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What Women Are Doing in the Industrial and Household World

Woman's Position.
AN UNNAMED writer contributes to a German paper, the Muencher Neueste-Nachrichten, his impressions of American life gained during a recent tour of this country. The contrasts in the position of women in America and Germany are novel and instructive. In part the writer says: Among the most striking and novel features of American life is the position of woman. This is briefly but comprehensively described in the phrase, wholly un-European. The European woman is, first of all, a wife and mother. In Germany the home is the foundation of the family, and so, in an extended sense, of the great nation of the state. The man considers it his most precious privilege to be protector and provider to his wife and children; the more faithfully he performs this function the more sollicitously the woman keeps his home and brightens it with the most precious characteristics of her sex.

its keynote from the universal chorus in praise of woman. The great trinity that governs the newspapers is the dollar, politics and woman. To "the great American woman" leading articles are constantly devoted. She is continually exalted as the most beautiful, wise and charming woman in the world. Woe to him who does not add his voice to this chorus of praise. . . . In the schools of America, too, woman plays a part in which she is not seen in Europe. The education of boys is almost entirely the work of women, who train them to the national respect for women. The position of the sex appears still more plainly in the much-talked-of coeducation. . . . The result is that the American man is nervous almost to the point of hysteria, like a woman, always going to extremes; and his conduct and his tastes are feminized. He seldom has the fine, strong masculinity of the German man.

Hints on Embroidery.
Embroideries vie with laces in popularity. Mouseline de soie braids embroidered in gilt or in rich oriental colors are one of this year's features. Indeed, a touch of color introduced into almost any embroidered article seldom comes amiss. The allover and "strip-embroidery" blouses are, on the contrary, made with elbow sleeves, and may be trimmed and finished elaborately as possible. One exquisite blouse in the finest silver embroidery was trimmed with Irish crochet lace. Turnovers are worn as much as ever. Cuffs that turn back are shown in the most exquisite designs. Stocks vary little in shape, the tab fronts being still very much in evidence. There are new designs in the embroidery, however, and here, too, the touch of black or some color is often found. Plate dollies are great favorites just now for the woman who has ample time to give to her embroidery. The custom of using a table without a cloth for breakfast and luncheon is so largely on the increase that no housekeeper can have too many of them. A set done in colors with centerpieces to match might be selected.

Lazy Germs and Girls.
A very common complaint among mothers is the lassitude of their daughters. The average high school girl wears a lackadaisical air, has a sallow if not an eruptive skin and a general appearance suggestive of anæmia. The public school exerts every remedial energy in its power through its course in physical culture to bear upon this very condition, but that is not sufficient and it remains for the home life and watchfulness and guardianship of mother influence and care to correct the evil. The lassitude, this inertia, which creeps over a girl who is sitting in a vitiated atmosphere hour after hour, day after day, and lending all her forces toward brain action is but a natural result of causing the blood to flow to the head, leaving the extremities weak and inactive.

Little girls up to the age of 12 and 13 years romp and play both before and after school and on the way to school and in this way keep themselves in good physical trim, but these high school young ladies have different ideas and different tastes; they have dignity and bearing on the street and in the home. Play is no longer for them; therefore, the lax of school duties and school restraints grows arduous. They sit for hours with cold hands and feet, their appetites lag or demand a perverted diet, sometimes their tempers grow sulky. Upon reaching home after lessons are over for the day they immediately attack a quantity of "home work" laid out by the teacher for the morrow. They rail against

schools and teachers and work, and sometimes decide that the ability to accomplish high grade work is not theirs. Some girls actually lose heart and give up an education owing to the discouragement and society favorites seem comparatively cheap and unmerited, although it by no means implies that they are not good women worthy of confidence and affection. Miss Addams, the philanthropist, who is giving the energy of her soul to moral effort to improve the temporal and moral condition of the unfortunate in Chicago, may properly rejoice in this evidence that her motive is understood and approved.

Beauty Made to Order.
Milk and peach complexion will soon be made to order in New York City, and if Miss Knickerbocker, who has reached that uncertain age plods along with a sallow skin she will have no one to blame but herself. It sounds as if the pipe has been given another strapping up with the yen hook, but it is a fact that the society woman who has pined for the rose-bush will have her ambition gratified this winter. The secret? There's none to it. A dermatologist has solved the mystery of converting a faded society woman into a study in pink and white. The beauty doctor has already made several successful experiments with his fountain of youth. He simply tatooes a blush on the cheeks without injury to the flesh or skin. He declares the process does not cause pain—neither a wince—because the needle only enters the skin one-sixteenth of an inch. He uses vegetable coloring to produce the schoolgirl blush. This is injected under the skin. The fluid is said to be quite harmless and really possesses antiseptic properties. Two sittings are necessary for a complete operation, and the effect for a few days is not pretty. The complexion changes from pink to red and finally to a delicate pink. Try the poor rouge box!

Falls on Sponge Cake.
Mrs. Tom L. Johnson, discussing the other day the school of household science that she is helping to found in Cleveland, said: "No Cleveland girl, after a course in our school, would ever make the mistake that a young bride made last Thanksgiving. This young bride, after serving to her husband a Thanksgiving dinner that was so-so, said, as the dessert of mince pie was brought out: "I intended, dear, to have some sponge cake, too, but it has been a total failure." "How was that?" the husband asked in a disappointed tone, for he was fond of sponge cake. "The druggist," she explained, "sent me the wrong kind of sponges."

Rich Girl Takes the Veil.
Miss Frances Allen, oldest child of George L. Allen of 26 Westmoreland Place, St. Louis, has abandoned the luxury in which she was reared for the austere life of the Sisterhood of St. Mary, which she entered in Memphis, Tenn., a week ago. Her father is a millionaire several times over. His estate is expected to provide an immense sum for each of his children. A Mary is that no member shall hold possessions in her own name. The sisterhood is an Episcopal order, and Miss Allen will spend the two years of her novitiate in teaching primary classes among the children of the Tennessee mountains. To the fact that she was strongly impressed by the teachings of Father Huntington and Father Hill, members of the Episcopal Order of the Holy Cross, who

conducted a mission in St. Louis last Lent, is ascribed in a greater part her decision to take the veil. Father Huntington is the head of the Holy Cross house at West Park, N. Y., and was formerly a man of wealth. When he preached at Christ church cathedral last spring Miss Allen was a constant attendant. She had been graduated at Mary Institute in 1896 and had taken the four-year term and a post-graduate course at Smith college with high honors. George L. Allen, her father, is chief owner and president of the Fulton Iron works. He owns an immense amount of realty in St. Louis and is interested in numerous enterprises.

Latest Code of Manners.
Mrs. Frank Learned, in her book of forty-two chapters, gives a lot of interesting information as to the "Etiquette of New York Today." For instance, she says the correct way for a family to enter a pew in church is for the mother to "enter first, go to the end of the pew; the daughters follow, then the sons and the father, as the head of the family, has the seat at the end of the pew, near the aisle." It is interesting to know that the whole family is expected to march into church together, and that the father is included. She tells the reader that it is not considered good form to appear to be saving of paper and that a note should be begun "about two inches from the top of the paper and a margin left at the foot of the page." If a note is only to be two pages long it is interesting to know that a page is to be skipped, otherwise the letter is to be written on consecutive pages. Moreover, it is interesting to know that in New York they do not write "city" on social notes, the street number being sufficient. In regard to marking linen for the bride she says: "White embroidery is the best taste for marking linen. Ink is never used. Monograms from an inch to two inches are used. On table linen the initials are placed near the hem, across one corner, or on napkins they may be near the center to show when folded. On the sheets and pillow cases they are placed over the center of the hem. It is usual for a bride to have her silver, clothing and linen marked with the monogram or initials of her maiden name." Apropos of wedding notices the author says that it is incorrect to say "daughter of Mr. and Mrs." The correct form is daughter of George Brown, or if the father is not living, "the late George Brown." The mother's name is not included. She says people who say "the four hundred," in referring to social supremacy, show ignorance, as it is so "absolutely ruled out." It is also "bad form" to say "wealthy" or "homey," the proper words being "rich," "beautiful" and "plain." One may say "smart," but the word will not be used after the multitude has adopted it.

Mr. Dooley on Discipline.
Dr. Dooley, in his recently published "Dissertations," discusses domestic discipline in his own inimitable way: "No gentleman should whip his wife, an investigator what Hogan calls 'th' martial state, an' I've come to th' conclusion that ivry man uses violence to his wife. He may not beat her with a table leg, but he coarsens her with his mind. He can put a snake remark to th' pint iv' th' jaw with

more lastin' effect thin a right hook. He may not dhrag her around by th' hair iv' her head, but he dhrags her by her sympathies, her fears, an' her anxieties. As a last ray-course he beats her be doin' things that make her pity him. An' th' ladies, Gawd bless thim' like it. In her heart ivry woman likes th' strong arm. Ye very seldom see th' wife iv' an habitchool wife beater lavin' him. Th' husband that gives his wife a violet bokay is as apt to lose her as th' husband that gives her a violet eye. Th' man that breaks th' furniture, tips over th' table, kicks th' dog, an' pegs th' lamp at th' lady of his choice is seen no more often in our justly popular divorce courts thin th' man who comes home arly to feed th' canary. Many a skillful mandolin player has been unable to prevent his wife from elopin' with a prize fighter."

Party for Dolls.
Little children of 8 to 9 years and even some bigger girls of 10 or 12 years are fond of playing with paper dolls, so it was a bright thought that came to one little hostess to give a doll's house party in order to amuse her young friends. This is how the entertainment was given, and it was such a complete success that instead of doll's house parties being quite a novelty, as they are at present, they should soon become quite popular. First of all the little girls were invited to tea, from 5 to 8 o'clock. On arriving they were received by their hostess and her mother and when they had all assembled the latter read them some short stories, new stories or old favorites, as preferred. When the reading was over the children were asked to illustrate one of the stories by making a doll's house and inviting the other children to visit the home of the "story book people." A large cardboard box was given to each child, arranged for a two-story house, and pictures or furniture, curtains, rugs, etc., cut from shop catalogues, were put in boxes on the table, so that each child could choose her own furniture. The dolls themselves were cut from fashion catalogues and illustrated papers and each child was asked to select her own "family."

The children were busy with paste and scissors until teatime and then they left off playing to go into the dining room, where a dainty repast, with plenty of cakes, fruit and biscuits, awaited them. They were all eager to get back to their dolls, though, and were told that they could have half an hour longer to complete their houses. At the end of the half hour a committee of grown-up people voted for the best house and a prize of a big scrapbook was given to its lucky builder. The plan of entertainment can, of course, be varied and even improved upon; for instance, no party need be given at all, but here is an idea which will be welcomed by many a mother whose anxious cry is: "What shall I do to amuse the little ones?"

A Girl Doctor.
Dr. Irene B. Bullard of Radford, recently appointed by the general hospital board as third assistant physician at the Eastern State Hospital for the Insane, Williamsburg, is the only woman physician in Pennsylvania and probably in the south, holding a government position. Dr. Bullard is pretty and yet in her twenties. Though her social standing is high, she cares nothing for gaudes, but has been a bookworm from a child, reading literature far beyond her years, while other girls played with dolls. Dr. Bullard graduated from Wadsworth High school, Radford, at an early age. She attended a school at Madison, Wis.,

afterward taking a professional course at Farnville, Pa. She taught for three years in the public schools of Pulaski county after her graduation. Lured by the science of medicine, she gave up the thought of sweethearts and gaudes, and in time obtained her degree as a doctor. To do this she first became a trained nurse for several years, obtaining valuable experience. She afterward began her medical education at the Boston Medical school, where she spent a year before entering the medical school of the University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor. After three years at this institution she was graduated with high standing, after which she practiced with signal success for two years at Birmingham, Ala. Later she returned to her native state and took up her lifework among her own people.

Chat About Women.
Mary A. Stubbs has been appointed chief of the bureau of statistics of Indiana by Governor Hanly, a position occupied by her late father for many years. She is the first woman in that state to ever hold an elective office. Miss Eric Farwell of Rock Haven, Pa., who recently killed a 200-pound bear, a twelve-pound wild turkey, a sixteen-pound raccoon and a brace of rabbits in one day while hunting at Glen Union, is yet in her teens and is a regular student at the Central State Normal school in that city. Americans in London are astonished at the enterprise shown by Miss Bessie and Miss Natalie Emos of Westchester county, New York, two young women who are doing a paying lingerie and fancy goods business near Berkeley square. These popular girls have given up all social frivolities and mean to make the business a success. Dr. Adelaide Wallerstein, rich, young and handsome, has turned part of her elegant New York home into a physician's office. Here she devotes about six hours a day to practicing medicine, all the income so derived going to her charity work on the east side of the city. Mrs. Wallerstein is accomplished and socially prominent, but has given up most of her society pleasures for her professional and charitable work.

A New York woman who recently visited Paris is wearing a novel necklace, quaint and inconspicuous, but costing, she says, almost a princely ransom. It is a simple strand of black tulle, long enough to pass around the neck and knot in front, with a diamond tassel depending from each of its ends. The head of each of the tassels is a dome-shaped gold plate, inset with thickly with the gems, and from these hang fringes of the tiny stones, each strand so perfect in workmanship that it is flexible as a string of beads. Necklaces in which black tulle velvet or gros grain ribbon are combined with the softest prettiest examples of the Parisienne. The chain is ornamented with jeweled slides, the work of artists, and no two necklaces duplicated in the design. The fancy for the combination of silken materials with stones is creeping rapidly among other ornaments. The newest bracelets and brooches have velvet or ribbon.

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