Men Can't Do That.

"Women have all the best of it."

"How now?"

"A woman will drink two cocktails, eat a lobster and a hunk of plum pudding and then blame her headache on her nerves and get away with it."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Retort Fatherly.

"I want to marry your daughter, I love her," said the suitor.

"What makes you think I don't?" replied her dad.—Philadelphia Ledger.

The Extreme Limit.

"How did your cake turn out, my dear?"

"Pretty badly, I fear. Even the children wouldn't have a second piece."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Scraps.

In every test made by Russian cavalrymen, horseshoes of aluminum were found to outlast those of steel and iron.

According to a Roumanian scientist old age is simply due to a decrease in the amount of water in the human system.

In the last five years Germany, France and Russia have spent $28,000,000, $22,000,000 and $12,000,000 in the order named for aeronautics.

The Turkish cabinet has joined with foreigners and leading Turks in a movement to suppress the "white slave" traffic in Turkey.

The supreme court of Panama has sustained a recent law whereby the government reserves ownership in metal mines and deposits of coal and oil.

Police in Breslau, Germany, do not regulate the traffic, but merely take the names of the persons concerned when an accident occurs. There were 4,833 street mishaps there in 1912.

Railways in Great Britain kill in accidents for which the passenger is in no way responsible one passenger for every 72,000,000 carried, while those of the United States kill one for every 4,900,000 passengers carried.

Some 200,000 gypsies wander about Hungary and are regarded as a dangerous community. So notorious are their thieving propensities that they are not allowed inside the towns, while the villages tolerate them for only two days.

Children Have Kidney Trouble

Three years ago my little girl, Angela, was taken sick with scarlet fever and later dropsy set in; her face and limbs swelled and her eyes puffed. A leading physician here at the time, treated her without the slightest success. A sample of your Swamp-Root having been left at the house at the time, I resolved to try it, and as it agreed with her stomach I continued using it with gratifying results. The inflammation began to subside after she had taken the first fifty-cent bottle, and after she took two large bottles she was pronounced cured by the doctor and has been in good health ever since. The doctor came to see her every day and examined her every second day until he pronounced her kidneys in perfect condition.

Now then the doctor was under the impression that I was giving my girl his medicine, but as his medicine had failed to do a bit of good, and desiring not to offend him, I did not tell him I was giving her Swamp-Root and he did not know the difference. I did not use one drop of his medicine after I started my girl on Swamp-Root, and have always felt that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root saved my girl's life, for which I am grateful.

I cannot praise it too highly.

Very truly,
MRS. MARY BYRNE,
New Brunswick, N. J.

State of New Jersey,
County of Middlesex ss.

Mrs. Mary Byrne, being duly sworn by me, according to law, on her oath saith that the above statement made by me is just and true.

Mrs. Mary Byrne.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 16th day of July, A. D., 1909.

MARGARET P. O'DONNELL,
Notary Public.

Letter to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N.Y.

Prove What Swamp-Root Will Do For You

Send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample size bottle. It will convince anyone. You will also receive a booklet of valuable information, telling about the kidneys and bladder. When writing, be sure and mention this paper. Regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles for sale at all drug stores.

Sorrows of the Motorist.

"Didn't you see me hold up my hand?" asked the traffic policeman.

"I must confess that I did," replied the man who was driving his own car.

"Then why didn't you stop?"

"I lost my nerve. I had just spent three quarters of an hour getting this car to start and it seemed a shame to lose all that work."—Washington Star.

"By the Way—"

The best short war story so far is of the German private, fraternizing with the British in the trenches on Christmas day, who gladly swapped his Iron Cross for a clasp knife, and found that Tommy Atkins had stung him with one "made in Germany."

Rough on the Nerves.

"Did that sea voyage do your nerves any good?"

"Put 'em out of commission altogether, old chap. Every barrel I sighted looked like a floating mine to me."—Kansas City Journal.

A stenography school is involved in a lawsuit. Let us hope it doesn't leave the school shorthanded.

Only Worse.

A Philadelphia schoolteacher has lately been instructing her pupils in Grecian mythology. It is the plan to have the children read the tales aloud and the next day recount them in their own language. One lad, to whom was given the assignment to render in his own language the story of the Gorgons, did so in these terms:

"The Gorgons were three sisters that lived in the Islands of Hesperides, somewhere in the Indian ocean. They had long snakes for hair, tusks for teeth and claws for nails, and they looked like women, only more horrible."—Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph.

Where the Trouble Lies.

Wife—I wish you would realize, John, that there is something in the world besides money.

Husband—I do, the trouble is that when I want anything done I can't get the other fellow to realize it.—Boston Transcript.

Hard Luck.

"Terrible predicament Jones was in."

"What was that?"

"Got in hot water and couldn't get anybody to bail him out."—Baltimore American.

WOMAN WOULD NOT GIVE UP

Though Sick and Suffering; At Last Found Help in Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Richmond, Pa. — "When I started taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I was in a dreadfully rundown state of health, had internal troubles, and was so extremely nervous and prostrated that if I had given in to my feelings I would have been in bed. As it was I had hardly strength at times to be on my feet and what I did do was by a great effort. I could not sleep at night and of course felt very bad in the morning, and had a steady headache.

"After taking the second bottle I noticed that the headache was not so bad, I rested better, and my nerves were stronger. I continued its use until it made a new woman of me, and now I can hardly realize that I am able to do so much as I do. Whenever I know any woman in need of a good medicine I highly praise Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Mrs. FRANK CLARK, 3146 N. Tulip St., Richmond, Pa.

Women Have Been Telling Women

for forty years how Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has restored their health when suffering with female ills. This accounts for the enormous demand for it from coast to coast. If you are troubled with any ailment peculiar to women why don't you try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound? It will pay you to do so. Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass.

Identified.

Mrs. Jude Johnson is now demanding that each egg contain the picture of the hen that laid it, so the consumer can know whether or not the egg came from a healthy hen. She will take the matter up with Topeka and Washington.—Atchison Globe.

Diplomatically Speaking.

"I want to answer Gwendolyn's letter and say something that means nothing."

"Tell her you love her."—Philadelphia Ledger.

The political dopesters are seeing things. Some are in the White House, some in the governor's chair, and elsewhere.

London says Germans are getting wool, and the worst of it is they are pulling it over the eyes of the allies occasionally.

General Carranza Issues Defiant Demand

Washington, D. C.—General Venustiano Carranza, as first chief of the constitutionalist army, notified the world Tuesday that all communications to his government from outside sources must pass through him.

Carranza's decree reached Washington through Rafael Zubaran Capmany, his minister of the interior, who telegraphed it to Eliseo Arredondo, Carranza's local representative. The order apparently will make it impossible for diplomatic representatives of foreign governments to deal with the Carranza government except by going to Vera Cruz, which they been unwilling to do lest such action be construed as formal recognition.

Already most of the diplomats at Mexico City have asked their governments for permission to leave when the situation becomes intolerable, and some of them have been advised to use their own discretion.

The order may also affect the activity of American consular representatives, who heretofore have dealt with the de facto government, whatever it happened to be.

Accused Aide of McNamara Bros. Found

New York — Matthew A. Schmidt, 34 years old, was arrested here Monday as a fugitive from justice on an indictment found in Los Angeles in October, 1912, charging him with having been implicated in dynamiting the Los Angeles Times building. The arrest was made on Upper Broadway, where detectives had traced him after a search of four years.

Detective William J. Burns, who accompanied the officer making the arrest, said the indictment charged that Schmidt was one of the two men who went with J. B. McNamara to the works of the Giant Powder company in California and purchased 1000 pounds of dynamite.

Schmidt was held in Magistrate's court, on short affidavit, with bail until February 24 to await extradition.

When arranged before Magistrate McQuade the prisoner said he was a mechanic, 34 years old, but refused to answer the other customary questions. After the arraignment, however, the magistrate said the man had confessed to him in his chambers that he was Matthew A. Schmidt, as alleged in the Los Angeles indictment.

Britain to Divert Food.

London — The foreign office announced definitely that if the cargo of the American steamship Wilhelmina should be diverted for the relief of the distressed in Belgium, the decision to send her cargo to a British prize court would be reconsidered. Otherwise her cargo must be submitted to the decision of the court.

The Wilhemina, which sailed from New York with a cargo of food products for Germany, is at present at Falmouth. A. G. Hays, an attorney representing the Green company, the consignors of the cargo of the Wilhelmina, called at the American embassy, and went to Falmouth later. He said he had not yet received his instructions concerning the case, but in the meantime was endeavoring to learn all he could about the status of the vessel and her cargo.

Los Angeles Children Thrifty.

Los Angeles—A canvas of the banks here shows that 40,000 children under sixteen years of age have almost $1,000,000 in savings deposits, an average of $25 each. One bank has 15,000 depositors between the ages of two and fourteen years. The largest account is that of a twelve-year old boy who has $1,572. He began seven years ago with 50 cents A leading financier declared on this showing that Los Angeles children are the thriftiest in the world, which he ascribes largely to business instruction in the schools.

Fist Flies for Lincoln.

Portland, Or.—To defend the memory of Abraham Lincoln, Corporal M. J. Parcels, of Vancouver Barracks, pulled an I. W. W. from his soapbox, pommeled him severely and knocked down several sympathizers who started a near-riot. The speaker is said to have made remarks derogatory to the martyred President. The soldier, who sustained several bruises and cuts, was treated at the police hospital and released with congratulations. Two members of the crowd were arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct.

Tiniest Exhibit Arrives.

San Francisco — The smallest and most valuable exhibit at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition will be the fraction of a grain of mesotherium, a derivative of radium, valued at nearly $300,000 which will be placed in the German section of the Palace of Liberal Arts. The exhibit is now on its way from Hamburg in a lead box, carried by a personal representative of the discoverer, D. Hugo Lieber.

British Strike Averted.

London — The threatened strike of several thousand railroad men throughout Great Britain, demanding an increase of wages, seems to have been averted. Announcement was made following a conference between railroad managers and representatives of the union that an agreement had been reached, the terms of which will be announced later.

Eight Slain in Panama Fight.

Panama—A fight between soldiers and native policemen here resulted, according to first reports of the conflict, in the deaths of five policemen and three soldiers and the wounding of many of the combatants. A carnival was in progress and many of the soldiers were on leave to attend the festivity.

Catching Up With China.

Gradually, very gradually, civilization is catching up with the Chinese.

The University of California has established a new profession—that of keeping people well. Those who adopt this calling will go into the world and earn fat fees by not letting folk fall ill. Sickness will mean starvation to the practitioners; a healthy populace will make them rich.

In China the doctors have never looked to the sick for business. Only while their patients were well could the physicians charge for services rendered. When a patron fell ill the doctor's income shrunk; when recovered the convalescent resumed feeing his medical adviser.

It is a good scheme, evidently, or we of the wiser world would not have taken up with it after having so many thousands of years to investigate its workings. In time perhaps all the wisdom of the Celestials will become ours by adoption.—St. Joseph Gazette.

The Love of Hazard.

"How do you account for the fact that so many of the political boys out our way are so strongly in favor of prohibition? Not one of them ever took the pledge on his own account."

"It's the eternal spirit of self-confidence that stimulates speculation," replies Senator Sorghum. "Every one of 'em thinks that he can find a way to beat the game."—Washington Star.

Requisite for Optisism.

"What are the qualifications for membership in your international optimist club?" asked the philanthropist's friend.

"Well, in the first place, you've got to speak English with an American accent."—Washington Star.

How Poetry is Written.

"This is a pretty poem of yours. Something tossed off to gratify a whimsical fancy?"

"No; something ground out to pay a wash bill."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Color Scheme.

"I thought you said that this color was fast?"

"Well, isn't it?"

"No; it's an also ran."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Limited Engagements.

"Do you keep servants?" asked the inquisitive neighbor across the fence.

"Not long," responded the truthful woman next door.—Philadelphia Ledger.

A New Anecdote.

Queer requests are often received for prescriptions, which might puzzle either doctor or chemist, far more skilled than the proprietor of the ordinary drug store. Here is one recently reported by Morris Wade. It is a note from an excitable mother, whose nerves were apparently as much in need of treatment as the digestion of her infant:

"My little baby has et up its father's parish plaster. Please to send an anecdote by the inclosed little girl."—Youth's Companion.

No Inferior Place.

"Did you select your son's college for its curriculum, Mrs. Comeup?"

"Of course we did. The boy's always been accustomed to the best kind of a one at home."—Baltimore American.

Wisdom and Bump are promoters of a new bus line. Their bump of wisdom seems to be well developed.

Seriousness Justified.

"Bliggins takes himself very seriously."

"He's right. He has gotten himself into so many different kinds of trouble that he is perfectly excusable for being afraid of himself."—Washington Star.

Forewarned.

Visitor at Seashore—Could you tell me what time the tide is up?

Odd-Job Man—Well, sir, they do expeck 'igh water at 6; but then you know wot these 'ere rumors are, nowadays.—Punch.

Victrolysis.

"When You Play in the Game of Love,"
"In the Valley of the Moon,"
"It's a Long, Long Way to Tipperary"
On the "Aba Daba Honeymoon."

"When You're a Long, Long Way From Home,"
"At the Jewish Jubilee,"
And you warble strains from "Dixie Lou,"
"Everybody Picks on Me."

Until at last "Along Came Ruth,"
Then I felt "This Is the Life,"
"When Grownup Ladies Act Like Babies,"
Won't you kindly be my wife?

Then she said, "You're Here and I'm Here,"
"That's Why Little Boy Blue Is Blue,"
Come to "The Land of My Best Girl,"
Back to "California and You."

Gang's Always Ready.

"I tell you, sir, the great benefit of a college education lies in the friends you make."

"That's so. No matter how old you are, if you have been through college you can always find some one to play poker or bet on the races or go on a spree with."—Life.

True to Type.

The Customer—These grand opera phonograph records are no good. I can't get anything out of half of them.

The Salesman—They are our finest achievement. You never can tell when these records will sing. They're so temperamental.—London Opinion.

How Could She.

Mrs. Exe—If I'd been in your place I think I'd have pocketed my pride.

Mrs. Wye—But I had no pocket.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

Burning Bridges.

Newrich—So she now looks forward to a perfectly happy life?

Mrs. Newrich—Yes. She has snubbed the last of the old friends who knew her in the early days when she was poor.—Town Topics.

Whatever Thy Hand Findeth.

Never hit a man when he's down—when you are flooring him give him such a good lick you won't have to.—St. Louis Globe.

14-Year-Old Hen Lays 3,000th Egg.

Miss Elsie Dobbins of Caldwell, N. J., is the owner of a hen which she believes holds the world's championship for industry. The hen is 14 years old and has laid her 3,000th egg. The exact record of every egg has been kept. Old Reliable is the name of the hard working fowl.

Overheard.

"I have thought of another great reform that should be agitated."

"What's the idea?"

"I'm afraid to tell you. Some other statesman might get hold of it and start a political party of his own with it."—Washington Star.

No Charity.

Knicker—"Are Jones and his wife at war?"

Bocker—"Yes, and the pity of it is that nobody has offered to feed the poor fellow."—New York Sun.