

DAMES AND DAUGHTERS.

Mrs. Eillian Nordica, the opera star who died recently at Batavia, Java left jewels worth \$1,000,000. Harriet C. Adams, an American woman, recently completed an exploring trip from Siberia to Sumatra. Mlle. Marie Galter, the French barriester and professor of law, says that being a lawyer is very tiring for a woman.

Flippant Flings.

Modern colleges, according to President Thomas of Bryn Mawr, are not quoted. "Anti" or "anti?" - New York Sun. Royal music drowned the voices of the English suffragettes. They just can't shriek to beat the band - Atlanta Constitution.

Fashion Frills.

What is needed in an ambidextrous belt - one that not only will keep the trousers up, but the shirt down - Chicago News. If any woman still has a sleeve of the 1897 model she could use it as a skirt this year by making a little slit in the wrist - Clinton (N. Y.) Herald.

Four Balls.

Our idea of tough luck is to have rain postpone a double header. - Detroit Free Press. They don't use the spitball in Boston. They use the expectorated sphere - Washington Herald.

Simple Salve.

Iodine is a healing remedy for wounds caused by rusty nails. Such wounds, however, should have the attention of a physician from the start. Take care of the teeth. Have them filled as soon as a cavity appears. The smaller the cavity the easier it is filled, the less it costs and the longer the tooth will be preserved.

The Royal Box.

Queen Mary is conceded to be the best dancer among the British royalty. Queen Maud of Norway has a hobby of collecting press clipings giving in accurate accounts of her doings. It costs nearly \$5,000,000 dollars a year to maintain the twenty-four royal palaces and lesser dwellings of the German emperor.

State Lines.

Utah's 1913 factory output was valued at \$93,750,000. In the little more than a century for which records have been kept Michigan's copper production has been about 30 per cent of that of the United States. New Jersey is said to have the greatest proportion of railroad mileage of any state in the country, or one mile of railroad to every three square miles of territory.

Town Topics.

New York is to get brighter lights. Then there is nothing left for the White Way but to turn green - New York Sun. When Chicago becomes the art center of America it will run the stockyards across through a perfumed sieve before turning it loose - Chicago News. Having made a visit to Cincinnati, Mayor Mitchell admits frankly that there is considerable that New York doesn't know. Now Mr. Mitchell ought to come to Boston - Boston Globe.

SIRENS AND SONS.

Andrew Carnegie is not an atheist, according to the pastor of the New York church attended by Mrs. Carnegie. Willy Ferrero, the wonder child of seven and a half years, whose consummate abilities as a conductor have caused all Europe to talk during the past few months, was born in Russia, but of Italian parents. Professor Karl Lauglotz, sole survivor of the faculty of Princeton of fifty years ago and famed as the composer of the music of "Old Nassau," the battle hymn of the university, is now a hopeless invalid. He is nearly eighty years old.

Pert Personal.

Vilhjalmur Stefansson is not an Eskimo; he is an American in spite of his name. - Cleveland Plain Dealer. Just at a venture, we should say that John D.'s favorite line of "American" is the one beginning, "I love thy rocks." - Columbia Star. However, Caruso doubtless looks upon a \$3,000 settlement of his latest affair of the heart as a mere song - Washington Post.

Current Comment.

"I did it with my little hatchet," is fast becoming a Pankhurst classic. - Columbia Star. A Russian inventor is building an aeroplane to carry sixty passengers. The wonder is that he will find enough people to fill it. - Detroit Free Press. When steamers 800 miles apart can converse by wireless it is plain that solitude is going to be a scarce article on this planet before long. - Chicago News. In Denmark they propose a short cut to innovation. When the upper house won't vote the radical program they proceed to dissolve the upper house. It is simplicity itself and absolutely convincing. - New York Sun.

Science Siftings.

Jupiter is 1,327 times bigger than the earth, yet it is only 300 times heavier. According to an English scientist, if the radium in the interior of the earth is in any way equal to that in the rocks at the surface the world will grow hotter in time instead of colder. Since the sixteenth century 370 comets have been discovered, of which 106 were periodic, nineteen have been seen at more than one return, fifty-six have been visible to the naked eye and seven have been seen in full daylight.

British Briefs.

The total value of the city of London's square mile is placed at about \$1,250,000,000. It is estimated that the rats in the United Kingdom number 40,000,000, belonging to numerous species. More than half the agricultural land of England and Wales is farmed by only 52,000 persons, or about 12 per cent of the total. The latest fad in London is cubist note paper, which is perfectly black. The writer uses ink which is either pure white or a violet color.

Train and Track.

The St. Paul railroad is planning to build about 500 box, flat and gondola cars at its own shops. A new type of fender on Berlin street cars saved the lives of twenty persons in the first few weeks it was in service. Several railroads are replacing brass passenger car fittings with bronze, as the latter metal is less affected by weather and coal gas and more easily kept clean.

Industrial Items.

Holland in 1913 had 285 labor strikes. Seventy per cent of the steel workers of this country were born abroad. Germany employs 172,535 girls under the age of sixteen in her industries. While 20 per cent of the males in the United States of sixteen years and over are wage earners, only 20 per cent of the females of sixteen years and over are engaged in any kind of gainful occupation.

Dress Hints.

Wear new shoes for several days to make the surface of the soles more absorbent; then varnish them with copal. Powder the insides of new gloves to make them easier to slip on, and also, in the case of colored kid ones, to prevent the dye from staining the hands. No matter how soiled a pair of colored satin slippers may be, they can be easily cleaned with denatured alcohol. Apply it over the soiled surface, rubbing lightly with soft cloth. It will clean slippers of any delicate color.

The Difference.

My neighbor and his wife fell out; Through house and yard they rushed about. They scolded and they jabbered loud Until they drew a grinning crowd. They even clinched and came to blows, At which I hurriedly arose. And, dashing through the open gate, Remark, "I've come to meditate." I hate to tell what happened next. They must have been a trifle vexed. They blackened my eyes and threw me down. And beat me back and blue and brown. And as my neighbor bumped my pate He cried, "Suppose we arbitrate?" - Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Meeting the Emergency.

One day Jones lost a button from his serge coat, and on leaving for the office the following morning he asked little bridge if she wouldn't repair the damage during the day. Little bridge, of course, sweetly promised. "Where are you, Harry?" called the young wife on hearing hubby rambling around the house that evening. What are you looking for? "I am looking for my blue serge coat," answered Harry. "Did you sew on that button?" "No, dear," came the startling rejoinder of wife. "I couldn't find the button, so I sewed up the buttonhole." - Kansas City Star.

Such Luck.

When ended in the daily grind. A woman went. Turns homeward, but, alas, to find The cook has gone! - Pittsburgh Post. And more than that - to find a much Distracted dame. Who tells him don't it beat the Dutch? The guests have come. And this will jar him some, I guess, Or make him mad - To find when he sits down to mess The eggs is bad. - Yonkers Statesman.

He Refused Chicken Gravy.

Johnny, out to dinner, thrice refused Chicken gravy, of which he was very fond. His hostess, who had added macaroni to the gravy, finally said: "Why, I thought you liked chicken gravy?" "I do sometimes," replied Johnny, "but my mamma never puts the wind pipes in." - National Fool Magazine.

One Variety of Fool.

There was a man in our town. Who was a trifle vain. He lost his heart completely to A pair of hazel eyes. And when he saw his heart was gone, With all its might and main, He tried and tried, but uselessly, To get it back again. Which proves his folly plain enough. For 'spite the pain and cost, All wise men know a heart's no good Until that heart is lost. - Life.

Her Opinion.

In the census office at Washington acts against the law are recorded under a few main heads, such as murder, burglary, etc. A lady who was working there recently ran across the crime, "kissing a blind tiger." After a puzzled moment she placed it under the list, "Cruelty to animals." - Argonaut.

Charge of Motive.

When we were young in days of yore And life was full of bliss My wife would meet me at the door To greet me with a kiss. We've married here of years a score, My wife is rather neat, And now she meets me at the door To make me wipe my feet. - Kansas City Journal.

Nature's Abhorrence.

The physics instructor in a high school was teaching a German girl whose vocabulary was not very extensive. "What is a vacuum?" he asked. "I have it in my head, but I can't express it," was the reply. - Woman's Home Companion.

Tangotitis.

Don't cage who invented it. The tango fits you high. Till you almost think you're hoppin' With the red stars in the sky. But I'd like to see the fellow Who started it, to say I'm in the land of youthtime Then tango tango me away! - Atlanta Constitution.

Who Wants to Rest?

"Have you a rest room?" "We used to have them in the old days," said the manager of the department store, "but there has been no demand for such things for many months. We have turned all our rest rooms into tango parlors." - Detroit Free Press.

The Safest Way Over.

There is so much now being said About a crazy notion Of some man in an airplane To fly across the ocean. If such a stunt some man would try He'd better sit in the machine And get it in the machine. And get it in the machine. - Yonkers Statesman.

March of Progress.

"Great times we live in." "How now?" "Heard a farmer today telling the druggist his soil was impoverished. And the druggist had something good for it, by gum!" - Louisville Courier-Journal.

Deep Stuff.

A little knowledge makes us blind. Though it may not occur to you. Just think it over and you will find That half the things you know ain't true. - Cincinnati Enquirer.

Righteous Wrath.

"Footle pretends to be very angry because of that little item in the Daily Blast saying his wife is suing him for divorce." "He really is angry. He thinks he ought to have had half a column." - Puck.

"Why this coolness between you and Mabel?"

"Oh, we disagreed about something." "What was it?" "As to whether her dog was more intelligent than my baby." - Louisville Courier-Journal.

The world is full of good advice.

"The easy, quiet, to find it - In fact, but one thing's easier, And that is to be kind it." - Judge.

"A man should strike out for himself,"

observed the sage. "That's all right," commented the fool. "But we can't all get jobs as pinch hitters." - Cincinnati Enquirer.

That life is like the bubbles

Is a thought that isn't bud. We're either "bubbling over with cheer" Or else we're "frothing mad." - New York Mail.

She - You do not think of me in your busy moments

He - Perhaps not, but I worship you in my idle hours. - Baltimore American.

I sink of tips and taxes,

Of taxes and of tips. We pay what the government axes. The rest the water tips. - Kansas City Journal.

"The Walltons live in a flat, don't they?"

"They occupy a flat, my dear; it's absurd to talk about living in one." - Boston Transcript.

Man's wife wants little here below,

A poet sang, with fire. There's but one argument to make - That poet is a liar. - Holland News.

"I hear Jones turned up as a possible husband for Miss Smith."

"He did turn up, but she turned him down." - Baltimore American.

Miss May was quite unused to country ways.

On a farm she spent a few vacation days. In a field of corn she lost her way. She said: "I'm sure I'm not a corn chaffer." For it was to May's amazement a mass of maize. - New York Mail.

Why do you double load your editorials?"

"To give them more weight," replied the editor. - Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Jack said that I was just as sweet

As sugar." "That's true," cried "Friend Josephine replied. - Town Topics.

Judge - Why do you ask for a divorce?"

The Mere Man - My wife has an artistic temperament and I have an appetite. - Philadelphia Ledger.

When mentioning the cost of food

This sad impression will intrude. The moths are doing free from care On my expensive winter wear. - Washington Star.

"Where's your engagement ring, Margie?"

"I've hid it. As long as George isn't sure he can get the ring back he won't break the engagement." - Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Some poets write because they must,

And others write to "make the dust." Some write because it is a blessing. Why others write will keep you guessing. - Yonkers Statesman.

Willie - Paw, why do the theaters

close in summer and open in winter? Paw - Because eggs are 75 cents a dozen in winter, my son. - Cincinnati Enquirer.

A NEAT JOB By JOHN Y. LARNED

"Mr. Birkstead," said my friend Mrs. Iddleston, "I am very much worried about my son." "What's the trouble?" I asked. "He is infatuated with a girl I detest." "Have you grounds for detesting her?" "There's nothing in her. She's vain, selfish and altogether unlovely. How she has captured Jimmie I can't imagine." "Since I was not interested in Jimmie the information did not especially move me. But I was interested in his mother, who was a widow. Indeed, I had intentions with reference to Mrs. Iddleston and wished I could make her think me as fine a man as this girl had succeeded in making Jim think her a fine woman. I wondered how she did it."

HOW TO MAKE HOME-MADE SCENTS.

Lavender Water.-Put into a bottle and shake well one-eighth of a pint of spirits of wine, one-eighth of an ounce of oil of lavender and a quarter of a dram of essence of ambergris. Eau de Cologne.-Half an ounce each of oils of lemon and bergamot, sixteenth of an ounce of oil of orange peel, quarter of a dram of oil of rosemary, twenty drops of essence of musk or ambergris. Reduce this amount of ingredients in half a pint of rectified spirits of wine. Numerous perfumes may be made by adding to a small quantity of rectified spirits of wine oils of geranium, sandalwood, rosemary or essence of bergamot, mask of ambergris, adding it drop by drop until the desired perfume is obtained. These ingredients may be obtained from any drug store.

AMUSE THE KIDDIES.

How to Play the "Cut-out" Game With the Youngsters.

Mothers are often at their wits' end to know what to do with convalescing children. During this trying time it takes much ingenuity to keep them interested. One of the most pleasurable things to buy and girl alike is the cut-out game. It is as old as the hills and yet has kept its newness and interest to this day. The boy will scorn the ordinary cut-out play, but give him first a blank book, then a catalogue from a sporting firm, a pair of scissors and a bottle of glue and tell him to furnish you a summer camp in the Adirondacks, such as he would like to live in; then suggest that he fix up a scene in Canada in the winter time, with skiing, skating, and so on.

The way to interest the little chap is to excite his imagination first. Describe to him in detail the interior, then the exterior, of a camp in the woods; then tell him to cut out from the catalogue all the pictures which have anything to do with tent life. These include guns, fishing rods, boats, cooking utensils, coats, etc. Clothing for summer camping will probably be illustrated by pictures of men or women dressed in these garments. These figures may be grouped round a fire or standing in a canoe or climbing the mountains.

When the child has a number of illustrations cut out let him use his ingenuity to furnish the scene. Much can be done if the mother can draw a bit. In such a case she could outline on the first page the inside of a bare tent, to be furnished by the child. On the second page could be the outside of the tent, with the mountain in the background and a lake at one side.

Further interest can be added to this game by giving the little one a set of crayons with which to color the pictured scenes. Water colors are a joy to children if they can be arranged in such a way that the water will not spill. An excellent way to do this is to give the child a sewing board. Where the board is cut out in a curve it will fit into the body, and the paints may be placed on its flat surface with no danger of upsetting them.

HANDY ABOUT THE HOUSE.

How to Use Adhesive Plaster in Unusual Ways.

Adhesive plaster is useful in many ways, but often we never think of it except for covering cuts or holding bandages in place. Here are some of the "unusual uses" to which it may be put. If a new shoe chafes at the heel put a piece of adhesive plaster at the top of the heel stiffening and be comfortable. It will save the hosiery if applied on the outside of the stocking when the hole first begins to make itself apparent. Use it to mend corsets and put it over the ends of protruding steels and bones. A strip around a jelly glass cover will make it airtight. Tiny strips put under the bottom of a rattan chair will save a repair bill. Put a strip into the backs of children's overshoes and they may then be put on without trouble and without a shoe horn, which sometimes tears the rubber. When rings curl up at the corner strips of the adhesive plaster will cause them to lie flat. If you lose your little pin a strip on the end of your finger. Use it to make secure your packages. If warm when applied it is sure to stick, no matter how much hard usage the package may have in transit.

WORTH KNOWING.

How to Preserve Fine China From Being Destroyed.

A housewife with an eye to preserving her dishes from destruction has devised a simple method to put a soft face on the china. That dishes coming in contact with it in the sink will be unharmed. She took a heel from an old rubber boot, cut a hole of the proper size in it with a chisel and hammer and put it around the end of the faucet, and now dishes and delicate glass tumblers can be knocked against it with perfect impunity. Winding a piece of rubber from an old rubber shoe around the faucet and tying it there would be just as effective.