

MEN AND WOMEN.

There is one reform at the White House that Mrs. Harrison, it is said, is determined to effect—the exclusion of décolleté toilets.

Mrs. Margaret Daland, author of "John Ward, Preacher," lives in Boston. She is, however, a native of Pennsylvania.

The most illustrious victim of the massacre of St. Bartholemew is soon to have a grand monument near the Louvre.

"The Duchess" is a Mrs. Hungerford, who lives in one of the most beautiful homes in all Ireland.

Isaiah V. Williamson, who has given one-sixth of his fortune of \$15,000,000 to establish the Free School of Mechanical Trades, and intends to double his gift if the money shall be needed.

In personal appearance Mr. Williamson is rather a small man, weighing about 139 pounds.

Spies.

Is the service of a spy in war honourable? It certainly cannot be set down as always dishonourable, since some men who have performed it have been regarded as in the highest degree worthy of honor.

Hale was a brave young officer, and had distinguished himself by dashing and brilliant service. Probably he had no liking for the work of a spy; but it was enough for him that his commander desired a brave and prudent man for the service.

Hale crossed to the mainland in safety, obtained full knowledge of the situation, and set out to return to Washington's camp. He was discovered by the enemy, and hanged in New York by the order of Sir William Howe without trial.

Vattel, the author of the "Law of Nations," says that "a man of honor, who would not expose himself to die by the hand of the common executioner, ever declines serving as a spy; he considers it beneath him, as it seldom can be done without some kind of treachery."

Following this idea, the French have always had a certain repugnance to spies, even their own. The story is told that, at the time of Napoleon I., a French spy was charged with making a plan of the fortifications of Mayence.

When he arrived at that city, he found the German garrison expecting the arrival of an English general. The spy was able to speak the English language perfectly well, and it occurred to him that it would be an excellent plan for him to impersonate this English general.

He carried out his plan so skillfully that no one suspected that he was not a genuine English officer; and as the English were in alliance with the Germans, he was taken through all the fortifications, and given every item of information that he wanted.

When he had seen and taken note of everything, he disappeared, and returned to Napoleon's headquarters. His information proved of great service to his country, and it was proposed to the Emperor to decorate the man with the cross of the Legion of Honor.

"No, indeed," said Napoleon. "I did not establish the Legion of Honor to reward services of that kind."

But he gave the spy five thousand dollars in money. In opposition to the doctrine laid down by Vattel and Napoleon, it may be urged that the very possibility of dishonorable death, and the knowledge that a spy's service may be regarded as "beneath a man of honor," may render the voluntary performance of this duty more an act of bravery than the most daring service on the battlefield.

The soldier has the rush and excitement of battle to spur him on to brave deeds; the spy has before him the possibility of an ignominious death. He must meet peril alone, and in cold blood. The soldier's brave service may be the result of a sort of physical courage, while that of the spy must be the result of moral courage.

As America has honored a spy in the person of Nathan Hale, it is distinguished as the first nation to institute a full trial by court-martial of the spies of an enemy. Previous to this, it had been customary to send spies to the gallows, as Nathan Hale was sent merely upon the order of a commander-in-chief.

AGRICULTURAL NOTES.

A generous supply of good pure water is an absolute necessity in profitable dairying. Better to have surplus of hay than not enough. You cannot foretell how severe the winter may be.

When the horse whips at some object, or stumbles, do not whip him. Help him to stand, and show him the folly of his fear. Burnt corn is a most excellent thing to feed to poultry, and is far superior to wood charcoal, which, however, has wonderful effect in promoting the health of the fowls.

"Drainage," says a communication in the American Cultivator, "marks the lines between swamp and grain field, between swale and grassy meadows, between mosquito plantations and pleasant orchards and groves, between unprofitable and profitable agriculture."

The duck should have a dry floor in winter. Some persons are under the supposition that water is just what the duck requires, and that dampness is no injury, but the fact is when it is compelled to remain during the night on damp ground, it becomes chilled and gets out of condition.

More diseases among fowls than many imagine are directly due to the presence of lice, which, by sapping the vitality of the fowl, and by causing irritation and uneasiness, render the system easily susceptible to the germs of disease. Good health is the best preventive of disease, and good health is largely dependent upon freedom from vermin.

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