

For and About the Women Troops

Kept Their Names Secret.
AND ADMIRABLE example of womanly modesty has come to light in regard to three Boston nurses, who, some time ago, distinguished themselves in a railroad wreck in France, and thus, without revealing their identity, brought admiration and fame upon the devotion and sacrifice of true American womanhood.

Miss Laura E. Coleman, sometime superintendent of the Franklin hospital, Jamaica Plain; Miss Frances Munroe and Miss Elizabeth Hoyle are the brave women who, while traveling in France, were able to render service in a railway accident when other medical help was not available.

Near Paris their train was run into by an express. The four cars in the rear of that occupied by the three nurses were wrecked.

Immediately the task of attending to the suffering was undertaken by the nurses, and, with a large list of casualties to care for, and without any medical assistance, they worked bravely until help arrived from Paris.

After the affair the three nurses continued on their journey without revealing their identity, and it was only after the repeated efforts of the French government, through the American ambassador, that the three women were located and the gratitude of France expressed.

New Business for Girls.
 The opening of a trade course in millinery at the New York Young Women's Christian association draws attention to the growth of a comparatively new profession for women.

"Many of the girls who have joined this class have no intention of entering commercial fields," said Mrs. Gertrude Reeves, who has the new course in charge. "They are studying to fit themselves for teachers of millinery in the evening schools and clubs."

"It is a profession in which the demand greatly exceeds the supply and in which the girls are constantly growing. Those who hold high school certificates are qualified by this course to teach millinery classes in the public night schools.

"One hundred evenings are given to each such class in the year, fifty before Christmas and fifty after. The teacher is paid \$3 a night, so that a girl can make quite a nice little income by such work and will have her days free.

"Those not having the high school certificates can find all the employment they wish in teaching classes in working girls' clubs, where they are usually paid \$2 for the evening. There is also a demand for teachers to give private lessons in millinery, though few have the time to devote to such work as yet.

"We have always had a millinery class suited to those who wish to make their own hats as a matter of economy and in which the pupils are also taught to sew and handle crepe, drapery mourning and bridal veils and make hats of raffia.

"The trade course is entirely different from these afternoon classes. It is intended for those who wish to study every department of the work thoroughly, in order to qualify as teachers or to prepare for the millinery workrooms. The pupils are in a class two hours every morning and have home work besides.

"Besides taking up everything pertaining to making and covering frames of all descriptions we make a special study of the human face, its lines and contours and the shapes in headdress most becoming to each. From studying a systematic series of drawings and pictures of the head the pupils speedily grow very observant of the faces of those with whom they come in contact. Little points they had never thought of before.

"The best gift for the successful milliner is the power to observe correctly. The girl who seeing a pretty hat can tell how to reproduce the effect she admires in it in other materials has a talent which will almost certainly assure her success in her profession.

"Broadly speaking, any woman can learn to make a hat acceptably. I have had some join the afternoon classes with an idea that they might, perhaps, be able to make their own hats and notices who succeeded splendidly that they have afterwards decided to put their knowledge to account and have secured good positions in the large millinery establishments. For those who can make a really good hat, as well as for teachers, there is always a demand.

"Except in the judgments, such as tying bows and fastening on the various ornaments after they are in place, the art of trimming cannot be taught. A girl may be able to design and make a most beautiful hat and yet have no idea of how to place a single plume on it effectively. A teacher of millinery does not have to have talent as a trimmer, but she must, of course, be able to show her pupils how to manipulate the ribbons, flowers, etc.

"By making ribbon flowers for the hair a woman can earn a nice little sum for her work, and this branch is taken up in all our millinery classes. We make roses in winter, violets and daisies toward spring. Some are in wreaths and sprays for trimmings.

"The girls always consider this the most delightful part of their business and many of them have trouble in securing orders for these pretty ornaments among their friends. One of my pupils made \$15 in this way last year in spare moments. Most of the girls also utilize their knowledge of ribbon flower making to fashion Christmas gifts for their friends."

To Clean Carpets.
 The following method of cleaning carpets appears in the Housekeeper for November. It has been thoroughly tested and was secured from a professional source: First, have the carpet cleaned in the usual manner and tacked down on the floor where it is to remain permanently, and it is ready for the cleaning process. Take one and a half pounds of the best white laundry soap, one-half pound of white oak bark, three-fourths pound of borax, one-fourth pound of fuller's earth, one-half pint of wood alcohol, one-half pint of ammonia, one-half ounce of chloroform and four gallons of water. Tie up the oak bark in a piece of material, and boil in two gallons of water for four hours. Keep boiling water at hand to replace that lost by evaporation. Now remove the bag, add the soap, shaved fine, the borax and the fuller's earth, and let simmer until all are dissolved; then add the other two gallons of water, which should be boiling hot, and when partly cool add the alcohol, ammonia and chloroform. This quantity will clean thirty yards of carpet.

To clean dip out a cupful of the preparation, put it on the carpet, spread it and scrub with an ordinary bristle scrubbing brush. The spot scrubbed will answer for lather, but the carpet will not be wet through. When all the dirt has been removed scrape the lather up into a heap and take it up with a scraper which can be had of any house furnishing store, or a shingle with a smooth edge will answer very well. When the lather has been removed go over the carpet with a sponge wrung out of clean water and dry with a cloth.

A Suggestion to Woman's Clubs.
 "It may be gleaned from the resolutions on moral education adopted by the Federation of Women's Clubs," says the Portland Oregonian, "that some of their members believe the teaching of ethics in the public schools is not adequate. The subject is open to debate. The effectiveness of ethical instruction can be properly judged only by its results. The crucial inquiry is this: 'Do the public schools produce a reasonably moral state of mind and conduct in their pupils? The most that we can fairly demand is comparative excellence. To ask for perfection is simply to display one's ignorance of the conditions that limit all human activity.'

"Some light on the question might perhaps be attained by comparing the morals of citizens educated in the public schools with those of the more favored classes who attend private schools and afterwards enjoy the beneficial influences of the colleges. This would amount to a comparison between the morals of our so-called middle and lower classes and those of the upper classes, or millionaire society.

"Most of those Americans who belong to the second generation of the wealthy have been educated in private schools with a course in college to finish it. It is from among these men that the most successful statesmen, the most distinguished artists, the most brilliant statesmen arise, who occupy themselves in legislative and making perjured tax returns to the assessor. They are also the ones whose scandalous violations of the marriage bond bring the nation into disgrace. It is they who formerly supported 'Town Topics' and who continue to support publications even worse in character though not so notorious. Their lives, in too many cases, are a shameless riot, a continuous orgy.

"Among the lower classes, on the other hand, who are educated in the public schools, we hear of no systematic and persistent attempts to rob their fellow citizens. Their lives, though by no means above reproach, are not an open and crying scandal. Their respect for the law is seldom violated. Upon the whole their morals compare very favorably with those of the upper classes who have enjoyed more select educational advantage. Therefore one almost feels like advising the Women's Clubs to direct their investigations toward the private schools and colleges as a field where moral reform is vastly more called for than in the public schools."

Years Making a Wedding Gown.
 Miss Ethel Amson Steel, daughter of Mrs. William Steel of Croshelm, Mount Aire, Pa., was married recently in Grace church, Germantown, Pa., to Wheeler Hazard Packham of New York and Paris. Years ago when the bride was a little child her grandmother desired she should be married in a complete gown of Venetian lace of the "Raphaello" pattern, so named because the great artist loved to paint the lovely fabric on the beautiful women in his portraits, and work on the dress was begun at that time.

Mrs. Steel in Venice had almost a monopoly in its making. Its fine, delicate and intricate design must be woven in a damp cellar. It takes months for one nun to make a comparatively small piece and a complete gown costs a fortune. Queens of Europe possess only small pieces of this gossamer-like fabric, and it was only Mrs. Steel's foresight which enabled her daughter to possess this priceless dress. With this gown the bride wore a necklace of sapphires and diamonds, a gift of the bridegroom. Mrs. Theodore B. Ems of St. Louis was the matron of honor. Miss Sophie B. Steel was maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Miss Helen Huchner of Lancaster and Miss Estelle Steel, both cousins of the bride.

Servants Decorated.
 A society for the suppression of the number 23, composed of 201 at-peace-with-the-world matrons, whose servants have stayed with them for two years or more and which is known as the German Housewives' society, assembled in Tuxedo hall, at Madison avenue and Fifty-ninth street, New York City, to see their backstairs wonders have gold badges pinned on them and to feed them ice cream, coffee and cakes. There were thirty-six maids on the list to be given the long-service badges, but three didn't come because their mistresses were afraid the girls would get their feet wet.

As a co-operative society for the discouragement of quitters, relates the New York Sun, the German Housewives' society seems to have Helicon House of England, N. J., as a headquarters for this trail. There was Reba Hahn, who has been the cook for Mrs. M. Weinberg of 25 West Seventy-sixth street for more than ten years. Rosa got her gold badge in the form of a bee, at the luncheon provided, faced the faithful bride and maid and took the Weinberg home of her own free will. Also there was Lily Freund, superintendent of the culinary department belonging to Dr. Willy Meyer, the specialist, of 700 Madison avenue, and she went back quietly to the Meyer home after she had received her badge to begin her ninth year of honorable service.

Emma Rahmig, who has remained in the employ of Dr. Helen Lowenstein for four and a half years, even though the doctor does live in Morristown, N. J., came over to Manhattan to get her badge, but didn't go back. Emma announced a few weeks ago that she is going to be married. Dr. Lowenstein is unable to leave her room and so was not present.

The thirty-three mistresses who decided to lock the doors and accompany their maids to the hall were a bit late in arriving. Cabs had to be telephoned for, canopies stretched from street doors to the cabs and carpets laid across the wet sidewalks. All this took time. Besides a few of the matrons couldn't find their cook's goldashes right off the reel and there were also delays in some houses caused by some indiscretion on the part of the mistresses as to whether it would be wise to permit the servants to go out in such weather.

But when the thirty-three had arrived and each matron had found a white and gold wicker chair for her particular maid, the matrons stood with firm grips on the coat collars of their prizes while the vice president, Mrs. von Brissen of 1 East Forty-seventh street mounted the dais, gold bees in hand. Along the sidelines was about sixty feet of table filled with fancy cakes and flowers.

The services were simple, so that no cook would be at all fatigued. Mrs. von Brissen had a list of the five servers, and as she reached each name the girl walked proudly to the dais and got her gold bee and a few words of encouragement, the tenor of which was: "For heaven's sake, stick! Marriage is a failure. A rolling stone gathers no pretty money. Look before you leap. Nothing succeeds like a bird in the hand."

Heiress Working in Slums.
 Heiress to millions, Miss Margerie Palmer of Colorado Springs, eldest daughter of General William S. Palmer, has renounced the fashionable world and become a worker among the poor of the London slums. She has entered the training school of a big London hospital, concealing her identity, it is said, that she might better pursue her chosen calling.

Miss Palmer inherits her philanthropic instincts from her father, one of the pioneers of Colorado. General Palmer always has been identified with the growth of the state and amused millions in his progress from the territorial days. A large share of his money always has gone to charity and educational work.

General Palmer was one of the founders of Colorado Springs. It was his desire to build a town where whisky and gambling should be practically unknown. When the town was laid out each deed to lots contained a clause forbidding the sale of alcoholic drinks.

Chat About Women.
 June Mae, a resident of London, claims to be champion woman wrestler of the world. She is said to be 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighs 132 pounds and is naturally in her country, she has taken out papers as a citizen of the United States. She is a beautiful young woman from Wassa, Finland.

Isabelle Masten, the explorer, is to have the cross of the Legion of Honor given her by the French government. She later traveled 2,500 miles in a Chinese cart through the jungles of India, and her various journeys through Asia have made her famous.

Mrs. Caroline Bache Barnes, a great-granddaughter of Benjamin Franklin, is 70 years old, but never fails to take a daily spin on her bicycle, sometimes making a twenty-mile jaunt. She also is a professional woman in Vineland, N. J., where she resides.

In Great Britain the women when appearing in public dress in black and are highly valued, but at home wear the brightest and most voluminous and as short as possible of ballet girls, which makes them look absurd. They are called 'ball gowns' by loading them with bangles. As there is no artificial light of any kind, they are seen in their own day of heating their houses and with their hair, they are seen in the cold in the day, at times, severe climate. They fight most of their time on cold days with their legs tucked under their bodies. The same is true of the native charcoal burner, and wear heavy wadded vests and jackets.

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REMOVAL SALE

Is still drawing crowds of anxious buyers, all striving to procure some of the great bargains which this sale offers.

One of the strongest attractions for this week is the closing out of their immense stock of linoleums. This stock consists of an endless variety of designs of all grades of printed linoleum, which are offered at but a fraction of their real worth—all to be closed out to avoid the trouble and expense of moving.

- 85c Linoleum, 12-ft. wide, will be closed out at, per square yard **60c**
 - 85c Linoleum, 12-ft. wide, short lengths, will be closed out at, per square yard **45c**
 - 85c Linoleum, 6-ft. wide, an immense stock to select from, at, per square yard **55c**
 - 70c Linoleum, 6-ft. wide, beautiful style effects, at, per square yard **45c**
 - 70c Linoleum, 6-ft. wide, quantity enough for small rooms and bath rooms, at, per square yard **25c**
- We still have about fifty Brussels Rugs—the \$18.00 quality, made in beautiful colors—oriental, floral and medallion designs, size 9x12, while they last **13.50**

All through our store you will find just such values in every department, which we are determined to dispose of before moving to our new store. There are many articles that are closed out at half their real value. It will take only a little of your time to investigate and you will be the gainer by many dollars. FURNITURE, CARPETS, RUGS and DRAPERIES all are included in this Removal Sale.

New Arrivals --- New Arrivals

OF LACE CURTAINS, which were intended for our new store, but we were obliged to take them at once—the assortment consists of FLEMISH POINT, CLUNY, BRUSSELS NET and SAXONY BRUSSELS—many of the designs are our own private patterns—all are exclusive and the best values we have ever been able to offer.

- Cluny Lace Curtains** { Three yards long, 48 inches wide, made with three-inch hem and beautiful lace edge, real bargains, at, per pair **3.50**
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- Brussels Lace Curtains** { This lot consists of about fifteen different styles, all 3 yards long, 12-4 wide, plain center, with narrow, dainty borders, others with very elaborate borders, specially good values this week at, per pair **5.00**
- Saxony Brussels Lace Curtains** { A fine array of patterns, all full length and width worked on very superior net, our own exclusive designs, at, per pair, \$30.00, \$25.00, \$17.50 and **16.00**
- Flemish Point Lace Curtains** { These are a two-toned lace eru and cream, specially adapted for library or living rooms—very effective with mission furniture and large variety of designs, pair, \$15.00 and **12.00**

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Religious Notes
 William H. Baldwin, who has been president of the Holy Men's Christian association for thirty-eight years, has just celebrated his 50th birthday. He is in the best of health and a remarkable man for his age.

Rev. Dr. Clifford, the noted English divine, who has just celebrated his 70th birthday, says he considers that at that age a man is just approaching his best. In his speech at the birthday celebration he said: "I am forty-nine years since I preached my first sermon. At seven years of age I had to go to work at 4 o'clock in the morning, and sometimes worked twenty, twenty-three and twenty-six hours without sleeping. I am still at work, and intend to remain at work."

J. Pierpont Morgan has just brought to this country the most valuable Bible now known, the one which was made by the monks of Cluny, France, in the thirteenth century. With the Bible also came the original warrant for the arrest of John Bull and warrant.

The oldest clergyman in England who will be to be honored on the pulpits is Rev. Thomas Lord, the dean of the English Congregational ministers. At 99 he has been making a little tour in the English shire, where he spent his early life, and it is interesting to note that he preached in 18,000 the year from three crops of wheat, oats and barley.

A pension plan for aged and disabled employees will be introduced by the Boston and Maine railroad by January 1 at the earliest, and probably, it was said, not until July 1 of next year.

How Artists Use Lines in Pen and Ink

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STOPES OF the war fascinate young hearers and give pleasure to old tellers. The little school boy always passes through a period when he is captivated by the story of a soldier, and this ambition receives fuel every time he meets one who was an actor in that great tragedy of American history. He will sit by the hour and listen while the speaker tells of his adventures again and if the speaker does not take two to show as proof of his prowess, he is exalted in the juvenile mind to the pedestal of a hero.

This is the subject of the sketch by Charles Dana Gibson which accompanies The Boy today. A handsome, many-limbed lad sits spellbound by a soldier who separates him from an aged warrior with an empty sleeve. The veteran is telling the boy how he lost the arm at Antietam, the Wilderness, Gettysburg or Fredericksburg—whichever it may be. The child's interest pleases the veteran, who loves nothing better than to tell the story of his campaigns, and especially of the loss of that arm. With splendid complacency and pardonable pride he retells the hardships, the slaughter, the desperate fighting, the battles, and the boy sees himself some day battling for his country and his flag, and perhaps earning an empty sleeve also as his badge of honor.

It is a study in contrasts, this picture of Gibson's. No artist knows better than he what fine effects can be produced by placing in juxtaposition extreme youth and extreme age, and no one knows better than he how to emphasize the qualities that are characteristic of the one and the other. The ruggedness of age and the tenderness of youth are here drawn with the skill of Gibson's master hand, and the way in which the effect is produced shows receptive careful attention from the student. It is a matter of technique, about which volumes could be written without helping young artists to attain it, for practice is the only thing that will be really helpful. Practice from the living model will produce better results than endless copying of pictures. It was thus that Gibson himself climbed to the top of the ladder of fame. As he sketched living men and women and children he formed his own technique, learned all the little tricks of touch that are individual, and became the master that he is. If an old man did not actually pose for this one-armed veteran it was only because the artist had drawn so many old men from life that his mind was stored with faces, which he could reproduce from memory, or whose features he could combine in an ideal head. If the coat with its empty sleeve was not drawn from a model it was only because Gibson had been copying real coats so long that his memory was stored with their folds. The same is true of the boy and his sailor cut, for which Gibson had many models that his mind could turn back to and use over again.

It is interesting to study the successive steps by which a picture like this is drawn and the process should prove instructive to the student. The picture was drawn in pencil, first in rough outline, then in more detail. The faces and hands were worked over until their forms satisfied the artist, who then took his pen, a heavy, strong one, and drew the outlines of the man's face over the pencil lines. They are broken outlines, formed of heavy angular lines, and they melt into the shading in a way that shows the whole face was drawn at one time; the outline of the nose was followed by the shadows and wrinkles upon it, and so on, for it will be observed there is scarcely any actual outline in this face. The lines were drawn with extreme rapidity. It is evident from the two intersecting zigzags that form the hollow of the left cheek.

The face finished, the heaviest and blackest lines forming the creases of the coat were drawn, the artist laying on hard with a big pen filled with ink still working rapidly. Then the coat was covered swiftly with the lines that give it color and texture. The hand was probably drawn last, but had been studied out carefully in pencil, for that suggestive position of the fingers holding the empty sleeve is no accident.

The outline of the boy's face was then drawn and the hair followed. The face was shaded with a fine pen, and the sailor coat was finished up with the same rapidity which marked all the drawing.

The student who tries to copy a picture of this sort should do it several times, never attempting to reproduce it line for line, but in his own way to attain the same effect. If he desires to be an artist he should follow in the steps of the masters and sketch from life.

Labor and Industry

Fifteen million bushels is the government estimate of the buckwheat crop this year. Some flapsacks.

The apple crop of 50,000,000 barrels promised us this year is more than twice that of last season.

Chinese furniture trade workers in Victoria, Australia, outnumber the Europeans by 68 to 140.

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