

Women's Interests

Woman's Place in Business.

The non-recognition of woman's place in business life is still prevalent, says Miss Harriet Richards in the Book-keeper. Many a business man looks upon the feminine element of his office force, from the telephone girl to his private secretary (and what an earth would he do without her?), as a necessary nuisance, and considers the position that woman to-day holds in American business life an erroneous one. Nevertheless, the fact remains that over six million women and girls in these United States are self-supporting, and with only nine exceptions they are engaged in every occupation in which men are engaged. Since this is a fact, who shall say it is wrongly so? If the feminine element is a necessity in the home, where his majesty "throws off the cares of the day and is ready for rest and recreation, may it not be conceded that there are those qualities in women that are necessary as a balance to those masculine qualities which are continually in action in the business world?

It has been said that "women are not all fools, although men seem to expect them to be, very often." Woman has an intuitive perception that enables her to see into a thing more quickly than a man, to see at once results other than those satisfactory to selfish desire; she has greater foresight, greater patience, a better sense of harmony, of proportion and of order. The French recognize these facts, and to-day in France the wife is not only made familiar with her husband's business, but she has become a most helpful assistant to him in that connection.

Empire and Bolero.



Bolero jackets are once again striving to regain their old-time popularity and are shown frequently on some of the newest models. A late importation in water green satin built on empire lines has the jacket effect, beautifully braided with silk soutache in shade matching the material. The high grade is braided in design directly in front and edged top and bottom with a single row of braid.

Nerves Dangerous for Business Women.

The business woman who lets a remark or a mishap reduce her to tears or a state of nervousness that utterly unfit her for work for hours would be more efficient if she could philosophically put such things aside with the mental reservation, "It's done and can't be undone; I'll try to prevent its happening again," and let it go at that.

The person who can take a disappointment stoically, who can get the right perspective and see that in a week or month or a year it will be a little thing, though just now it seems big, has a help along life's highway that will considerably brighten dark places.

It isn't meant that we should be careless or indifferent. It is meant that one should put a right valuation on the things that disturb one's serenity. It isn't meant that in great trouble we can summon philosophy to take out the sting. But for the trifles, the inconsequential things, it is a most useful armor.

Wedding Ring Curiosities.

The idea that the wedding ring should be worn on the third finger of the left hand because "a nerve connects this finger with the heart," is, says the writer of an article in Woman's Life, of Roman origin, but, oddly enough, it is not continued on the continent as in England, for in France, Belgium and Germany, and most other European nations, the "engagement ring" finger is the third finger of the left hand, while the "wedding ring" finger is the third finger of the right hand.

Not American Women.

Occasionally some benighted individual ventures to repeat the silly assertion that American women lack the poise and feminine dignity that characterize their sex in European countries.

Anyone who cherishes such a delusion should read the comments of European newspapers on the conduct of women during the visit of King Edward to Marlbad. In their insane ambition to secure some souvenir of royalty scores of well-dressed and apparently respectable women followed

the monarch so closely that the police had to interfere. They even crowded around him in the restaurants, fighting to snatch a cigar stub, a crumb of bread, or even the matches that he had used to light his cigars.

Just imagine American women participating in such disgraceful proceedings! American women may not be controlled by inherited respect for long outgrown conventions. Few of them, however, are lacking in ability so to conduct themselves as to command the respect of the most distinguished visitor, be he President or King.—Chicago Journal.

Fads and Fancies in Dress

Folds and felus over the shoulders are quite a feature of evening gowns.

Sleeveless coats with a color contrasting with the gown under them are in growing favor.

The scarf which matches the gown is becoming one of the familiar features for the light wrap.

The winter promises to be a season of extra long, narrow coats over plain, striped or checked gowns.

A gay Beau Brummel frill at the throat transforms the tailored suit into something dainty and feminine.

Black embroidery upon brown is smart when the brown is not too dark to afford a contrast with the black.

The coarser weaves of tussore, which have the preference just now, look at a distance like a piece of rough canvas.

One of the oddities of the season is the introduction of the metallic and spangle effects among the cottons and linens.

Among the popular fabrics are the new two-tone changeable satins, the face being of one color and the back of another.

Dog collars of velvet are especially pretty when embroidered in tiny buds and flowers or a spray of foliage, in natural colors.

The wide shirtwaists, striped with color matching the gowns with which they are worn, are in great favor with the girls just now.

Yellow is more to be seen this season than for years. It is used not only for sashes or collars or tapestry finishes, but entire frocks are made of it.

The fad for stenciling has extended as far as the children's wardrobe, and mothers of young children are decorating the hems of skirts, yokes, collars, etc., with this artistic work.

How to Be Human.

Success in human relationships means the possession, to some extent at least, of the power so naively shown by the little girl who walked with her mother in the park. She entered so spontaneously and so entirely into the life about her, she felt so intimately and so vividly the experiences of the trees and the flowers, the birds and the squirrels, that she temporarily lost the consciousness of her own personality, and as she skipped about came running to her mother, crying, "Oh, mother, mother, isn't it enjoying itself!"—Harper's Bazar.

Will Test the Law.

A test case of the law in Ohio that forbids a married woman to teach will probably be made in the case of Mrs. Merritt Mason, of Helena. She made a contract to teach before she was married, and when she took unto herself a husband she was told that the contract was void. She declares that a teacher can only be discharged for certain reasons, and having a husband is not one of them.

Home-Made Rug.

For a useful house rug, cut burlap 4 inches wide, yard long, unravel both sides for 1½ inches, fold, and sew the center. Take a piece of burlap the size you want the rug. Begin to sew the burlap in the center, one of the strips that is unraveled, turn the ends up, and sew in a circle to the square piece of burlap until the burlap is filled. It can be sewed in any shape you would like. Dye it some nice color.

The Work That NEVER DONE

Use salt water applied with a coarse brush to clean willow furniture. Dry well.

A cloth dipped into methylated spirits will be found useful in cleaning brown shoes.

To bleach handkerchiefs, after washing let them soak over night in water in which a bit of cream of tartar has been dissolved.

Try keeping sewing implements handy in the kitchen for dressing fowls—strong thread, cord, a thimble—a needle and scissors.

Moistened cream of tartar will remove iron rust. Grass stains in white goods should be saturated with paraffin and put out in the sun.

Cut sheets of tin foil and place under

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the flower vase dollies and you will have no trouble with any dampness affecting the best polished furniture.

To clean embossed brass make a solution of one ounce of oxalic acid and one pint of soft water. Apply it with a soft brush and polish with chamolis.

Don't rinse faces in blue water, under a mistaken notion that it will improve the color. It won't. Rinse in skimmed milk, which will give a soft, creamy tint.

Fancy baskets in colors can be cleaned with water the same as any basket, but the colors are less liable to run if cold water and naphtha soap are used. Lined baskets can be cleaned in this manner.

To improve the appearance of rusty black lace, soak it in vinegar and water—two tablespoonfuls of vinegar to a pint of cold water—then rinse it in cold coffee and iron it, while still damp, between flannel.

In putting down linoleum or oilcloth have strips of molding nailed above the linoleum where it comes to the baseboard. This prevents dust from getting underneath and also preserves the edges from moisture under the floor covering.

A linoleum may be freshened perceptibly if given a coat of linseed oil and paraffin. Boil the oil and wax together and apply, while still hot, with a brush. Use only enough to cover the surface, and when finished wipe it off dry with a cloth.

Health and Beauty Hints.

To draw a boil to a head peel the skin from a boiled egg, wet and apply at once.

Ringworms disappear when painted a few times with iodine. Repeat application if required.

Bind the white of an egg over burns or scalds. It will form a coating like varnish and give instant relief.

If inflammatory rheumatism is not of long standing bathe the affected parts with sweet oil and salt-peter—an ounce of the latter to a pint of oil. It is very effective.

When giving castor oil take a small tumbler and squeeze into it a tablespoonful of orange juice; next pour in the oil, then add more juice. The oil will form a globule in the center of the juice and can be swallowed without being detected.

Soaking the feet night and morning in hot water for five minutes at least will do much toward relieving the pain. A mixture of alum, rock salt and borax in even quantities will be helpful in extreme cases.

A German woman who suffered from neuralgia was cured by fasting, and hence in her opinion it is food and not money that is the root of all evil. Medical authorities are already countenancing hunger cures for different maladies.

A pleasant and refreshing mouth wash may be formed by mixing in a pint of distilled or otherwise pure water, two teaspoonfuls of prepared borax and a teaspoonful of camphor. Keep it tightly corked and shake well before using.

Many persons find that a little peroxide of hydrogen brushed over the skin immediately freckles appear has a marvelous power of dispelling them. One should, however, vary this treatment by applying some fatty cream, for the drug tends to wither the skin, and some skins it irritates greatly.

Blouse of Pongee.



Here is a model for blouse especially well adapted for pongee. The little bands might be Persian or Chinese embroidery, and the frog buttons wood brown. Either brown silk or ribbon velvet in same shade would make a pretty collar.

Basting Goods.

In basting the goods on the lining of jackets and waists pull the lining a trifle at the waist line. Then when basting the waist together stitch the goods until the fullness in the lining is gone. This will make a snug fit and there will never be any wrinkles at the waist line.

One Teacher Honored.

Miss Laura F. Beale lives in Winthrop, Me., where she taught school for twenty-five years. Her pupils are scattered through all parts of the United States, and for the last four years they have had annual reunions, about a hundred members belonging to the society that has her name.

To Clean Graniteware.

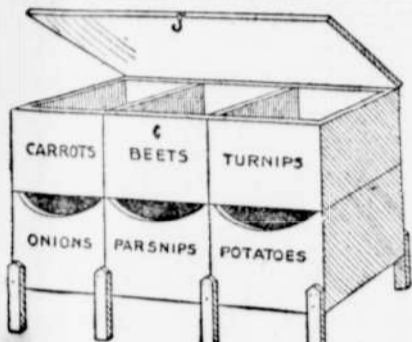
Where mixtures have burned on them, half fill the vessel with cold water, add a generous pinch of washing soda, heat slowly to boiling point, then empty, when dish easily may be cleaned.

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Neat Storage Box for Vegetables.

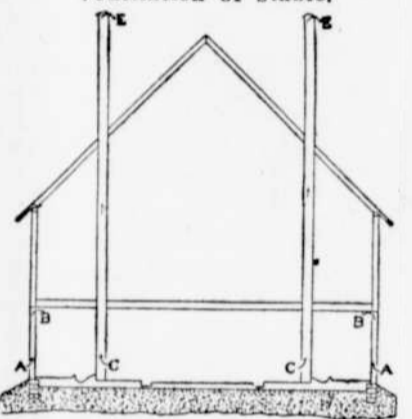
Instead of keeping the vegetables in barrels or boxes scattered all over the cellar, I have made a set of storage bins. I took six drygoods boxes and bolted them together as shown in the drawing. I put legs on them to hold them off the floor and a cover on the box. Then I painted on the boxes the names of the vegetables we generally store. This makes a neat and handy storage bin, and is well worth the little time it takes to make it. Before we had this bin we stored the different vegetables in barrels, boxes, washtubs, lard cans, or any receptacle that happened to be at hand when we harvest-



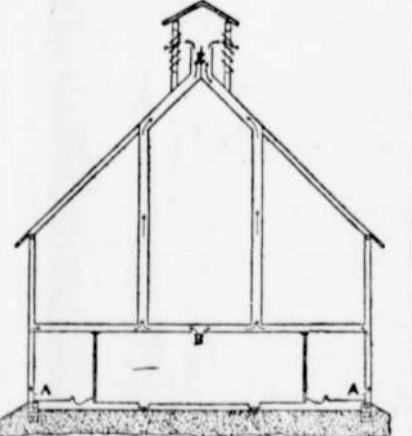
VEGETABLE'S STORAGE BOX.

ed the crop. These were scattered about the cellar promiscuously, and sometimes we knew where to find what we wanted and sometimes we did not. There is nothing more satisfying to a farmer's wife than to be able to take a friend into a cellar where everything is neat and in order.—A. O. Griner in Farm and Home.

Ventilation of Stable.



Here's a good method of ventilating an ordinary stable. Intake flues are constructed in the side walls. The ventilation flues will take up considerable space but are more efficient than a single flue. Openings are at or near the floor level and the tops several feet above the ridge of the roof. Caps or cowls may be placed over them to keep out rain and snow.



Another arrangement of flues which is quite effective in securing ventilation. The opening in the center of B may be provided with a shutter to prevent too rapid movement of air. Separate outlets may be provided or the single cupola as shown.

To Make the Hens Lay.

If the hens don't lay, turn them out and let them dig and hunt in the ground for food, is the advice of T. F. McGrew, in the Country Gentleman. Bury small grain where they will find it when they dig. This will induce them to hunt, and while thus employed they will find bugs and worms that will quicken the production of eggs. It is well to follow this plan as soon as the spade will turn the ground, for it adds vigor and strength to the hens and insures strong, healthy chicks. The lazy, idle hen is of no use but to sit about, eat and grow fat. If she will not work, she will not lay. If she will not lay, her life should end, and her carcass grace the table. You can rest assured that the indolent hen is a non-producer; soon she becomes too fat to lay and too tough to be eaten.

Right Time to Pick Apples.

Apples intended for cold storage should not be allowed to become too ripe on the tree. When an apple is fully grown, highly colored, but still hard, it is in prime condition to be picked and stored. It has then obtained its highest market value because it is most attractive in appearance and best in quality. If picked before entirely ripe apples deteriorate more rapidly, and it is best to allow an apple to become a trifle overripe than to pick it in an immature state. Many people have the erroneous opinion that apples should be picked before fully ripe in order to keep well in cold storage, but this is a mistake.

Raising Chickens.

The greatest drawback to the chicken business is that there is not a day's let-up in the steady routine of work from the time an egg is piped until the ax closes the hen's history. It is natural after the pullets are feathered out and weaned and the roosters separated from them to let up a little in the care bestowed on them. This is a great mistake if winter eggs are expected. If there is one thing more than another that the average poultryman is liable to err in it is lack of fresh air in the coops at night. Slip out some hot night about 11 o'clock and you will perhaps hear the thump, thump of restless chickens crowding around against each other, fighting in vain for a cool, airy spot to sleep in comfort. Or in the morning take a whiff of the fetid, unwholesome air before letting the chickens out, and you will realize that night spent under such conditions must prevent the steady, healthy growth necessary for best results. This condition of affairs is liable to be worse with incubator chickens, because they are raised in larger flocks and the tendency is to crowd them more after taking them from the brooders.

When Hens Are Moulting.

One of the difficulties in poultry raising is to get the hens to molt early, so that they will be ready to lay in the fall and winter, when eggs are high. Left to themselves, hens will take a long time to molt, and will not finish until cold weather sets in. They will not then lay until early spring and all the profits for the winter months are lost. At the poultry institute held in Denver by the Colorado Agricultural College, W. J. R. Wilson, a poultry man of long experience, gave his method of controlling the molting of hens. As soon as the hens are through laying he turns them on alfalfa, feeding them dry bran only, in addition. Under this treatment they get thin. Then he feeds them a mixed ration of grains and meat, giving a light feed in the morning and all they will eat at noon and night. Under this treatment they finish molting quickly, get new feathers and begin laying in September. By October 1 they are in full laying condition and make a profit through the fall and winter.

Alfalfa for the Dairy.

Successful dairy farming depends a great deal on growing the necessary feed on the farm. City milkmen can buy high-priced feeds and make a profit, but farmers who ship longer distances require all the advantage they can get. Alfalfa is getting to be one of the most important dairy feeds. It can be grown in almost any part of the country where there is sufficient moisture within reach of the long taproot, provided that there is no rock to interfere with its growth. If you never tried alfalfa, commence now by fitting a small piece of ground very carefully and make it very rich on top. The new plants are delicate and require careful feeding until they get started. Most failures are caused by insufficient preparation of the seed bed.

Testing Breeds for Milk.

In testing several breeds of cows the Virginia Experiment Station found that "in profits on milk the Holsteins led with \$4.92 per individual per month; the grades were second with \$4.27. The most profitable cow was Buckeye DeKol, who milked twenty-one months, gave 12,498.4 pounds of milk and 524.24 pounds of butter. The profit on the milk was \$201.05 and on the butter \$41.51."

When Hogs Cough.

Hogs not living in dusty houses, that have persistent coughs, are, as a rule, suffering from worms. An excellent remedy is to dissolve one-half pound of copperas in warm water and mixing in the slop for 100 head of pigs. This dose should be given for five mornings; then wait a few days, and repeat if necessary. For a smaller number than 100 head give a good dram to each head.

Dairying Profits.

Profits in dairying do not depend so much upon the number of cows kept, but upon the kind. This fact is being realized more and more as the dairy industry increases. One way to increase the acreage of a farm is to increase the fertility of the soil of a farm; similarly, one way to increase a dairy herd is to increase the cows' producing power.

Grafting on Willow.

A horticultural curiosity is to be seen in the garden of Gloucester Lodge, Portsmouth Road, near London. A gooseberry bush, a currant bush and an elderberry tree are growing high up on a willow tree, to which they have by some means become grafted. All are flourishing and fruit is forming on the gooseberry and currant bushes.

A Cheap Insecticide.

Some gardeners use lime and tobacco water for destroying many insects which prey on plants. A half bushel of lime is emptied into a barrel of water, together with a bucketful of tobacco stems. This is well stirred up, and after it has settled for a day or two the clear water is syringed over bushes, killing all insects that come within its reach.

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- 1718—Mississippi company secured charter for Louisiana.
- 1769—The first class graduated from Rhode Island College.
- 1777—Stars and Stripes first carried into battle at battle of the Brandywine.
- 1781—A British force under Benedict Arnold ravaged the coast of Connecticut.
- 1786—Congress accepted the cession of Connecticut's Western lands.
- 1788—Congress made New York the capital city of the United States.
- 1804—The cotton crop of Georgia reported ruined by caterpillars.... Storm resulted in great loss of life and property at Savannah....The United States ship "Intrepid" blown up in the harbor of Tripoli.
- 1812—Fort Harrison, on the Wabash, commanded by Capt. Zachary Taylor, was attacked by Indians.
- 1814—The Americans drove the British into their entrenchments at Fort Erie....The British approached within 700 yards of Fort Bowyer, Mobile, and opened fire....British captured Plattsburg, N. Y.
- 1838—Ferdinand I. of Austria crowned at Milan.
- 1839—Large section of Mobile, Ala., destroyed by fire.
- 1842—The Mexican army, 1,300 strong, took possession of Texas, but soon retreated.
- 1846—Telegraph completed between New York City and Albany.
- 1847—Americans under Gen. Scott defeated the Mexicans in battle of Chapultepec.
- 1850—The Fugitive Slave bill was passed by the House of Representatives.
- 1855—The first Hebrew temple in the Mississippi valley was consecrated in St. Louis....Sebastopol fell, after undergoing a siege of eleven months by the English and French armies.
- 1860—William Walker, notorious filibuster, shot by order of court martial.
- 1862—Gen. Lee crossed the Potomac and invaded Maryland.
- 1864—Gen. Sherman ordered all civilians to leave Atlanta and offered them transportation....The Supreme Court of California decided that San Francisco must issue \$4,000,000 bonds in aid of the Central Pacific Railroad.
- 1866—Monument to the memory of Stephen A. Douglas dedicated in Chicago.
- 1868—A band of Cheyenne Indians ravaged the towns of Sheridan and Butler, Kansas.
- 1869—The National Prohibition party organized at a convention in Chicago.
- 1870—French Republic declared and flight of Empress Eugenie.
- 1873—Assassination of Gen. E. S. McCook by P. P. Wintermute at Yankton, Dakota.
- 1874—Twenty persons killed and fifty injured in a fight between the New Orleans police and a mob that was clamoring for the abdication of Gov. Kellogg.
- 1876—Lafayette statue unveiled in Union Square, New York City.
- 1879—The British Resident, Sir Louis Cavagnari, murdered in Cabul.
- 1883—Last spike driven in the Northern Pacific Railroad, near Gold Creek, Montana.
- 1889—Guilford, Conn., began a celebration of its 250th anniversary.
- 1890—Wyoming Territory became a State.
- 1893—Gov. William McKinley of Ohio opened his campaign for re-election with a speech at Akron.... British House of Lords rejected the Irish Home Rule bill....The Parliament of Religions began its sessions in Chicago.
- 1895—The South Carolina convention to revise the State constitution began its sessions at Columbia, S. C....Thirty-five miners were entombed by fire in the Osceola copper mine at Houghton, Mich.
- 1897—A railroad wreck on the Santa Fe line near Emporia, Kan., killed and injured thirty persons.
- 1900—Tornado at Galveston destroyed 70,000 lives and about \$30,000,000 in property.
- 1901—President McKinley shot at the Buffalo exposition....William McKinley, twenty-fifth President of the United States, died in Buffalo.
- 1903—A hurricane on the Florida Gulf coast caused much property loss on shore and to shipping....The Queensland government resigned.
- 1904—The cruiser Milwaukee launched at San Francisco.
- 1908—Count Tolstol's eightieth birthday was celebrated.

FROM FAR AND NEAR.

Walter S. Bond of New York has climbed Mont Blanc from Chamonix in nine hours, breaking the record of nine and a half hours achieved by Morehead in 1865.

During a fight with four members of the Black Hand at the Gentry mines, near Fayetteville, Ky., Mike Gellis shot and killed Antonio Alfonsetta. Four men, led by Mike Dominick, demanded money from Gellis and tried to compel him to join in an attempt to rob a mine paymaster.

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