Resuscitation is apparent in every direction. The revival is coming slowly but surely.

The Boston unions, as a rule, are beginning to boom, and the trade union movement was never so well rooted in that city as to-day.

The Delaware Iron Works at New Castle, Md., has received an order for 500 tons of iron trrolley poles for Dublin, Ireland and Belfast, England.

Oil men in Philadelphia have decided to organize a stock company, with a capital of \$1,000,000 to carry on an independent oil company.

Time is being saved about the Brooklyn Bridge, says each car carries 144 passengers per day, or 1,440 before the strike.

Trades Unions' Union, No. 325, Knights of Labor, met in New York, and decided to demand a return to the wages which were reduced last October. They will also ask that ten hours constitute a day's work. At present they work twelve to fourteen hours.

Non-union motorists are growing tired of the discomforts of their position in Brooklyn. A force of twenty-nine left the East New York bus Saturday night, declining any further risks of being assaulted. These men claim they were not treated well by the company, and as the officials promised that they should be.

Thoughts for Toilers.

United labor to the rescue. Shall our children be slaves? Organize against the usurers' union. Labor unions are the salvation of the people.

The Debs prosecution ends in persecution. A man without a home is a man without a country.

How much did you get out of the last issue of bonds? Sold out of a home—the greatest legal crime ever perpetrated.

Now the church conferences are beginning to discuss the labor question. Laborers and farmers have the votes to govern the country. Will they govern it?

Underpaid labor and overpaid amusement is one of the symptoms of our national disease.

The poor man will not always be willing to fight the rich men's war, or vote the rich men's tickets.

There is no tariff on diamonds. This is to help the laboring people who desire to deck themselves in diamonds.

During these hard times wouldn't it be a good idea to reduce the wages of Congressmen, so that they could feel the effects of the depression they have created?

The soldiers arrested 300 strikers for holding a meeting in a public hall in Brooklyn! That's just what the Czar does. But we have liberty in this country, we have.

Boys, strike against your employer, get put on the blacklist and starve—but for heaven's sake don't vote against your employer's parties. You might get relief.

Men strike when they are mad at their bosses and big with their own power of members. They vote when they are mad at their own class who vote the other ticket. How would it do, boys, to reason a little?

The Denver road says that if Eugene V. Debs will stump the State of Indiana in the striped convict suit imposed upon him by "Judge" Woods, the powers of the eternally d—d could not defeat him for any place in the gift of the people.

The Florida railroads are cutting the boys' wages. Good enough. If the boys won't rally around the ballot boxes, vote for men who want the public to operate the railroads and see that their vote is counted, they ought to have to submit to every cut the railroad millionaires impose upon them.

March April May

Are the Best Months in Which to

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And the Best Blood Purifier is

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Which Purifies, Vitalizes and Enriches the Blood.

At this season everyone should take a good spring medicine. Your blood must be purified or you will be neglecting your health. There is a cry from Nature for help, and unless there is prompt and satisfactory response you will be liable to serious illness.

This demand can only be met by the purifying, enriching and blood-vitalizing elements to be found in Hood's Sarsaparilla.

"My mother-in-law, Mrs. Elizabeth Wille, at the age of 72 years, was attacked with a violent form of salt rheum; it spread all over her body, and her hands and limbs were dreadfully swollen. At the same time, my little daughter Clara, who was but one year old, was attacked by a similar disease, like scrofula. It appeared in large sores under each side of her neck; had the attendance of the family physician and other doctors for a long time, but seemed to grow worse. I read of many people cured of scrofula by Hood's Sarsaparilla. As soon as we gave Hood's Sarsaparilla to Clara, she began to get better, and before the first bottle was gone, the sores entirely healed up and there has never been any sign of the disease since. She is a

Healthy Robust Child.

Her grandmother took Hood's Sarsaparilla at the same time, and the salt rheum decreased in its violence and a perfect cure was soon effected. It took about three months for her cure and she ascribes her good health and strength at her advanced age to Hood's Sarsaparilla. It has certainly been a Godsend to my family." Mrs. SOPHIA WOLFE, Zaleski, Ohio.

Hood's and Hood's

The Housekeeper.
Milk which has changed may be rendered fit for use by stirring in a little soda.

Fresh meat beginning to sour will sweeten if placed out of doors in the air over night.

Fish may be scaled more easily by first dipping them into boiling water for a minute.

To color white pasteboard the color of leather soak in solution of copperas and then in ammonia.

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful; it acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer no cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful; it acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer no cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful; it acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer no cure on the market.

Kansas City is to have an electric lighted track for night racing.

1,000 Bu. Potatoes Per Acre.
Wonderful yields in potatoes, oats, corn, farm and vegetable seeds. Cut this out and send 5c postage to the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., for their great seed book and sample of Giant Spurry.

F. L. Ames has been elected captain of the Harvard freshman crew.

He's All Right Now.
November 21, 1891, A. W. Auld, of Calverton, Ind., wrote the Sterling Remedy Co., of Chicago, extending his thanks to them for the cure effected in his case by No-to-bac. He said he formerly used five cents worth of chewing tobacco a day and averaged five cigars, cigars habit. After taking nearly two boxes of No-to-bac the desire for tobacco was completely eradicated, and he now feels like a new man.

George J. Gould has been elected commodore of the Atlantic Yacht club.

Mrs. Winslow's Suffering Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c bottle.

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Henry Clay knew personally and remembered the names of thousands of his constituents. It was his strong point during a canvass.

Charlemagne could hold his tongue in eight different languages. He made a specialty of studying every language in his empire.

Miss Fannie Davenport, the actress, has had made a challenge cup which is to be presented to the Duxbury Yacht club of Massachusetts at the opening of the yachting season.

Ely's Cream Balm cleanses the nasal passages, allays pain and inflammation. Restores the senses of taste and smell. Heals the sores.

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