

WOMAN'S WORLD.

THE INTERESTING CAREER OF A SUCCESSFUL NEBRASKA SHEPHERDESS.

Some Facts About the Shirt Waist—Bones and Low Collars—Women's Influence For Fairly—Feminine Farmers—To Be Another White Season.

Mrs. Mattie McGee Taplin of Sidney, Neb., is a lady whose striking personality and sterling womanly qualities, not less than her interest in and connection with western sheep husbandry, will commend her to the friends and patrons of the golden hoof throughout the country.

Cheyenne country was little more than a beautiful wild-west, with few settlers, in those days, but Mattie McGee and her cousin Minnie were brave, dauntless, self-helpful women, quite equal to the demands of the day and occasion.



MRS. MATTIE MCGEE TAPLIN.

When her father, a well-to-do farmer, died, she inherited a large tract of land in the Cheyenne country, and she determined to become a landowner and found a sheep ranch in the wild west.

In 1892, Mrs. Taplin invested \$800 of her earnings in 350 yearling-crossbred Lincoln-Merino ewes and leased them for one-half the wool and increase, the wool paying her liberal interest on the investment and the increase augmenting the flock until it now numbers 680 sheep.

Some Facts About the Shirt Waist. About shirt waists the last word by any means has not been said—not until all women learn to put them on properly.

Shirt waists appear to be most simple of arrangement. One who tries to dress with care does not find them so. First, the article must fit well, which means that a reasonable price should have been paid for it.

Another difficulty is in keeping the belt line smooth. Unless this is done there is a blouse effect where none is intended. The cheaper waists are without drawing strings.

Small safety pins, however, must be used or they will make lumps which will be visible through the milky belt.—New York.

Bones and Low Collars.

When ever I see a very thin person in a décolleté gown, I am reminded of that picture of a woman in the comic weeklies, some being a private eye.

At a little informal reception I met just such a thin person one night last winter, and her display of bone was really most remarkable.

Really, the twain, as they stood side by side, looked so much as an advertisement of "before and after taking" that I couldn't keep a straight face as I looked at them.

"Say, ma, what makes the fat lady so fat and the lean lady so lean?" "Hash, my dear, it's the bones!"

And I really couldn't help agreeing with him.—Polly Fry in New York Recorder.

Women's Influence For Fairly.

Frances E. Willard, in her recent address before the British Women's Temperance association in London, said:

We wish to bring the influence of women to bear upon the looks read by children and young people, and the pictures, statuary and dramatic representations that are placed before them, so that temptations shall be diminished and incentives to pure living increased.

The Radcliffe women look much more like representatives of Harvard university in their college caps and gowns. Last year there was not quite enough academic reality in the vision of the Radcliffe candidates for Harvard degrees at their first appearance on the stage of Sanders theater.

Men, Not Women, Fainted. It is rather a striking fact that in the recent examination held at Oxford, the great examination week of the university year, the faintings and similar demonstrations supposed to be peculiarly feminine were entirely confined to the masculine candidates.

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Mrs. Katherine Mordant Quint, a daughter of Rev. A. H. Quint, has received the degree of A. M. from Dartmouth college. She was the first young woman accepted by the trustees for a postgraduate course, and her fine scholarship, in their opinion, amply justifies the new departure.

Long satin bags for carrying fans are painted with snowy bouquets, the owners' monograms effectively set in the midst of the riot of blossoms.

It is wise for the growing girl not to make herself up for a young lady too soon. She will have longer to be odd than she will be to young.

A FAIR REPRESENTATIVE.

The Young Lady sent by Alameda County, Cal., to the Monterey Flag Raising.

Miss Violet C. Lubbock of Alameda was appointed by Major E. A. Sherman to represent Alameda county at the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the raising of the American flag at Monterey by Commodore John D. Sloat on July 7, 1846.

Three thousand women writers, against 169. Two hundred and forty women lawyers, against 5. Eleven thousand women sculptors and painters, against 412.

Thirty-four thousand five hundred and eighteen women musicians, against 5,736. One hundred and eighty women land surveyors and engineers, against none at all.

A Bermuda Woman's Club.

Bermuda, thanks to Brecklyn, is to have a woman's club. A club woman from the City of Churches, visiting the island, found that Bermuda women were culpably lacking in interest in the matter of feminine organizations.

A Brave Woman.

All the brave women did not die with Joan of Arc, and the English people are grumbling because the "home" secretary did not mention to the queen the name of Miss Alfred for the Albert medal, given for heroic conduct.

She Got Her Check Cashed.

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Book Mails Grown.

"Book mail," the old fashioned name for a summer textile once emblematic of dainty girlhood, has not been used for gowns so long a time that it comes to us almost as a novel material.

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To Be Another White Season.

White is very much worn again this season. In the park one now sees many fresh white gowns. A lovely one was worn the other afternoon by a pretty young marchioness.

The Tidy Housekeeper may be glad to know that a box of mignonette and geraniums in blossom in a window is as effectual in barring the entrance of a plague of flies as a wire screen and far pleasanter to the eye.

Red is entering more largely than ever into interior decorative schemes.

Simple, but Effective.

Unpretentious, low decorations are, for all reasons, most appropriate to the summer dinner or luncheon table. A most effective arrangement, that is at the same time within the reach of every possessor of a garden, requires only a profusion of pansies and a little of such fresh moss as every bit of woodland supplies.

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It is said that women's hair is becoming more beautiful in color every year and is also growing thicker and longer. This is said to be due to the small, light bannets we all have so often abused.

Renewing Hats.

Sometimes, while the shape is perfectly fashionable, the hair is so faded and dusty as to be unrepresentative. If the color is pink, light blue, or green, dye of the shade may be dissolved in boiling water and applied with a sponge to the hat, which has been prepared for it by brushing and sponging with clean warm water.

A Chance For Typewriters.

"Why more typewriters do not become proficient in medical nomenclature," says a manager of an office, "is a question that often comes to me. Such work at good pay is in great demand, but it is difficult to find competent takers."

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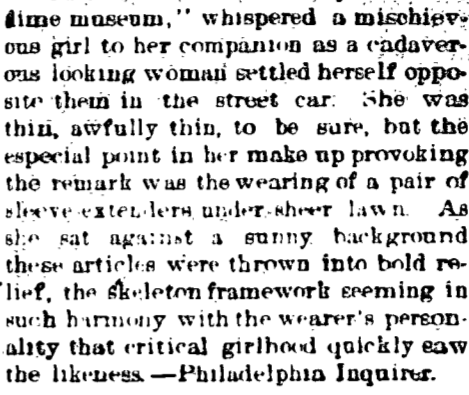
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FOR YOUNG FOLKS.

IS SHE THE YOUNGEST?

Des Moines Claims This Distinction For Miss Annie Brain, bicyclist.

Competitors for the honor of being the youngest bicyclist are becoming numerous, and stories of youthful cyclists are rapidly multiplying.



one claiming the distinction of being the youngest cyclist for Annie Brain of Des Moines, who, he says, is 3 years and 3 months old. She is said to ride through the streets of Des Moines with a skill and grace that make her the envy of many an older rider.

How Lucy Trained the Potatoes.

Lucy lives in a little house back of which there is a roomy yard. Last spring she told her father that she wanted to have a garden all of her own. So a piece of ground was staked off, and Lucy planted her seeds.

A New Sidewalk Game.

A new game has been originated by the little girls of Brooklyn which throws all the other sports of its kind into the shade. It is called "playing statue," and it is all the rage.

Kite Flying.

Kite flying is not purely a sport nowadays, for scientists have learned that a kite is a very valuable aid to their investigations. If you see a man out with a great arrangement which is like two boxes of cloth, without top or bottom, fastened together on the same frame a little distance apart, you will know this is a scientific kite, and its flier, who has to have two or three men to help him hold the stout line attached to it, is intent on serious business.

The Perverse Songster.

When the clover blooms fill the rabbit's nose, And the hand of the summer shades open the rose, And the cuckoo to visit the willow tree goes, What a sad note is it From the little tomtit.

Water For Your Pets.

When you rush in so thirsty that you can hardly wait to draw a glass of water, remember that your dog and cat may be suffering in just the same way, so look at their bowl. If well cared for, they will not drink water on which the dust has settled or which has grown tepid from standing in a hot room.

Rich and Generous.

Mrs. Zabricki is a New York woman who gives lavishly of her wealth. She is a parishioner of "the little church around the corner," and this edifice bears testimony of her generosity. The marble records, as well as the parish house, are her gifts, the two aggregating a cost of \$78,000.