

**THIS DAINTY DAMSEL
IS A WHISKY DRUMMER**

John Bull has been at some pains to gather figures about queer employments for women in his domain, and the results are surprising. It appears that in England and Wales alone, there are nearly 44,000 women bootmakers, 3,239 ropemakers, 4,730 saddle makers, 3,140 who make a living by gardening, 3,850 butchers, 27,707 who keep body and soul together by tending bar, nearly 3,000 bicycle makers, and—the highest figure of all—117,640 tailors. It appears that there are female balliffs, boatmen, boiler-makers, bricklayers, iron founders, plumbers, plasterers, slaughterers and veterinary surgeons. One woman in the kingdom is set down as a dock laborer, and another is a



road laborer, while 279 are undertakers and 12 are shepherds.

One bright little Irish girl, who managed to escape the census altogether, has lately branched out for herself as a commercial traveler in whisky, and supposed to be the only woman "whisky-drummer" in England, if not in the world. She is Miss Victoria Short, daughter of a Tipperary property owner, whose reduced circumstances on account of land agitation made it necessary for the girl to earn her own living.

When given the offer she hesitated, but finally accepted, and she has now become an object of much criticism and curiosity. She has succeeded so well that she is making a great success of it. Oddly enough, Miss Short's employer is a man named Tall.

THE ETERNAL QUESTION.

How One Community Solved the Servant Girl Problem.

From San Miguel, a mining camp in the copper country of Southern Arizona, come the glad tidings that the great problem of the centuries has at last been solved—and by women, of course. The recent celebration of its fourth anniversary by the San Miguel Co-operative Cooking Club calls attention to the manner in which the servant question has been solved of its terrors through the successful inauguration of a "community of interest" plan. This club consists of 45 families, accustomed to refinements and pleasant surroundings. Some four years ago the women of the camp, after unsuccessful individual attempts to procure and retain proper domestic service, put their heads together and organized the club, leased a suitable house in the central part of the town, engaged a matron, and hired a number of capable Chinese servants. Each family has its own table, and the unmarried ones have a table to themselves. The purchase of the supplies is entrusted to an executive committee of three. Experience shows that the families have saved on an average 50 per cent in living expenses since the formation of the club, the service is better, and the food is of a higher quality than could have been afforded under the old system.

It is apparent at a glance that the conditions which made the San Miguel Cooking Club a success are not common to all parts of the United States. Chinese servants, for instance, are not generally procurable, and there is a feeling of comradeship, engendered by the sharing of hardships, in the best thickly settled communities, that is not so apparent in those sections of the country, which have been longer inhabited. But the relief experienced by the housekeepers of San Miguel from the haunting fear that Bridge may "give notice" any day, or exact a few additional "privileges" from the long-suffering employer, must be delightful, and the success of the San Miguel experiment will at least serve as a valuable object lesson in the solving of this most vexatious problem.—Housekeeper.

Pauper Lunatics in Britain.

Steadily for the last ten years the number of certified pauper lunatics in the British Isles has been rising. Singularly, suicide is increasing all over the country. Turn to the physical form and the tale is the same. Army recruits show worse teeth to the examining medical officers every year. It has been found necessary to lower the standard of height, weight and chest measurement to a degree which is quite indefinite. With all modern antilepticism there is still a definite tendency to increased insanity and to physical degeneration in Great Britain at the present day.

Reptile Diet Prohibited.

The eating of snakes, lizards, scorpions, centipedes, tarantulas and other reptiles is prohibited by statute in Kansas.

TO PUNISH REBELS

COLOMBIA IS PLANNING TO MAKE WAR ON THE SECEDERS.

TROOPS ARE ON THE WAY

BIG ARMY MARCHING TOWARD PANAMA.

MANY VOLUNTEERS TAKEN

All Classes Reported to Have Offered Their Services for the Defense of National Territory.

GUAYAKUIL, Ecuador, Nov. 14.—General Plaza, president of Ecuador, has cabled to President Marroquin of Colombia sympathizing with him in the recent events on the isthmus of Panama. President Marroquin has replied thanking General Plaza and adding that Generals Reyes, Caballeros, Ospina and Holguin are marching on to Panama with a large army to subdue the Isthmians.

LIMA, Peru, Nov. 14.—The Colombian minister of Peru has published here cablegrams received from his government dated at Bogota, Nov. 10, 11 and 12, respectively. The cablegrams say that the Colombian government has taken measures to suppress "the isthmian traitors" and add that all parties and all classes have offered the government their lives and properties in defense of the national territory.

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—It is reported here, says a Herald dispatch from Panama, that President Marroquin is trying to leave Bogota, Colombia. There is great excitement and the American legation which is surrounded is protected by Colombian troops.

New Men Join Strikers.

CHICAGO, Nov. 14.—Twenty-five cars run on the Wentworth avenue line, without damage to the cars or injury to the non-union employes operating them, was what the Chicago City Railway company was able to accomplish yesterday with the assistance of the police department. The last trip was started at 3:40 p. m.

While there was no active interference with the handling of the cars such as attended the attempts to run cars, before the crowds lined the streets jeered and hooted the police and the non-union men almost without intermission. But two stones were hurled at the cars during the day and neither did damage worth mentioning. At nightfall the officials of the street car company were inclined to view the day's work as being successful and on the whole satisfactory.

They announced that cars would be run tomorrow on the Wentworth avenue line at the same hours as today and that attempts would be made to operate other lines, which were, however, not specified.

When the news of the strike came to Manager McCulloch he was indignant. "An agreement with a Chicago union" he declared, "is worth nothing. Our fireman's contract, calling for one year's work is just two days old and is broken. We will go right along, however."

Shortly after this decision was announced the situation was complicated for the company by the sudden strike of the firemen employed in six power houses owned by the company. The firemen's union made an agreement two days ago with the company which was to last for a year. There was a clause in the contract which gave the firemen the discretion to go on a sympathetic strike if the company decided to arbitrate with the employes now on strike. The company explained its attitude on arbitration, and said that it had always been willing to arbitrate the question of wages. The firemen then signed the contract which was repudiated this evening. The officials of the firemen's union declared that they had ordered the strike because the company had declined their offer to mediate between the company and the employes now on strike.

Foot Caught in Halter.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Nov. 14.—R. F. Banker, a pioneer farmer of this county while watering his horse yesterday afternoon, caught his foot in the halter and was dragged nearly half a mile. He was badly mangled and cannot recover. He is seventy-four years old and one of the wealthiest men in the county. He has a large family of grown children.

Girl Burned to Death.

TOBIAS, Neb., Nov. 14.—The little six year old daughter of Ole Eide, living seven miles southwest of town while playing with some matches set fire to her dress and was burned so bad she died at 2 o'clock this morning.

Wyoming Has Heavy Snow.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Nov. 14.—Snow has been falling heavy here and to the west and north of the city. Train service is not greatly impaired, but the high winds for a several days past have done some damage to wires.

THE NEW FLAG HOISTED

OFFICIAL RECOGNITION GRATEFULLY RECEIVED.

PANAMA, Nov. 18.—At 8:30 yesterday morning the United States flag by Marblehead hoisted the flag of the republic of Panama and saluted it with twenty-one guns. The Tres Noviembre, a gun boat of Panama, displaying the American flag answered the salute. The shore batteries also fired a salute of twenty-one guns, which the Marblehead answered.

At 10 a. m. Rear Admiral Glass, Consul Gudgeon and Commander Phelps, accompanied by Lieutenant Philip Andrews and S. W. Trellinwider, officially called in the junta. A military band played "The Star-spangled Banner" on the American's arrival at the palace and on their departure from that building. They were received by the members of the junta, the cabinet ministers and Generals Hurras, Jeffries, Diaz and Varon and their staffs. Admiral Glass said he was glad to officially call upon the government of the republic of Panama. It had been a great pleasure for him to salute this morning the flag of the new republic, for whose prosperity and greatness he made the best wishes.

Senior Arago, a member of the junta answered saying that in the name of the junta and of the people of Panama he expressed sincere pleasure at the presence of the gallant fleet in Panama bay, representing the noble people and government of the United States, "to whom the isthmus is deeply grateful for the hand of fellowship so generously and promptly extended to them by its great president."

Mr. Gudgeon proposed a toast to a new Panama canal treaty, which was answered by General Varon, who tasted President Roosevelt and the United States army with great cordiality.

The people of Panama are happy over the official recognition of the flag and the event is being celebrated enthusiastically.

During the ceremonies today large crowds of people surrounded the palace of the government.

The flag of the republic of Panama which was saluted by the Marblehead this morning was made on board of that vessel.

Inquiry to Go on in Dietrich Case.

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 18.—Now that United States Senator Charles H. Dietrich has been indicted by the federal grand jury for alleged trafficking in postoffice appointments, politicians and ex-postmasters in towns and cities not before mentioned in connection with the investigation sent to District Attorney Summers information of sales into which they maintain they were urged by Senator Dietrich. The grand jury will investigate the charges that the office at Orleans, Arapahoe, Oxford and Alma were sold, but here the labors of the grand jurors will cease so far as they can concern Senator Dietrich. District Attorney W. S. Summers talked with Judge Munger on the advisability of investigating all charges and reached this decision.

Taking as authentic the information which was given to the district attorney as a basis for the investigation, the sum which Senator Dietrich realized from the disposal of appointments approximates \$10,000. It likely exceeds these figures.

The amount which the grand jury accepted as correct in the Hastings case was \$2,500 if the note given by Jacob Fisher the Hastings postmaster, to Senator Dietrich is proof. At Orleans, Alma, Oxford and Arapahoe, \$1,000 is the sum which Senator Dietrich's "mao Friday," it is alleged, charged for his endorsement. It is known that more than three other cases have been submitted to the district attorney where the purchase price was alleged to have been \$1,000.

Damaged By Fire.

NORFOLK, Neb., Nov. 18.—Fire about noon today threatened the destruction of a house on Branch avenue occupied by E. Lamb and J. A. Romine and owned by Darius Mathewson. Some damage resulted to furniture mainly from smoke and water. The damage to the house was covered by insurance and was about \$250.

Declare the Law is Legal.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Nov. 18.—The supreme court today held that the statute prohibiting the giving away of liquor in local option counties is constitutional and fined Boney Handler and Joel Smith for giving drinks to Charles Smith in the town of Phelps.

New Trial is Denied Them.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 18.—Thomas E. Barrett, former marshal of the court of appeals; John Dolan, chairman of the democratic city central committee, and Frank Garrett, former policeman, convicted in the United States district court of participation in naturalization frauds, were denied a new trial today by Judge Adams.

TREATY WILL BE OFFERED

ISTHMIANS MAY DEMAND AND SECURE CONCESSIONS.

COLON, Nov. 16.—The overdue German steamer Scotia arrived from the coast at sundown yesterday, flying the Colombian flag. Her agents signalled the Scotia to come alongside her wharf, but she is now anchored a mile and a half from the harbor. Cutters from the United States auxiliary cruiser Dixie are plying to and from the Scotia, which has no communication with the shore. There is great excitement, as it is stated that General Reyes and his staff are abroad the vessel. The United States converted cruiser Mayflower left her anchorage and steamed to meet the Scotia. The moment the Scotia anchored twenty marines from the Dixie landed here.

PANAMA, Nov. 16.—President Marroquin's statement as conveyed in a cablegram to General Plaza, president of Ecuador, that Generals Reyes, Caballeros, Ospina and Holguin are now marching on the isthmus to "suppress the isthmian traitors," has set the entire population of the isthmus laughing. Protected by the impenetrability of the land and the many leagues of coast line separating the isthmus from Colombia and confident that the United States intends to prevent the landing of Colombia soldiers from the sea, the isthmians feel that their security is absolute.

The loss of the Isthmian territory is, of course, a tragedy for Colombia. The government at Bogota is probably ignorant of the attitude taken by the government of the United States during the last two weeks. In a frenzy "to save its face," to appease an angry and disappointed populace and to satisfy the public demand for some appearance of activity and an attempt to save the honor and the territorial integrity of Colombia, the government is no doubt promising and threatening to send forces to the coast and to take other aggressive steps. The realization by the Colombian government of the impossibility of sending troops to the isthmus would not necessarily deter it from taking these steps, which, as already stated, are intended merely to satisfy the people.

Chicago Strike Quieting Down

CHICAGO, Nov. 16.—A victory temporary at least, was scored by the management of the Chicago City Railway against its striking employes. From early in the morning until dark cars were run. The company started in maintaining a regular service on its Wentworth avenue line which extends from Seventy-ninth street to the down town districts, a distance of eight miles. The first car manned by the newly hired non-union crew left the car barn, guarded by a dozen policemen, at 8 o'clock and was followed four minutes later by another train.

Twenty-five cars in all were put into service but the schedule was frequently interfered with by delays by obstructions being placed on the tracks, etc. The most serious trouble occurred during the morning when a number of arrests were made, but clashes between the police and the crowds that lined the streets were frequent during the afternoon and when darkness set in it was not considered safe to send more cars from the barn.

Brief Filed in Lillie Case.

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 16.—Mrs. Margaret Lillie is innocent of murder according to the brief filed by her two attorneys, Hamer & Hamer, in the supreme court. Judge Hamer is confident that it is an utter impossibility for the woman to have shot her sleeping husband. She was convicted in the district court of Butler county and sentenced to life imprisonment, the jury declining to recommend the death penalty. Mrs. Lillie secured a stay of execution and has been in the county jail since the day of the sentence. She has brought suit against three fraternal insurance companies or \$5,000 insurance on her husband's life.

In a suit from Nemaha county pending before the supreme court a man who was convicted of burglary asks for his liberty because he was convicted largely on the evidence of blood hounds who traced him to his home. He contends that such evidence is not admissible in court, bloodhounds not being competent witnesses. In the Lillie case the attorneys contend that Mrs. Lillie should be liberated on account of the testimony of bloodhounds who followed a trail from the Lillie house to a camp of movers. Two of the movers were arrested and afterwards liberated. Speaking of the bloodhounds the attorneys for Mrs. Lillie say: "Their action is an unanswerable fact. It stands up as a monument to this woman's innocence."

All the Indians Released.

Douglas, Wyo., Nov. 16.—The nine Sioux Indians who were arrested for participation in the fight in which Sheriff Miller and Deputy Falkenburg were killed, were given a preliminary hearing and were discharged. The testimony showed that Eagle Feather and Black Kettle, who were killed, fired the shots which killed the officers. One witness declared that Jesse Little War Bonnet shot at the white men, but none of the others could say that any of the prisoners took part in the fight.

Nebraska Notes

While land has been selling very high in Saunders county the past year, a record breaker was made one day last week when Chappel G. Haggard sold eighty acres without improvement to John Dolezal for \$8,000.

Anton Dey, Jr., of D town, of Seward, who was arrested some time ago for boot-legging was brought into court and plead guilty. Judge Sornborger assessed him a fine of \$10 and costs amounting in all to \$217, which he paid.

Charles Bloedorn, of Columbus, a Platte county boy by birth, is home for a few days. He is engaged in raising rice and owns a large plantation in Louisiana, 160 miles west of New Orleans. He speaks well of the north and says it offers many opportunities for safe investment. He will return after a short visit, going by way of Texas.

Revival meetings are in progress in the Presbyterian church at Edgar conducted by the pastor Rev. L. E. Humphrey assisted by the Rev. Dr. L. E. Leggett of Albany, N. Y., and Mrs. Eva Hill, evangelistic singer of North Loup. The meetings are very interesting and call out full houses, each evening. Dr. Leggett is a polished speaker and reaches, not only the ears but the hearts of his hearers.

Rev. T. J. House, president of Kingfisher college, preached Sunday morning in the Congregational church at Crete. His theme was the perpetuity of the United States. At 3 p. m. Evangelist Smith of Seymour, Ind., delivered an address in the Methodist church, mainly on the subject of temperance. This week special meetings are to be held by the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. of the college and also by the Congregational church.

The Chrysaethemum club of Geneva, gave a banquet at their rooms in the Masonic temple building Saturday evening, as a farewell to W. L. Weed, a member of the club. Mr. Weed took charge of the B. & M. railroad office at Geneva, when it was first opened and has continued in charge since, about eighteen years. He has been promoted to the company's office in Beatrice and will remove to that city.

The postoffice safe at Danneberg was dynamited at an early hour Monday morning, the burglars securing considerable cash and jewelry which had been left in the safe by citizens. Bloodhounds were sent for and several officers and the dogs are on the trail of the robbers.

County Clerk Tyson of Plattsburgh, has appointed J. L. Barton as his deputy during his second term, which begins in January. Mr. Barton has held the office of county treasurer two terms, and is well qualified for his new position.

S. S. Snell, one of Osceola's earliest settlers who was taken so ill several weeks ago, has sold his brick yard and ice business to Bert Carmine of David City, Mr. Carmine taking possession at once.

S. W. Christy, of Edgar, who went to Omaha three weeks ago expecting to undergo a surgical operation for some intestinal trouble, is reported as rapidly improving and will soon return to his home, an operation being thought unnecessary.

The funeral of Charles Taylor, of Edgar, the young man who was accidentally shot Friday evening, was held from the Christian church at 2 p. m. A large concourse followed the remains to the tomb.

The girls of York and Geneva high school played basket ball at Geneva Saturday morning. The York team won with a score of 10 to 8. A goal thrown by Geneva as time was called at the end of the first half was not counted. The game was played remarkably well throughout.

Oscar Webber and Miss Susie Garwood were married at Nebraska City. Congressman Norris has appointed Paul M. Fell of Harvard to the cadetship at West Point.

Claude Drew and Miss Lillie Woodring were married at Marysville, Kas., and will live at Beatrice.

The yield of corn in the vicinity of Gretna is proving to be good, thirty-five bushels to the acre being a safe average.

Harry B. Dickinson is dead at Plattsburgh at the home of Martin Hour. He was 56 years old.

In the recent state election forty-four new county superintendents were elected and forty-six re-elected. Twenty per cent were women.

Twenty-five delegates from independent telephone companies in eastern Nebraska met at Fremont to perfect plans for better service and agree on toll rates. Forty towns are reached by the companies.

At Fremont John J. Hill and William Scott, the two men arrested in Omaha on the charge of stealing a horse from John Herroo of Leavitt, and a saddle from H. S. Manville, were arraigned in the justice's court.

DIETRICH INDICTED

SENATOR CHARGED WITH BRIBERY AND CONSPIRACY.

MONEY PAID FOR OFFICE

OUTCOME OF HASTINGS POSTOFFICE SCANDAL

TESTIMONY IN THE CASE

Grand Jury Had Been Investigating the Hastings Postoffice for the Past Three Weeks.

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 17.—The federal grand jury yesterday evening returned true bills against United States Senator Charles H. Dietrich and Postmaster Jacob Fisher of Hastings, Neb., charging them with conspiracy and bribery in connection with the appointment of Fisher the position of postmaster. The indictments were brought into the United States district court at 6 o'clock, Judge Munger presiding, and were placed on file. The court merely accepted the report of the grand jury, making no remarks on its contents beyond making an order to the clerk for filing of the bills.

The indictment against Senator Dietrich charges that he accepted money and property in consideration of his recommending Fisher for an appointment as postmaster at Hastings. That against Postmaster Fisher charges him with making an agreement with Senator Dietrich by which the former was to pay in property and money 1,300 for securing Fisher the appointment.

Evidence was presented to the grand jury to show that Fisher had bought postoffice fixtures from the Army post at Hastings, of the value of \$500 and later turned the property over to Senator Dietrich, to whose building it was removed, and to whom was paid a rental by the government. In addition to turning over the property it is charged that Fisher paid to the senator eight hundred dollars in cash.

Last night it was stated that the grand jury has been investigating the Hastings postoffice case for nearly three weeks and that a number of witnesses were present from Hastings and other points in the state.

Senator Dietrich is at present in Washington, and there was no attorney or other person in the city to-night authorized to make a statement for him. All the witnesses in the case left this afternoon for their homes, among them Postmaster Fisher of Hastings, and no statement could be had from him.

Company Holding Its Own.

CHICAGO, Nov. 17.—Encouraged by successful operation of a regular service on the Wentworth avenue line yesterday, the management of the Chicago city railway announced last night that an effort would be made today to resume traffic on the Cottage Grove avenue cable line. The intention is to start ten trains only in the morning and unless too much opposition is met with the service will be gradually extended later in the day. Five hundred policemen will be added today to the number already detailed to guard the property of the company. This additional force will be assigned to the Cottage Grove avenue line, and the cars will run under the same protection as those on Wentworth avenue. Screens have been provided for the grip cars to shield the gripmen.

Although considerable interference marked the operation of the Wentworth avenue branch yesterday, still a five minute service was maintained throughout the day, and an attempt will be made today to install closer schedule.

Complete Survey of Park.

BUTTE, Mont., Nov. 17.—J. Scott Harrison, who has had charge of surveying the boundary line of the Yellowstone National park, is here. He says the gigantic task, the work of eight years has just been completed. Granite monuments, placed every half mile, warn the poacher to keep off. It is possible that a wire fence entirely surrounding the park will be put up. Mr. Harrison says the wilds are full of elk, deer, and bear, with some moose, and that if these animals are to be protected they must be kept from wandering off the reservation.

Safe Blowers at Seward.

SEWARD, Neb., Nov. 17.—The safe in the Northwestern freight depot was blown to pieces last night by burglars. The telegraph instruments, the agent's typewriter and the interior of the office was totally wrecked by the force of the explosion. The thieves did not get anything for their trouble, as no money is kept in the safe over night. This is the third safe destroyed for the company at this place in the same manner. There is no clew to the perpetrators.