

NEWSPAPERS BY THE PEOPLE

CORPORATIONS STIMULATE ABILITY.

By George W. Perkins.

We have heard many warnings that because of the great corporation we have been robbing the oncoming generation of its opportunities. Nothing is more absurd.

But not all. When, for example, an apparition manifests in a costume unknown to the observer, and which the dead person nevertheless wears, hallucination or auto-suggestion cannot explain it.

NO REAL REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS.

By William M. Ivin.

Within the last few years we have seen grow up a condition distinctly peculiar to our country. Great corporations have been fit to pervert the law by securing legislation for their own ends, without thought of the interests of the community as a whole.

IN DEATH THE END OF LIFE!

By Camille Flammarion.

To be or not to be! Such is the great eternal question posed by the philosophers, the thinkers, the investigators of all times and of all beliefs.

WOMAN'S INTEREST EQUAL TO MAN'S.

By Julia Ward Howe.

The religion which makes me a moral agent equal with my father and brother gives me my right and title to the citizenship which I am here to assert.

ONLY A WORKING GIRL.

She's only a working girl, busy each day in gaining her portion of bread.

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Dean always half-laughed, half-groaned "Nothing doin'" whenever the question of matrimony, as applied to him personally, came up.

He declined to procure his friends when one by one they bowed their heads to the yoke, for he said that if a man in possession of a sane mind wanted to make an idiot of himself it was his own business, and he had a perfect right to do so.

He was always getting himself disliked for thoughtless promulgation of his theory among friends.

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Through it all Serena insisted on complimenting him on his well-known views against wife and home. She elaborated on the subject. She agreed with his remarks before he made them and if he did not make them she cleverly put them into his mouth and he spoke them hopelessly.

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KEEPING FACE.

Kate Greenaway, friend of children, is described in the Century Magazine by Mr. Locker-Lampson, whose acquaintance with her began in his infancy.

"Where is the person who has not some regard for a cast-off horse?" At one time a horsehoe was frequently nailed over the doors of houses to keep off witches.

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WASHINGTON'S FIRST DOCTOR.

In the Old Days healers "scared the Devil" out of Patients. "If the folks of the present day had to undergo some of the treatment that our forefathers of almost forgotten ages had to contend with when they were invalids, they wouldn't be so much growling about the medicines that were prescribed for them now."

Willow, for baskets to hold bread at meals; white and yellow willow baskets are used for corn meal; those of red willow are colanders for washing wheat and hominy, and those of mahogany are sieves for wheat and beans.

TRANSFORMATIONS IN DRESS.



Eugenie-like down to the waist, this case shows skirts of four periods. The Empress-like suzanne of to-day is labeled 1898, while the slightly larger size dates to 1860.

I know a man in this very town, a rather intelligent man at that, who keeps constantly in his pocket a horse chestnut to keep away rheumatism. That man never had the rheumatism in his life, but his best friend couldn't induce him to throw away the chestnut.

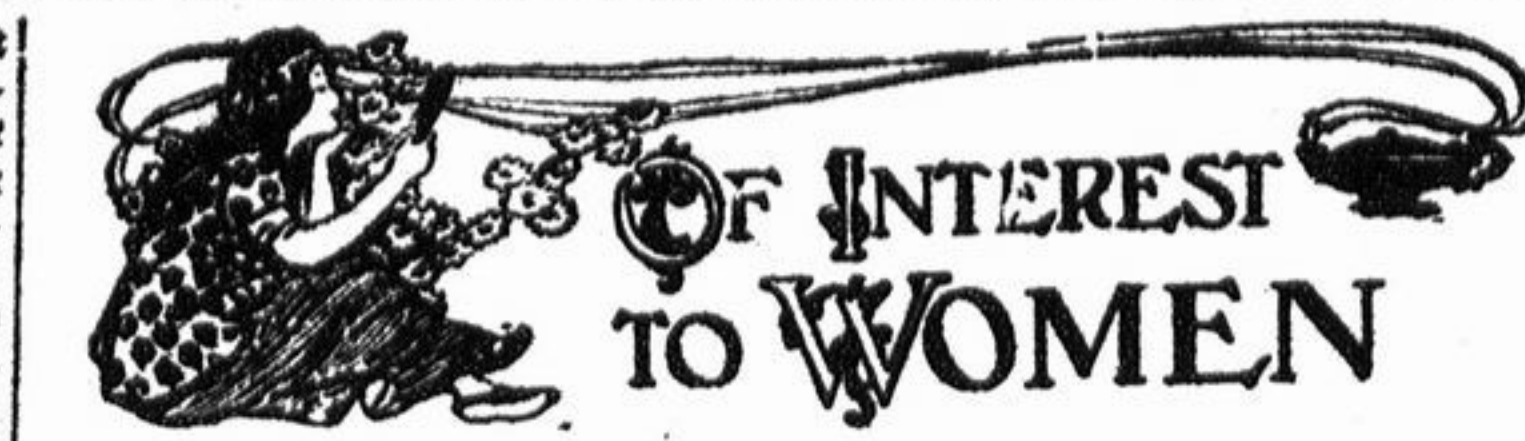
"I make more money in a day than Michael Angelo made in a month," said a popular illustrator. "I've been studying up the wages those old chaps got. It is amazing."

Rembrandt's top notch price was \$175. He got that for his 'Night Watch'.

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OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

THE QUESTION OF MANNERS.

The question has been much debated whether manners die or merely change. With Mr. Adolphus Van Tempest, who writes in the Nineteenth Century and After, there is no such question.

Mr. Tempest is sure that with the Frenchman who smiled and flicked their handkerchiefs and stepped with proud grace to the guillotine lies buried "the secret of manners in their most perfect form."

With the coming of the period of the swallowtail coat and high stock manners become moribund, thinks Mr. Tempest. But if it had not been so the first steam engine would have killed them.

Hurry and bridge have now killed the art of polite conversation. The typewriter has taken the grace from correspondence. Oratory has disappeared, classic turns of speech and the poetical spirit giving way to "good, sound, businesslike arguments."

As for to-day's conditions, the great majority of people in the majority of lands are minding their own affairs, duty is being pretty well done in many places, high and low.

SELF-RELIANCE MARKS THE GIRLS.

Let us be serious for a moment. A very great man once pronounced these singular yet deeply significant words: "A little child shall lead them."

PICTURES BY ROYALTY.

The women of the royal house of Saxony have made an arrangement with a publishing house in Dresden for the sale of a series of postcards on which pictures, painted by royal artists, will be reproduced.

CITY VISITORS.

In Cleveland, Ohio, three women have been invited to become a visiting committee for all city institutions, Mrs. Marie J. Howe, president of the Ohio Consumers' League; Miss Myrtle Jones and Dr. Minibel Snow.

FASHION NOTES.

A white mousseline de sole frock has pink and mauve roses at the hem of the wide skirt flounce.

Imagine a light-blue plique of that soft quality so much liked trimmed with white dotted with blue of the same shade.

In the new silks conventional patterns are the most prevalent, while flowers as yet are little seen.

Striped materials continue right on being fashionable, and they are universally becoming.

anything worth while without an effort equal to its value?

Many people seem to think that friendship is a one-sided affair. They enjoy their friends, enjoy having them come to see them, but they rarely think of putting themselves out to reciprocate, or take the trouble to keep up their friendships, while the fact is, reciprocation is the very essence of friendship.

MADE OF THIRTY THOUSAND STAMPS.

At a ball in Bermuda a wonderful dress was worn, in the making of which over thirty thousand stamps were used. Years were spent in collecting the stamps, and three weeks in the making of the dress, which was of the finest muslin.

On the back of the bodice was a collection of foreign stamps in the form of a shield, in the center of which was a portrait cut from old revenue stamps, says Home "that a picture hat covered with red and blue stamps was worn with this remarkable dress."

PROPER BREATHING.

If you want to be fully developed with an easy grace of motion that tells of the perfect control of every muscle, then take to rhythmic breathing. It will make a new woman of you.

A clever lady doctor advocates the correct, though she deprecates tight lacing, says "Woman's Life." She believes the support where it is needed, no constriction, good food, plenty of fresh air and a complete understanding of how to breathe properly would result in something very nearly approaching absolute physical perfection.

GIVE-AND-TAKE OF FRIENDSHIP.

Only he has friends worth while who is willing to pay the price for making and keeping them. He may not have quite as large a fortune as if he gave all of his time to money making.

"If you are in a position where you can do good, then your duty is to do it, says the Philadelphia Press.

"Charity begins at home," remarked Titewad to the beggar. "That so?" replied the mendicant. "When you ask me up to your house for dinner, then?"—Philadelphia Ledger.

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