

WHAT SOCIETY IS DOING



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FASHION.

It's not so long since all about one, Mankind bowed down to the short and stout one; But now we think we've never seen one So lovely as the long and lean one; In glory walks the lithe and willowy While fades away the broad and bilowy. Triumphant reign right lines and angles— Geometry in silk and spangles.

But this thought consolation brings us And helps us bear the woe that rings us— No matter in what gowns you sheath 'em There's still the same dear girl beneath 'em; So never shake your head and frown, sir, When you behold the Empire gown, sir, For every dog must have his day And now's the turn of the syphilike fay. ANON.

IT WAS AT A "QUIET little afternoon" in one of the many cosy homes on Coos Bay. There were only a "select few" gathered together for a "heart to heart" talk. Many topics were discussed but the most interesting one was some women one hates to meet. Each one present had two or three pet aversions, some without reason and others with plenty of reasons, among those taboos were the following:

She who is always looking for trouble. Some women are like porcupines—they go around with their bristles out.

The woman who invariably makes it a point to say, "Why haven't you been to see me?" your excuse, 10 to 1, is that you didn't want to, but usually the clever woman has a better one framed which she prefers to offer uncoerced.

The "good friend type," who has something to tell you for "your own good." It is sure to be something "catty" which you would be happier not to know, but you have to keep on smiling gratefully, not to let her see that her claws have hurt.

The woman whose taste is notoriously bad, who insists upon asking you every time she meets you how you like her frock and bonnet. One can sometimes pacify one's conscience for telling a voluntary lie, but what excuse is there when driven to it by the stupid vanity of another?

The variety who meets you on Front street and who will "keep you just a minute," and then talk an hour, though you have told her you are rushing to keep an important engagement.

The "leaky" woman. In your inmost heart of hearts you know she will tell, yet your tongue has run away with you before you realize that the "danger signal" has been trying to flag you down, and keep you on your guard.

The "staring" type of femininity. There are women you just hate for no other reason under the sun, but that they take you in, from head to foot, in a five-minute conversation, which is creepier than a cold shower with the thermometer at zero. I know one woman whose eyes are so piercing that I feel when I'm with her that she is reading the very hieroglyphics on my poor little back bone.

The woman who "crouches." What if she has lost 10 pounds, or her complexion is rusty and her curly blonde hair looks like a dish of scrambled eggs, or she is troubled with "indis." Heavens! Let her take her troubles to a policeman; you may have just as many of your own, and there is nothing to be made

out of "bunching your hits" in this case.

She who regales you with the fact that she has just had tickets sent her for the "theatre," or has an automobile at her disposal for the entire day, and then never even so much as thinks of asking you to go along.

The woman who never omits an opportunity to say something unkind about out of your "best friends," and then when you try to resent the slander have her come back at you with some significant remark about her loyalty to you.

The "bragging" woman. Your inclination is to "take her down" good and hard, but your good manners urge "grin and bear it," while the struggle reduces your temper to a mere frazzle.

The "apologizer." This variety is enough to set any one crazy with a thousand excuses, and not one good reason, for every trivial thing that is mentioned. They "get on your nerves" so that you wish you were dead and buried, and in that Nirvana where no such are permitted to enter.

The woman who always tells you "how badly you look." Isn't it much pleasanter to meet the flatterer who says: "How well you are looking," even though you know she is dallying with the truth?

She who is always bursting with news, although she has promised faithfully not to tell. Sort of like champagne sizzling and bubbling within until it has found a vent, then flat, stale and unprofitable.

The woman who "rubs in" her invitations. You may have just turned down the identical thing, but it does sort of bore you to have the other one say significantly, "I have just been asked to do so and so," and it gives you a spiteful desire to let her know she is second choice.

The Ladies of the North Bend Presbyterian church met at Mrs. Chas. Murr's home Saturday afternoon, the day being Mrs. Murr's birthday. Their was a music program and refreshments were served. The guests left wishing Mrs. Murr many happy returns of the day.

The Ladies Missionary Society of the Baptist church was entertained by Mrs. A. Z. Downs and Mrs. Alva Doll at the home of Mrs. Doll, Wednesday afternoon. A program was given on the missionary work in Alaska. Mrs. Clevinger giving some interesting facts about her work while there with her husband doing missionary work. After several readings and a solo by Mrs. Wesley Smith, instrumental selections by Jamesina Hibbard and Mrs. Alva Doll, a delicious luncheon was served by the hostesses.

Mrs. E. D. McArthur has issued invitations for Saturday afternoon, April 10. In the evening, Mr. and Mrs. McArthur will entertain. In the afternoon, the guests will be all ladies while in the evening they will be ladies and gentlemen. The events will mark the tenth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. McArthur.

C. J. Mills and wife and Miss Mable Clare Mills leave today for San Francisco. Mr. Mills will be absent about three weeks on business while Mrs. Mills and Miss Mable Clare Mills will spend several weeks at various California points.

Judge and Mrs. Rummell of North Bend, left this week for Seattle where they will make their future home.

Mrs. S. Lande pleasantly entertained the A. N. W. Club at her home Thursday afternoon. The home was prettily decorated and an elaborate luncheon was served the eighteen members present. At the business session, the club arranged for the distribution of a souvenir booklet of Marshfield and Coos Bay, to be furnished by the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce, by the A. N. W. Club representative at the Seattle Exposition this summer. The next meeting of the club will be with Mrs. J. Mrs. J. T. McCormac a week from next Thursday afternoon, next week's meeting being postponed.

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PERSONAL notices of visitors in the city, or of Coos Bay people who visit in other cities, together with notices of social affairs, are gladly received in the social department. Telephone 1331. Notices of club meetings will be published and secretaries are kindly requested to furnish same.

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The Biographic Club was entertained Thursday afternoon by Mrs. E. Mings. The afternoon's program consisted of a paper on Grouse by Mrs. Mings and a paper on Coret by Mrs. Schetter. The club will not meet next week but the subsequent week will be entertained by Mrs. Otto Schetter. It will be social day and the members will invite a number of guests.

Mrs. W. F. Squire will leave April 13 for an extended visit in San Francisco and San Jose.

Mrs. J. M. Blake returned this week from a week's visit in California.

Mrs. H. H. McPherson has issued invitations for Wednesday afternoon April 14, bridge will be the diversion.

The Oklahoma Whist Club was pleasantly entertained Wednesday evening by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Grimes. The evening's play resulted in the honors going to Mrs. Eugene Crosthwait and A. T. Haines. A week from next Wednesday evening, the club will be entertained by Mrs. Edie Farringer.

Mrs. C. W. Tower and daughter, Miss Nellie, leave today for Portland and other northern points where they will spend a couple of months.

The friends of Miss Mildred Coke who will leave shortly for Oakland.

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