

## LADIES' DEPARTMENT.

### The "Pelete."

In East Africa nearly every woman wears the *pelete*. When she is a little girl a small hole is pierced through the middle of her upper lip, and into this is pressed a small wooden pin to prevent the puncture from closing up. After a time this is changed for a larger pin, and so on till the hole is big enough to admit a ring. In proportion as the *pelete* is made gradually larger so the lip enlarges also and comes to look like a snout. An average specimen measures 1 1/4 inches in diameter and almost an inch in length. When she becomes a widow fashion compels her to take out her *pelete*, the lip falls, and the great round hole, called *super-ele*, shows the teeth and jaw quite plainly, making her hideous.

### The Model Husband at Work.

The Doodlebugs are going out of town. They are hastening for the train. Mr. Doodlebug is getting them off. He is full of business, as becomes the head of the family.

"Here, Emeline, take this little valise and the baby and go on. I'll catch up with you before you get to the station. Hold on, I'll just hook this hat-box on your fingers. There now, that'll carry nicely; got the baby all right? Tommy, you and Billy and little sister run along with mother—great heavens, Emeline, don't let that child run across the street alone; take hold of his hand, can't you? Tommy, come back and get this umbrella and bag of lemons! Emeline! Emeline! You've forgotten the lunch basket. Billy, run here quick and take this lunch basket to your mother! Now, Emeline, do hurry, or you'll miss the train. Never mind the rest of the things; I'll carry them."

Four minutes after Mrs. Emeline reaches the station, having wrestled all the way with a baby, three children and four packages. Mr. Doodlebug arrives, carrying a rattan cane weighing four ounces. He is so tired he has to go into the smoking car and sleep all the way to the station.

The Doodlebugs? Imaginary people? Not by a long chalk, my dear sir. They live right here in Burlington, and everybody knows them. No, I don't know that he is considered much more selfish than some of his neighbors. Mrs. Doodlebug thinks he is a model husband. Yes, I have heard some of her neighbors say she is a fool. But she isn't, I don't think. She is a woman, and consequently loves her husband too well to club him with a coupling pin every once in a while for his own good. She would carry more things for him if she had more arms.—*Hawkeye.*

### The Women of Arabia.

A letter from Arabia says: All the bravest men steal their wives, but there are some who do not. Their method is a little different. Of a calm, moonlight night—and a moonlight in the tropics is far more beautiful than here—you may see an Arab sitting before the tent of his inamorata picking a stringed instrument something like our banjo and singing a song of his own composition. This is his courtship. They are the most musical people in the world. The courtship only lasts a week or two. If the girl is obstinate he goes elsewhere and seeks to win another girl by his songs and music. Sometimes the fathers make the match, but always the girl is the obedient slave. Her religion, her people, her national instincts, the traditions of her ancestors, all teach her to be the slave of her husband. The power of life and death is in his hands, and she bows before his opinions with the most implicit obedience. It is only when the fair-faced Frank comes, with his glo talk of woman's highest duties and grander sphere, with his winning manner, with his marked respect, so flattering to a woman's soul, that she leaves her husband, forsakes the teachings of her childhood, gives up home and friends, and risks death itself to repose in his arms.

### Mrs. Bonanza Mackay.

It seems it is a mistake to suppose that Mrs. Mackay, the wife of the millionaire, is always attired in the marvels of gowns which are described in the Paris papers. It is only on state occasions that she displays anything very elaborate. At her own home, the superb hotel in the Rue Tilsitt, she is fond of wearing black, with or-

naments of black pearls, and at dinner parties she is sometimes seen in a simple pale blue silk with an edging of white crepe lisse at the throat and ornaments of turquoise. She seldom wears diamonds, nor does her daughter, Miss Eva Mackay, who has announced her intention of marrying an American—when the right American comes along. Foreigners do not hesitate to ask Mrs. Mackay in so many words the amount of her daughter's fortune, and her invariable reply is: "Miss Mackay will have no dot; whereupon they take a speedy departure. Mrs. Mackay prefers to continue to reside abroad. Several years ago she returned to San Francisco with the full intention of remaining but she found it out of the question. As for New York, she argues that it would be like beginning her life over again to make her entrance there. In Paris her relations are established and secure, and she feels at home. The Messonier incident is authentically as follows: Mrs. Mackay, before leaving Paris, exacted from the master a promise that he would not proceed with the work on her portrait while she was away, but continue the sittings on her return. He broke his word, completed the picture by taking a lady who is a friend of his as a model and exhibited the incongruous results as a portrait of Mrs. Mackay, who, after paying its weight in gold for this work of art, saw fit to destroy it. Cabanal had already succeeded admirably with Mrs. Mackay, her two little sons and her daughter. Mrs. Mackay's interest in Mlle. Nevada is of long standing; the prima donna's father, Dr. Wixom, was a friend and associate of Mrs. Mackay's first husband, who was a physician. The bonanza king's wife has made the prima donna some magnificent presents of diamonds and other jewels. The last, given to her on the occasion of her confirmation as a Roman Catholic, which was performed by the papal Nuncio, was a bracelet from which swung a diamond ball. This, on being examined, was found to contain a tiny watch. Mrs. Mackay is very charitable, and gives away at least \$150,000 yearly. To some applications, however, she turns a deaf ear. These latter recently included a piteous appeal from some Parisians who, being about to marry their daughter to some happy man; wanted to know if Mrs. Mackay had any "old diamonds or rubies" she could spare them!—*Boston Herald.*

### Fashion Notes.

Dressy mantles are short, scant and high shouldered.

Braids of all widths will be fashionable this autumn.

Tucking continues to be a favorite trimming on all materials.

Spencers of black banded lace are worn with black silk or colored skirts.

Yokes are immensely fashionable both for little children and young ladies.

Wearing light sashes with dark dresses is the passing fancy in Paris at present.

Lace ruffles should trim light summer silks, foulards, all India silken stuffs and surahs.

Bows for white dresses embroidered in colors have many loops and contain all the colors of the embroidery.

English stitched dogskin gloves, with mousquetaire wrists, are very popular for travelling and driving.

The latest French fancy is the use of black lace on white cashmere or silk, and that of white lace on black surah.

Bronze sandals over stockings of the same color, will be worn with creamy white flocks, almost as much as black shoes.

For excursions and travelling red and blue and plaided handkerchiefs are worn around the neck instead of ruffles or collars.

Wash dresses are made with either a yoke or a vest of white embroidery, and have short shirred overskirts that are readily laundered.

Medic collarettes, erected on fine wires, are made of lace and are large enough to form a background for the head and its high coiffure.

Polonaises are draped in many eccentric and some graceful styles and sometimes remain undraped.

Lace-like effects appear in the velvet broche designs of the importations of velvets for fall wraps and dress.

Greater variety than ever prevails in the outlines of garments, dresses, wraps, jackets, and mantles, this fall.

Large plaids, large bars, medium plaids, small checks, and blocks both large and small appear in the new plaided French wools.

Velours frise, velour fourrure, velour lame, velour cisele are some of the many names for the new velvet brocades brought out this season.

Pretty delicate embroideries in bunches and sprigs, done in feathery, light designs, appear on the dark and neutral grounds of new fancy wool-fabrics.

Among fall wraps come short jackets fitted into the figure in the back, loose, pleated Fedora fronts, lace bordered and with shoulder knots of ribbon loops.

Among the first importations of foreign goods are novelties in rich all-wool French plaids, showing new colors, new combinations, and admirable shadings of the various colors.

Skirts will be tucked, flounced, ruffled, braided, bordered with gold-dotted velvets and other fancy fabrics in broche wool or silk, accordion and box pleated according to fancy.

The Austrian military jacket of white cloth, gold braid and buttons, and collar and cuffs of purple velvet, is the high novelty at European seaside resorts. It was introduced by the Princess Metternich.

Plush broche is a thing of the past; in its place come furry and curled pile velvets, cut and uncut, and with cisele or chiselled pile of various lengths, to imitate the chiselling of stone in ornate Gothic architecture.

### SCIENTIFIC SCRAPS.

It is only three years since the cattle industry was introduced in Montana, and already the stock interest forms one-third of the total property valuation. Next year it will form fully one-half.

Leather car wheels are made in France. The inventor is M. de la Roche. Untanned buffalo hides are cut into strips, and these are built up into solid disks, which are strongly held together by two iron rings after they have been subjected to hydraulic pressure.

Plates of cast glass have been substituted for copper in the sheathing of an Italian vessel, the joints being made tight with a silicate mastic. The advantages claimed are exemption from oxidation and incrustation.

The horse steps on what corresponds to the nail of the middle finger, and its swiftness is conditioned on the solidity of the extremities of the limbs. Horses of the greatest speed have the shoulder-joints directed at a considerable angle with the arm.

The Dutch have not controlled the nutmeg trade for many years. They tried to confine the growth of the nutmeg to the Banda Islands, which they owned, but the nutmeg pigeons carried the nuts into all the surrounding countries, and the trees grew and flourished in spite of the would-be monopolists.

An American has invented a novel rifle. He uses an accelerating charge of gun cotton instead of powder, and a hollow steel arrow or bolt for a bullet. The bolt may be charged like a percussion shell or filled with chemical compounds. The latter are two in number, one being an inflammable fluid like Greek fire, and the other a liquid that bursts into a highly poisonous gas.

An animated controversy has been carried on for some time in the columns of a London paper as to whether vultures discover their prey by means of sight or smell. No two writers seem to be able to agree upon the point. Many curious instances of the marvelous power of the vulture for discovering carrion are quoted. These birds have been known to travel twenty miles after the carcass of a dead cow buried under a heap of leaves, while after a battle in the open desert the air was full of them.

The latest investigations of M. Bloch into the rapidity of perceptive power seem to show that studied vision is quickest in its operation, and auditory perception occupies the seventy-second part of a second longer. Touch requires the twenty-first part of a second longer for transmission than a visual perception.

### Something About Locks.

In the middle ages, locks for church and cathedral doors were often rare specimens of art metal work. Elaborate scrolls, the images of saints, and other ambitious efforts of the true artisan of those days, entered into the design of locks which were really an ornament to the magnificent doors and cabinets of those times. A design for the escutcheon surrounding the keyhole frequently had the figures of two angels with outspread wings. Locks of very curious construction, known as "Apostle locks," were also common in mediæval times. These locks had on the front the figure of one of the Apostles and on touching the hand of the figure the bolts flew back. In the reign of Queen Elizabeth, one Mark Sealist, a smith, constructed a lock consisting of eleven pieces of iron, steel and brass, all of which, with a pipe key, weighed only two grains of gold. That great inventor, the Marquis of Worcester, who flourished in the reign of King Charles I., devised a lock containing a steel barb, which was perfectly harmless so long as the right key was used, but if a wrong key were inserted the barb sprang through the keyhole and caught the hand of the intruder as a trap catches a fox. It is said that while the inventor was experimenting with this curious lock he was scarcely nimble enough in removing his hand, and was caught in his own trap. At Willenhall, in Staffordshire, which is a great seat of the lock trade, silver padlocks, the sides of which are much smaller than a three-penny piece are still made and are quite perfect in their mechanism. Locks containing signal bells and even chimes, which sound an alarm when tampered with by a false key, are among the modern curiosities of the trade. Common padlocks are largely made for the natives of India and Africa at Walsall. A lock and key complete are sold by the maker at halfpenny, and merchants abroad state that many of the natives string these locks together, so as to form necklets and wear them as "charms."—*Little Folks.*

### Egyptian Punishment.

Here is a vivid little picture, says the *Pall Mall Gazette*, of what goes on in Egypt in the name of the government which we fought at Tel-el-Kebir to save, and which at this moment is absolutely dependent upon our bayonets for its existence. The scene is described by a Swiss, by name M. Hilaire Gay, recently captain in the Egyptian police, and the victim had been guilty of some slight offence against the prison regulations:

"The victim was placed on one of the slabs with his chest resting on the stone, in which position he was held by two of the executioners. Two others next raised his legs until his feet were in a horizontal position, a position in which they were retained by means of a cord fastened to either end of a stick. On this the fifth torturer, who had taken no part in the preliminary proceedings, came forward, holding in his hand a sort of lash consisting of five strands of twisted gut or hide. The tormentor raised his hand and struck with the regularity of a pendulum the upturned feet of his helpless victim. At the fourth stroke the Arab uttered a cry of pain, and at every fresh stroke the cry was repeated. But soon the cry became a scream, the flagellated flesh visibly shuddered, and the soles were seamed with red and livid streaks. I could not help shivering with horror at the sight of so much suffering. Osman Bey, his secretary, the five executioners, with their stern and sinister features, looked unmoved on the cruel sight, listening to the heavy thud of the strokes and the screams of the victim. Helped by a guard, for his maimed and bleeding feet refused to support him, he was then led, still moaning with agony, from the torture chamber."

### Not His House.

Old man Pettigrew, of Austin, is very precise in his statements, and is also a strict constructionist. One morning a neighbor rushed in on Pettigrew, while the latter was eating his breakfast and exclaimed excitedly: "Your house is on fire." "Sir?" "Your house is burning up." "You are wrong, sir." "Wrong?" "Yes, sir, this is not my house. I only rent it."—*Texas Siftings.*

The amount of money invested in rail road corporations in the United States is upward of \$7,000,000,000, and that does not include the land granted by Congress.

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