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### SOME MORE REASONS

Accounting for the Invasion by Women of Business World.

### SEVERAL POTENT CAUSES

Paper Read on Saturday Last by Mrs. Freda E. Gratke, Before Woman's Club of Astoria—Brief, But Effective Review of the Situation.

The Astorian has pleasure in offering its readers this morning the paper contributed on Saturday last by Mrs. Freda E. Gratke, at the session of the Astoria Woman's Club. It was not possible to publish it yesterday owing to an abundance of material from the same meeting. The subject is a large one and of exceeding gravity, and the following paper drives some decisive nails in the fixing of responsibilities and declaring of causes, for a condition that is rapidly approaching a point where a solution must be had, if even the taboos of socialism have to be invaded for the key and process.

Following is the full text of Mrs. Gratke's contribution:

"Has the increase of women in the industrial world deprived men of their positions? This is the question that has been given me to discuss with you today.

"In view of the great army of unemployed men there may seem, at first glance, some truth in the statement that women wage-earners have driven the men from the field. The army of the unemployed is one of the problems before the American people today, but like all great problems, that are confronting the nation, the root of its causes lie in such a complication of conditions that it is impossible to lay one's finger on any one thing and say 'this is the trouble.'

"Just as there are many causes that have led women into the industrial world, so are there many reasons for the conditions which there confront her. The accusation that women is the direct cause of the poor wages of today, and the scarcity of positions, is made by very superficial observers; and before we discuss what has been the effect she has had upon the labor question it will be well to take a glance at a few of the conditions which we find in our industrial world. Let me repeat the words 'a few,' for it is not within the scope of a short paper such as this, to do more than touch lightly upon two, or three of the many phases this question presents for our consideration.

"The wonderful improvement in the last 50 years in machinery has had more than one effect upon the labor question. That in so many fields one man can do the work that formerly required six, is the complaint most heard, but that is of little moment compared with the main result of our

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highly perfected machines. Not only can one man, today, accomplish the work of six men, but so very rapid has been the machine's output of its goods manufactured, that in spite of our immense country and our great foreign trade, the supply in many cases so far outruns the demand that many a manufacturer shuts down his factory entirely, or else runs it at only half its capacity. This is one of the great causes of men so often being thrown out of work.

"Then, just as the perfected machines have in the cities used one man instead of six, so also on the farms have less men been needed; that, and the growing distaste of the American youth for rural life, has caused thousands to flock from the country to our already overcrowded cities, and there enter into competition for positions. Nine times out of ten, too, the country lad will work for smaller wages than his city brother, and the competition is keen.

"To these two conditions add the enormous yearly increase in our population through immigration (an immigration of hard working, frugal men and women), and we have enough causes for the scarcity of work, without laying upon the shoulders of women the blame of robbing men of their places! Poor woman! She has had to bear from time immemorial the responsibility of all the evils our human institutions are heir to.

"Instead of women taking the positions away from men, ninety per cent of the women who work are doing so because of the neglect of some man to do his part, or because there is no man in her family to assume the role of bread-winner. It is not a question of whether or not women should, in the opinion of men, hold this or that position—the ability and right to work and be self-supporting is not the prerogative of sex, nor would the troubles in the labor world be solved if women were forced out of their present positions—in favor of men, as some of our would-be reformers suggest. Ex-President Cleveland, for example, declares that all the women should marry and stay home. Very wise of the ex-President, to be sure, but as a great per cent of the wage-earning women are married, and find that they are better able than their husbands to support their families, his proposed remedy seems more than absurd.

"That women in many cases are proving the superior of men is one reason she is preferred. Naturally she is not given the positions because her employer is chivalrous—(in business there is no sentiment), nor because she will work for less, wage as been often stated. In some few cases perhaps, both these assertions may be true, but the main reason women find it easier than men to get work is simply because as a rule they are more dependable. Wherever men are the superiors of women they hold the positions. There is, however, no line of work that has not more applicants than there are positions to be filled, and the fact that this is true of those positions where only women are the applicants, proves that she has the same condition before her as man. That these very conditions are far from ideal, that they are in many instances even appalling, is the reason that the attention of many of our ablest men is being turned to the solving of these problems.

"One fact strikes the observer very forcibly in the face of the great number of unemployed: that is, that there is not an institution in the country today, that is not eagerly seeking for competent help. Trained and skilled labor has never had any difficulty in procuring and keeping good positions. It is the untrained, mediocre class of labor that is overruling the market. Women is today a recognized factor in the industrial world and holds her position therein without any regard whatever to her sex. It therefore behooves men, instead of lamenting that women have snatched from them the prized positions, to prepare themselves more earnestly for the places they wish to occupy.

"The fact that in every walk of life

it is growing more and more difficult to procure competent workmanship, shows that there are good positions waiting. As is so often said, there is still room at the top for either men or women, whichever proves most capable. "There are, as I said before, many other phases of this problem, but even this short survey is enough to show that all the troubles of the labor question and the scarcity of work for the masses, cannot be ascribed to woman's taking her share of the world's work."

It's coming soon.

### WAKE UP, CLATSOP.

There Are Possibilities For You in the Apple Trade and Culture.

The Astorian is in receipt of a letter from a prominent citizen who is now en route to Southern California on the excursion sent out Saturday evening from Portland under the auspices of the Oregon Development League in which he says that at the Horticultural Contest held in Portland on Saturday at the league meeting, "Columbia Spys" and "Jonathan" apples", and continuing, he argues that the farmers of Clatsop should get in line on the apple question and do as much or better than her sister county; that there are no worms in Clatsop county to contend with, and that some kinds of her apples seem to do well and are good keepers, and that they should be cultivated, in the light of the success of the neighboring soil.

The growers of these Columbia apples sold \$1500 worth of their product off of two acres and are stimulating the resource in every advantageous way known to science and good sense.

He also urges the attention and presence of all Clatsop farmers to, and at the coming institute to be held in this city in March next, in this behalf, as well as other matters of local importance.

He reports all sections of the State represented at the league, and each and all shouting the prosperity and general superiority of his particular section of the country, over all other sections.

And while he is writing, he drops another vital hint for the progressive people of this city and county, when he says, that a well known man from the East, at present in Portland, had told him that 80,000 tons of pig-iron were to be demanded during the year, as well as 500,000 tons of structural iron would be needed, and he did not doubt, if the black-sand deposits were properly exploited, any amount of Eastern capital could be induced to invest in the local plants for its production.

These are things worth thinking about and attending to, and the man who suggested them will take a definite hand in the work just as soon as he returns from this trip. Let others do the same for the good of Clatsop.

The date is set.

### THE MOROCCAN CONFERENCE

(Continued from page 1) which the people will commemorate the day for it will show to what extent the Russian government has succeeded in restoring peace.

The Workmen's Council has called a general pacific strike for January 22d and there will be parades and meetings in memory of the day.

Among the conventions this week, the most important are: The Second National Conference for Primary Election and Ballot Reform at New York on January 15th; the United Mine Workers' convention at Indianapolis on January 16th, and the American Protective Tariff League's annual meeting in New York on January 18th.

A Jamaican Lady Speaks Highly of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Mrs. Michael Hart, wife of the superintendent of Cart Service at Kingston, Jamaica, West Indies Islands, says that she has for some years used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for coughs, croup and whooping cough and has found it very beneficial. She has implicit confidence in it and would not be without a bottle of it in her home. Sold by Frank Hart, and leading druggists.

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### MOTHER LAYS DEAD

Turns on Gas and Dies—Two Children Rescued.

### WOMAN MADE DISCOVERY

Is Found in Flat Gas Escaping—One Child Ill From Diphtheria. Was on Floor—Police Think Case is One of Suicide.

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—Mrs. Bridget Meyer, 42 years old, of 38 Hope street, was found dead in her apartments this morning from gas asphyxiation, while her three children, who were with her, were only slightly overcome. One of the children, Frank, four years old, who is seriously ill from diphtheria, was found lying on the kitchen floor.

For several days, the police of the Bedford avenue station learned, Mrs. Meyer had been acting strangely, and the police are of the opinion that she may have taken her life while temporarily insane. She has not slept for several nights, having been up watching her sick child.

Mrs. Meyer's husband, Louis, is a longshoreman employed at the Havemeyer Sugar Refinery dock. He left for work at 6 o'clock. The three children, Frances, 6 years old; Frank, 4, and Annie, 2, were in bed.

At 9 o'clock Mrs. Mary Dirken, who lives in the same house, went to the Meyer apartment to see how the sick child was getting along. She got no response on knocking and then entered.

The rooms were filled with gas and the sick child was lying unconscious on the floor.

Mrs. Meyer ran out and got Policeman McSorley, who summoned the ambulance from the Williamburg Hospital. Dr. Lippold said the woman had been dead for some time, but he had no trouble in restoring the three children to consciousness. The police, on making an investigation, found that the tube that led to a gas stove had been disconnected and the jet was turned on full.

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### Cured Lumbago.

A. B. Canman, Chicago, writes March 4, 1903. "Having been troubled with Lumbago, at different times and tried one physician after another then different ointments and liniments, gave it up altogether. So I tried once more, and got a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment, which gave me almost instant relief. I can cheerfully recommend it, and will add my name to your list of sufferers." Sold by Hart's drug store.

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