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CHAPERONS BY THE DAY.

How the Innocent Country Cousin May Be Looked After in New York.

There is a market for almost everything in New York, says the *Sun*, and the latest article advertised for sale is chaperons. They are not exactly for sale—rather to rent or to hire—and they can be obtained for a few hours shopping or for a trip around the world.

Within sight of the Grand Central Depot is a large sign reading "Chaperon Bureau," and here the country visitor can find a well-dressed, intelligent and well-looking woman to escort her through the city and tell her where to go and where not to go.

The idea is not a new one, and chaperons who are ladies of refinement, of not of wealth, can be found in almost all of large continental cities, especially in London, where the bureau of chaperons is enormously successful. The head of the new enterprise is a bright, self-reliant young woman, who impresses one as knowing more of business and business methods than many of her sex are supposed to know. She says the new departure has been very successful. The students from Vassar College are some of its best patrons, and one contract alone calls on them to supply guides and chaperons to a party of 500 men and women who are coming from the South some time in June to visit the local branch of the society of which they are members.

"There are a great many women of middle age in the city," said she, "who are not able to support themselves by any of the callings open to women, but who know the city thoroughly and who can take care of themselves and any one in their charge. There are also a great many single women who come to New York and who are fearful of going around alone, and who would waste a great deal of time if they tried it independently which could be saved if they had some one to direct them."

"We bring these two classes of people together. We also supply men who are linguists and who know the city's show places, who can take care of foreigners unacquainted with the language." She also said that young men with presentable appearance need not apply for positions as escorts, as it was against such young men that the chaperons were intended to serve as an insurmountable barrier.

The Cost of Human Life.

The great monsters of mechanical skill and genius call for the sacrifice of a great deal of life and limb in their construction. The greater the engineering feat the more extensive is the loss of life. In the construction of the Eiffel tower, for instance, twenty-six lives were lost, according to the official returns of the French Government; but it is said that this number would be largely augmented if the names were given of men who died from injuries received during the construction of the tower, and of others who were killed and whose deaths were not reported owing to the hue and cry which was raised after the first two dozen lives had been sacrificed on the great structure. The number of men who were injured during the construction of the Eiffel tower has been placed at 6,000. This enormous showing is accounted for by the fact that every injury was reported and registered which received treatment from the official surgeons. When a man bruised his finger he went to a government surgeon to have it dressed, and a clumsy workman thus got on the list a dozen or two times a year. Serious injuries were a very small proportion of the whole. On the great Berlin bridge in Scotland a list of forty lives lost has been published, but there is no record of injuries.—*N. Y. Sun*.

Mrs. Langtry's Business Ability.

But by far the ablest woman we have ever seen in America is Mrs. Lily Langtry. She is the only woman who has ever succeeded in making every man she dealt with feel his comparative weakness. They all admit that—all her managers, her leading men, her agents in her speculations. On Pine street, among the real-estate men, she is looked upon as the ablest speculator, considering her means, who ever gambled in New York real estate. Time and again she has carried off bargains that made the shrewdest men—even the managers of the Astor estate—bite their nails. Then, see the money she has made by a profession for which she has no talent, and in which she rose by force of will. See how she has husbanded her beauty, working like a nailer with out-of-door exercise, and all the other self-denying means that preserve a woman's beauty. I don't like Mrs. Langtry—I'm too old-fashioned and conservative—but I can give you the names of the shrewdest men who write plays, or manage theatres, or speculate, that they may confirm the assertion that she is the ablest woman New York has ever known.—*Chatter*.

Got the Doses Mixed.

The wife of a Philadelphia veterinarian accidentally mixed her own prescription with one made out by her husband for a horse, and sent the wrong one to the druggist. She was horrified when she found that the druggist had sent her pills home in a cigar box, and frightened when she found each pill was larger than a plum.

Vegetarian Dinners.

At three vegetarian restaurants in London the dinners daily served up average 1,550.

The Best Havana Cigar.

The leaf of the Vuelta Abajo district is much more valuable than the leaf of the Partido district, and by experts and connoisseurs the former is without possibility of dispute conceded the palm for flavor and aroma; yet fully 70 per cent of the cigars imported into the United States are made of Partido tobacco, and the national taste is undoubtedly for it. This is the more curious, as in buying cigars at retail it simply means that the bulk of our smokers pay the same price for the second grade of Havana tobacco as they would if they bought the first grade, the price of Partido cigars in Cuba being only a little more than half that charged for the same sized cigar from a Vuelta factory. The fine Vuelta cigars have a much larger sale in Europe than they have in the United States, and some of the special sizes sent to Russia command a price of \$1,000 per thousand in Havana. These, if shipped to this country, would retail at the fabulous price of \$2.25 or \$2.50 for each cigar. Among the curious points not generally known regarding the Vuelta leaf is the peculiar fact that it is the only tobacco in the world, so far as I know, of which a cigar can be lit, allowed to go out, remain out for several hours, and then be relit with no perceptible loss of fragrance or added richness of flavor. It has been repeatedly asserted that this is the case with any fine cigar, but this is an error; neither Partido, Remedios, Yara, Manilla, nor our domestic leaf can be lit a second time without suffering a decrease of quality and an obnoxious increase of flavor, which, to say the least of it, is not pleasant. The reason for this is to be found in the composition of the leaf, as a rule, and the Partido a brighter, glossier leaf and more elastic, these qualities making it more attractive to the eye, and being due to an increased proportion of gummy matter and juice.—*Pittsburg Dispatch*.

A Woman's Pocket-Book.

"I read in to-day's paper that a pocket-book had been left there by some one who had found it, and I called to ask about it; I have lost mine," said a New York woman in a newspaper office the other day.

"Yes, ma'am," replied the clerk in attendance. "Will you please describe the contents of the pocket-book you lost?"

"Well, now—let me see. I think I can name every thing that was in my purse. There was a dollar bill, two 10-cent pieces, one or two nickels, two or three coppers, some postage stamps, some silk samples, a small sample of yellow floss, a pearl-handled glove-but tinner, a little poem entitled 'Baby's Bath,' a receipt for sweet pickles, a lock of baby's hair, a car ticket, a sample of terebinth lace, a memorandum of things I wanted to get, a row of pins, a funny little joke cut from a newspaper, a small pearl button, a brass tag, several addresses, a tiny lead pencil, a Canadian dime with a hole in it, a small rubber eraser, a railroad time card, an advertisement of a bargain sale of handkerchiefs, a pressed violet in a bit of tissue paper, a sample of dress braid, and five or six other little things that I can't—Oh, thank you! yes, that's my pocket-book."

And the pocket-book he handed her was just three and a half inches long by two wide and half an inch thick.—*Z. D., in Puck*.

A Virgin Forest.

Judge Campbell was one of the most popular men in the house. A more genial and obliging gentleman never breathed. He was particularly affable to new members. In the last Congress he introduced a new member to Governor Gear, who represents the old First District of Iowa. The governor, who is fully as genial as the judge, shook hands with the acquaintance and said: "Oh, yes, I remember you perfectly. You were a member of the last house."

"Oh, no, governor," Judge Campbell remarked, "he is a new member. You're entirely off. This house is a virgin forest to him."

The representative, who overheard the remark, here broke in with the inquiry: "What is a virgin forest?"

"A virgin forest," Mr. Campbell responded, "a virgin forest is a forest course any man knows what a virgin forest is."

Here he began to move his hands as though working a buzz wheel. "A virgin forest is a place where the hand of man has never put his foot."

Rice in Her Ink.

A New Haven man, after putting rice into everything he could think of belonging to a bridal party, put some in the bride's traveling ink-well. Of course the rice swelled when thoroughly soaked in the writing fluid, and then the little vessel was forced open and the ink ruined, exclusively embrodered handkerchiefs and other dainty articles a bride usually carries in her reticule.

A Queer Legal Decision.

Etiquet is responsible for a queer legal decision. A traveler on a German railway train attempted to eat a lunch, and while in the act of conveying food to his mouth the train stopped suddenly and his cheek was badly cut on the edge of the knife he was using. The man sued the company for damages, but his claim was defeated on the ground that it was a breach of etiquette for him to eat with a knife. The court recited unto him the chestnut that "A man can not take advantage of his own wrong."

MEN ARE DWINDLING.

By the year 4,000 Humanity Will Pass Out at the Little End of the Horn.

A French statistician who has been studying the military and other records with a view of determining the height of men at different periods has reached some wonderful results, says the *Philadelphia Times*. A Frenchman is naturally an artist, even in figures. A German or an American might content himself with a dry arithmetical compilation, but this artist carries his statistics into the realm of history and even prophecy. He has not only solved some perplexing problems in regard to the past of the human race, but also is enabled to calculate its future and to determine the exact period when man will disappear from the earth.

The recorded facts extend over nearly three centuries. It is found that in 1610 the average height of men in Europe was 1.75 meters, or say 5 feet 9 inches. In 1790 it was 5 feet 6 inches. In 1820 it was 5 feet 5 inches and a fraction. At the present time it is, 5 feet 3 3/4 inches. It is easy to deduce from these figures a rate of regular and gradual decline in human nature, and then to apply this, working backward and forward, to the past and to the future.

By this calculation it is determined that the stature of the first man attained the surprising average of 16 feet 9 inches. Truly there were giants on the earth in those days. The race has declined, and some of the special sizes sent to Russia were quite a degenerate offspring of the giants. Coming down to the later times we find that the beginning of our era the average height of man was 9 feet, and in the time of Charlemagne it was 8 feet 8 inches, a fact quite sufficient to account for the heroic deeds of the paladins.

But the most astonishing result of this scientific study comes from the application of the inexorable law of diminution to the future. The calculation shows that by the year 4,000 A. D. the stature of the average man will be reduced to fifteen inches. At that period there will be only lilliputians on the earth. And the conclusion of the learned statistician is irresistible, that "the end of the world will certainly arrive, for the inhabitants will have become so small that they will finally disappear"—"finish by disappearing," as the French idiom expresses it—"from the terrestrial globe."

A Hindoo Trick!

Kellar the magician, saw a trick at Calcutta which, he confesses baffled him. It was in a long, vacant room with four friends, and they were allowed to examine it thoroughly. There were four fakirs present. The party took seats on a bench midway of the room. The fakirs lighted a censor, from which exuded a sickly, sweetish smoke, filling the entire room. The fakirs then began a wild, whirling dance, all the while chanting and beating tom-toms, when suddenly the dancers appeared to increase in number until a full dozen were dancing and whirling about. These then decreased until but one dancer remained, an old man with flowing beard. What became of the other dancers Kellar can not tell, though he tried, by another search of the room to discover the secret.

Visitor—"I don't see anything remarkable about this girl. She seems to me to be just an ordinary uneducated woman." Manager—"Yes, that's so; but she is the woman who bosses the eight-foot giant."—*Terre Haute Express*.

He—"Here are your caramels, and now I suppose I will take those kisses you promised me." She—"Did I promise you any kisses?" He—"Of course you did, darling—great Scott, I've got you mixed up with my other girl."—*Terre Haute Express*.

Visitor—"I notice that you confine yourself to foretelling the future, and do not reveal the past." Clairvoyant—"Yes, it is so much easier. Somebody is sure to know all about the past, and they know as little about the future as I do."—*Lowell Mail*.

Auctioneer Muller (at the dinner given in honor of his daughter's betrothal)—"Gentlemen and ladies, I have to announce to you that my daughter Elise has been to-day betrothed to Mr. Angler for the first, for the second, for the third and last time."—*Fliegende Blätter*.

Mr. Scales—"You say you are going to leave the grocery business because you are tired of hearing men complain about high prices and growl about the expense of living; but where can you go that you will not hear such complaints?" Clerk—"I'm going to get a job as bartender."—*N. Y. Weekly*.

Mrs. Harbinger—"And how are you succeeding on the stage, Miss Footlights?" Miss Footlights—"O, I have just made a great hit." Mrs. Harbinger—"Indeed! In what play?" Miss Footlights—"O, I mean a real hit. I have received a package of Jones' soap with a request for an autograph."—*Boston Post*.

"First Tramp—"I don't see why our names don't get into the papers, Bill." Second Tramp—"Why should they?" First Tramp—"Well, I read to-day that a dinner was given to some big gun in New York a day or two ago. We get dinners given to us every day and nothing is ever said about it. Folks is prejudiced, Bill."—*Munsey's Weekly*.

Yabsley—"I believe you told me you took your wedding trip through the Yosemite Valley. You must have seen a great many views worthy of admiration." Wickwire—"M-m, I don't know. You see my wife was developing so many views on domestic authority about them that I did not have time to study any other kind."—*Terre Haute Express*.

The farmer now doth gird his loins and rise at half-past three, and stroll about as happy as a mortal well could be. Talk to him now of bunco-steers, of three-card-monte men. He'll smile and say he "doesn't care a dem fer sich ez them." Small fear has he for sharps just now. Another thing's in order. He's getting all in readiness to skin the summer boarder.—*Lawrence American*.



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