

FOR WOMAN'S CLUB

Mrs. Lemon's Very Interesting Contribution on Saturday.

SUBJECT MATTER IMPORTANT

Clever Theme Cleverly Handled—Relation of School Children to the Civic Improvements About Them—Share in the Work.

The following clever paper, upon the relation of the school to civic improvement, was read by its author, Mrs. Mary E. Lemon, of this city, at the meeting of the Astoria Woman's Club, on Saturday last, and is worth the earnest perusal of every citizen here:

"In considering the connection of the school with civic improvement, before viewing the subject in any broad sense, it will be well to recall the homely advice, 'Sweep your own doorsteps first.' While we read, that, in many of the larger cities, children with their gardens contribute much to civic beauty, we had better concern ourselves with beginnings.

"The first undertaking of the school is to see that the grounds surrounding the building are kept clear of litter—chiefly waste paper. Then, as no child likes to be looked down upon as a resident of a dirty neighborhood, a sufficient amount of public sentiment can be easily aroused in the children for them to keep the nearby streets free from papers, at least. Anyone living in the vicinity of a schoolhouse knows whether or not this makes a difference. It would be well to offer some special privilege to the pupils or room most helpful in the matter of general neatness and outside order. Enough account is not taken of the fact that the unspoiled young of the human race will do more in the hope of reward than through fear of punishment.

"The school should begin by rousing in the child the greatest possible measure of local patriotism—not difficult, as most young people are instinctive champions of their native town. This may be regarded as mistaken policy, as leading logically to 'sectionalism.' However, few hearts are wide enough to hold a nation. It is natural to the immature to love what is near and comprehensible.

"Show the child that the faults of his town are subjects of scornful amusement to strangers, and, while he may feel that he cannot do much for his native city, merely not adding to its unattractiveness is a distinct gain.

"Public property has always been looked upon as fair game by children. It is the duty of the schools to make pupils clearly understand that their parents, the taxpayers, are the owners of all such property, and obliged to pay for injury to it. The school can in this way become a powerful factor on the side of law and order.

"Coming back to the school yard itself, we know that in many cities, particularly in New England, the grounds

around the school are as beautifully laid out and as well kept as those of a gentleman's private residence. While agreeable to the eye and ornamental to the city, it may be doubted whether this is wise.

"The yard is, primarily, a playground for the children and any amount of beautifying that unfits it for this use is gain in the wrong direction. The ideal playground is a clear, clean space with plenty of outdoor games. It has to be bare. Active young feet will soon make it so. Immediately around the building and extending outward a few feet, the place might be turfed and planted with flowers. A few trees could be set out for shelter in hot weather. Under these, brightly colored benches would be at once useful and attractive.

"The children will not spoil anything. Even the tiny beginners will not tear the flowers. As much cannot be said for the wandering bovines that evidently walk invisible as far as the pound-master is concerned, by whose reprehensible appetite for clumps of wall flowers the horticultural efforts of one janitor were brought to nothing.

"There is one other point entirely outside this subject, but of such importance that it will get itself mentioned.

No city, however, well kept its lawns, handsome its residences, and fine its natural environment, can charm strangers if its streets are always in a state of upheaval. Would it not be well to carefully determine where a street ought to go and then leave it there? To arrange for drainage at the same time would obviate the necessity of ripping the street all up again before it had become cool enough to 'set.'

"It would seem, too, that city grades should have a sort of permanency about them. Looking up at the edge of the sidewalk from one's parlor windows cannot be very exhilarating, besides exposing the inmates of the dwelling to all the inconveniences of the 'Elevated' with none of the compensable advantages."

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. Sarah Ross returned to Astoria on the noon express yesterday, after an extended stay of two months in California. She brings an expert Eastern trimmer with her and will resume business at the Eleventh street store a little later.

Professor I. N. Garman and Manager W. R. Powell, of the Western Union, went down to the jetty yesterday, for a breath of fresh air. They got it, alright.

J. L. Isaacs, of San Francisco arrived in the city on the noon train yesterday, on a business trip.

J. L. Lane, of Portland, is in the city, on business.

C. W. Young, of Juneau, Alaska, is a guest at the Hotel Occident.

Croup. Begins with the symptoms of a common cold; there is chilliness, sneezing, sore throat, hot skin, quick pulse, hoarseness and impeded respiration. Give frequent small doses of Ballard's Horehound Syrup, (the child will cry for it) and at the first sign of a croupy cough apply frequently Ballard's Snow Liniment to the throat.

Mrs. A. Vliet, New Castle, Colo., writes, March 19, 1902: I think Ballard's Horehound Syrup a wonderful remedy, and so pleasant to take. Sold by Hart's Drug Store.

DAIRYMAID GOING

English Women Turning More to Art of Gardening.

SCIENCE AND LITERATURE

English Woman's Year Book Shows That Great Britain's Daughters Are Getting Busy These Days.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—"The English woman's Year Book," just out, contains a remarkable record of the scientific progress of women. The volume touches briefly on all aspects of woman's work and so large is the field covered and so varied the careers and the trades and professions in which women are competent that it takes no fewer than 401 pages to describe them.

To the Georgian lady of the languid manners and the simpers and the other outward signs of feminine incompetence one might especially commend the chapter headed "Science: What Some Distinguished Women are Doing."

In her day woman did nothing. In 1905 they did such things as this:

"Miss Annie J. Cannon read a paper on 'Variation of the Bright Hydrogen Lines in Stellar Spectra,' at the annual meeting of the Astronomical and Astrophysical Society of America."

"Dr. Harriette Chich communicated a paper to the royal society on the 'Nitrification and Purification of Sewage.'"

Tells of Salamander.

"Miss Emerson wrote an account of the 'Anatomy of Typhlomogi rathbuni,' the blind salamander thrown up by an artesian well. Miss Emerson believes that the salamander is a member of the Salamandridae family, who are relatives of the Spelerpes."

"Miss Fleming examined 30,000 class B, or Oriotype spectra stars."

"Miss Leavitt found fifty-seven variable stars in the Magellanic cloud."

But these skirt savants represent the summit of feminine learning, for the intimate knowledge of the family affairs of the blind salamander is the empyrean of the scientific woman's heaven. Lower down there are countless thousands of intelligent women earning a living, fighting a not unequal contest with men amid the stress of intense competition. They are classified and ticketed in the "Englishwoman's Year Book."

There are numerous commercial institutions which make a specialty of preparing women for commercial life, and the society of arts admits them to lecture in Hindustani, banking and Chinese.

Dairymaid is Disappearing.

The Royal Agricultural society examines them in agriculture, entomology, mensuration and veterinary science, and then confers on them the national diploma of agriculture. In connection with agriculture it may be mentioned that the dairy maid, ennobled by the poets, is in danger. This "Year Book" says:

"The prospects of employment for women in dairy work are at present somewhat uncertain."

But the lady gardener has arrived. Says the "Year Book": There is no direction in which women have been more successful in enlarging their spheres of usefulness and increasing their economic value to the nation than in gardening."

A very significant passage follows: "It is only 14 years ago since women were first admitted as students at the horticultural college, and yet in 1901 this very institution decided to close its doors to men and admit women only."

Here are a few occupations in which many women are now engaged:

Hair dressing, book binding, type setting, house decorating, librarians, photography, vent collecting, estate sanitary inspections, commercial travelers.

HELP OREGON COWS.

E. H. Harriman and his railroad associates want to help Oregon cows in the Willamette valley section. Twenty tracts of land of five acres each are now being selected by Southern Pacific agents in the valley, and they are to be seeded with California alfalfa. For a number of years Oregon dairymen and farmers have felt the need of a crop that would provide green feed for dairy cows during the eight or ten weeks of dry summer weather. So they have turned to alfalfa for relief and have asked the assistance of the railroad people.

The latter state that alfalfa, when it can be successfully grown, is admittedly the best suited to meet the needs of this dry period. Not only is it the best of forage crops but it is the nearest to being perennial. Reports show that the production of milk to the cow in California exceeds that in Oregon by 150 gallons a year, and the credit is given to alfalfa, which is the mainstay of the California dairymen.

W. W. Cotton, chief counsel of the Harriman roads in Oregon is also a practical dairyman. He is taking a good deal of interest in the proposition of growing alfalfa in the Willamette valley and is preparing a pamphlet on the subject for free distribution. His work will be supplemented by the planting of small tracts with the necessary seed, as now being arranged for by the Southern Pacific officials in San Francisco.

MISS LAUGHLIN'S WORK.

The woman's suffrage meeting held at the Methodist church on Saturday evening, was well attended by an appreciative audience. Miss Laughlin, who addressed the meeting, handled the subject exceedingly well, presenting unanswerable arguments and clinching them in a clear and concise manner. Miss Laughlin also spoke at Logan Hall, on Sunday afternoon, on the subject, "My Neighbor." She was greeted by a full house and in her usual manner carried conviction with her arguments.

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WOMAN EXPLORER KNIGHTED.

Mme. Massieu Tells of World's Most Accomplished Liars.

PARIS, Feb. 25.—Mme. Isabelle Massieu, the French lady explorer, has been made a knight of the Legion of Honor. She has just returned from Annam and Tonkin and says the Annamites are the most accomplished liars in the world. One chief told her that he had seen an English vessel so large that his father, who was a young man when he started to walk down the deck, had had white hair before he reached the mainmast.

Thereupon another chief remarked that there are trees in France so tall that a bird takes ten years to reach the top.

"That is impossible," said the first chief. "Then how was the mainmast of your ship built?" asked the other.

Lame Back.

This ailment is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles and may be cured by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm two or three times a day and rubbing the parts vigorously at each application. If this does not afford relief, bind on a piece of flannel slightly dampened with Pain Balm, and quick relief is almost sure to follow. For sale by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

The President's latest Rough Rider nominee has just been acquitted by a petit jury. His Senatorial enemies should be challenged to produce a candidate having that qualification.

Mrs. Longworth says she is tired of having her picture taken. There are other members of the family that bear the ordeal without flinching.—Baltimore Sun.

Itch—Ringworm.

E. T. Lucas, Wingo, Ky., writes, April 25, 1902: "For 10 to 12 years I had been afflicted with a malady known as the 'itch.' The itching was most unbearable; I had tried for years to find relief, having tried all remedies I could hear of, besides a number of doctors. I wish to state that one single application of Ballard's Snow Liniment cured me completely and permanently. Since then I have used the liniment on two separate occasions for ring worm and it cured completely. 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by Hart's Drug Store."

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