

# Woman's World

## PIANO STUDY IN BERLIN

### Miss Jean Wakeman's Interesting Account of the Student Life of the German Capital-- Her Studies and Travels.

Among the comparatively small group of musicians who have returned to Minneapolis to reside after long and careful training abroad is Miss Jean Wakeman. Her return from Berlin is recent and she is preparing to take up in the fall the practice of her art and to give to her friends and pupils the fruits of her hard study and musical advantages.

Italy and Switzerland. She stayed about a month in Jenbach. Miss Wakeman is near this place that Carreno has spent her summers recently and her pupils are living in Jenbach. Miss Wakeman was with some of them and saw a good deal of their work. She was impressed chiefly with the enthusiasm which she inspires and the dash and life which she infuses into their playing.

Miss Wakeman was accounted one of the most finished and carefully educated pianists of the city before going abroad. She had had a preparation and experience that fitted her to make the most of her opportunity in foreign study. She was a

While at Jenbach Miss Wakeman attended a peasant party in a nearby mountain town of Buchs. It was a melodramatic affair given in a barn, the haymow of which was used as a balcony. From

question of exchange, the regular customer is more likely to have the same granted her in this than a chance buyer. One who always patronizes the same saleswoman and shows her special consideration is likely to have the same thoughtfulness displayed toward herself. Saleswomen grow weary of hauling down innumerable heavy boxes or garments, even if they do politely protest that they don't mind in the least; saleswomen are only human.

Every woman's exchange in the large towns has a list of women who will do shopping for one. These women make a business of doing such work, their commission being paid, not by the shopper, but by the stores from which she purchases. Many women whose homes are out of town, or who are kept there by small children who need their constant attention, often have all their shopping done by these professional shoppers, and this with a great deal of satisfaction.

One who lives in a city and has an account with any firm or is known as a reliable person may have good sent to her home on approval. A number of selected articles are forwarded, and the ones most satisfactory are retained, or, if none of them are suitable and the merchant has nothing else in his stock which will do, all are returned without a purchase. Merchants complain of this disadvantage in this system, and therefore make it a rule to discriminate in regard to the persons to whom goods are sent on approval--women sometimes have hats and gowns sent home that they may examine them or show them to the home trimmer or dressmaker and duplicate them cheaply elsewhere. Of course it goes without saying that no lady ever thinks of such sharp practices, but there are women who do, but it is not long before they are found out, and favors at the hands of shop people for her become few.

The best way to shop is to make a list of what is needed, not depending on the

memory, as most women do. The articles to be bought should be classified according to departments in which they are found. For instance, the different threads, needles, tapes and hairpins are to be found in the notion department; muslins and all linens are generally near the same place, and so on. If the shopping list has been systematized, it is amazing how soon the work is done.

In a household where there is only a maid of all work it is a good plan to rise early and finish the housework as early as possible, omitting anything that can be allowed to go over for a day. The servant maid will doubtless be glad of a day in the shops, and will be quite willing to accompany her mistress to look after any small parcels or take care of the children while the goods are being examined. In some of the large stores there are ladies' reception rooms, and Bridget and the little ones can be left there while their mother does her buying.

## A WOMAN SCIENTIST

### Death of Miss Ormerod, Entomologist, Botanist and Meteorologist.

Miss Eleanor A. Ormerod, the noted entomologist, botanist and meteorologist, died yesterday after a short illness. She was among women. Last year the University of Edinburgh conferred upon her the honorary degree of LL.D. Miss Ormerod being the only woman who has thus been honored. She began her now celebrated career in 1868, when she took up agricultural and horticultural entomology as her special study. In 1872 she attended the international exhibition at Moscow, and in 1878 the Royal Meteorological Society elected her a member of its body. In 1892 she was elected consulting entomologist of the Royal Agricultural Society. She was one of the highest authorities in her special branch of science.

## A BOOK FOR MOTHERS

### Dr. Flora L. S. Aldrich Has Published a Book Prepared First for the Use of Her Patients and Nurses.

There has been issued this week by a firm of Minneapolis women, Gilman & Knettle, a new book by a local physician, "The Household Physician" by Dr. Flora L. S. Aldrich. It was issued in its original form some time ago in a limited edition intended only for the author's own patients and nurses. Its value was so readily apparent that it was soon decided to publish it on a more extensive scale. Before this was done, however, the original scope of the work was widened and the work enlarged.

The book is made up of clear and concise answers to the countless questions asked of physicians by prospective mothers in regard to their own condition and the care and treatment of their children during infancy. All abstruse and technical language is avoided, but the directions given are strictly in accord with modern medical science. The work does not aim to make every woman her own physician, but to give hygienic directions that will improve her health and that of her child and to point out to her when a physician is needed.

As a physician obviously cannot be at hand for consultation in many cases of minor importance which, nevertheless, should receive proper attention, the attitude of the medical profession towards a book of this kind on scientific lines will doubtless correspond with that of a physician who examined the manuscript and said to the author, "A book such as this would be of immense value to the patients of all physicians. It contains just what doctors would be glad to have their patients know." The book has received the most favorable reviews from leading medical journals.

The book is divided into sharply defined topics, which are definitely treated. Part I, relates to the mother; part II, to the care and treatment of the child, and part III, is a carefully selected dietary list and directions for dealing with emergency cases. Part III is the most extensive, and will probably be most highly valued, as the directions for feeding babies under the varied conditions suggested will certainly supply a need. The loss in attentiveness on the part of the mother, and the loss of time and money in rushing about from store to store in the hope of saving a few pennies on the muslin or calico or blanket sale. The loss in attentiveness on the part of the sales-people, who, after a time, get to know one, is one of the least of the evils of promiscuous shopping. When the sales-people learn to recognize in one a regular customer, they are more certain to try to please, and if there is any after

stress is laid upon the matter of proper observance of quarantine regulations and disinfection, as a matter of honor as well as of individual safety.

Dr. Aldrich, who enjoys a practice probably as large and lucrative as any woman in Minnesota, is descended from the best Holland-Dutch and Scotch ancestry in the state of New York. She received a thorough literary and classical education, and

her medical studies were pursued in the best institutions of this country and Europe, and her knowledge of medicine is not only considered profound and accurate, but she is admired and respected by the medical profession everywhere.

She says: "I have always pursued my medical studies with men, and I have yet to see or hear anything discourteous. Even in Germany, where women find it so hard to be admitted to study medicine, the physicians were like father and brothers to me." Dr. Aldrich is a fine German scholar, especially proficient in what is known as medical German.

In 1883 was married to Dr. A. G. Aldrich of Adams, Mass., beginning the study of medicine immediately thereafter.

Miss Jewett's (Brunswick, Me.) added distinction to its commencement this year by awarding the honorary degree of doctor of letters to Miss Sarah Orne Jewett. This is the first degree ever given a woman by Brunswick. The New York Evening Post happily says: "It was especially fitting that a Maine college should thus honor a Maine author, but the satisfaction over this recognition of Miss Jewett's ability will not be confined to her native state. Her literary work has won her admirers throughout the country, and a host of readers will be pleased at such recognition of her services to literature."

## MODISH TRAVELING COATS

### The French Models Are Neither Comfortable Nor Neat.

The newest French models in traveling cloaks are of a length little calculated to promote either comfort or neatness. They are beautiful, of course, trailing, sweeping lines lending a special grace to any figure, but, baptized "dust coats," they are such in more senses than one, and when you reflect on the ubiquitous and deadly germs and the wearisome whisk broom forever to be wielded, game seems scarcely worth the candle.

A more practical and certainly pleasurable wrap for traveling than one of those great quarter length Raglan made of covert cloth, linen or brilliantine, which runs to a box coat looseness and strapped seams, has something of the comfortable air of the masculine "duster." To give ease in walking it slits up at the bottom and sides in the same way; then, with the same great patch pockets, the severe coat sleeves and single fly fastenings, it is nothing if not mannish.

But these medium length Raglans are very stylish, and a point in their favor is that they are best suited to skirts that escape the ground. The others must cover a jupe equally long, and the flouncing morning glory bottoms of the long skirts render the combined burden a nuisance when it needs to be lifted.

Among the dressier traveling coats are some of black taffeta, satin finished surah and India pongee--the heaviest and coarsest made--that strike a rather convenient walking length. These run largely to the graduated skirt flounce now so much in vogue and to bishop or bell sleeves, and sometimes the neck of a taffeta garment will be cut out several inches below the stock line, a fluted cape collar, with long ends lying at the bust, being at this point a modish finish. Some of the cloth coats are lined, Louisiana, wisteria, violet and other fashionable tints, doubling many a dainty empire model in pearl gray, buff, brown or black. But these lined coats are by no means adapted for summer wear as the unlined affairs. Any doubling, however light, adds to warmth, and not only do the delicate linings sell at once, but they contribute prodigiously toward cost.

A very elegant traveling coat that seemed magnificent enough for any service, and shown by a Fifth avenue milliner, was developed in heavy black taffeta, unlined, and had a superb ornamentation in white stitching. Another of sapphire blue brilliantine displayed a simulated jacket effect in scrolls of arabesque of red stitching.

Sewing machine work in a contrasting color is an ornamentation much used this season, the black and white combinations being especially in favor. It is extremely decorative, and is a trimming within the means of any woman deft with her needle, for, of course, the shop article is made more expensive in this way.

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## MISS McCLAREN'S DRAMATIC SUCCESS

### Two Years of Lyceum Stage Experience Has Brought Remarkable Success to One of the Manning Pupils--Designs Her Own Costumes.

It is just two years since Miss Gay Zenola McClaren was graduated from the Manning college in Minneapolis and in those two years Miss McClaren has won an enviable reputation in the east. She has been spending a few days with Minneapolis friends and left this week for Duluth to visit relatives before going to Buffalo. Later she will give two readings at the New York Chautauqua and then go to New York where her manager requests her to prepare for a very busy season.

After her graduation Miss McClaren went to New York and gave a reading before the directors of the Brooklyn Institute of which Leland T. Powers is a mem-



GAY ZENOLA McCLAREN.

ber. For her graduation recital in Minneapolis Miss McClaren made her own arrangement of Wilson Barrett's "Sign of the Cross," a remarkable achievement for so young a girl, and she chose that play to read before the eastern critics. They were amazed at her ability and delighted with her talent and at once engaged her to give "The Sign of the Cross" in the series of Brooklyn Institute entertainments. Miss McClaren has appeared many times before the institute since and always with great success.

Last winter she made a regular tour of the eastern cities under the management of the Star Lyceum bureau of New York. Her repertoire included "The Sign of the Cross" and "Romeo and Juliet" and when the people of a city heard her in the former they promptly engaged her to return and give the second. This winter she will add "Little Lord Fauntleroy" to her repertoire and her manager had many requests left over from last season to fill with the new play.

It is rather difficult to define Miss McClaren's work. She is more than a reader and the title of Impersonator does not seem sufficient to describe her power of keeping from eighteen to twenty characters distinct and clear before an audience. The more characters there are in a play the better Miss McClaren likes it and she is an actress to her finger tips.

Miss McClaren's friends have been rather curious to know whether she contemplated going on the stage and many of them have urged her to do so. Miss McClaren does not consider that she is old enough and experienced enough for stage work yet but she has dreams of a future when her work as a dramatic reader will secure her a place on the stage. She rather wants to avoid the disagreeable task of beginning at the foot of the ladder by a faithful attention to her present work, which is a splendid preparation for something more ambitious.

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## CHAMPION GIRL SWIMMER

### Ethel Golding of New York Won Title When Only Thirteen.

Ethel Golding, the champion girl swimmer of New York, comes from a family of noted swimmers and was taught to swim as soon as she was old and strong enough to bathe with the waters.

She is a remarkably graceful swimmer, whose speed and endurance have made her famous. She holds the championship to-day, having vanquished all other girls of her sex with whom she has contested for several years.

Prior to 1884 the title of champion was held by Miss Alice Ward. Miss Ward has retired, and so there are few who are worthy to enter the lists with Miss Golding. She won the championship when she was 13 in a race from Brighton Beach to the Iron Pier at Coney Island. A handsome trophy had been offered and a number of young women, famed as swimmers, took part. Ethel, the youngest of all, won easily, and repeated this triumph every year for four years following. On the first occasion the nearest competitor was 200 yards in the rear. She has won since that time more than forty races, all open events, and has never failed to accept a challenge from any other fair expert.

She is a typical twentieth century American girl, bronzed, a picture of healthful womanhood and an example of the benefits to be derived from a life outdoors.



DR. FLORA L. S. ALDRICH.

## SCIENTIFIC SHOPPING

### Buying Has Been Reduced to an Art.

One can do anything nowadays with very little physical exertion if the way is only known, even shopping. The difficulty is to discover how. Do the buying in a reliable store, and, if good quality is expected, pay good prices. Merchants are not in the business from philanthropic motives, and when they mark an article down it is because they think it is wise to get rid of it, because the next season's fashions will, 999 chances out of 1,000, be something altogether different.

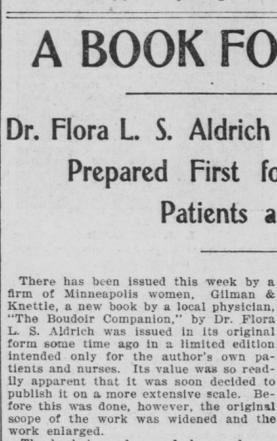
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## UP-TO-DATE BELT PINS

### White Pique Belts Are Worn With Outing Suits.

There is a new belt pin in town. It is a pretty creation in which the homely pin is concealed from view by a row of five artistically arranged oak leaves, tiny amethysts between the latter adding a touch of contrastive color and daintiness to the rose finish of the leaves of which the pin is formed. It is longer than the ordinary belt pin and the up-to-date girl has welcomed it with deserved appreciation, among her collection of bolero pins.

For the summer girl, fond of outdoor diversions, many of the belt pins are strikingly symbolic. A very smart design is a horseshoe through which a coaching whip has been deftly drawn. The girl who boasts of a favorite college may show her loyalty even in this accessory of her toilet; the quaker city belle, of course, selects a university arc encircled with a laurel wreath in the center.

From belt pins one naturally wonders what belts are claiming the latest favor of the fastidious devotees of fashion. Patent leather, which may always be relied upon as in good taste for the summer morning or outing gown, is in stylish evidence in a belt of two-inch width in the back, narrowing to less than an inch in front and finishing with an unobtrusive buckle. A smart novelty in belt-land is of fawn suede, a small gilt buckle with side pieces of the same completing a girde which will at once appeal to the woman who likes a chic effect in the region of her waist. Less expensive are belts of somewhat the same design as seen, while a white pique belt with a simple black buckle carries with it the idea of effective simplicity for the shirt waist or outing suit.

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This dressy toilet may be made of Taffeta, Veiling, Net or Mousseline de Soie. It shows a peculiar combination of sash and the wide belt now in vogue.

A high costume is here illustrated composed of Black Mousseline de Soie and velvet ribbon. The upper part of the Embroidered Mousseline over White Taffeta and elaborate decorations of Yellow Russian Lace.

This autumn wrap is here foreshadowed. The garment above is composed of Black Taffeta and Velvet Ribbon with facings of Cream Satin and Heavy Yellow Lace.

