

HOW A WOMAN GOT AN OFFICE.

(Original.) Katherine Gile was an up to date young woman. Her sex had come to occupy many positions formerly filled by men, but there was one of which she considered women did not get their share. The political offices were still held almost exclusively by men. Katherine was interested in the matter not because she relished a struggle with the men for woman's rights, but because she wanted an office. She proposed to herself a short cut to equalize her chances with them. She would seek an office not as a woman, but as a man.

Not long after Katherine Gile came to this decision a young man, Truly Middlebrook, of rather feminine appearance, settled in the town of Starkville and soon secured a position as stenographer with Francis Merriam, grain shipper. Middlebrook's employer told him that he had had several women stenographers, but didn't want any more of them. He considered them an empty headed lot, excitable, hysterical—indeed, everything ending with "al," not excepting diabolical. But he desired Middlebrook to be careful not to mention his opinion of the sex, for he had long been striving to get the nomination for mayor, and it wouldn't be policy for him to be known as a woman hater.

Middlebrook remained in Merriam's employ two years before the ambition of his employer was attained. Merriam was nominated, and he was as good as a man that the opposition hesitated about putting up a candidate of its own. Indeed, Merriam was congratulating himself on the prospect of having no opposition whatever when he saw a notice one morning in his newspaper that astonished him. It was no less than an announcement of his stenographer, Truly Middlebrook, that he would be a candidate for mayor at the coming election.

Now, there had been the best of feeling between the two men. Merriam had raised Middlebrook's salary several times and had supposed that the stenographer was devoted to him. "Mr. Middlebrook," said Merriam, "I have seen your notice. You have a perfect right to run for office against me, but—well, your action is just like a thousand things your predecessors have done who were—women. That's all."

Mr. Middlebrook withdrew without a word, and what filled the measure of his employer's astonishment was that he thought he saw a tear in his stenographer's eye. There was another surprise in store for Mr. Merriam. A few days before the election his political manager came to him to say that Middlebrook, who had been gaining in favor ever since the announcement of his candidacy, would surely be elected. Merriam was dumfounded. He asked his manager what was the secret of Middlebrook's strength and was informed that he had some mysterious influence over the women which was turned to account in gaining the votes of the men.

From this announcement to the day before the election the official intercourse between Merriam and his stenographer was extremely embarrassing for both, though especially so for the latter. Merriam had accepted the situation. He was still puzzled at his employee interposing himself between him and the office he coveted, but was above lifting a finger to defeat that employee's intention. The evening before the election Middlebrook took his chief's dictation, as usual, and was about to retire when he turned, evidently shaken by considerable emotion, and said:

"Mr. Merriam, I've been just too lovely to me for anything, and in return I've attempted to deprive you of what you so earnestly desire and are so much better fitted for than I."

The young man took out his handkerchief and wiped tears which were flowing from his eyes. "What in thunder does this mean?" exclaimed Merriam. "You talk and act for all the world like one of those confounded women."

"I am a woman. My name is Katherine Gile. I wanted an office and I disguised myself as a man to get one. I wish—I wish I was at the bottom of the sea."

She turned away in an emotional storm. Merriam sat gaping at her for a time; then, with a twinkle in his eye, he replied to her last remark.

"You would there find Mr. McGinty, and you would have to continue in man's clothes to beat him at his legitimate work—the work of a fisherman."

"I didn't intend," said the girl, her back still turned toward her employer and political opponent, "to run against you. I had confidantes who managed for me. They did it."

"It wasn't a bit nice of them," replied Mr. Merriam, with a trace of irony in his voice. "No; I don't want to be mayor. I'm going to announce my withdrawal."

PORTUGAL NEAR REVOLT?

Republicans Plan Rising, the Report.

ARMS ARE BEING STORED

In Lisbon, It Is Declared—Clericals Said to Be Abiding the Action—Monarchists Threaten to Burn the Opposition Papers.

Lisbon, Sept. 23.—Insistent declarations that a revolutionary outbreak in Portugal is impending continue to make their appearance in the local newspapers and a new feature of these reports is the statement that the monarchial extremists, realizing that the Republicans are arming for a revolt, are making ready for their defense by storing secretly large quantities of arms in the convents of Lisbon, where the authorities dare not penetrate. The movement is said to be supported actively by the clerical party. One of the monarchial organs says that 17,000 persons have enlisted for the purpose of attacking and destroying the offices of Republican newspapers, and the Republicans declare that if this is done they will retaliate by starting a general riot and revolution.

DEFEND THEIR IMMIGRANTS.

Salvation Army Members Tell of Their Aims in Canada.

Halifax, N. S., Sept. 23.—The methods of the Salvation Army used in attracting immigration to Canada were discussed at yesterday's meeting of the twenty-fourth annual convention of the Canadian Trades and Labor Congress, which was begun Monday. The matter occupied considerable attention at Monday's opening session, at which it was introduced by W. R. Trotter, who has conducted an investigation of the subject, both in Great Britain and this country, in behalf of the labor congress. In opposition to the report of Mr. Trotter being accepted were heard several officers of the Salvation Army, who are acquainted with the work of their organization. They stated that some of the immigrants were not up to the moral and social standard of the ordinary class of people, but it was the desire of the army to elevate them and bring them back to usefulness. These people were not placed in the city, the officers said, but were found positions in the settlements and farming countries.

ITALIAN SOCIALISTS IN SCUFFLE.

Florence, Sept. 23.—The session here Monday of the Socialist congress, referred to by a violent scuffle that took place during the course of a heated debate. Signor Caronini expatriated one of the speakers by insulting interruptions and the dispute developed into a fight in which a number of the delegates joined, using their fists and feet freely.

A MINISTER NAMED IN A DIVORCE CASE

Glen Cove Society Stirred by Suit of E. Barto Hall, Jr., Against His Wife.

Glen Cove, N. Y., Sept. 23.—When Judge Sessler in Minerva named a referee in the divorce case of E. Barto Hall, Jr., against his wife, he opened up a case that has stirred the fashionable colony here. Every means has been exhausted to stop the proceedings, even a minister having worked for months to bring about a cessation of the litigation.

Mr. Hall, who lives on a beautiful estate a mile from the village, is 33 years old and athletic. His wife, who is 28 and pretty, was Emma Kirk, the center of a circle of gayety in this town when she and young Mr. Hall were schoolmates.

ARCHBOLD DEFENDS STANDARD.

He Declares That What the Company Has Done Will Stand Inspection. New York, Sept. 23.—John D. Archbold, vice-president of the Standard Oil company, said yesterday, "I am not a politician. I am not a dabbler in Wall street. One hundred shares of stock will cover my dealings in Wall street. I am an oil man, first, last and all the time. I have made mistakes. So have other merchants. I believe and have preached the idea that the Standard Oil company would have been more open to the public. What this company has done will stand inspection. We have no fear of that, we are not going to go into the political campaign; we are not going to take part in it. The Standard Oil company is a corporation in business on a large scale and its action will stand the inspection of a sane and fair public investigation."

GIRL KILLED HERSELF.

Body of Miss Hilbert, Who Disappeared Is Found. Chesterfield, Mass., Sept. 23.—The body of Miss Esther A. Hilbert, the fifteen-year-old girl who disappeared from her mother's home in this town a week ago last Sunday, was found yesterday in the edge of the woods a mile and a quarter from her home, and a mile from the road.

Death was evidently due to suicide. A double-barreled shotgun belonging to her father was lying by her side. Both barrels of the gun had been discharged. Miss Hilbert's father, John C. Hilbert, is ticket agent for the Pennsylvania railroad at Lansdowne, Pa.

"STRONGHEART."

A Scene in The Famous College Play on September 24.

Failure to familiarize herself with the bell in a Southern hotel caused Miss Mae Beban of the "Strongheart" company an embarrassing few moments during the recent tour of Virginia. Miss Beban is a native of that state and in almost every one of the towns where the play was presented she received such social attention as the limited period spent in each city would allow.

In Norfolk an aunt whom she had not seen for several years called at her



ROBERT GAILLARD In "Strongheart" At the Barre Opera House, Thursday Evening, September 24th.

hotel to take her out to dinner. Miss Beban had just gotten off the train after a tiresome trip and without noting the printed instructions regarding the various "rings" pushed the bell twice, that being the customary signal for ice water.

Bell boys in that section are much slower in their movements than in the East or West, and after waiting what seemed a very long time she went at the button again and gave it several jabs. Even this did not have the desired effect and becoming impatient at the unseemly delay she connected with the little ivory and rang again and again.

In a few minutes a procession of bell boys gathered outside her door and knocked for admission. The first one deposited a pitcher of ice water; another had a glass of lemonade; a third carried a bottle of beer and a fourth set a high ball on the table.

She protested vigorously against turning her room into a miniature saloon, and then the spokesman of the party assured her that "you have ordered 'em Misay." "You sure did ring the bell for all these drinks," and when the boy invited her to look over the bell calls she discovered them listed as follows:

- 1 ring—bell boy. 2 rings—ice water. 3 rings—chambermaid. 4 rings—fire. 5 rings—lemonade. 6 rings—bottle of beer. 7 rings—cocktail. 8 rings—highball.

Needless to say everything but the lemonade and the ice water went back to the bar and the lady with whom "Billy" falls in love eight times a week hopes that her aunt believes it was all a mistake.

FACTORY FOR NEGRO DOLLS.

Race is Tired of Paying Money For White Ones. Lexington, Ky., Sept. 23.—At the meeting of the Colored National Baptist association, composed of negro leaders from all parts of the world, in session here, the following resolution was passed:

"Whereas, Our publishing board at Nashville, Tenn., under the management of Dr. R. H. Boyd, is preparing to supply a long felt need in a factory for negro dolls; and

"Whereas, Our people for nearly half a century, because of the uncomely and deformed features of negro dolls, have spent thousands of dollars on white dolls for Christmas, etc., therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we do here and now give our endorsement and hearty approval of the negro doll factory, and not only urge the patronage of the people of our churches as Baptists, but of the race at large throughout the United States."

NO OFFER MADE.

Professor Angell Not Yet Called to Dartmouth. Hanover, N. H., Sept. 23.—Although no offer of the presidency of Dartmouth college, in succession to President William J. Tucker, has yet been made, it is known that the college authorities now have under consideration the name of Prof. James Rowland Angell, of the department of psychology of the university of Chicago.

Several other names have also been considered by the college trustees. It is customary in choosing a new president to decide upon some person and then ascertain whether he would accept the position, before making the candidate a formal offer.

In the case of Professor Angell, it is not known whether he would accept and not up to the present time no definite proposition has been made to him.

Professor Angell is not a Dartmouth alumnus. No Need To. "Do you know that Mr. Thompson I was just speaking to?" asked the lady at the tea party of the one standing next to her. "Oh, yes."

BLACK HAND USES TORCH

Gang Gets After Saloon Man Who Had Agents Arrested

HOUSE HE LIVED IN FIRED

Blaze Started in East 113th Street Tenement Early Yesterday Morning Put the Lives of Many in Peril.

New York, Sept. 23.—One man was seriously hurt, a dozen or more were rescued from almost certain death by policemen and firemen and the lives of a hundred more were imperiled when members of a Black Hand band yesterday sought to avenge two of their fellows who are serving terms in prison.

The two men were convicted recently of attempting to blackmail tenants in the big apartment house at 333 East One Hundred and Thirtieth street. After they were sentenced persons living in the house received letters bearing the Black Hand signature, warning them that the house would be destroyed.

Early yesterday a policeman saw the smoke pouring from the street door and opened it to find the hall a mass of flames. The tenants had been aroused by the smoke and were crowding the fire escapes. Nicola Devito sprang from a third-story window to the street. He was taken to a hospital in a critical condition. Policemen and firemen had a busy time helping the frightened tenants down and carrying out persons who had fallen unconscious from inhaling smoke. The fire caused damage to the extent of \$3,000.

TWO ARRESTED ON WOMAN'S MURDER

Housekeeper's Body Found Weighted With a Stone in a Connecticut Swamp.

New London, Ct., Sept. 23.—The mystery surrounding the disappearance of Katie Yurkiewicz, a housekeeper of North Lyme, two weeks ago, and the finding of her body in a swamp under circumstances which indicated that the woman might have been murdered, was investigated yesterday by the county authorities. Marks were found on the body which, it is said, might have caused the death.

Crozier Franklin H. Brown of Norwich, ordered the arrest of John Jerjowicz, whose housekeeper the woman was, and Zalyпка Lukasz, a Polish farmer. Yesterday an autopsy was performed on the body.

It is thought the woman was dead when her body was thrown into the mud-hole and weighted down with a stone. It is said the woman held title deeds to a half of the Jerjowicz farm.

MISSING GIRL A SUICIDE.

The Body of Miss Hilbert Found in Chesterfield. Chesterfield, Mass., Sept. 23.—The body of Miss Esther A. Hilbert, the fifteen-year-old girl who disappeared from her mother's summer home in this town a week ago last Sunday, was found yesterday in the edge of the woods, a mile and a quarter from her home, and three-quarters of a mile from the road. Death was evidently due to suicide, a revolver belonging to her home lying at her side.

The body was found shortly before 1 p. m. by John Burdett, a blacksmith of Wilmington, who has taken a leading part in the search, and another searcher named Elliott. The place where the body was found was in a vicinity that had been searched before, and it was considered strange that it should not have been discovered earlier. The body lay in a small clearing, not far from the open fields, and there was but little underbrush around it. The revolver which lay beside the body was one that belonged to the Hilbert summer home, and had been taken, it is believed, by the young woman unbeknown to any other person.

The body was somewhat decomposed, indicating that Miss Hilbert undoubtedly ended her life a week ago last Sunday, the day she disappeared from her mother's cottage. The body was clothed in the same garments Miss Hilbert wore the last time she was seen alive. There was no note found near the body giving any intimation why she should end her life, and her parents are unable to advance any reason for suicide.

CHALLENGE FROM D. F. DAVIS

D. F. Davis is seeking the worst case of dyspepsia or constipation in Barre or vicinity to test Dr. Howard's new specific for the cure of those diseases.

In order to secure the quickest possible introduction Mr. Davis will sell a regular fifty cent package of this medicine at half price, 25 cents. This specific of Dr. Howard's will cure sick headache, dizzy feelings, constipation, dyspepsia and all forms of malaria and liver trouble. It does not simply give relief for a time; it makes permanent and complete cures.

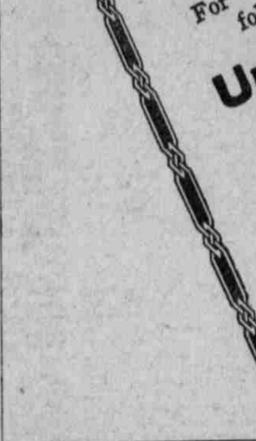
It will regulate the bowels, tone up the whole intestinal tract, give you an appetite, make food taste good and digest well, and increase vigor. Joy and happiness will take the place of that "don't care whether I live or die" feeling.

Take advantage of B. F. Davis' challenge and secure a bottle of Dr. Howard's specific at half price, with his personal guarantee to refund your money if it does not help you. There is no need of suffering with constipation, dyspepsia or liver disease when you can get sixty doses of a scientific medicine for their cure like Dr. Howard's specific for the small sum of 25 cents.

A NEW WALKING SKIRT.

Model in Lightweight Cloth Smart For Fall Wear.

Crosswise lines in skirts are a feature of the newest gowns and suits, but the lines are so perfectly arranged that they seldom reduce one's height. The curved line running from side to side across the front of the skirt shown in the illustration is very odd



CROSSWISE LINE IN NEW SKIRT.

and is just the thing for a walking skirt, giving, as it does, the much desired flare at the bottom without necessitating the use of plaits. The upper part of the skirt is circular, pure and simple, and the only deviations from this fashionable model are the front plaices across the bottom and the graduated panel buttoning down both seams.

A lightweight cloth would make up charmingly in this style, and the suit could be worn far into the fall, or a dark colored tulle would give great service and satisfaction if cut in this style. The depth of the set on piece at the bottom must be regulated by the height of the wearer—two inches more or less will alter the whole effect—while another point to be careful about is having the curved line slope gently to the middle instead of letting it continue around the back or stop in front before the middle of the side is reached.



Fig Ice Cream.

Fig ice cream is probably the least skeletoning form of using figs as a dessert, as it is not so rich as figs in puddings and custards.

Cover three-quarters of a pound of chopped figs with a teaspoonful of warm water and let them stand for a half hour or until they soften, mashing occasionally.

Scald a quart of rich cream with a scant half pound of sugar, add the figs and put all through the vegetable press or leave the figs in larger pieces if preferred. When cool freeze, stir well before packing and set away for three hours to ripen.

A nice change is to stir in a pint of whipped cream, a pound of sliced cherries and citron, chopped finely, can also be added.

If you use wine a small glassful of sherry can be added instead of the whipped cream. It cuts the sweet taste and is a great improvement.

Plasters and Cuts.

Although court plaster is useful in protecting small scratches or abrasions of the skin from harm, it should not be used over any considerable cut or wound in process of healing. These will heal much faster if simply covered with a bit of soft linen held in place at the ends with strips of surgeon's plaster.

CHOLERA NOW IS IN BERLIN

First Medically Certified Case in German Capital Reported

THREE OTHER SUSPECTS

The St. Petersburg Situation Is Worse and Water Pollution at Last Attacked—Manila Situation May Hold Up the Fleet.

Berlin, Sept. 23.—Berlin yesterday developed its first medically certified case of Asiatic cholera. The victim is Mme Apollonia Grigolewski, the wife of a Russian state councillor, who arrived from Paterhof, Russia, five days ago. She was at once isolated in a ward of the public hospital, and her husband was also placed in quarantine. Two other suspects were taken to the Virchow hospital for observation.

A conference of representatives of the departments of health, the interior, army and marine was held in Berlin yesterday to consider the cholera situation. Every preparation is being made to deal with the disease should it become epidemic here.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 23.—The cholera epidemic, which continues daily to assume more appalling proportions, has concentrated the attention of the St. Petersburg authorities on the long-neglected task of improving the water supply and sewerage systems of the capital. The sewers now empty into the river Neva or the open canals traversing the city, and the water supply is taken from the river. This, in spite of the fact that Lake Ladoga, twenty miles away, offers an abundant supply of fresh water that could be obtained at small expense. A commission has been appointed at the instigation of Premier Stolipin to arrange for immediate action in these directions.

424 Buried in Three Days.

Up to noon yesterday the municipal hospitals reported, for the last twenty-four hours, 417 new cholera cases and 178 deaths. There is a total of 1,857 patients in the various hospitals. The municipal statistics are not incomplete, a fact which is shown conclusively, and proved by the number of interments. At one cemetery these aggregated 424 for the last three days, or within twenty of the total number of deaths reported.

The sinister story that the physicians of St. Petersburg caused the epidemic by poisoning the waters of the Neva, as well as the fruits sold in the general markets, still persists among the people, although the press is conducting an educational campaign against this absurd report. The police today arrested one man for spreading the report and intend to make a summary example of him.

VOLUNTEERS WAR ON CHOLERA IN MANILA

Authorities Hope to Have The City Rid of The Plague Before The Coming of The Fleet of Battleships.

Manila, Sept. 23.—The vigorous campaign for the eradication of cholera is believed to be preventing any appreciable increase in the spread of the disease. There is an average of 5 new cases daily, although today promises to show a record materially lower. In official circles, it is maintained that there is still a possibility that the city may be rid of the cholera before the arrival of the American battleship fleet.

The campaign instituted by the authorities against the plague proceeds with increasing vigor. Four chemical engines and a dozen big street sprinklers are being used with good effect in disinfecting of tainted sections.

Many persons have heroically volunteered their services as nurses or inspectors. A number of firms have offered to fit up temporary hospitals for the accommodations of patients and a ward of the Mary Johnson Memorial hospital is being prepared for the reception of cholera victims.

Church and Clergy.

The foundation of a new Episcopal cathedral has been laid at Pretoria. The Presbyterian church in Ireland is gradually losing members through emigration to the United States.

A recent increase has brought the salary of the Rev. Dr. James Henderson of the Dominion Methodist church at Ottawa up to \$3,500, making him the highest paid Methodist preacher in Canada.

The Rev. T. C. Hanna, pastor of the Wayland Memorial Baptist church, Philadelphia, was an architect before he entered the ministry, and he has drawn plans for a new church building which have been accepted by the board.

Trivial.

"Trivial" is derived from the Latin for three ways and means the petty gossip of the crossroads.

Waterspouts.

A waterspout is constantly spinning. The moment it ceases it collapses. At the distance of about a quarter of a mile above the sea level its spinning speed has been estimated at six miles a minute.

Advertisement for Uneeda Biscuit. For appetites of growing folks. For all appetites — for all folks. Uneeda Biscuit. The World's Best Soda Cracker. 5c. In dust tight, moisture proof packages. Never sold in bulk. NATIONAL BISCUIT COMPANY.

VALUE OF RAW APPLES.

If You Want to Live Long Eat Plenty of This Fruit.

Many persons fancy that raw apples are indigestible and only endurable in the early morning. Doubtless the old adage that fruit is gold in the morning, silver in the middle of the day and lead at night is to some extent answerable for this erroneous impression.

Dietitians say that ripe, raw apples contain more phosphates in proportion to their bulk than any other article of food, such as excepted. A recent writer on this point boldly declares that in this lies the secret of beautiful longevity. They correct biliousness and act as a sedative upon the racked nerves and allay insomnia.

"Eat uncooked apples constantly, although, of course, in moderation, and drink distilled water only and years will be added to your life, while the evidences of age will be long in coming."

This argument is based on the supposition that as age advances the deposits of mineral matter in the system increase and that aging is little more than a gradual process of ossification. Phosphoric acid contains the least amount of earth salts and for that reason is probably the nearest approach to the elixir of life known to the scientific world.

If you want to live long, retain your youth at the same time and to increase your brain tissue eat plenty of apples, drink only distilled water and eat as little bread as possible. Tart apples are far more wholesome than sweet, and all, like potatoes, should be fully ripe when eaten.

When Love Dies.

Lady, when you spear spaghetti, Mingling sweetly skill and grace, You are not unquiet, Though I cannot see your face. When asparagus you betcher, Scouring spoon and fork and knife, You are beautiful, you betcher Sweet young life.

When you take a cob of corn up And you sweetly masticate Till the kernels all are torn up You are perfect, you are great. But when steamed claims make your menage Then I quit—I can't be leal. Sweetheart, then I cannot pen you How I feel. —New York Mail.

His Work.

"A good hearty meal will help me at my work, ma'am," said the wanderer, tapping at the kitchen door. "What is your work?" demanded the kind housewife. "Lookin' for work, ma'am," said Weary politely.

"And suppose I were to give you a job?" asked the lady. "I couldn't take it, ma'am," said Weary, with a pathetic smile. "It would interfere with my work."—Harper's Weekly.