



WOMAN'S REALM

WOMEN ON FARMS.

Large Army of Them Employed in Western States.

It is said that fully half a million women are employed in the Western States as harvest laborers and general farmhands.

A woman, lately returned from Kansas, said: "It is really a pretty and interesting sight to see the women in the fields raking hay, binding grain, driving the horses attached to the mowing and other machines.

"It may seem a little early to rise time enough to feed the horses before the 6.30 breakfast, but it is the pleasant part of the day, after you get used to it.

"Lots of young women have come out on the farms this summer and last from the cities. They enjoy the change; it is good for their health; and they go back with money enough to last while they learn a trade, such as dressmaking or millinery or typewriting.

For Women (in 1801).

Evening Dress—Fancy worked muslin, trimmed with lace and silver; the sleeves full, and confined with silver.

Walking Dress—White cambric muslin, made tight over the bosom, with a collar to turn back, trimmed all around with lace; long sleeves, confined above the elbow in two places; petticoat of the same, with a narrow founce around the bottom.

Head Dresses—A bonnet of lilac silk; the crown full, and confined with a handkerchief, which ties under the chin.

A cape of yellow crape, the crown long and full, and confined in several places with bands of crape, ornamented with bows of the same.

A bonnet of slate colored silk, trimmed and tied under the chin with pink ribbon.

Sociable bonnet of buff muslin, trimmed round the front with white lace.

Turban of spangled muslin, ornamented with flowers and a lilac leather.

Obi hat of white chip, with a green feather in front.

A dress cap of muslin ornamented with beads, and white ostrich feathers.

An embroidered straw hat turned up in front, a large white feather falling over the left side.

A dress cap of muslin and lace, made open on the top of the head to show the hair, ornamented with beads, and a flower in front.

General Observations—The prevailing colors are buff, white and lilac. Buff flowers have been adopted. A few fancy hats, which is likely to become a favorite, has just been introduced into the circles of fashion, made of straw, intermixed with clouded floss silk.

Late Styles of Hair-Dressing.

Among the very prettiest of the new coiffures that will be greatly in favor is what the inventor thereof has

termed the Transformation, on account of the great change from former styles. The middle front hair is cut, parted on the left, massed in loose, short curls which fall nearly to the eyebrows in V shape; the remainder of the hair is waved all the way around, a loose figure eight or Newport coil formed, and the ends massed above, in careless little curls.

The Marie Antoinette coiffure is very graceful and more simple than the Transformation. It is simply a revival or adaptation of the style to which the unfortunate queen gave her own name.

Another becoming fashion for wearing the hair low in the neck is shown in the "coiffure with Felix comb." In this the hair is waved in front and low on the sides, with loose Grecian knot terminating in one under coil. This style is adapted for less ceremonious occasions.—Toilettes.

A Versatile Duchess.

"The Duchess of Bedford," says the London Sketch, "is one of the cleverest and most original ladies in the group whose proud privilege it is to wear the strawberry leaves, and whose presence at the forthcoming coronation will give an added touch of splendor to the marvelous scene.

"Yes," said a Twenty-third street furniture dealer, when spoken to on the subject, "walnut is coming in and mahogany is going out. We are giving the new walnut a lighter finish than the old had, touching it with gold and hand carving it wherever there is an inch of plain surface.

Two Smart Autumn Suits.

The Vienna tailors, who are accredited with being the best tailors in the world, are now hard at work on their models for autumn and winter wear. One model recently evolved was made in black panne cloth, a rich and silky material.

Another dress—this time in blue cloth—had a plain skirt and short tight-fitting coat with bishop sleeves, and a flowing design in machine stitched silk of several shades of mauve.

Apparent Simplicity.

Some beautiful white Irish guipure lace is shown off to great advantage as a wide bounce on a gown of white linen so handsomely embroidered that the simple material is almost hidden.

A dainty little blouse, all of finely tucked white muslin and lace, with a touch of black at the neck, is for house wear, while for out of doors a charming bolero of guipure lace with a deep double collar and cavalier cuffs of embroidered linen is worn over it.

True Courtesy Not a Matter of Rule. Real courtesy, it must be borne in mind, is not arbitrary form, but a thoughtfulness regarding the pleasure, comfort and happiness of others.

"Diamonds and Almonds." Pearl buttons come in many fancy shapes. Diamonds and almonds, as they are called, from the oval form are among the prettiest.

There's room on the earth for everybody, but everybody wants the front room.



HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Lemon Butter.

Sandwiches made of lemon butter are delicious and are not at all difficult to make. Take two ounces of butter and a quarter of a pound of sugar and put them in a saucepan.

Walnut Furniture Again.

Resurrect your old walnut furniture, and if you want to be in vogue have it carved where there is a plain surface, and touch it here and there with dull gold, for the furniture that grandmother used, and which was long ago relegated to the attic of the old homestead, is coming in again.

Outer Coverings of Beds.

For the outer covering of beds there are all sorts of pretty and novel things in white and colors. Possibly the handsomest are those of heavy linen, embroidered in white by hand.

The fancy for embroidery also extends to the finish of sheets and pillow cases. "Shams" are still much used, though many housekeepers prefer cases into which the pillows are buttoned.



HOUSEHOLD RECIPES

Peach Cake—Bake three sheets of sponge cake as for jelly cake; slice peaches thin, and place them between the sheets of cake.

Creamed Carrots—Cut six small carrots into dice, boil gently in water enough to cover until tender.

Spiced Cherries—For five pounds of fruit use two and one-half pounds of sugar, one pint of vinegar, one ounce of cinnamon and half an ounce of cloves.

Salpicon of Fruit—Make a mixture of two sliced oranges, a ripe banana cut into dice, a tablespoonful of grated pineapple, the juice of a lemon, and add, when in season, a cupful of raspberries, sliced peaches or any desirable fruit.

Veal Cream—To two cupfuls of seasoned veal stock add one tablespoonful of granulated gelatin softened in cold water, a tablespoonful of lemon juice, and a teaspoonful of onion juice.

He Broke It Gently.

"What do you want, little boy?" "Is this where Mr. Upjohn lives, ma'am?" "Yes."

"The Mr. Upjohn that runs the bank?" "He is an officer in the bank."

"The Mr. Upjohn that went down town on a trolley car this morning?" "I presume he went on a trolley car. What?"

"Is he the Mr. Upjohn that was in that hor'ble street car accident?" "I haven't heard of his being in any street car accident."

"Didn't hear 'at he'd sprained his ankle jumpin' out of the car when the train run into it?"

"No, little boy, you frighten me. What has—"

"Didn't you hear how he run into a drug store for a piece of court plaster to stick on a little cut he'd got over the eye?"

"Not at all. For mercy's sake—" "He isn't in, is he, ma'am?"

"No, he's—"

"Name's John U. Upjohn, isn't it?" "Yes, that's his name."

"Then he's the same man. He won't be here for an hour or two, I guess, 'cause he's stoppin' to have one of his teeth tightened that got knocked a little bit loose when he was jumpin' out of danger, y' know."

"Little boy, tell me the whole story; I think I can bear it now."

"Well, ma'am, he's in the hospital with four ribs broke an' one leg in a sling an' his nose knocked kind of sideways, but he's gettin' along all right, an' he'll be out again in about a month, an' here's a letter 'm the doctor tellin' ye all about it, ma'am."

Bridget's Ultimatum. "I'm leavin', mum," said the maid of all work to her mistress, at present an invalid.

"Oh, it's too bad, but I would have given you due notice and a week's wages."

"I'll give you warnin' till I pack me trunk, mum. I'm no slave, and I'm not used to bein' complained of, either. I kin cook with the best of 'em, and I wouldn't go down on me knees to lord or lady, not me. Didn't you tell your husband to look after the house while you was sick, mum?"

"I did."

"It was the mistake of your life, mum. He makes a god of his stomach. That he do, mum, and a serf of his servants."

"He's one of the best-hearted men alive."

"I'm speakin' of his stomach, mum. I made him hash, as he likes for breakfast. He says there was too much meat in it. I makes him another plate for the next mornin' and he says it was all potatoes."

"I guess I can't suit you," says I. "Don't guess again," says he, and I told him that he didn't know no more about stylish hash than a cow does about runnin' a dancin' school. He said he would make me a gift of a cook book so I could learn how to make hash. Me! I could make hash before he had teeth to eat with. Me and him can't live under the same roof, mum, an' you can make your choice."

How He Got Even. The members of the Traveler's Club were telling yarns, when the quiet man in the corner was asked to contribute.

"Well," said he, "I once entered a restaurant where they weigh you before eating, and then charge you by weight. I had a good feed and was charged 10 shillings. The next time I went I took in my pocket bricks, weights, old iron and such. I was weighed, and then went upstairs and had a banquet three times as big as the last. I went down and was weighed again, but they couldn't make it out."

He paused.

"Couldn't make what out?" asked the club members.

"Why," answered the quiet man, "they owed me four and tuppence."

Of Two Evils. "All those stories the papers are printing about you are lies," said the politician's friend. "Why don't you make them stop it?"

"I would," replied the politician, "but I'm afraid they'd begin printing the truth then."

Her Family. She—She comes of a grand old family, I believe?

He—Yes, very. An ancestor of hers was beheaded in the Tower during the reign of the fourth Edward.

She—How perfectly lovely.

The Absence of It. If there is any truth in the saying that happiness is the absence of all pain, mental and physical, the enjoyment of it can only be found in heaven.

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Short of Alacrity. "So you lent Harbinger the money, did you?"

"Yes."

"What did he say?" "He promised to pay with alacrity."

"He did, eh? Well, let me tell you this; if there's one thing that's scarcer with him than money, it's alacrity."

His Work and Hers.

The woman had her arms in the tub, and was fiercely scrubbing one dirty garment after another. Book agents don't often penetrate to that part of Chicago, but this one did. He knocked on the front door until he was tired, and then he went around to the back door.

"Good morning, madam," said the book agent, pleasantly.

"Good mornin'," said the woman, shortly.

"Pleasant day," observed the book agent, sparring for an opening.

"Good enough," answered the woman.

"Excuse me, madam," said the book agent, "but I have here a work that I would like to show you."

"Have you?" answered the woman. "Well, I've got a lot of work that I'd like to show you." She took one soapy hand out of the tub and waved it at a great pile of dirty clothes.

"That's my work," went on the woman. "If your work can beat that, all right. If it can't skip out."

The book agent skipped.

An Incomplete House. We run wild over the furnishings of a house, its furniture, carpets, hangings, pictures and music and always forget or neglect the most important requisite.

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