

**SHE WAS PLAIN "LIL" THEN.**

**An Illinois Farmer Who Knew Mrs. Nordica in Her Girlhood.**  
An old fellow of Quincy, Ill., E. K. Sweet, who went to Chicago the other day to hear Mrs. Nordica, thus spoke of her after the performance: "I never thought she was any great shakes when she was a kid. She was plain Lil Norton then, and her father's place adjoined our'n down at Farmington, Me. I was something of a warbler myself, and the Nortons and our folks used to get around our old melodeon on Sunday afternoon and make her sing. Lillie was quite a little girl then, and we didn't think she could twitter as well as the rest of us, but she got the big head when she was 16 or 17 and went away to New York or Paris—I forget which. The old man passed thoughtfully and then added: "But, gee whiz, she's got on, ain't she? When we heard of her she was away up in G, and the mocking birds and nightingales wasn't in it with her. And to think that once on a time she was nothing but plain Lil Norton!"

**Indestructible Paper.**

Paper indestructible by fire has been invented by M. Meyer of Paris. A specimen of it, which was subjected to a severe test—one hundred and forty-eight hours in a potter's furnace—came out with its glaze almost perfect.

**Fond of Moving.**

Amos Markham, of Memphis, Tenn., is fond of moving. Since his marriage in 1860 he has moved fifteen times. His twelve children were born in twelve different states.

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The Southern California Railway (Santa Fe system) affords facilities for transportation of all kinds, and the completion of other railroads to the east, among others, the San Diego, Pacific & Eastern, which the railroad men of the United States are building, will give increased facilities, and competing lines and lower rates. Local lines radiate throughout the county, affording easy access and transportation from and to San Diego.

At the present time for wheat and other farm products in the east, no farmer can make both ends meet, and the hardships endured through a long, hard winter, with the thermometer ranging from zero to 30 below and struggling through a hot, dry summer, go unrecalled; whilst the agriculturalist in this genial climate plows in the winter, with the thermometer about 60 degrees, gathers his fruit or grain in the spring, summer and fall, with the thermometer ranging from 40 to 80, and in the autumn harvests his crops with the thermometer about 70.

The mean temperature, as reported by the U. S. weather bureau for the past 30 years was: January 57 deg., Feb. 55 deg., March 57 deg., April 57 deg., May 62 deg., June 65 deg., July 67 deg., Aug. 67 deg., Sept. 68 deg., Oct. 65 deg., Nov. 57 deg., Dec. 57 deg.

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**DANCED WITH A KING.**

**Two Little Americans at the Court of Christian IX.**

Virginia Yeaman Remnitz, in St. Nicholas, tells a true story of the adventures of two young Americans at the court of the king of Denmark. They were children of the American minister, and had been invited to a children's party at the palace. Here is what followed: It was to Ellen a never-to-be-forgotten night. The crowds of happy children; the great room, brilliantly lighted; the strains of music; the presence of a real king and queen—all combined to make the scene a fairy-land, wherein events took place which made Ellen feel herself a sort of fairy queen. The king opened the ball with little Ellen. Hardly understanding the honor, some sense of it nevertheless thrilled her childish heart. She could not even see his face, so tall was he, but his strong arms bore her around and around, she knew not how, for Ellen danced with as little precision and method as the leaves on a tree, or the ripples in a lake. Yet all through her being she felt that she was dancing with the king. It seemed but fitting, after that dance, to find herself seated on the sofa between the king and queen. With royal disregard to the claims of other small guests, and with royal indifference to the effect upon little Ellen, they lifted her up between them. She looked pretty, natural and unconscious, and was herself a little queen in all her ways! While Ellen sat there, too happy and pleased to feel proud, the other children danced on. With no thought of imitating their elders in manner or motion, the young dancers abandoned themselves with childish freedom and simplicity to the enjoyment of the hour. Those who never had been trained in the different steps adapted their movements to the promptings of happy hearts and light feet, and were as contented as the others. And little Ellen rested comfortably between the king and queen until she was ready to dance again. The evening wore on, and Ellen was overcome with weariness and sleep. Shipping away from the children, who now were whirling around in some dizzy game, she threw herself on a couch. Just as the scene grew misty to her eyes, and the dazzling events of the evening began to weave themselves into the suggestion of a dream, she was aroused by some one asking, "Where did you get your pretty pink slippers, Ellen?" and she opened her eyes. Why was the king sitting beside her and talking to her when she was so sleepy? She had a confused idea that he meant to put on his crown, and sit on a throne. "Please, Mr. King, don't bother me; I'm so sleepy," and Ellen, turning her face upon royalty, slipped away to her pleasant dreams. "Little Ellen, little Ellen," said the king musingly, "it is not often that I hear the truth so plainly told, and it is refreshing to my ears."

**A WOMAN'S BIBLE.**

**MAN IS NOT THE MASTER THEY SAY.**

A Committee of Notable Women Now at Work Endeavoring to Prove the Equality of the Sexes by an Interpretation of the Holy Book.

WOMAN'S BIBLE, translated by a distinguished American and English joint committee of women, is the most serious labor yet undertaken by the women's rights leaders. The first five books of the Old Testament—Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy—have already been carefully studied, and the position of woman in the Bible has been fixed with precision. Six years ago this work began. It has for some time past been suspected that a revision of certain portions of the scriptures would show that woman had not been fairly dealt with by Biblical students. The main question to be determined was whether there was any real basis in the Bible for the assertion that man was the master. The work of the new committee of women has, they claim, already progressed far enough to show that the scriptures do not proclaim the superiority of man. The members of the Revision committee find on every hand abundant evidence of the absolute equality of the sexes. The venerable leader of this committee is Mrs. Elizabeth Cady Stanton of New York, who is now 80 years of age. With Mrs. Stanton have been associated Miss Frances Willard and Lady Henry Somerset, the Rev. Olympia Hanaford, and Sarah A. Underwood, who was editor of the Open Court, and with her husband, editor of the Index. John Bright's sister, who has since died, was another famous woman who was to have assisted. Frances Ellen Burr, now of the Hartford Times, and Helen Gardner, were others. Mrs. Lord and I went through the Pentateuch, and next year while in London, assisted by my daughter, Mrs. Blatch, I continued with the same five books, in which are many of the most important mistranslated passages most frequently quoted to establish the inferiority of women. The other members of the committee, it must be confessed, did not carry on the work with much zest. There was some feeling that women were not ready then to bear the responsibility of the movement. I was president of the National Suffrage organization, and many women dreaded the effect of my leading such a work. Others urged that it was necessary to gain the support of religious denominations for the general emancipation of women, while any serious attacks based on the revision of the Bible would interfere with many avenues then opening to her where she might earn her living. During the fifty years since I went before the legislature of New York to urge the rights of woman I have seen that the greatest trouble was that women believed themselves cursed of God, that they are the origin of sin, and that maternity is a condition of slavery. If they could only be brought to see that instead of that they were represented in the godhead at the creation, that woman was created in the image of the motherhead, then they might regain their self-respect. This, it seemed to me, could only be accomplished by a revision of the Bible. And while the work proceeded only slowly the ultimate neces-



ELIZABETH CADY STANTON.

city of it never left me. When I read of the ferocious attack of the Baptist clergymen on woman during the convention in Atlanta it seemed to me to have time had come. Yes, I know well that men will say "And it has come to this at last! Not even the Bible is to be left free from woman's influence! The assumption of a revision committee alone is enough to be called presumption on our part. Yet at the time six years ago that we formed the original committee many newspapers treated the subject with respect and liberality, and some even stated that they could not see any reason why women should be debarrd from revising the Bible any more than men. I have never yet been able to see why. I may look much further ahead than other women do, but I believe firmly that before women can acquire equality with men, which is to be the next relative position of the sexes, the false translations of the Bible concerning women must be corrected. After the attack of the Baptist clergymen in Atlanta in January I decided it was time to move. If others cannot stand the possible controversy and stigma that may be the result of the woman's Bible I can. I am now 80 years old. My people live to the age of 85 or longer. I figure that in the natural course of events, I am out of all official connection with women's organizations. I want nothing. I have no sails to trim to catch the favor of men or women. I have no offices to aspire to. I am beyond all that now, and regard it as the culminating work of my life. I am not going to say things to shock people. I am only going to bring out what is on the surface.

Mrs. Stanton expects that at the briefest it will require two years for the completion and publication of the Woman's Bible. Although this appears a very short time, in comparison with the New Testament, it is easily explained by comparison of the amount of work to be done. There is no intention of tampering with anything which does not concern woman directly. It is not the women of the Bible but woman in the Bible. And in some cases men who married them have been brought in.

The modern 10 and 15 cent monthlies are said to be interfering their own fields and not to be interfering as yet, in spite of their enormous sales, with the prosperity of the older and more costly ones.

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