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Women and Their Deeds.

Mrs. Livermore says she called on a man once to get him to sign a petition to amend the constitution. He afterward became President of the United States, but it must not be inferred that all men who get drunk will be elected President. Mrs. Victor, the Akron (Ohio) prisoner, has been commuted from seventeen to three years and will soon be turned loose. Egypcians seized the Victory of Egypt out of a diadem worth 6,000,000 of francs. That beats Grant. Winnie Beam showed her good sense, before going to Europe, by declining an offer of marriage from that human icicle, Senator Trumbull. In Omaha women who can dress on \$5000 a year are called economical. A Detroit woman has based an action for breach of promise on the fact of a gentleman's having sent her a geranium leaf in a letter. Geranium means "Thou art my choice." Henry Ward Beecher has a female short-hand secretary, which her name is Ellen Wood. Mrs. Twitobell, disagreeably connected with an unpleasantness in Philadelphia, by which her mother lost her life, has sent her jewelry to be polished and thinks of coming back to the gay world. She don't look well in black. In Olive Logan's lecture at Elmira, she says she never saw a pretty girl, but she wanted to take her in her arms and kiss her. Singularly enough, it effects just in the same way. Paris letter writers say Madame George Sand is rapidly falling into the yellow leaf. Most people do fall into those habits, when they get past eighty. The young women of Lewiston, Maine, have formed a society pledging themselves not to kiss any man who uses tobacco. Minnie Haha is the non de guerre of a notorious woman in New Orleans. Mrs. Mary Higgins, of Pittsburg, does all of her husband's stabbing for him. Mrs. Margaret Agnes Amidon, a leading teacher in Washington, died on Friday last. Winnie Beam is distorting a chunk of marble into a likeness of Parson Brownlow. Victoria is very fond of music. So is the Prince of Wales, her son; but he likes his flavored pretty strongly with the canon. Miss Mullbach has her hands full a dozen historical novels on the United States, a few act drama, and a drosy, which is expected to carry her off. Miss Webster, a white girl of Mount Sterling, Ky., eloped with a negro the other day. Mrs. T. Wales is said to be dying of a broken heart, owing to the festivities of the critic she is hitched to. During her lecture at Lyons, Olive Logan was hissed. Olive would have liked it better if it had been spelled with a "k."

Theresa, the Parisian cantatrice, of whom everybody was talking four years ago, is now singing at second-rate coffee-houses for ten and fifteen francs a night.

A Mrs. Pike, of Pinegrove township, Venango county, Pennsylvania, missing for two weeks, was found in the woods on Sunday week, where she had banged herself. Her husband remarked, when he found her, that it was his last day, and has since been missing.

Louisa M. Williams, of St. Joseph, got a divorce from her husband and then ran away with him.

Justifiers of Seduction and Abettors of Bigamy.

The World thus discredits on the eulogists of Albert D. Richardson: If such friends of Richardson as Vice President Colfax and the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher had not affronted the public sense of decency by ostentatious sympathy for a seducer and justification of his conduct, the press would have no other duty in connection with this tragedy than is laid upon it in the similar cases which are of such frequent occurrence. Richardson was no such person as to know that a man who seduces a wife from her allegiance carries his life in his hand, and may expect to forfeit it to the vengeance of the outraged husband. He dared the consequences, and they came. He doubtless thought the prize worth the risk and the forfeit; and we will do him the justice to say that, so far as the public is informed, he met his fate without any unmanly quailing, or any protest against his intercourse with the Government. The avenging Nemesis, which is ever on the path of such transgressors, speedily overtook him; and if his eulogists had not attempted to blunt and pervert the moral sense of the community, it would be safe, as well as charitable, to dismiss him to his reward without any remarks. But when the most popular and eloquent divine in the country, and the second functionary in the Government, undertake to "blat" a will deeds and concrete a crime, their attempt to lower the moral tone of the community cannot pass without rebuke. Whatever lenity might be practiced towards the infatuated parties to this tragedy in consideration of their terrible punishment, is swallowed up in a feeling of indignation and disgust against those who have prostituted their influence and talent in defense of an intercourse which the moral sentiment of the community condemns. Mr. Beecher cannot escape by turning upon the public, as he did in his funeral remarks yesterday, and denouncing in a strain of coarse vituperation, those who rigid the marriage tie as sacred. "The lion in his strength," said he, meaning Richardson, "and in his own fastness, is able to defend himself; but no sooner has the arrow of the hunterman found its mark, than he is set upon by every vile thing, every fly, every crawling worm. Now that he is down, fresh flies are all around about him, and death, that is to most men a truce to old enemies, is the very arraying of the battle against him. It is not against the dead seducer, but against you, Mr. Beecher, and such as you, that the public indignation is let loose, on this truly mournful occasion. Had you, and such as you, been content to cast a silent mantle of charity over the wrong, and withhold the public eulogies by which you have shocked the sensibilities of right-thinking people, there would have been no occasion for you to stand defiantly on the defensive, and interpose the perforated corpse of your dead "lion" as a shield between you and the public censure. It is against you, and such as you, that the scorching breath of without a apology of temptation, free from the passions which blinded those ill-lit lovers, coolly insult a Christian community by false and indecent praises of their guilty connection. But for you, and such as you, this terrible case would have operated as an impressive warning; by your eulogies and your marriage ceremony, you hold it up as an example.

The Indiana divorce was a fraud and a sham. You married the parties knowing it to be a mere Indiana divorce, procured on ex parte representations, without notice to the offended husband, in a place distant from the real residence of the parties. You know, Mr. Beecher, and everybody knows, that Mrs. McFarland would not have dared to apply for a divorce here in the State of New York, where the parties resided, and the facts would have been investigated. In the eye of our law, and by the rules of our courts, the marriage with McFarland has never been dissolved, and your performance of the marriage ceremony made you not only a justifier of seduction, but an abettor of bigamy.

In the light of the sworn testimony taken in McFarland's application for the custody of his children, this is as clear a case of seduction as was ever proved by evidence. The landlady of the house in Amity street swears that Mrs. McFarland applied to her for a room for Richard and her husband, and she had knowledge of an arrangement which she had made for him. The room adjoined hers, and the inmates of the house testify that she was frequently in it in the absence of her husband. All this might be innocent enough, if it were not for the light thrown back upon it by the subsequent developments. She afterwards abandons her husband and puts herself under Richardson's protection. When he is wounded, she goes to Mr. Sinclair's house and takes care of him, passes whole days and whole nights alone with him, bestowing the most effusive caresses upon him, and permitting it to be understood in Mr. Sinclair's family, and by other acquaintances, that she and Richardson were under an engagement of marriage. It is impossible to resist the conclusion that she forsok her husband in the expectation of marrying Richardson; that he had had thereby alienated her from her husband; and that the Indiana divorce procured probably by the friendly intervention and assistance of Mr. Colfax-

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The "Chief Caste" in India, A letter from Bombay says: Some curious revelations have been made by the capture by the police of a gang of native thieves. It is, of course, well known among the Hindus even criminal parents, such as thieving, pimping and other harmless modes of getting a living, are hereditary and form castes, from which no one born in them can escape. The father is a pander and all his male children must be panders also, while his daughters must marry men who follow the same disreputable calling. These people, of course, feel no shame at their mode of life; it is the destiny that fate, and, what is equally strong in India, "fate-stone" have allotted to them. These thieves form a caste several hundred strong. They have no fixed abode, but wander all over the country; and recently a couple of hundred of them spread themselves over Bombay. Their regulations are very singular, and their arrangements for disposing of their booty perfect. All over the country they have confidential burglars who receive the stolen goods and money. When the thieves bring in a place these burglars advance them money for food and whatever they may want, and the results of their predatory excursions are day by day handed over for sale. Every now and then the thieves and their banker settle up their accounts. The goods taken are rated at three-fourths their value, but the receiver is allowed an additional ten per cent for commission, which makes altogether thirty-five per cent. One of the thieves confessed that last year his two hundred who visited Bombay carried away at the end of the season no less than 18,000 reals (\$9,000), a very large sum in India, where three-fourths of the population have incomes of only fifty dollars a year. He said that during the week before he was captured "the weather was wet and umbrellas were their principal booty, and some bears and chitties, waist cloths, turban pocket handkerchiefs, three rupees in money and a gunny bag, were also brought in." Some of the internal rules of the thieves are very singular. They may take whatever they can get from the shops, or the ground or a carriage, but they must not commit even the mildest form of violence. If they attacked a man for the purpose of robbing him they would break their caste and be turned out by their fellow members. Nor may they steal anything between sunrise and sunset. If a heap of gold were lying in their path after the sun had gone down they would not touch it. And not only must they steal by day, but the goods must also be disposed of the same day, either by burying them or by handing them over to a bannian.

Ida Lewis is exhibiting herself to the people of New Bedford, appearing in tableaux at a Good Templars' festival.

New York surgeons have made a bid for an unfortunate young man deprived of that ornament, taking the material from his chest.

Thurlow Weed's daughter is writing 4000 letters to assist her father in writing his autobiography. He will spend the winter in Florida.

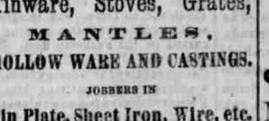
The Bieden-Baden gambling bank won in the year 1868, after deducting the enormous expenditure of two millions of francs, about three millions of francs. The Bank in Wiesbaden has "drawn in," within the last six months, 3,200,000 francs.

Owing to a lack of funds many laborers have been discharged from work on the new postoffice in New York. An immediate appropriation of \$1,000,000 for the building is to be asked for by the Secretary of the Treasury on the assembling of Congress next week.

Francine Luis Sandrini, nee Calivoglia, died in Dresden last month, in her 88th year. She was the oldest prima donna in the world. A native Neapolitan of rare natural beauty, and gifted with a magnificent voice, educated in the true cilia Italian style of singing, she followed after some first performances in London, after some first performances in Italy, her husband, Sandrini, the Siroxy Court Kammermusikos to Dresden, and was there engaged in the Court Theater as the premier singer. She was pensioned in 1832.

Recently a pale-faced, sorrow-stricken woman, while in a dry goods store at Kansas City, Mo., was observed by a salesman concealing a bundle of lace under her shawl. Very quietly, and without attracting the attention of a single eye in the store, the salesman said to her, "I am not able to pay for the lace under your shawl, or you might keep it and welcome. Please put it back, while I walk to the other end of the counter." Large tears came into the woman's haggard eyes, her whole face expressed gratitude, and without a word put the lace back and walked out of the store.

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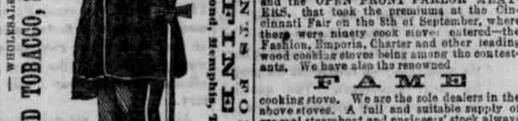
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