



Courierettes.

JUDGE MIDDLETON states that lawyers and bankers are human in impulse. We agree. In fact they are much too human at times.

The German Kaiser banned the tango because the Crown Prince danced it, says a cable. Probably because of the way the Prince danced it.

T. P. O'Connor says Home Rule will not cause bloodshed. It has been responsible for the spilling of tons of ink, however.

The paradoxical Toronto "News" informs us that the houses of our pioneers were "war and comfortable."

King George and Princess Mary are now learning to play tennis. If the suffragettes get on the courts it will be no "love" game.

Oscar Wilde's play, "An Ideal Husband," is to be produced. Can an actor be found to do justice to the title role? How about De Wolf Hopper, or Nat Goodwin, each married five times?

Often the chap who sets up the drinks is finally upset by them.

New York City recently had a "Baby week." Gotham is always keen for something it isn't used to.

The Erie Railway sues a man for damages who was bumped by one of its engines, on the ground that he injured the engine. Nothing like getting there first.

When women suffragists go to Washington the Vice-President receives them. At last has been found a use for Vice-Presidents.

We can never get away from the idea that Carranza is a poor soldier so long as he wears those whiskers and spectacles.

Sometimes a man rises and gives his seat to a lady in a street car because she is standing on his feet.

Roosevelt has been ordered by his doctors to take a rest. That will give Uncle Sam a chance to quiet his nerves a bit.

Irish Heart, a sixty to one shot, beat Hearts of Oak at Hamilton races recently, and some bookmakers' hearts went pit-a-pat about that time, we bet.

Here's a Mystery. — A Texas man lost a leg in a railway accident and got \$18,000 damages. He put it for safe keeping in the wooden leg he got. The other day he died and only \$8,000 was found in his wooden leg. The question is—who pulled his leg for \$10,000?

The Wiser Course. — A young man whom we know asks if it is possible for him to be in love with two girls at the same time. It is possible, but most unwise—also expensive.

One Benefit.—A German aviator has remained for 18 hours in the air in his machine. With a little development aviation might be a good stunt when one wishes to avoid one's creditors.

In Defence of Dressmakers.— We hear a lot of abuse of dressmakers these days. Not all of it is merited. They are doing their best to make

it clear that fashions, unlike history, do not repeat themselves, but it must be admitted that they give good quality, even if they stint the quantity a bit.

Guess It Is.—Scientist over in Germany tells us that ere long we will all be living in glass houses. This seems worth looking into.

Talking for Posterity.—"Is that a quotation?" inquired the skeptic of the chap who was somewhat given to conversation.

"No," said the interrupted talker, "that is to say, it's not a quotation—yet!"

Defined.—When you come to think of it, the beastliest weather we have comes in the dog days, doesn't it?

Verdict "Accidental." — "Quite a street car accident this evening." "Is that so? What happened?" "I had a seat all the way home."

Femininity Note.—They tell us that women are making great progress these days, taking great strides for-



ISN'T IT ODD?

There's no getting away from it—woman is the most wonderful thing in the world.

She wears her hair over her ears—and yet she can hear.

She wears a veil and tilts her hat down over her eyes—and yet she can see.

She wears dresses so tight that she can hardly walk—and yet she toddles along, dodging motor cars, horses, street cars and motor cycles.

We men have to take off our hats to woman.

ward, but after a glance at their skirts, we're skeptical.

Paradoxical.—Odd as it may seem, sometimes a distant relative is terribly close.

Motto For Men.—You never can tell about a woman—and if you could it wouldn't be gentlemanly.

Watch it.—The thread trust in the United States has been held to be a combination in restraint of trade. It

will be fought out in the courts. Watch the lawyers make a fine tangle of it.

Just Like a Woman.—It is a peculiar thing, but nevertheless true, that the average girl will take a car rather than walk five blocks, and then will go to a dance and tango twelve miles.

Solved at Last.—"Jones, old boy, I've got a good cook now."

"Where did you get her?"

"She's a college graduate."

"High salaried, then?"

"No, works for her board and clothes."

"Lucky dog. Who is she?"

"My wife."

John Did His Duty.—One of the best known men in Toronto is the ticket taker at the door of a theatre. His name is John Nolan. He is a quiet, unassuming, but most determined Irishman, and the "deadheaders" have no use for him. John has been taking tickets at the Princess and other theatres for many years, and has many amusing tales to tell (if you can persuade him to tell them) of queer people and queer ways they try to get past him.

One of the notable incidents in John Nolan's career, however, concerns his ejection of a certain small but important man who tried to pass into the theatre without a ticket.

It was at the time that Maude Adams was playing "Peter Pan" at the Princess. The play had been in progress for half an hour or so when a soldier came along and tried to enter. He thought the uniform of the King's army was sufficient to pass him, but John disagreed with him, venturing the suggestion that the theatre was a commercial as well as an artistic institution. The warrior had had a drink or two and was disposed to argue the point, but Nolan saw that he had to use force, and he did so, quite effectively.

Just as he had sent the soldier skidding down the lobby, a little man came along and calmly proceeded to pass the ticket taker, who had returned to his post.

"No, you don't," said John, "you have to part with a little coin first."

"Oh, I don't think so," replied the stranger. "I guess I have a right to enter this theatre."

"A bit of pasteboard will prove that right," retorted Nolan, and very effectively he blocked the passage. "You see what happened that other chap. You had better be careful."

The little man had just a suspicion of a smile around the corners of his mouth. "Well, then, may I see the manager of the theatre?" he queried.

"Yes, sir," said John, and an usher was sent for Mr. O. B. Sheppard.

"Why, bless me if it isn't Charles Frohman," exclaimed Mr. Sheppard, and John Nolan's ruddy face turned even ruddier as he realized that he had barred out the man who owned the show and who had made Maude Adams the leading star in America.

"He's a good man on the door, Sheppard," said the theatrical magnate, and turning to Nolan he said, "If you ever want a good job come down to New York. I can use you."

The Usual Thing.—"How did you know she was unmarried?"

"Didn't you hear her long talk on how to bring up children?"

About Matrimony.—According to some noted authorities, matrimony is a game. Divorced persons play it as a sort of progressive game. Get it?

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