

MEMBER MADAME SARAH BERNHARDT'S LETTERS ON LIFE TO AN AMERICAN WOMEN

Famous Actress Says High Heels Are Not Injurious—Eyeglasses Are Called Unlovely—Rubin a Powerful Sculptor—How to Light the Home Artistically.

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THE generally of people imagine that it is bad to walk on high heels. This is an error. It does no harm whatever. It is simply necessary that the shoes should be... by one of the best makers; that the end of the heel be placed under the middle of the foot...

Rodin Powerful Sculptor

YES! Rodin is a great and immense and powerful sculptor. And it is a happiness to us who are of the great family of art to see that all the New World understands and admires this colossal among artists.

He comes himself to no particular style; he has studied them all and succeeded. "L'Alge d'airain" which was his first conception, is quite another thing to his "Spring" and "The Kiss"...

She Adores Flowers

HAVING delighted in the beauty of flowers, and having breathed their perfume, life without flowers would be a punishment to her.

I have them all about me, in all the rooms, in every corner, in every piece of furniture, in my carriage, in my box at the theater, and I am never without them.



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with flowers that my friends declare there is no place left for the dishes. My bedroom is separated from my dressing-room by a little gift trellis; in both rooms flowers are in profusion, and their fragrance beyond everything...

A well-known artist lost her voice through a bouquet of violets. My teacher of sculpture, Mathieu Meunier, who made the Lals in the garden of the Tuilleries, fainted when he entered a room in which there were roses. This is a rare case, but it is quite certain that some people and some flowers have secret affinities.

Those inclined to go into raptures take a lily, which they hold as though it were a blessed-candle. Empty-headed and irresponsible ones collect at hazard all the flowers that come within reach...

up all the flowers around the tree and throw them some distance away. There was certainly an affinity of hate between this man and the flowers, because in the very moment of committing the most courageous and the most maddening of all actions, he had massacred his enemies.

How to Light the House

FEW things are more difficult than to distribute light artistically, and yet light is the collaborator of beauty. It is really only in France where they know how to illuminate a dinner table.

In America and England, with the exception of two or three great homes, the tables are illuminated abominably, and pretty women lose half their beauty in consequence.

One of my young friends was married five years ago to a rich American of Chicago, and she did me the honor to let me visit her home, where I remarked with stupefaction the faulty distribution of electric light.

Writes in Midst of Storm

WHEN I reflect that there are husbands who make ocean voyages for pleasure, I am amazed. At this moment of writing these lines I am upon the sea. A few moments ago the captain left my cabin, where we had been playing a four-handed game of dominoes as best we could.

Last night the weather was atrocious, and when I asked the captain what sort of a night we were going to have, he replied: "Very much the same as last night," which is to say, "the midst of a witches' wild dance."

"Hush!" he said, "do not revive my wife's grief; it was my mother who insisted upon doing everything, and who was responsible for the lighting. I do not wish to oppose her, and begged my wife to wait. My mother goes to California in two days, where her home is, and we will rearrange everything after she is gone. You will help us."

And, indeed, two days later we were free to turn everything upside down, and I did it with great ardor. In the hall of the home were very fine pictures, some of which were copies of the picture to protect them; each picture had a little reflector.

This reflector caused a crude and hard glare, which I thought to modify by placing a little lamp, with shades, upon tables covered with rare curios. A big Louis XIV sofa was freed from its glaring lamp, which took away the idea of cozy conversation.

In each corner a statue held a heavy lamp, holding five or six lights, and in such a way that the guests got it on top of their heads and on their backs. The hall was really magnificent, but every corner was illuminated "a giorno."

French Laws Protect Rascals

The French law protects debauched rascals before all others. Nothing has done so much to push the wretch to the bottom as the law. The father of the girl struck this man in the face and a duel followed. The father had his left arm pierced by a bullet; now he is in prison again. But the unhappy girl is abandoned and dishonored.

Beyond our American families should be put on their guard, and before entrusting their daughters to any one, they should first see what is touring the American Consul inhabiting the town where their child is going to reside.

is enough to drive one crazy. All the woodwork cracks, the chairs roll about, the tables tumble over, carrying with them glasses and decanters. A case of lemons has just been smashed open, the lemons are scattered everywhere, and in my sitting-room in my cabin and bathroom there is a veritable race between the beautiful golden fruit and three people who are trying flat on the rails attempting to seize them as they fly about.

My little dog, Bellou, imagines that this has all been staged for his amusement, and he keeps on barking and makes wild efforts to seize the unseizable balls. The sea is so furious that it has invaded the smoking-room, and may reach the people hurrying back to their staterooms. The portholes are tightly closed; it is impossible to open them.

The wind rages with such fury that it roars through the air valves and rushes out savagely, imitating the noise of a siren. It is a mad uproar, the point on the rails attempting to rise and fall with frightful tumult. This perpetual battle between the genius of man and the forces of nature really starts in emotions, and it is a triumph for man.

Seashore Flirting

NOTHING is more dangerous than acquaintance picked up on a ship-board or by the seaside, and yet women have the same weakness for water, and they do it when at a foreign watering place.

French women at Monte Carlo, Nice, Ostend, Folkestone, Americans and English in France and (often enough) even young girls make unfortunate intimacies which do not arouse their families' watchfulness. Generally speaking, the girls sit into all the gatherings at bathing places, and if you make any remark on the subject: "Bah! what does that matter?" you get in reply, "When we get back to Paris, we shall see these people no more."

This was said to me by a Madame P., the wife of a very celebrated inventor, and the mother of four daughters. And if it was of such little importance that her second daughter was abducted by a married journalist and our way was powerfully smoothed for the wretch. The father of the girl struck this man in the face and a duel followed. The father had his left arm pierced by a bullet; now he is in prison again. But the unhappy girl is abandoned and dishonored.

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Not to Be Thought Of

"This sensational story of mine sounds like a chapter from real life in the metropolis," said the confident author. "Tut! tut!" exclaimed the publisher. "We've got to draw the line somewhere. We couldn't think of offering our readers anything as shocking as that."

A free school for the children of the poor has been started in the summer of leading citizens in Pekin, China.

Sunday Services in City Churches

- BAPTIST. First, White Temple, Twelfth and Taylor streets—Rev. W. H. Hinson, pastor, 10. Bible school, classes for all ages; 11, preaching by the pastor; theme, "Let Your Eyes Be Single." 12, prayer; 1, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

- Methodist Episcopal. First, Union Avenue and Multnomah—Rev. J. H. Bennett, pastor. 11, "The Lord's Prayer," 12, "The Lord's Prayer," 13, "The Lord's Prayer," 14, "The Lord's Prayer," 15, "The Lord's Prayer," 16, "The Lord's Prayer," 17, "The Lord's Prayer," 18, "The Lord's Prayer," 19, "The Lord's Prayer," 20, "The Lord's Prayer," 21, "The Lord's Prayer," 22, "The Lord's Prayer," 23, "The Lord's Prayer," 24, "The Lord's Prayer," 25, "The Lord's Prayer," 26, "The Lord's Prayer," 27, "The Lord's Prayer," 28, "The Lord's Prayer," 29, "The Lord's Prayer," 30, "The Lord's Prayer," 31, "The Lord's Prayer," 32, "The Lord's Prayer," 33, "The Lord's Prayer," 34, "The Lord's Prayer," 35, "The Lord's Prayer," 36, "The Lord's Prayer," 37, "The Lord's Prayer," 38, "The Lord's Prayer," 39, "The Lord's Prayer," 40, "The Lord's Prayer," 41, "The Lord's Prayer," 42, "The Lord's Prayer," 43, "The Lord's Prayer," 44, "The Lord's Prayer," 45, "The Lord's Prayer," 46, "The Lord's Prayer," 47, "The Lord's Prayer," 48, "The Lord's Prayer," 49, "The Lord's Prayer," 50, "The Lord's Prayer," 51, "The Lord's Prayer," 52, "The Lord's Prayer," 53, "The Lord's Prayer," 54, "The Lord's Prayer," 55, "The Lord's Prayer," 56, "The Lord's Prayer," 57, "The Lord's Prayer," 58, "The Lord's Prayer," 59, "The Lord's Prayer," 60, "The Lord's Prayer," 61, "The Lord's Prayer," 62, "The Lord's Prayer," 63, "The Lord's Prayer," 64, "The Lord's Prayer," 65, "The Lord's Prayer," 66, "The Lord's Prayer," 67, "The Lord's Prayer," 68, "The Lord's Prayer," 69, "The Lord's Prayer," 70, "The Lord's Prayer," 71, "The Lord's Prayer," 72, "The Lord's Prayer," 73, "The Lord's Prayer," 74, "The Lord's Prayer," 75, "The Lord's Prayer," 76, "The Lord's Prayer," 77, "The Lord's Prayer," 78, "The Lord's Prayer," 79, "The Lord's Prayer," 80, "The Lord's Prayer," 81, "The Lord's Prayer," 82, "The Lord's Prayer," 83, "The Lord's Prayer," 84, "The Lord's Prayer," 85, "The Lord's Prayer," 86, "The Lord's Prayer," 87, "The Lord's Prayer," 88, "The Lord's Prayer," 89, "The Lord's Prayer," 90, "The Lord's Prayer," 91, "The Lord's Prayer," 92, "The Lord's Prayer," 93, "The Lord's Prayer," 94, "The Lord's Prayer," 95, "The Lord's Prayer," 96, "The Lord's Prayer," 97, "The Lord's Prayer," 98, "The Lord's Prayer," 99, "The Lord's Prayer," 100, "The Lord's Prayer."