

Woman's World  
LORE OF BRITANNY

Mrs. A. M. Mosher Versed in the Learning of a Quaint Country.

SHE WILL LECTURE IN THIS CITY

Has been Honored With the Decorations of Several Societies of Bretons.

Mrs. A. M. Mosher to-morrow morning at the home of Mrs. H. G. Harrison will speak before the Perpetuates on "Robert Browning in Brittany."

Mrs. Mosher has received many honors for her studies in Breton lore, which she began thirteen years ago. Her interest in the quaint old country, with its innumerable saints and legends, was excited while on a visit to a chateau in Brittany. She made numerous visits and excursions in the country and secured the friendship of the people. They are a strange folk, superstitious and curious, and they resent the impertinence of the average tourist. The older people speak the Celtic language altogether.

The Breton federation, a society of Breton writers, artists and men of letters, has recognized Mrs. Mosher's studies by admitting her to membership and a banquet was given in Paris at which she was the only woman present. She was made an honorary member and presented with a badge, the Breton flower crossed on the sash. Her name was given the name of "l'Americaine bretonnante." Mrs. Mosher was also presented with the badge of the Regionalistes Bretons, which holds a congress every year in lower Brittany. The Breton society of Wales made her an ovate bard with the name Breton Traamor in recognition of her Celtic researches. She was presented with a green ribbon and the service was most impressive. It was held on a high hill in Wales and the grand bard dressed in white robes invested each candidate with the order while harp was played. Mrs. Mosher wears these honors in her talks on Brittany.

Mrs. Mosher's home, when she is in the United States, is in Cambridge, Mass., but she attends all of the congresses of the Breton federation, which are held every year, she spends much time in the country which she has made so interesting to those who have heard her lectures. She has been adopted by the people and always wears the Breton costume when she attends the fetes. Her studies have opened new fields and she has gathered a fund of information from the land of poetry. The term "Bretonnante" applies to a Breton, who holds to the traditions of Brittany absolutely and in acclimating Mrs. Mosher "l'Americaine-bretonnante" a high compliment was paid to her appreciation of the literature and customs of the country where old customs and traditions are tenaciously held. She studied in a quiet, unassuming way for ten years and then rather to her own surprise, found herself an object of interest to the Breton men of letters who live in Paris. She has written several magazine articles and has prepared outlines for any number of travelers who wished to visit the queer country. Her third lecture will be given at the Church of the Redeemer this evening.

She has read her papers before the eastern clubs but this is her first journey west. She stopped in Chicago on her way to Minneapolis and will speak there on her return. Tuesday afternoon she will talk on "The Women of Brittany" at the home of Mrs. S. A. Harris, under the auspices of the Woman's Missionary society of Westminster church.

WOMEN'S MAGAZINES  
Minneapolis people will be interested in the article on Mme. Nordica in the December Women's Home Companion. Other features of the magazine are the first number of "Courtship and Marriage Customs in Many Lands," "Uncle Sam's Coat Factory" and "The Harbinger of the Battle of Bull Run." The fiction includes stories by Charles McIlvaine, Caroline A. Mason and John Oxenford. A double page is given to reproductions of the famous pictures in the Metropolitan Museum of New York. Suggestions for simple and inexpensive gifts for men and women fill several pages and there is no lack of ideas for the Christmas dinner.

The Ladies' Home Journal for December is full of Christmas spirit and the opening article is "The People Who Help Santa Claus," by Jeanette Steele Porter. It is followed by other stories by Elizabeth McCracken, John Fox, Jr., Elliot Flower, Frederick M. Smith and Laura Spencer Porter. The new serial, "The Bussells in Chicago," is a clever satire on Chicago life by Emily Wheaton. Rudyard Kipling gives an amusing account of the writing of the first letter. The story of the St. Valentine's Day card is told in the library of the "Bradley House" is shown. The different departments are full of holiday suggestions.

The Harper's Bazar for December will be

REDUCED  
the  
Death Rate  
from  
COUGHS,  
CATARRH,  
PNEUMONIA,  
and  
CONSUMPTION.  
one-third  
during the  
Past Year.

Actual Size  
This little inhaler is the first and only remedy or treatment which has ever reduced the death rate from respiratory diseases, and the only treatment by which any genuine case of consumption has ever been permanently cured. Speaking of this editorially, the United States Health Reports say: "This reduction is entirely due to the use of a new germicide named 'Hyomei,' and no other treatment or remedy has had anything whatever to do with bringing about this result."  
"Hyomei is not a stomach medicine, an expectorant or morphine mixture, but a dry-air germicide which is inhaled in the air we breathe, the only possible way of reaching disease germs in the air passages of the head, throat or lungs.  
ORDINARY COUGHS or COLDS cannot last ten days when Hyomei is breathed every waking hour. In twenty minutes after the first inhalation, CATARRH, ASTHMA, BRONCHITIS and CONSUMPTION are relieved at once and a permanent cure effected in a few weeks.  
If you don't believe this, send to the E. T. Booth Co., 1143 N. W. 2d St., for a free trial. Treatment free. All druggists keep HYOMEI in stock and you can purchase the HYOMEI outfit from them, or from the manufacturers direct. The price is \$1.00, and your money is refunded in all cases where it fails to cure.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.  
Baking Powder

Most healthful leavener in the world. Goes farther.

A veritable treasure to the woman in search of ideas for Christmas. Not only are there suggestions for gifts, but menus, gowns and entertainments are also considered. The opening story is a charming bit of realism by Josephine Dodge Dakam and Mary E. Wilkins contributes a Christmas story. The serial, "Bagby's Daughter," is reaching its climax. Mary A. Jordan writes of college friendships and Mary A. Taft of "Woman and Her Spoons." The magazine comes in a handsome cover appropriate to the season.

The December Good Housekeeping is full of Christmas ideas from the cover, which represents a negro "mammy" bringing in the plum pudding, to the last page of suggestions for Christmas entertainments. Margaret Sutton Briscoe has a story on the holiday season and Clifton Johnson writes of "Glimpses of Scotch Home Life." Lillian M. Siegfried describes the handwork of the Mrs. Mosher wears these honors in her talks on Brittany.

MISTRESS AND MAID

A State Inquiry Into Conditions of Domestic Service.

LISTS OF QUESTIONS SENT OUT  
Answers Will Be Confidential, but General Deductions Will Be of Interest.

Within the next few days a great many Minneapolis women will receive communications from John O'Donnell, state labor commissioner. Mr. O'Donnell hopes to throw some light on the problem of domestic service with the aid of housewives and servants. He is sending out a long schedule of questions to be answered. The replies will be kept confidential, and the information will be given out in a summary, which will give the first reliable information on the subject ever had in Minnesota. The labor commissioner hopes that all who receive the circulars will co-operate with him by making a careful reply.

The questions are framed particularly to show the condition of domestic servants compared to those who work in stores and factories, and the reason why so many prefer clerking and factory work. Both girls and employers are asked for opinions on the subject of special training for housework.

Are you subject to special rules by your employer, as to amusements or companions, outside of working hours?  
Is your sleeping-room kept warm in winter?  
Do you, as a rule, receive courteous treatment while engaged in housework?  
In such treatment, how does it compare with other occupations?  
Is it easy to find domestic employment?  
Why do you choose housework?  
Do you think it easier and the pay better than in factories, stores, laundries, hotels or restaurants?  
If you should give up housework, what other employment would you prefer?  
Do working women, as a rule, prefer other work to housework?  
Give your opinion as to the reason for this. Did you receive special training in cooking or housework, or is your knowledge gained from experience?  
Would you enter a school if instruction along this line were given free of cost to you?  
In your opinion, would such schools help working girls, and tend to lift domestic service to a higher grade and make it more desirable?

For "The Lady of the House."  
Employers are asked a different set of questions, in an effort to get at the same facts. Each housewife is asked the number of persons in the household, the number of servants, and how long they usually stay. She is then asked to state how many of her servants have rendered excellent service, how many good, how many only fair, and how many have been poor servants. Then, what seemed to be the reason for unsatisfactory service, lack of interest, incompetency, or what. Is the standard of domestic service improving? Has any of your servants received special instruction, and if so, did it make them more efficient? Did it raise the service to a higher grade and make it more popular? What system of special instruction would you recommend?  
Then follows a series of questions as to the condition of servants, which will be of interest on comparison with the replies made by the girls themselves. The circular asks:  
Are female servants in your city hard to obtain?  
In your opinion, is the reason for this?  
Do you think this difficulty might be lessened, if so, how?  
Do the women in your locality prefer other employment to housework?  
Are your servants granted single rooms?  
What number of hours per day is required for average work of your house?  
"What time off" do you grant your servants?  
When given vacations, are they allowed their regular wages?  
Do you employ extra help for washing, ironing, baking, etc.?  
Are your servants granted the privilege of entertaining their friends in your house? If so, is the rate of wages increasing or decreasing in your locality?  
When replies are all in the answers will be carefully tabulated and given to the public. They will be a valuable contribution to economics, and interesting as well to all who have to struggle with the problem of adequate help for housework.

THE MYSTERY OF GRASLOV  
—Begins Saturday.

Wash Goods  
Fleeced wrapper cloth—50 pieces best quality fleeced wrapper cloth; the usual 10c and 12½c yard kinds. **6½c**

Handk'rchiefs  
Pure Irish linen hem-stitched handk'rchiefs Special, per half dozen, **28c**

Dress Goods  
BLACK AND COLORS.  
175 pieces all wool Zibeline Suits, Camel's Hair Rayures, New Basket Weaves in a splendid line of colors; Venetians, Poplins, Vigoroux Shepherd Checks and Hair Line Suits, silk and wool plaids, Jamestown fancies, etc., widths to 54 inches and worth to \$1.00 yard. Thurs. **35c** day extra special, only, yard **35c**

Imported silk and wool Fancies, all wool matalasse, satin soliels, vigoroux poplins, undressed worsteds, English diagonals, Priestleys' novelties, all wool venetians, whip cords, granite armures, melrose cloth, English hair line suits, zibeline mixtures, etc., widths to 54 inches and values to \$2.25 **75c** yard, Thursday, extra special. **75c**

Wool Vicunas for Unlined Skirts and Tailor Made Suits in oxfords, medium greys and blue mixtures, also 48-inch Camels Hair Cheviots, black, navys, wine, brown, castor and greys; Broadcloths, Sebastopol Foulleys and the celebrated good modal fancies etc., widths to 58-inch and values to \$3.25 per yard. Thursday extra **98c** special, only, per yard.

Laces  
New Valenciennes Laces, Insertions, Beadings, Footings, New Mechlins, in fact all the little essentials to help you get your Christmas fancy work done easily and at smallest cost. Extra values at, yd, **10c to 5c 3c**

Ribbons  
New Persians, wide and narrow, new Pillow Ribbons, Satin Liberty and Satin Taffeta, in best qualities at lowest prices.  
Special—No. 2 Satin Back Velvet Ribbons in black and good colors; **5c** value 10c; yard **5c**  
Hair Bows and Rosettes made to order.

Ladies' Neckwear  
Another new Automobile Tie. Pretty colors, black velvet and lace trimmed, value \$1.00; special, **50c**  
Venise Lace Protection Collars, white or ecrú; value 20 cents, special, **7c**

Umbrellas  
New Umbrellas for Christmas for Men and Women, positively the best selection of Brand New Up-to-date styles at lowest prices right here.  
Special—28-in. Men's Union Taffeta Umbrella with Case and Tassel, new style handles, value \$2.25 **\$1.50** each.

Linens, White Goods  
Apron Lawn, 40 inches wide, a fine sheer quality, our regular **10c** grade, Thursday only. **9c**  
Ivory Bleached Hemmed Table Cloths, in regulation sizes, a very fine linen; this is a special lot, at, **\$2.00** each, **\$1.50** and **\$2.00**

Gloves and Mittens  
Mocha Gloves with silk lining and Mocha Mittens with Eider fleece lining, in black and good winter colors, value \$1.50. Special, **\$1.15** pair.  
Mercerized Golf Gloves, a perfect imitation of silk, in black and good colors, look like \$1 val., pair. **50c**  
Men's Kid Mittens, lined warm and strong, extraordinary values **50c** at, pair, **\$1.75c** and **50c**

Books and Stationery  
Bargains in this department for early Christmas buyers—the choicest selections now.  
A choice lot of 25c Juveniles **12c**  
—Special. **12c**  
5c Toy Books. **3c**  
Henty Books, nicely cloth bound. **25c**  
New lot of 2,000 boxes select writing paper, 24 sheets, 24 envelopes—should sell at 25c, but our purchase **10c** bargain is yours also—only **10c**  
5c mucilage, per bottle. **2c**  
Christmas Cards, big assortment. **1c**

BASEMENT  
Opening Sale of Toys, Games, Sleds, Skates, Etc.  
Special Bargains for Thursday.  
Barney & Barry and U. S. club skates, 28c buys good steel. **39c**  
look lever club skate, worth 75c. **39c**  
69c buys a lady's skate with strap to support ankle; this is the best skate for child learning. **69c**  
A solid carload of sleds on sale tomorrow at lowest prices ever quoted.  
19c buys a sled like cut. **19c**  
19c Hardwood, painted and varnished; worth 25c. Larger sizes at 20c and 30c.  
19c buys a boys' constant sled 33 inches long, hardwood, painted and varnished, worth 25c. **19c**  
Larger sizes, **25c, 35c** and **45c**.  
\$1.19 buys a child's cutter with box and push handle, cheap at \$1.75. **\$1.19**  
\$2.69 buys a cutter like cut, worth \$4.00. **\$2.69**

THE NEW STORE  
The Very Lowest Prices to Be Had Here.  
Unusually good bargains for Thursday. Never before were such first class goods advertised for so little money. It's no wonder we are always busy, for where can you equal any of the items quoted?

Flannels and Bedding.  
Special Prices in this Department for Thursday.  
Fine Outings—Extra nice heavy, fleecy quality, pretty new styles, just in, made to sell at 10c yd., Thursday **6½c** only.  
Fancy Blankets—Very choice line Fancy Blankets for wrappers and bath robes, extra fine fleecy quality worth 90c pair, Thursday special. **65c**

Cloaks, Suits and Furs.  
Extraordinary opportunities to buy the latest fall styles at prices way below their actual value.  
Ladies' man-tailored Suits, made of all wool chevot and venetian cloths in the latest styles, our \$15.00 grade **\$9.50**  
25 Genuine Black Marten Boas, with 8 long tails, number one **\$9.50** skins, worth \$15.00  
Electric Seal Jackets, made of whole skins, with beaver collar, cuffs and revers, worth \$50.00, guaranteed and kept in repair for one **\$35.00** year

Lace Curtains.  
Clearance Sale of 1, 1½, 2 and 3 pair lots of fine hand-made Lace Curtains in Arabians, Marie Antoinettes, Brussels Nets, Irish Points, Tambours and Swiss Novelty Laces, at prices that will clear them up. Fine Curtains that have sold to \$17.50, cut to the quick.  
LOT 1 Up to \$6.00 Pair, **\$2.75**  
LOT 2 Up to \$12.00 Pair, **\$5.00**  
LOT 3 Up to \$17.50 Pair, **\$7.50**

Portieres.  
Clearance sale of fine quality newest style Door Hangings, curtains that have sold for and are worth to \$25.00 per pair. Handsome embroidered, applique and hand draperies, more than 50 styles. In lots, at following prices, per pair:  
**\$2.50 \$5.00 \$7.50 \$10.00**

Rugs  
Wiltons, Axminsters, Moquettes, Byzantine, Smyrna and Fur, sizes 27x54 to 36x72, in **\$1.98** value to \$4.00 each.  
Oriental Rugs  
A sale well worth attending. Small Kelim pieces for table covers, **\$1.00** each.  
Four great lots of fine medium size Rugs  
LOT 1 **\$7.50** LOT 2 **\$10.00** LOT 3 **\$15.00** LOT 4 **\$20.00**  
Men's Hat Dept  
In our immense stock of men's and boys' Winter Caps you will find values not to be found elsewhere. A genuine fur seal cap worth \$7.50, **\$3.75** while they last.  
Petticoats  
Extra sale Thursday of sample skirts, silk Moreens, "Am I" silks and mercerized, platings, ruffles, ruche, black and colors, worth to **\$1.98**

Laces  
Cream & Black Chantilly; Net Top; Venise and Flat Valenciennes Laces, 2 to 4 inches wide; values to 50c. Special, yard, **15c**

Notions  
Sampson's Pins, 400 assorted on a paper, worth Five Cents, **1c**

Jewelry Dept.  
Rings, 3 to 5 stone Hungarian Opals, also Turquoise circle rings gypsy setting, val. to \$6.50 **\$3.98**  
Baby Rings—1, 2 and 3 stone, fancy, solid gold rings, good substantial weight. **69c**  
Entire new lot, brooches, turquoise, matrix genuine Bohemian garnets, lucky stones and combination brilliants and pearls, values to \$1.00. **39c**  
Special. **39c**  
Pearl Necklaces. **19c**  
Sterling Silver Salt Caps. **25c**  
Sterling top fancy glass Salt and Pepper. **10c**  
Rogers' Al plate fancy Sugar Shells. **19c**  
Sterling Silver Manicure Toilet Articles. Newest heavy French gray handles, value 75c, special **48c**  
Thursday. **48c**  
11 row best selected English bristles, in solid ebody millitaire brushes, Thursday, each. **98c**

Handkerchiefs  
Ladies' embroidered and lace trimmed Handkerchiefs, sheer linen or fine lawn, positively the best selection of the newest styles. Extraordinary values, each. **25c, 17c** and **12½c**

Mufflers  
A splendid collection of Harvards and Square Silk Mufflers, to give them a good start, we offer a lot. **50c** worth \$1.00, special each. **50c**

Dressing Sacques and Kimonos  
Great Sale Now On—100 dozen fine wool eiderdown and flannels, all colors and sizes, worth to \$2.00, choice **98c** and **69c**

Photo Dept.  
Just to introduce the new Studio—One dozen Cabinet Photos, in black and white, elegantly mounted for **\$3.00**

Yarns, Yarns  
Best in the world—Fleisher's and Utopia, Shetland Floss, Spanish and Angora black, white and **10c** colors, skein. **10c**  
Knit Goods—Latest styles in Tams, Toques and Shawls. New lot white imported Tams, **49c** up.

Corsets, Undermuslins  
50 dozen fine soft Outing Flannel Gowns, full size, well made, **49c** two fine lots, at **69c** and **49c**  
Corsets, Thursday's Extra Genuine P. D., R. & G., J. B., G. D. and American Lady, black and colors, straight front, French Gore, worth to \$3.00. **98c**  
Your choice. **98c**

Black Liberty Silk Ruffs  
A special lot of Black Liberty Silk Ruffs, made good and full, with long plaited ends, made to sell at **98c** \$1.50, Special, each. **98c**

Underwear.  
Ladies' Natural Wool Pleated Ribbed vests and French Band **45c**  
Pants, worth 75c. **45c**  
Children's Heavy Natural Wool and Merino Vests, Pants and Drawers for sizes 16 to 26, 15c; for 28 to 34, any size. **19c**

Hosiery  
Ladies' full regular made fast black fleece lined Hose, worth 19c. **12c**  
Ladies' imported full regular made fancy cotton Hose, worth to 30c. **17c**

Drug Dept.  
Lyons' Tooth Powder, regular price 25c, special. **16c**  
1,000 fine Tooth Brushes, values up to 35c, your choice **10c**  
Miscellaneous assortment of Fine Perfumes, values up to 50c, your choice, per fancy bottle. **19c**  
New Store White-Pine Cough Syrup, regularly 25c, special. **18c**

Shoe Dept.  
CUT PRICES FOR THURSDAY.  
**\$1.79** Women's High Grade Shoes, vici kid, box calf and patent leather, 40 styles, worth to \$3.50, at **\$1.79**

Women's Felt Slippers, worth 75c, at. **39c**  
Women's Storm Overshoes, every size. **59c**  
Women's Fleece lined Storm Rubbers. **49c**  
Men's and Boys' Overshoes, at per pair. **49c**  
Women's Felt Romeos, worth \$1.50, at. **75c**  
Men's Buckle Overshoes, at per pair. **98c**

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