The Oregon Woman's Journal.

News and Criticism of Especial Interest to Mothers, Maidens and Young Women.

[This department is dedicated to unenfranchised, unrepresented, silent, patient and devoted womanhood of Oregon. Communications relating to organization of woman's clubs solicited.]

TO BECOME A WRITER.

The editor of THE JOURNAL is glad to give counsel to women who want to engage in any honorable occupation and following is a copy of a letter in reply to a young lady who aspires to become a writer:

I am glad you are determined to write some and I trust you will not stop. The number of persons who can express themselves well is small. Master the language as far as possible by reading the best examples of literary English—Shakespear, Macaulay and Gibbon. Jot down felicities of expression to acquaint your mind with the habit of expressing itself freely and musically. Never pass a word you do not fully understand. Look it up and note the synonyms and the quotations that are cited. Then keep a book of synonyms at hand—Roget's Thesaurus or Crabbe's synonyms. Do not imitate the style of the authors above named but develop your own forms of expression and your own individuality; but test it by the rule of good taste, modesty and truth. Homely truth, humor and originality all have to come within certain canons of art to be acceptable to others and you may be sure that which sounds well when spoken to a number of persons of ordinary intelligence will be better when correctly written. The mind likes a more ornate style in print than in speech. But use it lightly and playfully, especially, if you employ monosyllabic philosophy. For popular reading it is pedantic if used any other way. Do not be guided by this as authority or make any use of it but for your own development as a writer. The preacher who starts in on a simple theme, talks informally, and before he quits surprises his audience with his eloquence, erudition and deep philosophy makes a hit, while the man who announces a heavy subject, harangues bombastically, and, before he is through shows that he is struggling with more than he has mastered, disappoints his hearers. The happy surprise, preceded by modesty, is the taking style in writing or anything else. The mechanism of the the art by which the points are made must not be laid too bare, or the mind rests on the analysis of the mechanism instead of being charmed by the result. I would be so glad to see you succeed in this work. I will be glad o go over anything you send me and give it a few cuffs and licks to put it in better shape if I may.

BY A WESTERN WOMAN.

Ginn & Company, Boston, publishers of school and college text books, announce that on March 1 they issue a Pacific coast edition of Bergen's botany for secondary schools, which has been so widely adopted as a text book on botany in the Eastern states, has been adapted to the states of the Pacific coast by a Flora representing the commonest and most widely distributed plants under all the important orders. This has been prepared by Miss Alice Eastwood, curator of the herbarium of the California academy of sciences. In it, she has followed, as far as possible, the same plan which Professor Bergen has used in his systematic Flora, the object being for pupil drill in determining the relationships of plants rather than to enable them to find out the names of any plants that they may chance to pick up. The arrangement of the orders is that of Engler and Prantl, the most natural so far devised, and the nomenclature is, in the main, that of the botany of California, Geological survey. Introduction price $1.10.

THE FIELD OF DOMESTIC SERVICE.

D. H. R. Goodale writes in the Country Gentleman:

The bright, capable American girl who has her own living to earn, looks naturally and rightfully, for whatever work will give the best returns. Social consideration is one important object. The comfortable income and the not too uncomfortable toil, with longer or shorter hours and more or less severity of effort required, are no more a matter of indifference to a young woman than to a young man. If she has to make her own place in the world, why should she not care for the same kind of practical success that her brother aims at? Whatever her capacities may be, she wants to find a field for their activity that will be fairly remunerative. Surely this is but a commendable exercise of common sense; and common sense, coupled with energy, is apt to go far toward the attainment of its end.

But no broadening of the path to outside work can detract from the supreme importance of home interests. The best men and the best women are alike agreed that it is here that woman's influence and power can least be spared. It is not a matter of cooking and sweeping merely. To her especially belongs the entire range of earnest thought and study which is needed for the solution of many serious problems of our social and family life. Not only practical efficiency in the conduct of the household, but intelligent judgment in all that concerns the family as a family is demanded of the home-loving woman in these strenuous days.

One young girl whom I knew well, thrown upon her own resources as a mere child, motherless, and with many disadvantages, was for several years the Emily of a family in which she was loved and cherished, and in which she devloped a marked talent for the effective management of home affairs. Later she was the efficient housekeeper and upon occasion the devoted nurse of an aged parent. At the early age of twenty-six, she was about taking a most desirable position in the house of an elderly lady of wealth and culture. There she was offered a beautiful home and liberal salary with the privileges of a daughter, in return for her companionship, direction of servants, and assistance in various social cares.

It is character that tells in every situation. Even in the place of a servant, exquisite neatness, intelligence and perfect integrity will command both respect and chances of promotion. This young girl had many attractive qualities in addition, and it seemed as if they shone the brighter by contrast with so much that was hard which she had overcome. She told me, laughingly, that she never had any trouble in deciding what to wear—"I never have but one good dress at a time!" But it was a well made and becoming black dress, and with her gold-rimmed eye-glasses (for she was near-sighted) and a pretty gold watch, a neat, close hat and trim jacket for out-of-door wear, she was a contrast, indeed, to the befurbelowed cooks and housemaids of the cities, who do their best to imitate the dress of their mistresses.

For the girl who is thoroughly domestic in her tastes, there are innumerable opportunities waiting in the line of domestic work. If she has some obstacles to overcome, so has the woman who makes a success of work in a department store or elswhere.

WOMAN'S INDEPENDENCE.

Boston Woman's Journal, Feb. 20:

Those who have feared that women would be too much under church influence to be independent voters should be encouraged by a recent act of Hon. Martha Hughes Cannon. Though she is a Mormon, yet when the legislature of Utah elected United States Senators. Mrs. Cannon voted for Moses Thatcher, the candidate of all others most obnoxious to the Mormon church; and she not only voted for him, but made an elegant speech in his behalf. The Salt Lake Tribune, the principal Gentile paper of Utah, and formerly much opposed to woman suffrage, says:

Those who have had apprehensions over what woman would do in public stations, and have questioned the wisdom of giving them suffrage, should have heard the brave speech of Senator Mattie Hughes Cannon yesterday, when, despite influences which have cowed more than one male legislator during the past month, she explained why she held it a duty to do a certain thing. It required a moral courage which a good many members of the legislature do not possess to do what she did.

Then, too, she did it as grandly as gracefully. Her face showed that it grieved her to perform an act that would pain her near friends; but she did not falter, did not hesitate at all, but, as though her oath and sense of duty under it were more to her than all else, she faced that duty superbly, and by her words gave a new direction to men's minds and opened a broad path for doubters, if they could but muster up the courage to follow where she led. It was the most manly exhibition that has been presented in the legislature since it convened.

Senator Cannon prefaced her vote with an address so eloquent that, despite parliamentary decorum and the rigid rules against demonstrations, she was cheered and cheered again at its conclusion. Not the gallery alone, but members themselves joined in the applause. There have been elequent speeches before in the joint session, but none thrilled the audience as did that of Mrs. Cannon. Even those bitterest in their opposition to Thatcher could not but admire the pluck that animated Mrs. Cannon.

MISS OR MISTRESS?

Mrs. Amelia E. Barr, who has won such an enviable distinction in the world of literature as to render any opinion she may advance upon social questions of more than ordinary importance, contends that the prefix of "Miss" or "Mrs." to the names of women only recognizes two great divisions—the married and the unmarried—and that the division is a matter of injustice, the woman of high mental, buisness and social standing of whatever age being ranked with the school girl.

There does seem a certain amount of injustice in this department from the custom of the last century, where the term "Miss" was applied to girls under ten years of age, and the prefix "Mistress" given to grown-up unmarried women, though their mothers were living. The word "Mistress" has now two distinct applications, the abbreviation "Mrs." being applied solely to married women, while that of "Mistress" is or might logically be used in connection with any woman, married or unmarried, who is well skilled in anything, whether in literature, business or any of the duties of life.

There is a dignity in the term "Mistress" beyond that of "Miss," and more fitting to those who have passed their teens into the more fully matured woman, as there is in the term "Madam" from its synonyme "Mistress," or "Mrs." the latter simply indicating the married state, while the other recognizes the dignity mature years.

CAUSES OF POVERTY.

Much light is thrown by a New York Prof. John Graham Brooks, upon the question, "What Is Poverty?"

The lecture was very brilliant, and treated the whole subject in so quaint a way as to make it seem new. Poverty, he said, was not a matter of what a person had or had not. It was a question of time and place. The people dying of famine in India represented a poverty unknown in Great Britain. So in Great Britain and this country the inmates of poorhouses had today better and more expensive bills of fare than had the poor people outside of the alms houses one hundred and fifty years ago.

On the other hand, there are people who seem to be well to do, and even rich who are really poor. The real poverty was that which meant the destruction of health and character to the individual, and this thereafter meant injury to the state.

He quoted the case of a drummer, who worked very hard and for many years made three thousand dollars per year, upon which he, his wife and four children lived in great comfort and happiness. Their life became adjusted to that amount and based upon it. The hard times came; the drummer lost his health and his position. He was a plucky man, a proud man and a good man. He did everything to turn an honest dollar, even shoveling snow and putting in coal; but all he earns now is seven or eight dollars a week.

Before that man and his family is the poor house.

A car driver with a sick wife and seven children, and a wage of $2.25 a day, is another example. His route ends in a rich neighborhood, so when his work is over he has to go, tired out, nearly two miles to his home This has broken him down and destroyed his health and strength.

It is cases like these which represent true poverty. These can be helped by our charitable machinery.

There is another kind of poverty which Prof. Brooks did not touch, and that is, those men whose trade or calling has been destroyed by invention, discovery or other powerful social factors. A very prosperous trade up to ten years ago, especially in the great cities, was that of the blacksmith and horseshoer. But the bicycle has diminished the use of the horse for private driving and the cable and trolley have freed tens of thousands of animals from street car and general transportation business.

Hundreds of blacksmiths, especially those who have grown gray in their calling and are unable to learn a new industry, have been deprived of their livelihood and are living from hand to mouth the best they can. The typesetting machines are working the same results upon the typographers, photoengraving upon wood engravers, book binding machines with the bookbinders and laundry machines have replaced at least 100,000 washerwomen.

FOR SPRING ATTIRE.

The N. Y. Mail and Express has news of some stylish articles of spring attire.

One delightful garment was made of chevoit in which the black field of the cloth was so broken by red and blue and gray spots as to give the impression of a rich purplish gem. The skirt was in six breadths, finely gored, so as to be almost smooth on the front and sides and to have four slight pleats on the back.

It fitted the hips very snugly and just touched the tips of shoes in front reached to within an inch of the ground in the back. It was lined with a stiff silk, which made it slightly more rigid than it would have been without lining, but not enough to make it break at any point in an awkard line or to rustle when moving fast.

With it was a jacket, neatly fitting, with a high collar, with a wide flare standing up behind and with lapels starting just below the collar of the waist and running far out upon the shoulders.

The sleeves were puffed at the shoulders and were quite large, were wrinkled to the elbow and thence were smooth, tightly fitting to the wrist. The jacket was plain, but may be decorated with stitching, embroidery, braid, passementerie or heavy silk cord.

With it was a blouse or shirt of changeable taffeta and a wide belt and high collar of dark blue ribbon.

New tailor coats for the early spring are faced with velvet, have velvet upon pocket flaps, and are trimmed with six or eight very brilliant buttons, and have the edges decorated with two or three lines of needlework.

MARCH LADIES' JOURNAL.

Charles Dana Gibson has created what he regards as his tylcal English girl. She is said to be as distinctive and striking as his famous American girl, and while essentially different she is quite as interesting.

Olga Nethersole, the actress, has turned her attention to writing and will give advice of a practical nature to "The Girl Who Aspires to Elocution." Her contribution will appear in an early issue of The Ladies' Home Journal.

A novel method of presenting the newest and freshest Eastertide creations of Paris milliners has been adopted by Ladies' Home Journal. In that magazine the new French hats and bonnets will be pictured as they are worn. This unique display is useful, therefore, in pointing out clearly not only Fashion's decree, but the styles in headdress best suited to several contrasted types and faces.

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