

WOMAN'S WORLD.

THE UNTRoubLED LIVES OF ARISTOCRATIC SCHOOL GIRLS.

Social Leaders in New York—The Women Voters of Boston—How to Save Plumbers' Bills—How Mrs. Custer Suffers—Mrs. Blaine to Write a Novel.

The most expensive young ladies' school in the country is near Philadelphia. Only the daughters of bonanza kings and railway magnates can afford to go to it; but it is not so very exclusive, even with such people as patrons.

The only thing needed for as much fun as they have is money, and with that they are well provided. Last month's excursion was to New York. They left Philadelphia at 7 o'clock in the morning and landed in Jersey City at 9.

The school entertains all sorts of celebrities as they make their appearance in the neighboring Quaker city. Ellen Terry visited the girls when she was in this country, and although she never reads for anybody she did read for them.

Social Leaders in New York.

Of the people who are likely to be brought forward this winter more prominently than ever before as social leaders in New York none will stand a better chance of success than the wife of ex-Secretary Whitney.

Mrs. Whitney is peculiarly fortunate in having a house to entertain in—a house built on a princely scale, filled with rare pictures and works of art, a veritable museum of treasure.

Mrs. Whitney is as clever a diplomat as was Talleyrand, and with a fortune that brings her an income of half a million a year, she may be depended upon to more than hold her own in the contest.

The Women Voters of Boston.

The action of 7,918 women voters of Boston and its results show the efficiency of women as a factor in our municipal politics. In an election where the Democrats carried their mayor by 12,000 majority, with two-thirds of the council and board of aldermen, not a single person was elected a member of the school committee who was not nominated and supported by some organized body of women.

The Public School union also nominated eight candidates and elected four. Last, but not least, Mrs. Emily A. Field, the only woman nominated by any party, received a larger vote and a larger majority by 2,000 than any other candidate, although not nominated by the Democrats.

How to Save Plumber's Bills.

Directly it begins to freeze there is a demand on plumbers to open frozen pipes. It is strange that in nineteen cases out of twenty it is the escape pipe from the sink, and not the supply pipe, that freezes, although the latter is always full of water.

Boiling water, in which as much soda as it will take has been dissolved,

should be poured down, or if the pipe is full of cold water the next best thing is to get as much soda into it as possible. This will soften the mass below and make it as soluble as soap, and in a few hours all will pass away.

Salaries of Housekeepers.

"The best paid women in New York city or any other large city," said a leading employment bureau proprietor to me yesterday, "are the first class competent housekeepers. There are few women who are really competent to take charge of households like the Vanderbilts, the Astors, and so on, who are willing to undertake it."

"In England women are bred to the profession of housekeepers, just as they are taught to be cooks, housemaids, lady's maids and so on. Here housekeepers are housekeepers by chance more than anything else. That is the reason why big salaries are paid to really competent women."

Miss Margaret Elliott.

In Mr. Warren's All Souls' choir there are some distinguished singers, chief among whom are Miss Margaret H. Elliott, the solo soprano, and Mr. Perry Averill, the baritone. Miss Elliott is already quite well known in New York both as a concert and "society" singer.

House Plants.

Many plants taken up this fall and potted for display indoors during winter will show the want of skill in the gardener by drooping, by change of color of leaves, and by other signs of slowly dying.

Heat water up to about 110 degrees, and with it water the plants as usual; next day use water up to 125 degrees, next day up to 150 degrees; pursue this five or six days and a fine growth will result.

How Mrs. Custer Suffers.

Mrs. Custer is one of the most widely sought women in New York society. Though by no means a society woman, and permanently saddened by the death of the general, she frequently yields to the importunities of friends and goes forth to become the life and soul of the circle that she chooses to enter.

Mrs. Blaine to Write a Novel.

An intimate friend of Mrs. James G. Blaine, Jr., told me yesterday that this unfortunate young woman, who has seen so much trouble, was trying her hand at authorship, and that a novel from her may be looked for within the next two months.

Leggins Are Too Cumbersome.

Those undressed kid leggins which button up so prettily over the knees of the spoiled boy darlings are very fashionable and make the little fellows look so swell, you know.

walked with most aristocratic language and apparent insensibility of the pleasures of life until around the corner. "Let's get these plaguy things off and have some fun," said one.

In a trice the unwieldy leggins were hanging on a fence, and the two aristocratic darlings were only two jolly little boys, playing tag and shrieking with laughter as they chased one another up and down the sidewalk.

Brilliant Women Wanted.

The interest and discussion which Mrs. John Sherwood's delightful paper on "The Salon and Its American Possibilities" have evoked, hazards the prophecy that society may take the matter seriously in hand when the pedigree fever has somewhat abated.

Empress Elizabeth at Corfu.

Before leaving Corfu the Austrian empress stated that on the completion of the beautiful villa she is having erected there her majesty and the emperor of Austria, with their daughter, the Archduchess Marie Valerie, intended to pay a visit to the island.

Energetic Women.

Mrs. Douglas Gordon, Mrs. Henry Winter Davis and Miss Mary Garrett, who were mainly instrumental in securing the sum of money which is to open the medical school of Johns Hopkins university to women, are now laboring to raise the half million endowment fund which is necessary to the practical success of the new scheme.

Health of the Queen.

There is not the slightest foundation for the story which has been going round the papers that the queen's health is the cause of some anxiety in the inner circles of the court.

Mrs. Clark.

Kate Upson Clark, of Brooklyn, is the wife of E. P. Clark, of the New York Evening Post, and the daughter of Edwin Upson, just deceased.

Mrs. Pering.

Mrs. Pering, who has been elected to the office of road overseer in Kansas, is a wide awake woman with snapping black eyes and determined mien.

Miss Annie Baxter.

Miss Annie Baxter was elected county clerk of Jasper county, Mo., at the regular election, and Mrs. Caroline Le Comte, of Columbia, has been appointed state librarian by Governor Tillman, of South Carolina.

Miss Flora E. Powers.

Miss Flora E. Powers, stenographer to the attorney general, is said to be one of the most indefatigable workers at the capital, frequently working far into the night in a stress of business, not absenting herself on Sunday.

A watch in accordance with feminine fancy.

is in the form of a rose with pearl colored leaves, the dial forming the center of the rose. This swings from a chateleine of pearl set chains.

In Ireland women tailors used to so monopolize the trade that men tailors were unknown.

but of late one or two men have been allowed to enter into competition with the women.

The Pratt institute, in Brooklyn, N. Y.,

is to have a large annex devoted to women students. The cost of the building will be about \$175,000, and the work on it will be begun next spring.

Miss Elizabeth Cotesworth is about organizing a co-operative company of English gentlemen for the raising of fruits and vegetables, to be delivered directly to the consumers.

Mrs. Bennet Edwards, the authoress,

has made a donation of \$5,000 to Gen. Booth to further his scheme for the regeneration of "Darkest England."

Mrs. Polly Holmes, aged 90 years,

of Cape Cod, Mass., has knitted two woolen skirts since her birthday in August and has nearly completed a third.

Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher has numerous offers for a life of the gifted preacher,

but her health is too poor to permit of the task.

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