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Thos. Wentworth Higginson says: "For many years it has been my strongest conviction in respect to divorce that our statute books should have a double system of laws in respect to childless marriages as compared with those where the interests were included. In childless marriages it is the interests of man and wife alone which have to be consulted, but the moment children appear the question becomes incomparably more difficult. For childless marriages it seems to me that divorce should be far easier, but in the other case the interests of the next generation become the primary object and the law should place much greater obstacles in the way of separation."

Testimonial to Henrik Abel.
Bjornson was the author of the text of the cantata which was sung at Christiania the other day by way of celebrating the hundredth birthday of Norway's famous mathematician, Henrik Abel. About 300 guests from foreign countries were invited and Prof. F. Nansen presided at the banquet. Although Abel lived only twenty-seven years, he was repeatedly invited to a professorship in Berlin, but his patriotism caused him to decline the invitation, notwithstanding his poverty. The prayers that, like Jacob's ladder, rise from hard pillows, may reach a blessed peace.

NEWS AND VIEWS OF WOMEN

When in Misfortune.
"Deliver me from my friends!" exclaimed a reduced gentlewoman who had gone into trade. "I can reconcile my enemies," she continued, "even win golden opinions from strangers, but my friends bid fair to ruin me."

It is sad, but true, that friends are generally the worst props that a fashionable woman can lean on in misfortune. They mean well, but they criticize sharply, and one would have to be an angel to please them. If they order a gown from a friend who has taken up dressmaking, they first announce that they feel obliged to give the commission, and then they cavil over the work, the cut, the finish, the style. This seems hardly fair. If an order to help out a friend is given in kindness the same kindness should prevent criticism which might injure.

"I haven't a single thing I like this season," wailed a really kind-hearted woman. "So many of my friends have gone into business that I have had to buy my season's outfit from them—a walking dress from one, a dinner gown from another, a hat from a third and so on." This was said at a luncheon, and her audience was amused, but her friends would probably have preferred it if she had been less kind about her orders and more circumspect with her tongue.—New York Tribune.

Woman Bank Cashier Tired.
Mrs. Sarah F. Dick, assistant cashier of the First National Bank of Huntington, Ind., for more than thirty years, will, in a few days, retire from that institution, says the Indianapolis News. She retires on account of ill-health and a desire to take care of her aged father. The bank has been reorganized, and flattering terms were offered Mrs. Dick to remain, but she thought she had served her time and was anxious to quit.

Mrs. Dick is one of the only two women cashiers of National Banks in America, and has established a reputation in banking circles as an expert. The First National Bank of Huntington was organized many years ago. It not only had the only woman cashier, but it was the only bank in the country that had women directors. In 1866 Mrs. Anna A. Daily succeeded to her husband's interests in the bank, and in 1871 she was elected a director. The Controller of the Currency objected to her appointment, but it was shown that she could legally act, and after some delay she was accepted. In 1873 the widow of Samuel H. Purviance was elected a director, and in 1881 Mrs. Ann P. Slack, at the death of her husband, succeeded him as stockholder and director, and in 1883 Mrs. Fredericka Drover was elected a director. For twenty years the majority of the Board of Directors of the bank were women.

In January, 1871, Miss Sarah F. McGrew, daughter of the President of the bank, was appointed assistant cashier. She became Mrs. Sarah F. Dick in 1878, and three years later was appointed cashier of the bank, a position she held until she resigned of her own accord.

Her career as a business woman attracted attention all over the United States. She has been a salaried officer for thirty-one years and holds the record for the greatest number of transactions in one day—607 in 360 minutes of "open hours," or one in each thirty-five seconds.

Training of Women Workers.

There is a distinctly large idea represented in the foundation of a certain new educational institution in Boston. That Attle town and the academic groves by which it is surrounded already overflow with schools. Harvard and Wellesley are in its suburbs, and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, a great technical college, leads a workaday life on the edge of a section inhabited by its leisured classes. This last-named school has always admitted women to all its classes on exactly the same terms as men; yet women avail themselves to but a very limited extent of the opportunity. There are seldom in the very large classes of the Institute of Technology, comprising hundreds of men, more than three or four women candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Science.

Though women have now entered the arts and crafts in competition with men, and are to be found in almost every employment, they are still in the struggle as women. They have been able to maintain a certain proper separateness in their industrial situation in spite of the fact that the exigencies of their life compel them to mingle with men. They recognize the fact that they are not on the same footing with men in the trades, and doubtless they do not wish to be. In their education they evidently wish to main-

tain a similar independent position. After a sudden plunge, as it were, into coeducation, women themselves are now bringing about a reaction toward separate education.

It is of interest, therefore, that under an endowment provided by the will of John Simmons, of Boston, who died thirty years ago, a women's industrial college has been opened in that city under the very shadow of the co-educational Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Its purpose is to train women in the arts and crafts, and to train them by themselves. Simmons College has been opened with 125 fall students. It is perhaps a forerunner of other institutions, which shall recognize the need of women to earn their bread, and to earn it with the help of a training not only of the constructive faculties, but of the intellect in a more abstract sense, while at the same time they guard her from too harsh a clash with the struggling masculine world.—New York Mail and Express.



Five hundred and two patents have been taken out by women in Germany since 1877.

Miss Kate Livingstone, of Finnish Isle of Mull, a cousin of the famous explorer, Dr. Livingstone, has just completed her 107th year.

Miss Helen Gould is now an honorary member of the fire department of Tarrytown and of Roxbury. While Miss Gould is not liable to active fire duty, she is a full-fledged fireman, and is eligible to a seat in any State convention of firemen.

There are more than 500 women's clubs in Pittsburg and its vicinity, most of which have interested themselves in establishing and maintaining, with little help from the directors of public education, an excellent system of summer schools and playgrounds.

Mrs. Gertrude B. Williams, of Norwalk, Ohio, is the great-great-granddaughter of a soldier of the French and Indian war of 1763, a great-granddaughter of a soldier of the Revolutionary war, a granddaughter of a soldier of the War of 1812, daughter and wife of soldiers of the Civil War, and mother of two soldiers of the late Spanish-American War.

A college girl, who has a record as an athlete is Miss Helen Downers, of Elmira College, who won first place in six of the field day events recently. She has been elected President of the Elmira College Athletic Association. Miss Downers believes that an athletic training is essentially a good thing for college women, and says she has been greatly benefited in health by it.



Pressed velvets are very modish. Peasant embroideries are replacing the Persian. Pique for the winter shirt waist is fleece-lined. Velvet ribbons as well as chenille intermingle effectively with ribbon. Sash and belt pins are fashionable, and come in almost every conceivable design.

Among the new and stylish outdoor bodices the Siberian blouse is most effective.

Sunburst pleatings are always prettiest for skirts, and these are set almost scant this season.

Jeweled bands of velvet in Russian effect are a smart finish on elaborate imported evening dresses.

The blouse jackets so popular give ample scope for the display of many ornate and handsome buckles.

Butterflies of black lace are an odd and new garniture much used as appliques on white evening gowns.

Little turn-down collars of fur finish most of the coats that have any collar extending above the base of the neck.

Roses as well as grapes go to make up the pretty design that embellishes one beautiful dress of crepe de chine. Soft clothes or bodies of beaver are used in creating very stylish hats, as they can be bent into any shape desired.

Serpentine pleats are stitched into the uppers of new sleeves and left loose at the elbow to form forearm fullness. Dainty lingerie dresses are now made in black over a pale shade, as well as in the more familiar white and the delicate colors.

RAM'S HORN BLASTS.



HERE can be no communion where there is no union. Religion is a man's relation to God. He chooses night who refuses light. Seeds of love may feed storms of sorrow. Stolen thunder will not bring showers of blessing. A silent idiot is wiser than a babbling simpleton.

Everything comes to the man who waits—and keeps on walking. It is easier to preach patience in the church than it is to practice it with our children.

When you can honorably do so the best way to conquer your enemy is to concur with him. It will be time enough to indict others when we have finished the in-victory of our own faults.

It takes less of a fool's brain energy to doubt all things than it does for a wise man to accept one fact. It will not help your husband to heaven to leave him at home with cold victuals while you go to warm your heart at the prayer-meeting.

The losses of childhood are the gains of manhood. The man who says there is no truth in the world has mistaken a mirror for the universe. Better be a good servant than a bad son. Conceit is not an ingredient of consecration.

A report issued by the British labor department on workmen's co-operative societies shows the substantial progress of co-operation in England. Between 1874 and 1899 the recorded membership of all classes of co-operative societies increased from 403,010 to 1,681,342, and their total yearly transactions increased from 75 to 340 millions of dollars, states the New York labor bulletin. The strongest branch of co-operation in England is that established in the interest of the working people as consumers. Of the 82,000 persons employed by the co-operative societies making returns, 47,000 are engaged in the business of distributing goods, while 25,000 more are employed by the distributive societies in their factories. Hence only 9,000 persons are really engaged in co-operative manufacturing enterprises, and from this number there should be deducted 376 persons employed in grist mills owned by other co-operators, leaving 8,624 persons who are true co-operators in the sense of being capitalist and workman combined.

Increase of Population.
The population of the earth doubles in about 260 years.

THE SPREAD OF KNOWLEDGE.

In This is the Only Advancement of the Human Race. Have you ever thought how little besides knowledge passes from generation to generation? Of those things absolutely necessary to life and to comfort very little, much beyond the needs of the immediate present, accumulates. Of food, most necessary of all, strive all we can, the limit of accumulation is but a few months. And of those things which give purely physical comfort—clothing, fuel, shelter—with all our modern mechanisms and methods of preservation, we little more than keep abreast of daily demands. In art and literature only do we produce tangible things that survive for the benefit of the future.

But there is one thing that we do gain and give and accumulate from generation to generation—a thing more lasting than any work of art or of literature—more lasting even than the ruins of the greatest monuments, and of more value than all of the products of man combined—the one thing that no fire, no flood, no drouth, no disease, no famine, no convulsion of nature can ever destroy—knowledge.

The Treasury Department reports that it will take five or six years to settle the claims against the Government growing out of the redemption of unused Spanish war tax stamps, which have been sent by the banks and others as a result of the repeal of the tax.

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