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Women in Dentistry—A Tennis Dinner. Woman in California—A Famous Southern Woman—A Remarkable Traveler. Interesting Information.

Superintendent James L. Hughes of Toronto recently delivered a lecture on "Aurora Leigh, the Ideal Woman of the Ideal Women." He regarded Aurora Leigh as an ideal woman chiefly because she refused to marry Romney Leigh, who, though a wealthy, attractive, cultured, unselfish, chivalrous Christian gentleman, claimed presumptuously that a woman should sacrifice her individuality in marriage. Mr. Hughes strongly commended Aurora's decision to "live her soul straight out" in defiance of prejudices and conventionalities. He urged all women to be true to the two vital elements of noble manhood and womanhood—love and individuality—and never allow them to conflict.

In the course of his lecture he severely criticized many of the conventional ideas regarding marriage and the arrangement of men in assuming the right to marry a woman on any conditions but those of perfect equality. He related with considerable humor his own experience when he received a salutary lesson from Mrs. Wolcott, treasurer of the Association for the Advancement of Women. He gave Mrs. Wolcott a card on which he had written his wife's name as "Mrs. James L. Hughes." She promptly returned it to him with the plain statement, "There could not be such a woman."

Mr. Hughes thought women should not give up their own names after marriage, but should at least use them in union with the husband's name. He expressed approval of the course of Henry B. Blackwell and Lucy Stone, who, as a protest against the subordination of the wife, decided that she should retain her own honored name through life. He made a touching reference to the death of Lucy Stone and paid a high tribute to her for her noble work to give liberty to the negroes and to secure equal rights for women, closing with the words: "Brave, eloquent Lucy Stone, sweet as she was strong! What an answer the life of this gentle, sensitive, modest, loving, motherly woman was to all who ungenerously say that those who demand freedom for women are 'mannish and unwomanly!'"—Toronto Cor. Boston Woman's Journal.

Women in Dentistry. Dentistry as a profession for women is comparatively a new one, and until lately there have been no facilities for pursuing the study. Philadelphia and Baltimore have a woman's department attached to their dental colleges, but New York city has not shown a spirit of progress in this respect.

The only school of dentistry in the city and state of New York where women students are accepted is in the newly established New York Dental School for Men and Women, an institution of the University of the State of New York. A recent's examination must be undergone prior to entering, and a three years' course of study is necessary before receiving the degree of D. D. S.

The few female graduates of the school have been able to command the same wages as men, so there is no cheapening of labor to be urged against it. From \$15 to \$20 a week is the usual salary a druggist's clerk receives, the average amount earned being about \$19. However, a woman of industry, business tact and push need not necessarily remain in a subordinate position, but can look forward to owning a place of her own, as it does not require a fortune to purchase a small drug store. In little towns where skilled pharmacists are not so easily procured a woman would stand a better chance of success than in overcrowded cities, where trained labor is readily obtainable.—Jenness Miller Monthly.

A Tennis Dinner. A London print tells of a "tennis dinner" given by the wife of an English official at Shanghai in payment of a wager lost at lawn tennis. The table was arranged as a miniature tennis court, the lines being indicated by red ribbons pinned on the cloth. Across the center of the table was stretched a net of white silk, fastened to two posts of polished walnut wood, supported by white silk cords. The flag of the court in which the eventful game had been played waved from one post, and a red silk bag containing miniature tennis balls lay near the net.

A lilliputian umpire's stand showed at one side of the table, opposite an equally diminutive blackboard, the latter bearing the number and appropriations of the various courts written in chalk. A narrow ribbon suspended from four little posts inclosed the whole in a manner similar to which match cards are roped off. The menu cards were ornamented with tennis designs, while the guests' cards all bore appropriate tennis expressions. One champion players' card bore the words, "Love all, vantage all." The lucky winner of the wager was distinguished by "Game and set," and the card of a celebrated legal luminary was inscribed with "Wrong court." The dinner was voted a great success by all who assisted.

Woman in California. "Is Legislation Needed For Women?" is the title of a very able and earnest paper read before the woman's parliament of southern California at Los Angeles Oct. 11, 1893. Its author is Mrs. Mary Lynde Craig, editor of the woman's department of The Citigrapher of Redlands, Cal. Mrs. Craig suggests that it would be better if California women would read less of Greek and Roman history and more of the California codes. She calls for legislation by which women will be admitted to the

ballot box as they are now admitted to the prison and the tax list.

To show that they need to vote Mrs. Craig points out that under the California code: (1) A married woman in order to become a sole trader, that she may feed and clothe and educate her children, must first prove as much against her husband as she would have to prove to secure a divorce from him and must also tell why she does not ask for a divorce. (2) All property acquired by a woman after marriage other than by gift, devise or descent becomes community property, over which the husband has the sole management and control. (3) That mothers have no share in the ownership and control of their children.

A Famous Southern Woman. The New Orleans Picayune says: There has been an idea not yet obsolete that a woman who has social position, friends and happy home relations is satisfied to let the world move as it will, and not trouble herself concerning things outside of her own charmed circle. Mrs. Caroline E. Merrick's life has been a direct refutation of this charge. She has an original mind, and refusing to accept other people's belief of things has dared to have the courage of her convictions. She has been an object lesson to her sex, and has helped teach it that a woman may be graceful, charming, well dressed, well bred and adored by her husband and still be directly and intensely interested in the well being of humanity. She is a brilliant writer as well as a successful speaker, and has not only employed her pen in writing serious things, but has published many excellent stories and character sketches.

Mrs. Merrick is president of the Louisiana Woman Suffrage association, was for years president of the Louisiana W. C. T. U., which she organized, and is now its honorary president. She is chief officer of the Woman's League of New Orleans and vice president of the Portia club of that city. A recent number of Fetter's Southern Magazine contains a portrait and sketch of her, closing with this graceful tribute: "There is not a woman in the south today who is more admired, honored and loved by her fellow women than Caroline E. Merrick."

A Remarkable Traveler. Mrs. Adelia Gates, whose life and travels are described in "The Chronicles of the Cid," has had a career which would be remarkable if it were not that of an American woman. She never considered herself too young or too old to do anything which she thought worth while. Born in New England, she went through the experience of a Lowell mill-hand, district schoolteacher and general houseworker. At 30 she began Latin, to fit for college, while earning the necessary money by two years' hard work as a maker of birdcages. At 50 she became a professional flower painter and at 63 began her travels.

She managed to do everything and see everything on slender means. She made her way to Sahara, the Holy Land, Iceland, Egypt and all over the continent. When her money was almost gone, she was contented with a deck passage on any sort of a boat, a third class passage on a train or a single pony and no baggage when other travelers needed a caravan. She naturally saw and learned more than ordinary travelers.

The Queen's Jubilee Bonnet. The Duchess of Bedford recently told a girls' needlework society in Mile End, England, that the bonnet which the queen wore at the jubilee service was practically made by the Princess of Wales. "It was sent home," said her grace, "looking heavy and ugly. Nobody dared return it to the milliner without the queen's orders, and nobody liked to ask her majesty for such instructions. So the ladies in waiting showed it to the Princess of Wales, knowing how clever she is in all such matters, and her royal highness, with her own hands, altered it and twisted it till it became the extremely becoming and tasteful headress which we all admired on that memorable occasion. Everybody who saw it thought that the queen had never had a prettier bonnet, but how it came to be so pretty is news of today."—Philadelphia Record.

Mrs. Russell Sage's Remark. Mrs. Russell Sage has been spending much time of late purchasing Christmas gifts at charity fairs. I met her at the art galleries during the Messiah's Orphan society's festival and was much astonished at a curious remark she made after purchasing a pretty painting from Mrs. J. Wells Champney. "I have given up buying expensive things," said she, with emphasis, as a young lady on her left tried to urge her to take a beautiful black and white etching. "You see, I have no children and no person to leave anything to, and when I die there's only the auctioneer to be called in, and he won't appreciate fine things." After the lady left the art department two young society ladies said to each other: "How sad! Well, it doesn't always mean happiness to be rich."—Her Point of View in New York Times.

Unique Women's Clubs. A "tea club," whose members are hostesses in succession, each offering tea in some unique way, either of brewing or serving, exists for one season only in St. Louis. Iced tea, Russian tea, tea frappe, Chinese tea brewed variously—the gamut is to be run before summer, and what those women won't know about tea, tea cloths, tea tables and tea talk, it is safe to assume, won't be worth knowing.

A "Turkish bath club" is another specialty of the same city, its members, eight young women, taking together at regular intervals their three hours at a Turkish bath. Still a third unique woman's club, made up of St. Louis women, is the "On Time club," whose name is sufficient explanation of the spirit of the association.—Exchange.

Another Prize Winner. Miss Kate F. Pierce of Weymouth, Mass., won the prize lately offered by the Boston Post for the most artistic and sensible design for a bathing costume. Miss Pierce early showed an interest in physical culture and studied the question of hygienic dress. She devised a number of improvements in

dressmaking, and many of her gowns, patterned and worn by herself, have been adopted by several modistes. She took a five years' course of study at the Normal Art school of Boston, winning high honors, and is now teacher of drawing in the Danvers (Mass.) public schools. She has lately turned her attention to literary work, writing character sketches and illustrating them.

Quida's Personality. The novelist Quida does not, it seems, develop in real life into the personality that she is usually accredited with—"an impossible creature, half adventress, half angel and startlingly beautiful." On the contrary, she is a decidedly plain looking woman "of about 50, who overdoeses shockingly."

She drives out on the fashionable thoroughfares of Florence every bright day, a garish picture against the turquoise blue satin of her smart brougham, in an orange colored batiste much trimmed with lace and a black guipure mantilla. Her "bleached, flowing, untidy hair" is crowned by a broad brimmed hat of tulle and lace. Her passion is for dogs, after that for laces and stilettoes, of which latter two she has a valuable collection.—Exchange.

When She May Want Prayers. Miss Louise Imogen Guiney, the poet, wants to be postmistress of Auburn, Mass., suburb of Boston, where she lives. She says: "It is no eccentricity nor ambition nor restlessness that makes me willing to accept—should it be given me—an office flung at my door. I must arise and hew my way." And then, in that quaint style which always marks her letters, she adds: "Like all rational folk, I had much rather loaf. Postmistressing, incidentally, is a thing I can do—that is, until the fatal day when the public shall command me to hand through the grating 16 1/2 cent stamps, 87 fairs, 20 twos and 9 ones and make change for them out of a \$10 bill. When that hour strikes, pray for me."

Women Who Shun the Camera. Mrs. Carnot is by no means the only woman who refuses to be photographed. Mrs. John Sherman has not had a picture taken since she was quite young. It is the custom for the cabinet officers and their wives to have a group for a gift to the president, but Mrs. Sherman would not yield her prejudice even on that occasion. Mrs. Olney, the wife of the attorney general, is another American woman who has not faced the camera for a good many years. Her husband had shared her antipathy toward picture taking, but during the campaign yielded to the demands for his photograph, but Mrs. Olney remained firm in her declination.

A Woman Wood Carver. Miss Brown of Pittsfield, Mass., is making a fortune as a wood carver, or wood sculptor, as it is proper now to call the artist who works in that material. In the first place, she had a natural adaptation for the work. In the next place, she trained herself as thoroughly as a sculptor in marble or a painter ever did by patient study and practice of years. Then her shrewd business instincts led her to make the acquaintance of the wealthy city people who were building splendid summer residences in the Berkshire hills. She is occupied from year to year in carving and decorating the interiors of these mansions.—Boston Transcript.

Maid Versus Footman. Several years ago W. W. Astor, in a magazine article on Chicago, sneered at the would be elegance of that city's best houses, where, as he said, the door was opened by a maid instead of a footman. This terrible calamity, strange to say, has been turned in these few months to a desirable thing. It is a fact that the trim, white capped maid is more and more superseding the footman in other grand houses in other places than Chicago. Mr. Astor's ban should be promptly removed.—Exchange.

Scholar and Lecturer. Miss Laura Yorke Stevenson has the reputation of being Philadelphia's greatest woman scholar. She is the curator of the Archeological and Paleontological museum of the University of Pennsylvania, and to her energetic labors is due the fact that these museums take their high rank in the museums of the world. Miss Stevenson is also quite well known to the lecture world by her talks upon the subjects of ancient customs and art.

Unnecessary Advice. The Colorado women are now getting plenty of advice as to how to use the ballot. The Equal Suffrage league of Colorado Springs proposes that its members shall be prepared to vote intelligently, irrespective of gratuitous advice. It has decided to continue regular meetings and is going to make them educational. Men are invited to attend and take part in the discussions.—Denver Correspondent.

Mrs. Barbara Galpin is business manager of the Somerville (Mass.) Journal and has done "everything connected with the establishment," she says, "except to wash the office floor."

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At the recent annual meeting of the Boston Female asylum the secretary, Mrs. A. H. Nichols, reported 61 girls now in this beneficent institution.

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