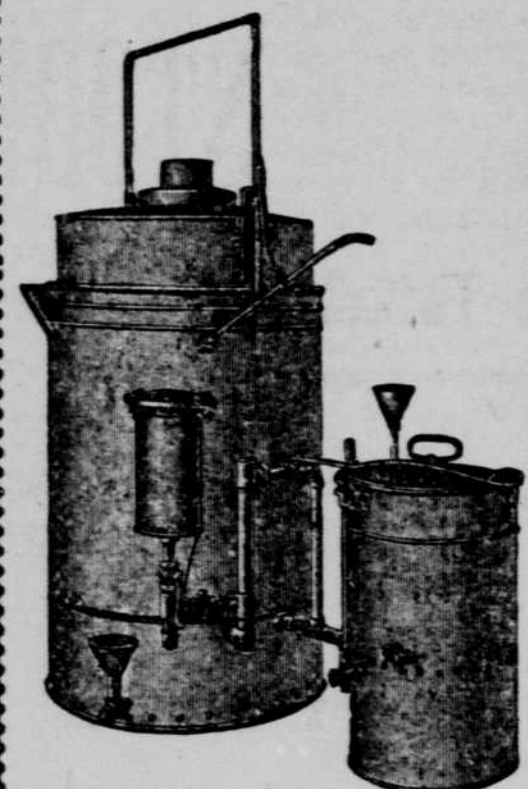


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Beauty a Matter of Personal Taste

Only General Agreement Is That the Power to Attract Is Unfailing Evidence of Its Possession.

"Beauty is a question for the blind to decide," remarked Aristotle when pressed for a definition. Later on he wrote a treatise on the subject, but the manuscript is not extant, and even if it were would we ever be made to agree on the subject of beauty? Men like Hegel, Schelling, Fichte, Emerson, Burke and Gautier wrote philosophical volumes and essays on this topic—none of them agreeing however.

All the poets, the artists and the musicians of the world have tried to tell what beauty is, and only on one single point has a general agreement been made evident—the essence of beauty is the power to attract. As to the secret of this power all the world disagrees.

The brilliant Gautier says: "A woman who is beautiful is brainy enough; that is, she has the quality of being beautiful. I prefer a pretty mouth to a fine mind. I would give fifty souls for a single well-formed ankle." Typically French, this!

The Mohammedans have a great ethical work called "El Kitab," which defines the essentials for feminine loveliness as follows: "Four things must be of black color—hair, eyes, eyelashes and eyebrows. Four things must be white—skin, teeth, hands and the iris. Four things must be red—lips, tongue, gums and cheeks. Four things must be round—head, neck, arm and ankle. Four things must be slender—fingers, arms, legs and the back."

The final tests, however, are four proofs of ignorance, which are betrayed by the eyes, nostrils, lips and fingers. So you see the French writer and the Mohammedan sage practically agree in raising the body of woman higher than her mind.

Edmund Burke was a very particular chap. Here is his punctilious recipe: "She must not be too tall, but gentle and docile. She must have many varied spiritual qualities. She must be extremely well built without producing an impression of strength or power. She must have a clear, wholesome complexion."—New York Herald.

Japan Is But Reclaiming Her Own

More Than a Century Ago Reconquered Territory Was in the Undisputed Possession of the Island Empire.

An Englishman in Tokyo, writing of the Japanese conquest of Sakhalin island, says: "What the Japanese mean by their present operations may easily be inferred from the nomenclature they are adopting. They have called Aniva bay by the name 'Higashi-Fushimi bay' to commemorate the destruction of the Novik by the Chitose and the Tsushima, in the former of which ships Prince Higashi-Fushimi was then serving. So, too, Patience point has been renamed 'Kataoka Mikaki' and Patience bay 'Shichiro Wan,' in consideration of the fact that Admiral Kataoka Shichiro commands the naval expedition. Again, the two promontories of Shiretoko and Noto-ro, on the east and west respectively of Aniva bay, are to be called henceforth 'Juzozaki' and 'Kondo-zaki,' after Kondo Juzo, chief librarian of the Tokugawa government at the close of the eighteenth century.

"In 1738 news of Russian appearance in northern waters having reached Yeddo, Kondo Juzo was sent to investigate. He visited Etorafu island in the Kuriles and there found that the Russians, true to the occidental customs of mediaeval days, had appropriated the unguarded territory in that region by the simple device of setting up pillars to announce its occupation. Kondo removed these witnesses of theft and on his return to Yeddo published a book dealing with the questions of Sakhalin (Karafuto) and the Kuriles (Chishima) and Kamchatka. The gist of his contention was that the only tribunal to which international disputes about boundaries could be appealed was the tribunal of arms and that if Japan hoped to rest secure within closed gates she must take steps to define those gates.

"Now after the lapse of more than 10 years Kondo's foresight is to receive national recognition. Thus Japan is significantly pointing to the pages of history, where in clear terms her titles to this northern island are inscribed. She virtually announces her intention of not only recovering but also keeping."

Amends Made by All the Defendants

Dove of Peace, Driven from Home by Turbulent Scene, Again Hovers Over the Charcoal Flats in Serene Content.

The white-winged dove of peace fitters and coos over Charcoal flats at d hovers trustingly in the ambient ether even where discord was wont to prevail. An armistice has been declared and the peace plenipotentiaries appeared before Recorder Fogarty yesterday morning, when the protocol was signed and the snowy-winged bird liberated. But the dove of peace has a wary eye skinned for trouble, for it is feared hostilities will break out anew, despite the friendly intervention of his honor, says the New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Maudy Gould, a dignified matron of Charcoal flats, some time ago caused the arrest of Bill Sims, Chink Sims and Sam Sims on the charge of insult and abuse, and this morning agreed to withdraw the charge because the aforesaid dove had put in its appearance.

"Are you willing to let these men off if they behave themselves?" asked Judge Fogarty.

"Ah is, judge," replied Mandy. "De Bible say ter ferbig yo' enemies in dezze gemmen doze made der pollerissen ter me en ax me ter 'scus'n um fer callen me er—"

"Never mind what they called you," interrupted his honor. "If they took it back and made proper amends, I'll let them go."

"Yaas, suh, judge, dey done make proper mens all right; dey men front fence wich dey broke down, en Bill, dab, he men mer washtub wich he hit me ov'r de haid wid en Chink me de kitch'n table wich he ain't bruk't all 'cause somebody else bruk it. Yaas, Lord, dey doze mek all de mens dey out, judge, en Sam he gwynter men mer parier sette next week—"

"That's all right, Mandy," interjected his honor, "I guess you'll have enough amends to last you a lifetime. But if I ever get any of you up here again I'll amend my decision and put you all to mending city property. Discharged."

Gory Scene in Recent Popular Novel

When Men Fought with Battle-Ax and Sword Before the Invention of "Villainous Saltpeper" Made Such Weapons Obsolete.

Here is a gory scene from Halliwell Sutcliffe's new novel, "Red of the Feud." The scene is in England, the time in the indefinite past and the weapon used for the killings is called a "foster-brother," a kind of pole-ax: "He turned, to find Red Ratcliffe out of saddle, standing to the top of his six feet four inches of height and holding the ax in his two brawny hands, while he swayed it gently to and fro. What followed passed with the speed of a tempest flung from the belly of a clear blue sky. Wayne of Ludworth cut his sword out somehow and leaped back; before his friends could get to him Red Ratcliffe had run forward, had parried his first wild sword thrust as one turns aside a bramble in one's path, had lifted foster-brother high and higher yet, swinging it like a flail above his head.

"And then the great ax fell and

War Photographer That Knew No Fear

James Ricalton Devoted to His Profession, Headless of Fame or Money—Ever Searching for "Real Thing."

A war photographer James Ricalton, who is described in Richard Barry's "Port Arthur" as an "obscure great man," has gone through life with his nose to his work, like a dog following a scent, heedless of fame or money. It was he whom Edison sent into the tropical jungles twenty years ago to search out a vegetable fiber for the electric lamp. He was the first man to walk through northern Russia, 1,500 miles from Archangel to St. Petersburg. In the Philippines he was the only man to photograph the troops actually firing on the foe. At the battle of Calocan a soldier near him was hit, and Ricalton seized the useless rifle and cartridge belt and went up with the skirmishers. At the siege of Tientsin he stood on the walls and photographed Americans as they were "dropped" by Chinese

Fall of Niagara River.

Niagara river, in its course from Lake Erie to Lake Ontario, falls a distance of 627 feet. A survey by the United States engineers, who measured the flow of the river below the falls, shows that it discharges 30,000 cubic feet of water a second from the one lake to the other. By a simple calculation it appears that in its descent of twenty-seven miles from lake to lake, Niagara river develops the equivalent of about 9,000,000 theoretical horsepower.

Gen. Jackson Vine.

The wild grape vine on the shores of Mobile bay, about one mile north of Daphne, Ala., is commonly known as the "Gen. Jackson vine," from the fact that Gen. Andrew Jackson twice pitched his tent under it during his campaign against the Seminole Indians. This vine, in June, 1897, was reported to have a circumference of six feet one inch at its base. Its age was estimated at that time to exceed 100 years.—Scientific American.

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His Threat.

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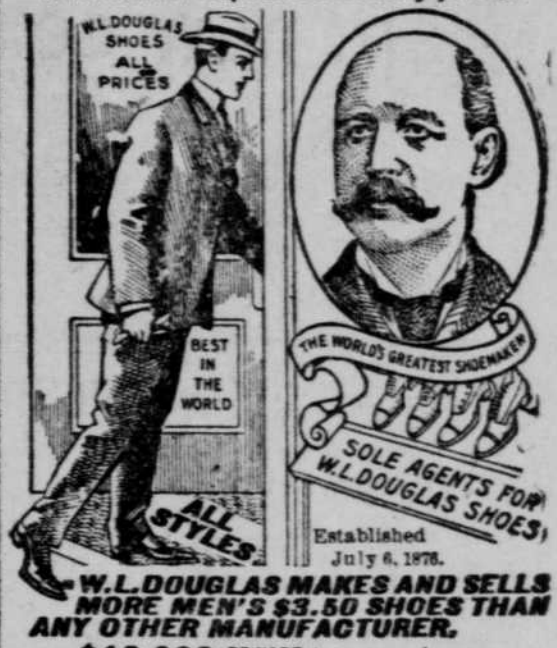
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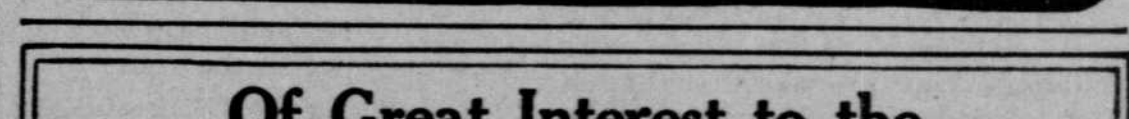
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