



# FOR THE FAIR

HAVE YOU A PURPOSE?

What have you planned to accomplish my fair reader in this glad new year that has just dawned—you, who are living from day to day with no possible excuse for existing, except the fact that you are in the world, have been missing the joys that belong to those who are really alive. Wake up and look about you and you will behold the wondrous scene. The lethargy that has dulled your sense of appreciation may easily be shaken, if you will but resolve to act your part. Happiness comes from within, not without, and the consciousness that you have done well that thing, however great or small, which has come to your hand, will smooth away the wrinkles of discontent and make life worth living. Take a little time for self-communion—if you have not done so already—and see if you cannot figure out a new and more beautiful pattern for the coming years, for, as someone has said, "Life is like a roll of costly material passing swiftly through our hands, and we must embroder our pattern on it as it goes; we cannot wait to pick up a false stitch or pau— long before we set another." So we dare not dally too long, lest time is no more for us.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

## WOMEN IN FIELDS OF ART.

There are carping critics—masculine, of course—who point to the failure of women in certain fields of art as evidence that they do not constitute, as Mrs. Grand and others would have us believe, the superior sex. Men may be ethically and morally debased, but in poetry, music, painting, sculpture, they have manifested a supreme genius which the other sex does not possess. Of course, there are various explanations of a fact which can hardly be disputed. One is that women have not had the chance that men have had, and that in the coming centuries they will outdo all that men have done in the past. But this argument involves a pure assumption. Besides, it remains to be demonstrated that genius develops in exact ratio with opportunity. Men with few advantages have risen to the heights of achievement; and in the arts, especially, competition is free. The women who have become great artists have not usually been conscious of the limitations of sex. There are women painters whose place is not so very far below the highest, though their number is scanty; and in poetry, too, they have accomplished at least something, even if no woman poet can be ranked with Shakespeare or Goethe or Dante. It seems to be in music chiefly that they are dumb. The list of a thousand women composers which an industrious German has compiled is not convincing. One could easily make up a list of a thousand men composers of whom only a few had heard. The point is that of these women not more than a dozen can fairly be called eminent, and of the dozen none has the genius of Wagner, Bach and Beethoven, of Chopin, Schubert and Verdi.—Providence Journal.

## SUPERFLUOUS HAIR.

"The only way to successfully and permanently remove superfluous hair is by the electric needle in the hands of a skin specialist. Do not think of attempting the work yourself for you run the danger of disfiguring yourself, perhaps beyond remedy. About twenty seconds is required to kill the hair follicle after the injection of the electric needle. While the operation is rather painful, as well as very tedious, forty and fifty hairs may be destroyed at a sitting and without injury to the most delicate skin. Of course this treatment is only practicable when there is a growth of coarse irregular hairs on the face; the fine thick growth on the arms cannot be removed by this method, the hairs are too numerous. The application of a good caustic or depilatory in the form of a paste is the best thing to use for the growth on the arms; the first removal will not be permanent as the caustic rarely reaches to the roots of all of the offending hairs; after a time many will grow again and the treatment must be repeated. However, the depilatory affords relief and if persisted in will, in time, destroy the disfiguring hair permanently. A reliable depilatory is made of one part quicklime and two parts of sulphuric acid. Reduce the ingredients to a fine powder, mix, bottle, and keep closely corked. When required for use mix a small quantity with enough water to form a thin paste. Apply a thin coating to the hairy skin and allow it to remain until the skin begins to prickle; then wash off immediately with warm water and soap. If left on too long it will blister the skin. Should the skin feel sensitive after the operation bathe with witch hazel to allay the irritation.—Mirror and Farmer.

## FOR WOMEN WHO TRAVEL.

Few women have traveled more widely in out-of-the-way places of the world than Miss Flora Shaw, the well-known correspondent of the London Times, who came before the public some years ago by plotting the Jameson raid in conjunction with the late Cecil Rhodes.

When asked if she had met with some terrible experiences on her travels in the Klondike, West Africa, South Africa, Australia and elsewhere, Miss Shaw replied:

"No, I cannot lay claim to heroic hardihood, and I do not believe any other woman traveler can. If you travel in savage or unsettled countries as a woman everything is made smooth for you. Every man who has acquaintance with rough traveling will know how much easier it was for me to do such journeys than it would have been for a man in my position.

"I was usually the only woman of the party, and where a man would have to make a way for himself, my way was made for me by common consent of kindness by the men around me. The best that there was was always at my disposal. Generally I had my tent; but if, when sleeping out of doors one stone was softer than another, it was mine. If food was short, there was always a portion for 'the lady,' which someone declared himself not hungry enough to eat. If streams were too deep to ford, there was always somebody ready to pull me through or help me over.

"All through the wide world the rough edge of adventure is tempered for women. Judging from my own experience, I always take with a pinch of salt the thrilling accounts which some women travelers write about their hardships."



## Boydair CHAT

While women are not allowed to plead as lawyers in German courts, not a few are otherwise employed as experts in various branches of the profession.

A delightful essence to inhale when suffering from headache is composed of one drachm of oil of lavender, one ounce lump camphor, three ounces liquid ammonia and one pint alcohol. Dissolve and bottle.

Women deans of several Western universities who recently met in Chicago voted to change the name of buildings in which young women live at college from "dormitories" to "halls of residence."

It is only a question of time when syndicate dinners will be the rage. Many a woman who cannot often give large dinners is glad to put her house and her servants at the disposal of a group of friends, each of whom contributes one course on the menu. The affair thus becomes a sort of dining club banquet.

Living in a farm house near Taunton, Mass., is the last descendant of the Massasoit Indians, Princess Teweelerna, of the Wampanoags. She is called Miss Mitchell by her neighbors. Her face, it is said, is of the pure olive type so rarely seen, and although sixty-seven she is in full possession of her mental and physical vigor.



## Pretty Things to Wear

Full bishop sleeves are the rule for most youthful garments.

A shorter style of fitted coat is to be the correct shape for spring.

Tiny ruches, now a very smart trimming feature, is an old fashion revived.

Newer by far than either tucks or shirrings are the old-time gaugings and smockings.

Silk linings, as a rule, match the dress, though in some cases they match the trimming.

Broad or narrow fittings of mousseline de sole are preferred to lace for ornamenting lace blouses.

Skirts are much shorter in the back, longer in front, and very much fuller than they have been for some time.

The desired slooping shoulder is often effectively obtained by letting tucks in the upper part of the sleeve.

Velvet often is the choice for the princess dress and makes up finely in the severity that is most becoming to this cut.

The chain has extended to the arm, and with the open hanging sleeves of tea gowns and other house frocks rows of pearls or other jewels encircle the wrist or are wound high on the arm.

The separate silk waist of a shade to match the cloth or velvet skirt is steadily increasing in favor, and it is expected that the old favorite soft white waist will have to take second place.

Europe loses 80,502 lives a year by accidents, and 86,000 die from similar causes in the United States.

The American sewing machine is making advances in Japan far ahead of all others.

## ALMOST A MIRACLE.

### Hatching Chickens from Preserved Eggs.

The London Lancet recently published an article describing some experiments which had been made for the purpose of determining whether eggs could be hatched which had been preserved for twelve months by immersion in a 10 per cent. solution of sodium. It was said in the article that chickens had been hatched from these eggs. A correspondent of the Lancet now writes to that journal narrating some experiments which friends of his undertook for the purpose of verifying the statements made. Twelve eggs were collected in June, and immediately placed in a 10 per cent. solution of sodium silicate and completely covered by the solution and marked and with nine other newly-laid eggs were placed under a hen. All the newly-laid eggs hatched out within three weeks, but the four preserved eggs did not hatch. One of these eggs were boiled and was quite fresh; the other three were broken and the yolk fell out separately from the whites. The whites were whipped up and became quite stiff. This is stated to be the best test of a fresh egg. It is of interest to note that these preserved eggs, even when they had been incubated for three weeks, still remained perfectly fresh, seeming to indicate that the shells were still impermeable to external influences.

Assuming that the remarkable preserving effect of the sodium silicate is due to the formation of insoluble glass with the lime salts of the substance of the shell, it is curious that it has been possible to hatch out a chicken without first making the shell again permeable to air. The experiment is one which should be repeated after the shell has by some method again been rendered permeable, for it seems improbable that the hatching of such preserved eggs can take place if the shell remains impermeable to air.—Scientific American.

## The Thankful Driver.

With the cares of business behind him, and thoughts of wife and baby in his suburban home occupying his mind to the exclusion of everything else, Hilltop hurried to the station. He paused for a moment at a busy crossing just as a truck loaded with kegs of fresh Vermont maple syrup backed heavily against the curb. Down came a tub from the topmost tier and broke with a dull, sickening thud at Hilltop's feet. He looked in dismay at his syrup covered feet and trousers, and exclaimed:

"Here's a pretty mess!"

"Well," responded the driver, "it's not on me."—Philadelphia Ledger.

## ON A PAR.

She—I think a most ridiculous sight is to see a man hunting for his spectacles when they are pushed up over his head.

He—And I think a most ridiculous sight is to see a woman hunting for her hairpins when she's got them in her mouth.—Yonkers Statesman.

## OF COURSE.

"You have such beastly idiotic jokes here, don't ye know," complained the Briton. "Met a chap to-day who told me of a man who called his goat Nearly," because it was 'almost.'"

"Ha, ha, you mean because it was 'all but.'"

"Well, 'almost' is the same as 'all but.'"—Philadelphia Press.

## A GREAT LOSS.

"Have you heard the latest? Brown's wife has run off with his chauffeur."

"Mercy, what a pity! He was such a good chauffeur! Brown will never be able to replace him."—Smart Set.

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Sometimes it is difficult to distinguish between contentment and laziness.

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Money refunded for each package of FOTMAN FADELESS DYES if unsatisfactory.

There are men who wouldn't dare read the declaration of independence to their wives.

## WILLING TO RELIEVE HIM.

"It is a generous and noble world," said the multimillionaire. "Indeed?"

"Yes; when it was announced that I desired to die a comparatively poor man there was a general movement to assist me in the enterprise."—Washington Star.

## IN POOR SIGHT.

Nell—Mamie is going to marry an optician.

Bells—Is he wealthy?

Nell—I don't know. She there's a lot of money in sight for him.—Philadelphia Ledger.

## TOMMY.

"Pa," said little Tommy, getting a bright idea, "I can do something you can't."

"What?" demanded pa.

"Grow," replied the youngster.—Catholic Standard and Times.

## THE WAY OF IT.

It is hard to get along in life if Fortune smile or frown. For first you live your income. Then try to live it down.

## FRAUDS IN A SALE OF HAY.

### Frauds in Watch Cases.

According to an article in the Cincinnati Commercial, a fifty-one pound sack was recently found in that city secreted in a bale of hay of eighty pounds.

This is not as bad as finding a lump of lead of nearly one-half the weight of the solid gold watch case secreted in the crevice of the case.

Gold watch cases are sold by weight, and no one can see where this lead is secreted until the springs of the case are taken out, and the lead will be found secreted behind them.

These cases are made by companies who profess to be honest, but furnish the means to the dishonest to rob the public. It is not pleasant for anyone to find that he has logged a lump of lead in his watch case.

Another trick of the makers of spurious solid gold watch cases is to stamp the case "U. S. Assay." The United States does not stamp any article made out of gold or silver except coin, and the fakir, by using this stamp, wants to make the public believe that the Government had something to do with the stamping or guaranteeing the fineness of watch cases.

Another trick of the watch fakir is to advertise a watch described as a solid gold filled watch with a twenty or twenty-five year guarantee. These watches are generally sent C. O. D., and if the purchaser is paid for the watch he finds that the company which guaranteed the watch to be solid gold is not in existence.

The Ducker-Hampden Watch Company of Canton, Ohio, who are constantly exposing these frauds, will furnish the names of the manufacturers who are in this questionable business.

Stuttering children are numerous by many, and it is thought the treatment is contagious.

### To Wash China Silk Dresses.

China silk dresses may be quite successfully washed. Remove all spots with benzine, then wash in warm soap suds, rubbing between the bands, rinse through several waters. Use Ivory Soap and do not rub the soap on the dress. Wring as dry as possible, wrap in a sheet or clean cotton cloth, and when partially dry, iron.

### ELEANOR R. PARSONS.

A decayed apple eaten by a schoolboy in Dublin caused a fatal attack of ptomaine poisoning.

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Some men trust to luck in this world, and some others are lucky to get trusted.

I am sure Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—Mrs. THOMAS BROWN, Maple St., Norwich, N.Y., Feb. 17, 1904.

By gaining round after round of applause the orator climbs the ladder of fame.

### A Father's Protection.

Father, it is as essential for you to provide a safeguard against that night fiend to your children, croup, as to their hunger. Taylor's Cherokee Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullein will cure croup, croup and colds.

At druggists, 25c., 50c. and \$1.00 a bottle.

At one time it was the belief in Russia that a beardless man was soulless.

### Alfalfa Clover.

For years the editor has been urging farmers to sow Alfalfa Clover, and glad he is that thousands of wide-awake farmers, scattered all over America, are doing this now, to their great benefit and satisfaction.

A. Walford, Westmore Farms, Pa., writes: "I have 60 acres in Salzer's Alfalfa Clover. It is immense. I cut three crops this season and have lots of pasture besides."

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If a man is going to believe in himself he had better not get too well acquainted with himself.

## A Professional Nurse Tells Her Experience With Doan's Kidney Pills.

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Gentlemen—I heartily wish those who are suffering from backache and disturbed action of the kidneys would try Doan's Kidney Pills. As was the case with me, they will be more than surprised with the results. I had been troubled for years with my spine. I could not lie on either side. Spinal cramps would follow, and words could not explain the agony which I would endure. While in these cramps I could not speak or move, but by making a great effort after the cramp had left me I could begin to speak and move a little, but my whole back was so sore and lame that I could not even have the back bathed for some time. My nerves were in a terrible state. I would rather sit up at night than go to bed, dreading the cramps and the terrible backaches. I consulted physicians, but got only a little relief for the time being. Seeing your advertisement, my mother urged me to try Doan's Kidney Pills. After using one box I was better, and have ever since been on the gain. I have no backache and no cramps now, and I feel like a new person. My nerves are better and I know my blood is purer. Words cannot express my thanks to you for what Doan's Kidney Pills have done for me. In my work as professional nurse I have a chance to recommend them, and they did me so much good that I will do so on every possible occasion.

### HATTIE BRIGHAM, Nurse.

Doan's Kidney Pills are sold at 50 cents per box. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., for a free trial box.

## NOT TO BE REPEATED.

Mrs. Bloodgood—And where is your daughter, Mrs. Newrich?

Mrs. Newrich—She's traveling abroad. Her last letter was from—oh, I can't remember—some unmentionable place in Europe.—Harper's Bazar.

## NARROW ESCAPE.

"What have you been doing in that woodshed?" demanded the stern parent.

"S-smoking, sir," replied the boy.

"Smoking cigarettes, eh?"

"No; smoking glass. I'm interested in sun spots, pop."—Chicago News.

## RESEMBLANCE.

La Montt—Made a terrible blunder to-day. Saw a man in a rubber suit and cap and asked him if he was a sewer cleaner.

La Moyné—Who was he?

La Montt—Millionaire chauffeur.—Chicago News.

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