

Women and the World

A New Yorker's Viewpoint

A correspondent, writing for the New York Sun, thinks household servants haven't enough to do, and wants a law passed compelling them to keep streets clean of snow and rubbish so as not to interfere with delivery wagons.

They Lost There

Woman suffrage has been defeated by large popular majorities in Basle and Zurich.

Effective Hooting

Women of Melbourne, Australia, became so incensed over profiteering in white sugar that at a public meeting they hooted a responsible cabinet minister off the stage and out of the hall.

Mr. Asquith's Clever Daughter

To Mr. Asquith's daughter is given much of the credit for his return to official life in England. Mr. Asquith was at one time the most powerful man in the British Empire, having been prime minister. Lloyd George supplanted him and later Asquith was defeated for a seat in Parliament. Then he fought to regain that seat, and his daughter, Lady Bonham-Carter, took a prominent part in the campaign. Of her efforts the London Sphere says: "Throughout the campaign, Lady Bonham-Carter was the moving spirit, attacking her father's detractors, answering hecklers, and mowing down opposition. She shared the ex-premier's triumphal progress through West London to the House of Commons, and was almost as loudly acclaimed as was her father. Her electioneering capabilities have so roused enthusiasm that Lady Bonham-Carter has been asked to stand as Liberal candidate in no fewer than seven constituencies."

The Tragedy of the Duchess

No family on earth was hit harder by the tragedy of the war than was that of the Czar of Russia. The Czar lost his life as well as his kingdom, and his immediate family was slain. Now comes word that his sister, Grand Duchess Olga, who had to flee from the luxury of royalty, has been found in a box car in southern Russia by American Red Cross workers. She was toiling with fellow-refugees from the part of the country recently conquered by the Bolsheviks. The duchess was very poorly clad and expressed her gratitude for food and clothing given her.



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GRAND DUCHESS OLGA

High Price for Old Rug

"We are moving to smaller quarters," said a Detroit housewife, "and are selling off some of our things. I paid \$35 for a rug five years ago. It was scarcely worn and I sold it yesterday for \$60. Those most anxious to buy were the ones who had been down town to inquire about prices."

They Are to Be Cheaper

John J. Slater is your friend as well as being president of the Retail Shoe Dealers' Association. He says dealers will get along with a narrower margin and reduce prices this spring and summer on all but "ultra fashionable" footwear.

"Princess Pat's" Son

A son, born to Captain and Lady Patricia Ramsay ("Princess Pat"), was christened recently at St. James's Palace, London. "Princess Pat," an own cousin of the King of England, was honorary colonel to the famous Canadian Princess Patricia regiment that was all but wiped out in the late war, and was replaced several times. At the end of the war she gave royalty something of a shock by marrying a plain captain outside of royalty.

Very Dear

He—"So your dear friend, Mrs. Jones-Smith, has married again?"

She—"Yes, and she is a dear friend—three wedding presents and two floral pieces."

The New Poor

Here is a story (says "Quex," in the London Evening News) which comes direct from a woman connected with a certain charity.

A charwoman was being engaged to do the roughest work of a large London house. When asked her name she said she would be obliged to the mistress if her identity could be kept secret.

She is the wife of an officer suffering from gas and still under treatment in a London hospital. She has a child of two to support, and her husband is not aware of the nature of the work she is doing.

Women as Toy Makers

Writes the London correspondent for the Glasgow Herald:

"Orders of tremendous value are being taken at the British Industries Fair. America clamours for carpets, Japan for billiard tables; pottery firms have sold their output for the next nine months—nowhere have the seeds of British trade revival fallen on barren ground. The most phenomenal success of all, however, has been scored by the toy dealers, some of whom can take no more orders for this year. In the majority of cases the guiding spirits of this successful industry are women. Many conceal their identity behind masculine pseudonyms, while others shrink into the directorate of a company, but the excellence of the toys spells 'woman' in unmistakable characters. The keen interest aroused by them should encourage women to seek new outlets for their activities. The time seems not far distant when British women will dominate Europe's toy market."

She Took the Hint

The angular lady had been in the store over a quarter of an hour, and during that time had read the labels and directions of several dozens of the patent medicines displayed. None of them suited.

"And what about this Pest Exterminator—is it any good—how do I use it?" she asked the amiable clerk who had been following her about in hopes of making a sale.

"Tablespoonful every half hour."

There were no more questions.

Summer Finery

"Sheer materials such as organdie, dotted Swiss and net are in the lead and have almost annihilated the voile," says a New York style report. The summer gowns are to be distinctly *summer gowns*, more airily feminine and dainty than ever before. "Ruffles have supplanted flowers," says the report.

Some Job

When Lady Astor (formerly an American girl) became a member of the British Parliament, she discovered that the House of Commons kitchen committee had between \$25,000 and \$50,000 worth of wine and whisky stowed away in the House wine cellar, and she launched a campaign to make the House dry. She has frightened them some, for the Valentin vat which held 400 gallons of old Scotch has disappeared, its contents having been put in smaller and handier packages. "The Thames is handy," remarked Lady Astor when asked what she would do with the cellar's contents.

Women's Wear From Glasgow

The Glasgow Herald's report of the "British Industries Fair," held at Glasgow, says there were a great many American, French, Japanese and other buyers there. "In the trade today," says the report, "the most outstanding feature is the demand for dainty trimmings and cloths in place of the somewhat stogy garments with which ladies were satisfied five or six years ago." There was also a noticeable demand, says the report, for 19-inch and 23-inch lisle and silk gloves for evening wear.

Wild Cotton in Australia

It is stated that cotton has been discovered growing wild in Australia, but American cotton growers claim that will interest the American housewife little, as the original cost of the cotton plays a very small part in the price of the finished product.

Christened the Warship

The latest addition to the United States Navy is the most powerful of all and was christened by Mrs. Brooke Lee whose picture is shown here. Mrs. Lee is the wife of the Comptroller of Maryland and daughter-in-law of former Senator Blair Lee. Mrs. Lee is one of the popular and attractive women of the South. She is well known in Washington.



MRS. BROOKE LEE

—And Where Do the Old Ones Go?

There is a shortage of thimbles in Europe. Factories at Lille, Nuremberg and Vienna that made them in pre-war days are silent for the want of raw material.

Needed Now

"When cotton manufacturing machinery was first applied in this country," says the London Daily Chronicle, "one of the more fortunate inventors boasted that he had reduced the price of a specially fine kind of cotton from \$100 to \$3.75 for a quantity to make a lady's dress. We need him now."

After Their Own Goods

American dry goods firms have had representatives in Norway trying to buy back goods sold the Norwegians two years ago. They offer a substantial advance in price.

No Soup

"Waiter, I don't see any soup on this menu card." "No, sir, there was some but I wiped it off."

A New Spring Model



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The sweet miss will appreciate a chic little hat made of navy tassel, with white georgette facing, navy ribbon trimming and the cute little tassel of navy-colored beads hanging on one side giving the hat a saucy effect. This little hat bids fair to be popular for the spring season. The model shown here was found in one of the New York show windows.

When the Cotton Comes Back

Mrs. G. H. Mathis, of Gadsden, Alabama, is a strong advocate of the cause of the farmer in her state, and has a very direct way of going at things. She said:

"Take the farmer who gets 40 cents a pound for short, staple cotton, and that is a very high price for cotton, but consider what that same cotton costs when it comes back to us.

"I went into one of our stores, had the proprietor weigh out some products of cotton, and it made a table like this:

	Pound
Cotton	\$.40
Unbleached domestic	1.40
Bleached domestic	2.00
Gingham	3.15
Cotton voile	15.00
Mull	26.50

"That shows who gets the money, and it is not the man and woman who grow the cotton but those through whose hands it passes after it leaves the farmer."

Income Tax of Singers

Since we entered the war, Galli-Curci, the singer, has paid between \$70,000 and \$80,000 in income tax; Tetrazzini has paid \$100,000.

Selling Wives in Wales

"Not a little stir has been occasioned by the revelations made in the Divorce Court by Mr. Tyndale regarding the traffic in wives as marketable goods which has been going on for years in South Wales and is still in progress," says a dispatch from Cardiff, Wales, to the London Chronicle.

"Interviewed in regard to his astounding statement, Mr. Tyndale said: 'It is quite a common thing in the colliery districts of Wales for a miner to sell his wife. The usual form of contract, which the parties draw up for themselves without going to lawyers, is something like this:

"I, _____, hereby agree to give the sum of £100 for the wife of _____, and take possession of her from this date.

"I have dealt in hundreds of such cases, the last being only six months ago. I think the practice dates back hundreds of years. I am not sure, but I think it was at one time possible for a man to dispose of his wife for a shilling. Of course, the practice was not at any time recognized by law, but it was quite an ordinary thing."

Lewis Allen Browne Says:

No one can hate and be happy.

The simplest lives are the sweetest lives.

It takes TWO smiling faces to even start a home.

Women keep secrets as well as men keep promises.

Better leave a clever sarcasm unsaid than lose a friend.

Home—where good men go early and bad men go late.

Few people are as courteous to friends as to strangers.

Love, like wine, will improve with age if kept in a cool place.

Money doesn't go half as far as it used to, but it goes five times as fast.

The perfect husband today is not the romantic sort who remembers to "Say it with flowers", but the practical chap who can daily "say it with beefsteak."