

Woman's World

New England Novelist Wins \$10,000 Prize With Her First Play.



MISS ALICE BROWN.

The prize of \$10,000 offered on March 21, 1913, by Winthrop Ames, formerly director of the New theater and now proprietor of the Little and Booth theaters, New York, for the best American play, has been awarded to a woman.

Miss Alice Brown, of Boston, novelist and short story writer of New England life and types, is the victor in the contest. The cash prize of \$10,000 has already been paid to her, and her play, "Children of Earth," is in preparation for production early next season, probably at the Booth theater.

Miss Brown, who thus finds herself conspicuous in the theatrical world, was born at Hampton Falls, N. H., in 1857. She gained her education at Robinson seminary, Exeter, N. H., from which she was graduated in 1876. Almost immediately she took up literary work. Her insight into New England character and her knowledge of the life of which she was a part have been great factors in her success.

Her first book, "Meadow Grass," a collection of short stories, brought her immediate recognition. She has also published a volume of poems, a book of essays on travel, a great number of short stories that have first appeared in magazines and several ambitious novels. The best known of the latter are "The Story of Thyra" and "Rose MacLeod."

MOTORING OUTFITS.

Convenience and Good Looks Are Combined in Outfing Garments.

Motoring garb is of all varieties of convenience. The quite unattractive features that at first characterized coats and headgear have been elim-



MOTORING COAT AND BONNET.

Inated. Motoring hats and bonnets are often charming affairs, and motoring wraps are so contrived that they may be used for any emergency that calls for an outing coat. Illustrated here is a motoring costume that includes a dainty straw bonnet, with a long veil of chiffon and a short coat of checked materials. The little toilet outfit is a convenience for the woman who motors or for the woman traveler.

Hint For Weak Enders.

To keep your neckwear smooth and fresh when traveling with a suit case put such things between the different leaves of a magazine, which takes up less room than a box and is very convenient when removed to the dresser drawer. It is especially suited to handkerchiefs and ribbons.

Milady's Mirror

Seaside Care of the Hair.

Most people, even those who are accustomed to give the hair careful attention, are careless of their locks while staying at the seashore. As a matter of fact, more destruction may be wrought there in a month than can be remedied in six.

Before entering the surf it is a good plan for bathers to place a wet sponge at the back of the neck and let the water fall down the spine. This is to equalize the temperature. If one plunges head first into the water there will be a sensation of dizziness and fullness in the head. This shock affects the scalp and incidentally the hair.

The very best treatment for hair at the seashore is first to use the wet sponge as directed and after coming from the water to take the juice of a lemon and pour over it a cupful of boiling water. When this is sufficiently cool saturate the hair with it and dry with warm towel. In ten minutes rinse off with warm water.

Shampoo the hair frequently, using the yolk of an egg well beaten with a cupful of hot water and twenty drops of the spirits of rosemary. Rub this into the scalp, and after ten minutes rinse with warm water and dry.

When inconvenient to shampoo brush the hair well and use the following scalp wash:

Extract of witch hazel, one pint; eau de cologne, eight ounces; chloroform, three drams.

This treatment will cleanse and make the hair soft, glossy and fluffy.

After the Sea Bath.

Many women who bathe in the ocean have no idea of the damage done to the hair by allowing it to dry by sitting in the sun upon the beach.

The salt, wet hair and the sun's rays combined have a decidedly injurious effect upon the coloring matter of the hair. It fades blond hair into streaks of dirty yellow and dark brown or black hair into burnt reddish color.

Also, it renders the hair bushy, harsh and brittle. Then the fine, sharp sand cuts and irritates the scalp to such a degree as to give the impression of a scalp disease having been contracted. In fact, this sometimes actually happens owing to the itching and consequent scratching of the scalp.

There are also germs and microbes in salt water which can, of course, take up their abode in the hair.

The Soap For Summer.

Be careful in regard to the kind of soap you use in summer, and only use soap in washing the face at the night toilet.

Pure castile soap is the very best kind to use. It does not dry the skin and leaves it smooth and soft.

Both morning and night rinse the face in cold water after washing. This is a splendid complexion tonic.

Try softening the water in which you wash with a little oatmeal. The oatmeal should be sieved up in a thin muslin bag and allowed to soak in the water.

You're no idea how wonderfully refreshing to the skin it really is.

Bran Bag For the Skin.

Some women find soap irritating to the skin. The best thing to do in such a case is to use a bran bag instead.

When the face is in need of a thorough cleansing, after a trip in the train, for instance, a cold cream bath will remove the dirt, and the bran bath will finish the work in a satisfactory way.

To make a bran bag mix equal quantities of powdered oatmeal and bran together and to a pint add one-half cupful of powdered soap. To this add about one ounce of powderedorris root. Fill small bags and use in the bath.

Protection From the Sun.

Before going out. lightly dab a little nongreasy face cream over the skin and then dust lightly over with some very good face powder. This effectively protects the complexion from the evil effects of exposure to a very hot sun, which, in spite of its health giving properties, serves to dry and burn the skin, causing it to wrinkle also if one does not take some simple precaution as that prescribed.

A little sunburn is becoming, but too much exposure to sun and air is fatal to all complexion beauty.

Nerve Tonic.

When you are tired and nervous a good rubbing all over the body with the lotion given here will be very restful.

Lie quietly in bed after the rubbing for half an hour and you will then feel equal to taking up the daily tasks again. Take diluted alcohol, six ounces; cologne water, six ounces, and tannin, ten grains.

Autumn Loss of Hair.

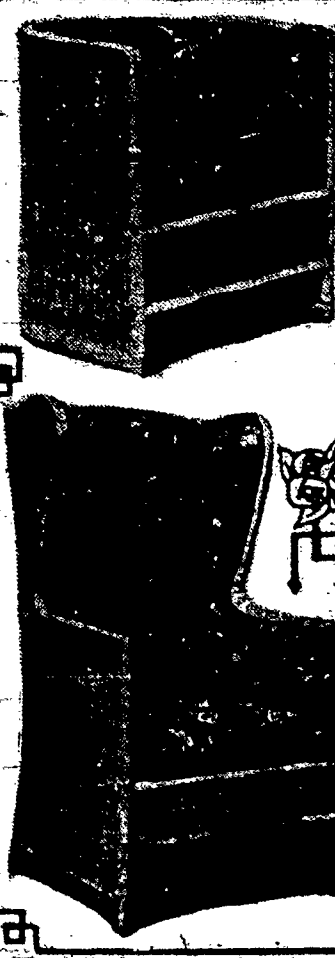
It is a well known fact that during the autumn the hair falls more freely than at any other season of the year; consequently one should really give the hair greater attention for some weeks previous and so prevent wholesale loss of it.

Skin Tonics.

Lemon, orange and cucumber peels are excellent for the complexion. Let them soak in water used for the bath, so they not only refresh the skin and freshen the complexion, keeping the flesh healthy and firm.

CRETONNE COVERS.

They Have Superseded All Other Fabrics For Summer Upholstering.



CRETONNE CURTAIN CHAIRS.

This is a cretonne season so far as house furnishing is concerned. Cretonnes face us on every side. They are used to cover walls, as door or window hangings, as bed coverings and even in upholstering summer furniture.

Two attractive summer chairs of wicker are pictured here. Owing to their shape, the mattress style of cushion is not adapted to them. They have cushions covered with handsome cretonne in futuristic patterns.

SUMMER SHOPPING.

Leisurely and Systematic Ways of Doing It Will Prevent Exhaustion.

A plentiful supply of small change is often of great help to the summer shopper. Much tedious waiting may be avoided if one always has the right change.

In most of the department stores, of course, shoppers must wait for certain formalities to be gone through with, whether they are to receive change or not. But at the notion counters in these stores—at the notion counter usually and sometimes where toilet goods and soaps are sold—the shopper who has the exact change may pocket her purchase and leave immediately. And in anything but a department store exact change makes quick purchasing easy.

If you feel tired while shopping, rest exhaustion from heat can almost always be avoided. Rest is one way to avoid it. There are pleasant rest rooms in most of the big department stores, clean and comfortable, where you can relax for half an hour, an hour if need be, and regain strength and composure.

If you are very tired, if your head throbs with heat, if you feel really ill from fatigue and warmth, select a comfortable chair, take off your hat, close your eyes and force yourself to relax. As soon as you are really refreshed go home. Leave the rest of the shopping for another day.

The slogan "Shop early!" ought to be sounded in the summer time, both for the shopper and for the clerk. For in summer the early part of the day is surely the coolest. Moreover, in most of the big cities the stores close early in summer, and the woman who shops late in the afternoon is keeping the clerks from much desired rest and recreation.

Cutting Small Pieces of Ice.

When you have a large cake of ice and want a small piece to put in a glass you are somewhat helpless if you have no ice pick at hand. Use an ordinary pin instead of an ice pick and you can have the ice in pieces the size you desire.

THE FASHION BUDGET.

Tub dresses are made with straight gored skirts.

Colored handkerchief linen dresses are in great demand.

White serge suits are brightened by a touch of brilliant color.

Amber tipped parasols are an English idea that seems to take.

Many shades of green and greenish greys are seen in dress materials.

Pretty buttons are of galleth decorated with gilt or Chinese characters.

The curiously carved wooden beads from the east are among the most artistic.

AFTERNOON GOWNS.

Crapes Are Used With Net For Garden Party and Casino.



CRAPES AND NET GOWNS.

It is long since we have had anything more charming than the crape gowns that are being worn for summer afternoon functions. The dainty frock pictured here was designed recently by a fascinating debutante to wear at the garden party given by a Newport society leader. White net was combined with the pink and white figured crapes. It formed the much frilled skirt, the vest and finished sleeves and neck. The wide girde was of white satin ribbon. Worn with it was a wide ruffled hat trimmed with flowers in small nodding sprays. The silk parasol was in a shade to harmonize with the figure in the gown. White suede shoes and long white silk gloves completed this much admired toilet.

CLOSET SPACE.

Clever Way of Acquiring It in a Small Apartment.

A clever woman added more closet space to the scanty supply her apartment afforded in this way: The half of wood paneling up to a height of four feet. She converted every other panel for some distance along one side into an arched door, so that the space in back of each could be used for storing various belongings.

In one of these shallow closets a rack was built to hold umbrellas. In another were inserted shelves just wide enough to hold the men's hats when not in use. Another closet space was used for white broom, dusters and hat brush and still another for overcoats, etc.

Homemade Vacuum Bottle.

When going picnicking make a vacuum bottle out of a big jar if you do not happen to own a regular vacuum bottle. A two quart jar is best. Pack it with ice, keeping the pieces large, with the smaller bits to fill up the crevices, and then wrap the jar (after fastening the top up with many layers of old newspapers. The ice will keep all day this way.

Cleaning Mirrors.

Do not use water on mirrors. Dip a cloth in alcohol and wipe the glass; then use tissue paper to finish. Old newspapers are fine for window glasses. They should be torn and rubbed soft. The panes washed with clear water, wiped dry and polished with the crumpled paper.

HELPS FOR THE HOME.

A faded straw hat may be cleaned with a paste made of powdered sulphur and lemon juice. Dry it thoroughly in the sunshine, then brush out the powder.

Every housekeeper should keep a roll of parchment paper on hand. It can be used for at least a dozen purposes, from cleaning fish to hulling strawberries.

A dainty little article for the hand bag is a little book of powder papers covered with a pretty bit of ribbon, folded back to form a pocket so that the leaves can be slipped into it.

To get rid of the smell of tobacco smoke put a lump of crystal ammonia into a jar and add a few drops of oil of lavender. Pour a little boiling water over it and let the jar stand in the room.

Feed Between Meals.

Give the children a cupful of warm liquid—soup or milk—if they come hungry. It is nourishing and doesn't spoil their dinners.

Points for Mothers

Hot Weather Hygiene.

Hot weather danger sometimes arises for the children in a faulty condition of the food. This is especially the case with milk, and it is necessary to see that the milk used comes from a guaranteed source and that it is kept under hygienic conditions in the house.

Fruit, too, becomes a danger, and the eating of unripe or overripe fruit is a very common cause of urinary ailments.

Now to consider the question of medicine and dieting when the first warm weather appears.

For the former, when circumstances render it necessary, magnesia may be safely recommended, provided it is in a suitable form for children's use. Any obvious disturbance in the internal arrangements should be counteracted by this in preference to castor oil or even olive oil; for both have a tendency to heat the blood, a tendency which is counteracted in magnesia.

To the older children a simple saline draft may often be given with advantage.

A most homely remedy is made by stewing prunes in water in which some soda pods have been soaked, one ounce of the pods being put into a pint of boiling water and left until the water is cold. Strain the water then and stew one pound of prunes in it, adding four or five tablespoonfuls of golden syrup; then join the mixture through a sieve and drop it in a well stoppered bottle, giving one teaspoonful as a dose each morning. It is quite nice to take and generally liked by children.

When the Youngsters Travel.

Children traveling can all too easily prove a bore to every one. On shipboard it is easy to keep them out of the way. On some of the ships, of course, special nurseries and playrooms are provided. Even when this is not the case the children can be kept happily occupied with books and toys in their deck chairs or they can be taken for walks about the deck. But they should not be allowed to romp up and down the deck, running thoughtlessly into other passengers and stumbling readily against the deck chairs.

Children in a train are harder to take care of. Whether their own diseases or many don't allow them to romp up and down the aisles. If they become very restless they may walk up and down the aisles a few times without disturbing any one if they are treated in a quiet and sensible way.

For the most interesting games and books that can be enjoyed in their own should be provided for their entertainment. Colored crayons, pencils and tin paper games, games of cards like "authors"—paper dolls and the other sort of dolls and various word games that can be directed by an older member of the party are all good entertainments for child travelers.

Summer Drinks For Children.

Barley water when very carefully prepared is a first rate drink for children in hot weather and makes a welcome change from plain water or milk and water. Lemonade should be only very sparingly given them, and then only when carefully made with fresh lemons.

A child should be allowed to drink as much as it likes either of barley water or plain cold filtered water. The extra perspiration caused by the hot weather will often induce thirst, and the need nature makes felt in this way should be met.

In hot weather, too, when there is lassitude or signs of ill health, one of the excellent patent foods should be given for a time. In this way the nutriment required which is not given by the ordinary diet will be obtained, for it is no use to force a child to eat more than it wants at ordinary meals—a very common nursery mistake in the first warm weather.

It is quite surprising to find the difference which a cup of malted milk once or twice a day and a meal of some good patent food for supper will make, even in a few days, in a child who is peevish and generally out of sorts.

Fruit For the Little Ones.

The question of fruit for children is a vexed one, and it is well to put parents on their guard. Healthily fresh fruit, either raw or cooked, provided it is in good condition and free from skins, strings and pipe, is excellent for the little ones.

Rhubarb is a very valuable nursery food. It should be carefully rubbed through a sieve after having been stewed with raw brown sugar for young children. Then it can be given freely, even to times from eighteen months onward, especially if beaten up with custard. Indeed, this form of simple "food" makes a first rate nursery pudding and one much appreciated.

Raw fruit except bananas is rather at a premium now, but these should have the fibrous strings adhering to them carefully removed before being given to children, while for babies under two and one-half years they should be mashed up with a little cream.

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For the Children

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There was a great parade of babies in the borough of Brooklyn, New York, a short time ago. It all came about through the advent of baby week, which was celebrated throughout the city. The parade was made in automobiles, and hundreds of little folk were in line, accompanied by their mothers and admirers. The grandest of the "borough's" authorities officials reviewed the parade, together with thousands of people who had flocked in the welfare of children. The winner of the prize given for the best baby in Brooklyn was little Miss Maria Dancker, Maria is twenty-seven months old, and she won with a percentage of 64.07. That means that she came pretty near being a perfect baby—that is, as far as health is concerned.

Riddles.

Whole, I am something you loved to see. Behind me and you may get into trouble to avoid me.

Whole, I am a vessel that gets the sea. Behind me and I am a great sea.

Whole, I am a useful piece of furniture. Behind me and I am a great sea.

Whole, I am a scurvy fellow. Behind me and I am a piece to look to outdoors.

Whole, I am a mark left from a wound. Behind me and I am a little sea.

Whole, I am a monster fish. Behind me and I am a great sea.

Whole, I am a bright outfit. Behind me and I am a writing desk.

Whole, I am a writing element. Behind me and I am the penman's friend.

Whole, I am something that grows. Behind me and I am not higher.

Answer.—Train, ship, chair, umbrella, whole, plank, snow, seven.

Why is a coward in a restaurant like a good knife? Because he cuts without hurting.

Why is a fish dealer never generous? Because his business makes him selfish.

What is it that is enough for one, too much for two and nothing for three, and taken but one to make and two to keep? A secret.

Why is a girl not a nun? Because a nun (nun) is an interjection.

Why are lady persons' bodies too short for them? Because they like to hang in them.

Why is a kiss like a runner? Because it goes from mouth to mouth.

An Extinct Bird.

The great auk, which once lived in great numbers along the North Atlantic coast, going in summer as far north as Iceland or Greenland, is now absolutely extinct. All that is left of this once great bird tribe is a few scattered skulls in museums. The auk was about the same size as a well grown goose, and when standing erect had a height of about two feet. The purpose of this awkward and harmless bird has not been explained. It was one of the most valuable sea-birds.

Same Spelling, Two Meanings.

The words to fill the blanks are, in each sentence, spelled alike, but have different sounds and meanings.

1. The man's face began to ----- when he found he could not get a ----- berth in the sleeping car. 2. The farmer must ----- corn in order to have some for his ----- and his children.

Answers: No. 1. Lower, lower; No. 2. Now, now.

Playing Tennis.

Tennis, tennis, on the lawn
On a summer day!
One a mile! Two a mile!
Two or five can play!

Here's a dainty lady
Alice is her name—
Standing with her hat in hand
Ready for the game!

Pretty little maiden,
May I play with you?
Or are you waiting for
Little Boy Blue?

Can he see your nose?
Naked above your bonnet?
If your boy stays longer,
Why I play instead?

Pretty yellow catfish,
Fit a way—fit!
If a nail should hit you,
Butterfly might eat!