NE of the most satisfactory women's occupations in business is one of the oldest of them allthat of the telegraph operator," said the manager of the telegraph office, quoted by the Washington Star. Years ago, long before women became a scrious factor in the business life of great cities, and when women telegraph operators first entered the new field, it was predicted that they would score a failure in the new profession. The work would prove too nerve-wrecking, it was said. No woman could stand the strain at the keys day in and day out, it was thought. The long hours in front of the monotonously clicking little instrument, requiring every sense to be alert, would test the strength of a man, not to mention his more frail companion, it was decided. And for more than a decade women have been busy knocking holes in these arguments, for the woman telegraph operator of today is as numerous as she ever was, and if anything more

"Taking everything into consideration, telegraph operating is one of the surest and safest professions for women.

'The work is a bit hard on the nerves at first. Like everything a beginner does, ft is trying. But once the manipulation of the key has become second nature and grown into fiesh and blood there is no more strain in this profession than there is in any other. If anything, I think more men operators go to pieces than women operators. The trouble is that the men seek excitement and pleasures, and they drift into dissipation, which can end only in one way.

'Monotonous? Not for a woman. Bear in mind that many telegrams sent out are of interest and moment. Many persons never have occasion to send a message unless something unusual has happened.

"A good woman operator frequently is sent from the main office into outlying posts where she can earn more money than she can here at home, and where she may settle and lead a life of independence. Many of the stations along the western roads are in charge of women telegraph operators, and no station along the route of a railroad is better handled than is one in the charge of a woman trained to the

Costumes of Women Athletes.

The woman champion is not always as careful about dress as some of the women who see her think that she ought to be. One of the spectators at a recent golf tournament down east felt a sort of personal indignation that she had been deprived of seeing the crack player dressed as she ought by rule to have been.

"When I heard she was going to play," this woman said with great disgust, "I went down from the club house plazza especially to get a good view of her. I could hardly believe my eyes. There she was in a white duck skirt of the tight style of several summers ago and flared out about the bottom. With that she wore a faded pink shirt waist so far from the belt of her skirt that it had to be held to it by a safety pin. But the worst of all was a pink tulle bow tied around the neck of her shirt waist and puffed in the back. That was too much for me. I started back to the plazza and stopped only to see that she had on tan pumps."

"Did the clothes affect her playing?" asked one of the women with her. "Not a bit," answered the first woman.

"She won everything." The champion is often disappointing in other sports. One of the women who could do more than any of the others with a motor car down on the Jersey coast

sportsmanlike in dress. "She was a wonder," said one of the same party of women, "and she was better than some of the chauffeurs in handling the racing machines. But how she used to rig herself up! The day she won the race at the automobile show she appeared in an old-fashioned blue velvet skirt, a peeka-boo shirt waist and a pink chiffon hat. The only thing she wore to suggest that she was in an automobile were her gloves and goggles."

"I shall never forget the tennis tournament I saw at Newport several years ago," one of the women said when her turn "The woman champion was English. She came out to the court, and the women who had never seen her before could scarcely keep from gasping out their surprise. She had on a white linen dress very much embroidered and was unmistakably rouged. Her figure was so stiff that she looked as if she might have on fron corsets. Over her tace as far down as her mouth was drawn a white veil.

"In spite of this apparently inappropriate get-up she lived up to her reputation.







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high heeled white canvas shoes she had to see me," she finished. on could not stop her. She beat every-

Story of a Woman Crusoe. Beginning due west of Point Conception on the California coast and continuing at the yachtsman, the fisherman and the hun- with him and was happy again.

the happy ending. that had sought shelter behind San Nicho- her door. unsought and forgotten, though the time so pleasant, the janitor is kind to her. at length came when, on the days the mistclearing north wind blew, she could climb ranchers' herds grazing upon the main-

And at last, when hope and reason had be down in a minute." both long died, the poor, wild, gibbering She ran outside to find her husband. At creature was found in her wolf's burrow first she didn't quite recognize him, then the otter hunters' fraternity, who had long and they walked along the street towondered at the mysterious footprints they gether. marked upon the lonely sands.

Art Decoration. Miss Elsie DeWoire's invasion of the field of art decoration in Manhattan has brought to-light the fact that the famous society actress is not to be alone in her specialty. Not only has she a rival in the field, but that rival has been at it for a full year and already has a profitable clientele. More than this, the rival is a Brooklyn woman.

Miss Minnie Burroughs Townsley is this woman-Miss Burroughs Townsley, as she has come to be known. Miss DeWolfe has stepped to interior decoration from the stage: Miss Townsley came into it through tables. The Townsleys were an old Kentucky family that settled in the east seven or eight years ago, its daughter having the ambition to become a singer. Her singing voice failed her when she was in the midst of her course, at very nearly the same time her father died, and simultaneously financial trouble appeared. Another profession was a necessity.

A clever woman friend-Miss Townsley's good genius always, and the person who started her out on her decoration of rooms later-suggested tables. It was an inspiration, not for a career, but for a beginning. Dinner parties, luncheons, eating festivities of all sorts were abounding in social New York and money was no consideration. Ideas for the novel arranging and designing of the tables for these entertainments were what was wanted, and the touch of the fingers of a clever woman of the better class to carry out the ideas. The tables arranged by the caterers were neither original nor ingenious enough.

So Miss Townsley went into table adorning, with conspicuous success so far as art went. She found it a business, however, that needed much more capital than she possessed. There were necessarily great outlays for flowers and the sundry trifles required to make her designs attractive, the bills for these had to be settled with something like promptness and Miss Townsley's wealthy clientele could not be dunned. The bills rendered would run and a rich family would calmly sail abroad for the summer months, leaving the fair designer to carry the account until fall. A few such instances as these tied up altogether too much money for one young woman by herself.

Woman and Her Ex-Husbands.

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Many a woman retains even after she gets a divorce a soft spot in her heart for the man who was once dear to her. This is shown by the amity existing between divorced couples in New York, relates the

The word "divorce" might be expected to suggest harsh words, cold stares, frozen faces, but not so in New York. For instance, take the case of one beautiful woman, suave, gracious, charming, who divorced her husband.

She retained the custody of the child, a On her mantel stands a large photograph of her former husband. She exhibits it with pride.

"Isn't he handsome?" she asks. "Then you have no animosity?" a visitor

"None whatever," she replied instantly. "We are very good friends. He often comes and takes me out to dinner. You forget that he is Charlie's father." This with an inflection of surprise.

According to the decision of the court, harlie's father has no right to his soslety, but the mother permits the boy to spend part of his time with him. "He mustn't be allowed to forget his

father, you know," she says. The wonder to her many friends is that man could treat such a woman in such way as to drive her to seek a divorce. Matters have grown more and more complicated of late in this particular family. The woman is engaged now to a man whose wife has divorced him.

These two have a little daughter of whom both are exceedingly fond. In his apartments side by side are handsome portraits of his intended wife, his former wife and his little daughter. And his former wife and his child frequently spend the day with him.

Not long ago some friends gave a little party and left the engaged couple out. They wondered why. They were told that the former wife was expected at this entertainment.

"I can't understand," said the intended wife plaintively, "why they should have left us out. I have met his former wifa.

Effective.

The dress without a guimpe or a chemisert is an exception this season. The fashious is an exception this season. The fashious is greatly to be encouraged, not only for its daintiness and almost universal becomingness, but also for its coolness.

Light-weight cloth, cashmere, veiling—or voils, as it is now known—are all excellent materials for outdoor gowns, and are made up in both elaborate and simple designs.

From London comes word that high-

He introduced us. I admire her very much

Another New York man obtained a divorce from his wife. The wife refused absolutely to give up her children.

After a time her former husband went to the far east. Before he departed he called upon his divorced wife and bade her good Not only that, but he took her to an influential woman, the friend of both, and asked her with tears in his eyes to look after his ex-wife, to befriend her in his

dence. Then he disappeared. People wondered a little inwardly, but utwardly they smiled and were calm. Also, they said nothing, for unless one sees he husband or the wife before one's eyes New York one is discreetly silent. The Friday evening entertainments con-

inued. The wife, who is very popular, appeared at first with eyes that showed some races of tears. Then they brightened, and she was gay as formerly, if not gayer. Her friends surrounded her. They deermined to console her, and console her

By and by one of these friends asked her o an entertainment he was giving.
"What night was it you said?" she re-

urned, blushing prettily. "Wednesday night," said he.
"Wednesday night," she repeated. "Well, you must let me bring my husband if I

Still another woman separated from her husband because of his extreme cruelty. She applied for support. The magistrate decided that unless she returned to him she was not entitled to support from him. She went to work and succeeded. Her irregular intervals as far south as the bay friends, too, gathered around her and made of Todos Santos in Lower California lie the her life pleasant. At the end of a year she Channel islands. In this ideal region for had dismissed the nightmare of her life

ter, says Field and Stream, one comes to She was upon the eve of going out on feel like a new Crusoe on his primitive isle. big rubberneck wagon with some thirty of And in very truth Crusoe's semi-mythical these friends and was thinking incidentstory was enacted upon one of these same ally, as she looked in the glass to see if islands, though minus the man Friday and her face was on straight, how she would like to meet her husband and thank him The castaway in this case was a woman, for treating her so badly that she was a Danish emigrant, left ashore through forced to leave him, since it had been after some mischance by the crew of a vessel all for her good, when a knock came at

ias during a storm in the early '50s. For The janitor stood outside the door smilover seventeen years the lone creature lived ing at her. That is one reason her life is "There's a man downstairs," he said, "that I never see before. He's got on a to the island's highest point and view the long overcoat and he wears glasses. He

"All right, Joe," she smiled back, "Till among the hills by the advance guard of she shook hands with him quite cordially

> In fact, he walked about ten blocks with her. He told her how he had seen her on the street two weeks before and she had looked so tired and sad that he thought he really must come back and console her. "I wasn't at all sad," she told him hastliy. 'Not the least little bit. I am never sad now that I am no longer married. I had been to Brooklyn and was tired. It always makes me tired to go to Brooklyn. That was all. I am happy now," she reasserted,

> 'very, very happy." He refused to believe that, since she no longer lived with him, but that was his nature. He persisted in declaring that she grieved for him, but she knew the real truth of the matter.

She had succeeded with her work and he had failed. She had become, therefore, a good investment. He ended by begging her to forgive him and take him back. She was a year older than she had been the year before, and had consequently learned a few things, so she refused, but

she did it very politely. "He was my husband for a year, you know," she explained to some friends on the rubberneck wagon who saw her shake hands with him before he walked out of her life again.

Chat About Women.

Miss Elizabeth K. Brown, eldest daughter of the late David Wolfe Brown, who for many years was chief official reporter of the house of representatives, has gone into he mining business in Colorado

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Mrs. Emmons Blaine, whose contributions for the development of pedagogical science have amounted to more than \$1.000,000, will be appointed a member of the Chicago Board of Education by Mayor Dunne, who will make a departure from custom by doubling the number of women on the board.

Mrs. Frederick Ferris Thompson of New

burg and Charleston, W. Va.

It is whispered that the sight of the straight, tall, athletic, well groomed American girl has had its effect in England, and now instead of riding in cabs and on rall-ways in lace and muslin gowns cut decollete, and wearing picture hats and trailing skirts to shop in, as if she were at a garden party, the English society girl has taken her lesson, has banished her drooping attitudes, her languid expression and has definitely altered her figure. She now has the straight front, the flat back that distinguish the American girl

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The adopted daughter and helress of the late Collis P. Huntington—the well known railway magnate—Princess Hatsfeldt—has long been a recognized leader of Anglo-American society. Fond of country life, she goes in greatly for hunting and entertains her friends magnificently at Drayton Manor, her beautiful place in Wiltshire. She keeps no town house, but when in London usually stays at Claridge's, where she gives the most recherche dinners. The princess spends her money lavishly and is a most kind-hearted and generous woman, assuredly popular with every one who knows her. Her husband is a relative of the late German ambassador to England.

Mrs. Pauline Agassiz Shaw of Boston, daughter of Louis Agassiz, the great naturalist, devotes much time and money to bottering conditions among poor children in that city. For ten years she supported a number of kindergartens at her own expense, spending many thousands annually in the work. When the school board relieved her of this charge she gave her chief attention to day nurseries, the first of which she established in 1578. She now supports five of these institutions, all located in tenement districts. The cost of maintaining them is known only to Mrs. Shaw and her secretary and general overseer of the work, but it is known that the aggregate expense per year must amount to many thousands of dollars—more, it is certain, than any other woman in Boston is spending in purely educational and philanthropic work.

Leaves from Fashion's Note Book. Shirring on heavy cords is a favorite means of trimming simple gowns, and even

From London comes word that high-necked opera costumes are gaining in favor at Covent Garden. It has been a rule for every woman to appear in decollete, and in

every woman to appear in decollete, and in fact in continental opera houses no woman would be admitted in a high gown.

Slik has gone out of fashion because of the advent of hot weather. Thefetas and fancy sliks, not to speak of foulards and other utility sliks, are immensely popular. Gowns for elaborate ogcasions are made of the charming Pompadour sliks which are so beautiful that they never stay out of fashion very long.

If Washington society follows the fashion

asked her with tears in his eyes to look after his ex-wife, to befriend her in his absence.

Now he writes long loving letters to her from his far off country which she carries next her heart.

"He is the father of my children, you know," she says in explanation.

Another exceedingly pretty woman gave popular Friday evening entertainments. At first her husband was very much in evidence. Then he disappeared.

fashion very long.

If Washington society follows the fashion of "the first young lady of the land" it will adopt a great broad-brimmed, rough-and ready straw sallor, small of crown and waring a band of ribbon of two broad strands of yellow and black. This is the kind of hat Miss Alice Roosevelt wore one day last week when she went for her regular drive down Pennsylvania avenue. The bat caused somewhat of a sensation, both because it was so becoming to her and because the brim was as broad as that of the Mexican sombrero.

Superfluous Hair De Miracle

Gossip About Women Folks THE SECRET OUT



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To refute the many false and malicious attacks, bogus formula and other untruthful statements published concerning Dr. Pierce's world-famed family medicines, the Doctor has decided to publish all the ingredients entering into his "Favorite Prescription" for women and his equally popular tonic alterative known as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. Hereafter every bottle of these medicines, leaving the great laboratory at Buffalo, will bear upon it a full list of all the ingredients entering into the compound. Both are made entirely from native roots, barks and herbs. The ingredients of the Golden Medical Discovery being Golden Seal, Queen's root, Stone root, Wild-cherry bark, Mandrake and Bloodroot, The "Favorite Prescription" is prepared in a similar manner from Blue Cohosh, Lady's Slipper, Unicorn root.

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PROOF POSITIVE.

Without solicitation, Mrs. H. Har-rison, of 112 West 2d St., Sioux City, Iowa, wrote us as follows:

'I suffered for more than seven years with a very complicated form of female trouble accompanied with nervous prostration, and after doctoring with six physicians (all bearing excellent reputations) was informed that unless an operation was performed I would be an invalid all my life. Hearing of the wonderful cures effected by Dr. R. V. Pierce's remedies and believing that there must be a cure for almost every ailment, I determined to almost every ailment, I determined to make one more effort. I wrote to Dr. Pierce, and I will never forget his kindly advice, telling me to follow his instructions faithfully and not to submit to an operation. I commenced to improve after six weeks' treatment, and in five months my improvement was so noticeable to friends that they haven to inquire about my method of began to inquire about my method of treatment. I was pleased to tell them of the wonderful means of cure that I had most fortunately found, and, as so many ladies applied to me for infor-mation regarding Dr. Pierce's world-famed medicines and his plans of treat-ment, I felt in duty bound to give them the benefit of my experience, so, told them the facts. The large number of positive cures effected by Dr. Pierce's remedies alone, used by my recommendation, seemed, in one year's time, nothing short of a miracle. I couldn't have believed it had I not seen the parties and known the facts."

"I was afflicted for more than seven years with pelvic trouble, which developed into kidney and bladder disorder," writes Mr. Ernest Rappold, Chairman Executive Committee, Western Industrial League, of 230 West First Street, Los Angeles, California. "I could make water only with difficulty; water was dark and cloudy, my whole system out of order, and severe backache and headache was my daily por-tion. Finally, I was unable to con-tinue my work and things looked pretty dark in the home with me, without work and no money to fall back on. My employer, whom I had just left, called to see me while in bed, and he spoke so highly of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery that I decided to try it. Within two weeks I felt much better, could begin to relish my food, and my sches and pains grew less. I kept up the medicine for ten weeks, when I was cured and again able to return to work. This was over seventeen months ago, and I have not lost a day's work since.

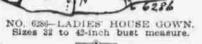
"My wife had ovarian trouble and ulceration of the womb, and she was cured through the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, so you see, my home, which was once desolate and dark because of sixteense in today." dark because of sickness, is to-day bright and cheery, and we both give thanks to your grand remedies, which brought us that grandest of all human blessings-health.

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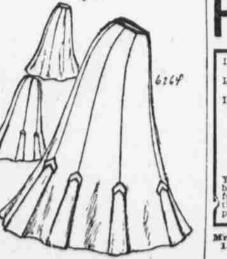
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