

Personal Gossip : Society Notes : Woman's Work : Household Topics

Society Notes by Mellificia

October 30, 1916.

Ruth St. Denis was no stranger to the guests asked in to tea Sunday afternoon by Miss May Mahoney...

Mrs. Edward Creighton had also met Miss St. Denis before. When Mrs. Creighton as Hazel Connell was attending Miss Finch's exclusive school in New York...

Distinction is given the celebrated dancer by her prematurely white hair. This, combined with her youthful countenance...

Many of Miss Mahoney's guests commented on the striking resemblance that Ted Shawn and John Rayley, a guest at the tea, bear to each other...

How many men attended the supposedly feminine diversion of afternoon tea to meet the social "lioness" was interesting to note...

Neighboring Kensington. The neighboring Kensington was entertained Friday at the home of Mrs. D. Farley...

Dale Auction Bridge Club. Mrs. L. M. Beard entertained the Dale Auction Bridge club Friday afternoon...

Society Night Parties. Parties of six or less will be entertained at the Orpheum this evening...

Allen-Nichols Wedding. The marriage of Miss Iva Nichols, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Nichols...

O. T. Club. The O. T. club of Central High school had a long rushing frolic Saturday afternoon...

Les Amies Whist Club. Mrs. H. B. Crouch entertained the members of Les Amies Whist club Saturday afternoon...

Hinata Club Party. The Hinata club gave a Halloween party Saturday evening at the home of Miss Ruth Shackelford...

Eberhard read. Halloween decorations and refreshments were used. Those present were: Misses—Anna Gieb, Paula Kaufman, Helen Kell, Pauline Robinson, Iva Staughton, Ellen Towers, Marjorie Shackelford.

Nielsen-Pedersen Wedding. The marriage of Miss Anna Pedersen to Mr. Chris O. Nielsen will take place this evening at the home of the bride's father, Mr. J. C. Pedersen.

Birthday Party. Mrs. J. Mattern gave a Halloween birthday party Saturday afternoon for the seventh anniversary of her daughter, Estelle. A birthday cake lighted with seven colored candles occupied the center of the table...

Parties for Powys Lecture. Mrs. Charles T. Kountze had as her guests for the Powys lecture this afternoon: Misses—J. E. Summers, Joseph Barker, W. Rodick, C. B. Sherman, A. W. Carpenter.

Miss Gertrude Tinley of Council Bluffs had as her guests: Misses—Beatrice Tinley, Lucy Springer, Mrs. Frank Finney.

In Mrs. Barton Millard's box were: Misses—George Harko, Charles E. Metz, Lou Clarke.

Mrs. A. L. Reed also entertained at a box party at the lecture. A party of young people surprised Mr. Joseph Krejci on his sixteenth birthday yesterday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Tritz in Benson.

Hasl-French Wedding. On Saturday at St. Mary Magdalene's church, Miss Mary French, daughter of Mr. Charles E. French, was united in marriage with Frank J. Hasl, Rev. Father Sinne performing the ceremony...

Jolly Ten Dotto Club. Because of sickness in the family of Mrs. H. Heyman, will meet with Mrs. Joe Meyer Tuesday afternoon.

Monday Bridge Club. Mrs. A. I. Root entertained the members of the Monday Bridge club at her home this afternoon.

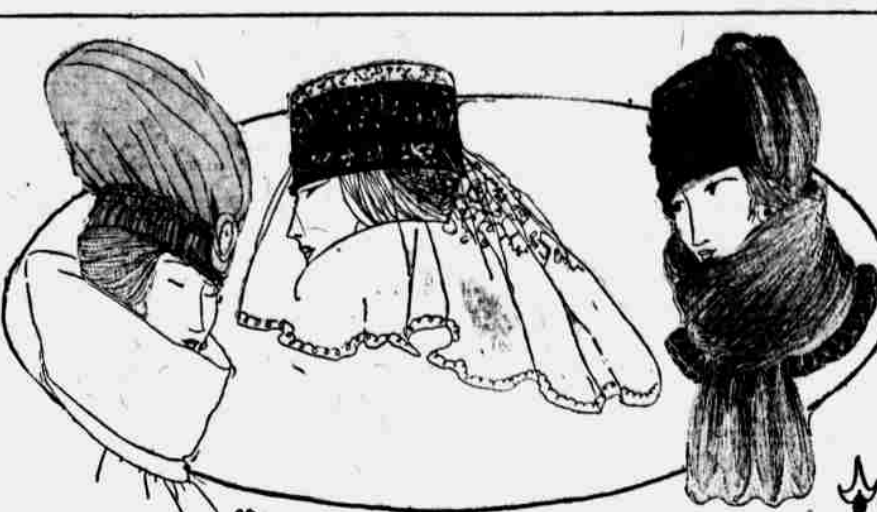
Notes of Interest. Mrs. Joseph Opelt of Lincoln has been the guest of Mrs. Cliff Cole during the last week...

Mother Testifies. Mrs. Rose Samland, aged mother of Mary Bettner, who is suing George Alpinc for \$2,999 damages, claiming that he promised to marry her...

Alpinc Proposed To Her Daughter. Mrs. Rose Samland, aged mother of Mary Bettner, who is suing George Alpinc for \$2,999 damages...

Was Along When Huerta Did Not Salute the U. S. Flag. Edward P. Malherbe, chief carpenter's mate of the receiving ship at Boston, joined the local navy recruiting contingent Saturday...

The Latest in Seasonable Hats



Oh, no, the wind didn't blow it up that way. The designer made the crown puff up on purpose, and made it of purple velvet on a shirred cuff one calls a brim by courtesy.

Finding Out For Yourself

By BEATRICE FAIRFAX. "Experience is costly, as all of us can tell; We purchase it at retail—and then at wholesale sell."

The tragedy of youth is that it never profits by any experience save its own! The older generation tells Youth how its fingers were burned when it tried to pull chestnuts from the fire...

Love Dies If Neglected

By DOROTHY DIX. have been lost all in a lump when she realize that she had cast her pearls before swine, but it is gone—hopelessly and irretrievably lost.

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He is too busy to protect it, too careless to lock it up. He doesn't even take the trouble to look at it now and then to see that it is still in his possession.

He is so interested in his business that he is away from home from early morn until dinner time, and then he is too tired and absorbed in his affairs to bother about what his wife thinks or wants or desires.

Still less does he worry himself to find out whether he still owns her love, and then some day he wakes up to find that she is just as indifferent to him as he is to her.

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Cats Lack Imagination

By GARRETT P. SERVISS. Having recently expressed disapprobation of cats, I have received a temperate letter from a man who keeps two pet cats.

People who can afford that amount of expenditure for such a purpose will be glad to learn that the two cats in question, which it appears from his statement, seldom or never take rats or mice, cost their owner 10 cents per day for food. This seems to be a moderate allowance where the animals are maintained as house pets.

I know a lady who always has four or five cats about her house (burying them ceremoniously as fast as they die off, and remembering them with tears), who feeds them on broiled steak, carefully removing the gristle and bone and cutting the meat into convenient mouthfuls so that the cats shall not have to make undue exertion in taking their meals.

Ten-twenty a day would probably not go very far toward covering this lady's bill of expenses for feline maintenance, since she also gives her cats plenty of fresh milk to drink. But, then, 10 cents a day would also fall far short of paying many a man's expenses for cigars.

No doubt, too, cats can be kept, and well kept, on a daily expenditure amounting to a small fraction of 10 cents, without requiring them ever to take a mouse. Besides, in the summer time, birds will considerably reduce the expense, because the most aristocratic cat will take the commonest bird with gusto.

The philosophic part of the letter that I have referred to concerns the cruel disposition of the cat. It is true, says the writer, that cats love to torment and torture small animals, but, he argues, we ought to consider the nature of the feline brain. Cats are not remarkably intelligent animals, their brains are feeble and they have no comprehension of what they are doing beyond the enjoyment of the fun.

This excuses the cat, but not the cat's owner. It likewise gives a glimpse at the origin of the sentiments of pity and sympathy which morally elevate the human animal above the other animals.

A little child is cruel in the same way, though, perhaps, not to the same degree as a cat. It does, with it compunction, because without comprehension, whatever amuses it, inflicts. When it twists the kitten's tail the yowl that follows simply increases the tormentor's enjoyment of the fun.

At first, perhaps, it stops twisting the kitten's tail because the kitten strikes back and turns the fun on pain. But, later, the principle of sympathy, a pure product of the imagination, comes into play, and then the child refrains from tormenting its pet because their cries remind it of its own sufferings.

The animal stories hardest to believe are those which are based on a supposed feeling of sympathy experienced by the animal that is the subject of the story. That a glimmering of such a sentiment may exist in some animals that have been accustomed to human companionship and training I would by no means deny, but it must be rare, and it offers in itself a proof of a certain amount of brain, or mind, power, since sympathy implies imagination, or the ability to form a mental picture, and that, in turn, requires the existence of considerable complexity of organization in the brain.

It is significant that the animal to which sympathetic feeling is most frequently ascribed is the dog and dogs are almost the only animals below man which are known to possess the power of dreaming. That dogs have vivid dreams is, I think, a fact beyond question. But a dream is a play of the imagination, and imagination is the product of comparative, a highly organized brain.

Cats are notorious sleepers, but I recall no recorded instance of a cat's dreaming. It might appear whimsical to assert that dogs are free from the cruel instincts of the cat and amenable to sympathy, because they dream while cats do not, yet it is true that the power to sympathize and the power to dream are closely related in origin.

Perhaps the cat's greatest value as a companion to man consists in the example of absolute tranquility and easy freedom from all care, which it offers. A sleeping cat is a medicine to the perturbed human spirit. If the cat had more imagination it would be less cruel, but also less content.

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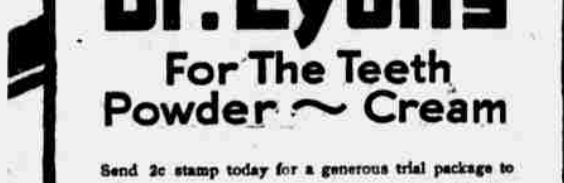
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