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The Woman's Page

ARE MEN SMARTER
THAN THE WOMENNo Longer Is This Question
a Matter of Mere Per-
sonal OpinionThanks to Psychologists, woman has
been relieved from a most embarrassing
not to say vexatious, position amid so-
ciety as a whole. By her persistent
efforts, with usual feminine tenacity for
a job undertaken, woman has been con-
ceded an equal privilege with mere man
in directing the affairs of state—that is
some provinces and nationally under
certain conditions. The great impeach-
ment that has been made against wom-
an in arguments depriving her of equal
status with men, has been that she was
not mentally constituted to handle such
things.And just at this time along comes the
psychologist—the man who deals with
mankind's thinking apparatus—and by
actual standardized tests applied equal-
ly to both men and women, has proven
beyond a shadow of a doubt that the
male human being is not one whit more
intelligent than the female. For the
past three years human brain power has
been measured with surprising accuracy.
The ability of boys and girls in the Ed-
monton public schools is determined in
some centers. Experience there also
proves beyond a doubt that the boy's
ability averages no higher than the
girls. Well, that is something, anyway,
that is worth while knowing.HASTEN THE DAY
SAY THE GIRLSA Real Place to Live With
Modern Conveniences and
Price Within ReachThe working girl of the city dependent
upon herself for her livelihood, is in-
terested in the movement slowly but
steadily growing looking toward the
erection of an adequate Y.W.C.A. in Ed-
monton. A good home where it is kept
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ronments desirable; a place of abode ad-
jacent to the business district; a nice
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ative facilities; all these things at a
price the ordinary girl can afford to pay.
That is what is demanded. As women's
wages do not show any tendency to
overtake the ever increasing demand
upon them, something has to be done to
meet the situation.ONE THING ALWAYS
CALLS FOR ANOTHERThe narrow skirts of the spring make
new corset designs imperative, so the
newest corsets show a lengthening of
the corset skirt to conform to the slender
silhouette. One corset shown has a
straight line from waist to hip and the
long unbound skirt reaches almost to
the top of the hose. Above the waist
at the front is an elastic inset an inch
and a half wide.

FASHION HINTS

More and more dresses seen on Fifth
Avenue, New York, are of the extreme-
ly long, narrow type lately introduced.Ribbon is favored as a decoration in
spring styles and the novelties offered
are varied and show a tendency toward
fancy weaves.Dekkan Grotto visited Erskine Pres-
byterian Church in a body on Sunday
evening, April 13, when Prophet W. K.
Thompson preached a sermon devoted
particularly to the spiritual needs of the
Prophets assembled.GET SUNSHINE
AND FRESH AIR
IN THE GARDENChange of Activity Being a
Rest, Why Not Rest
Profitably?Following up the idea that woman
has a right to choose her own vocation
we might ask "How many women have
chosen gardening as a vocation this
summer?" These nice warm days make
one feel like getting out and digging in
the earth and expending some of the
surplus energy one feels she must get
rid of. The other day some girls were
talking about what they would like to
do that afternoon instead of going back
to work behind the counter. One said
"I'd just love to take a good book and
go down on the golf links and sit right
out in the sun all afternoon. It's great
to be out a day like this." Everyone
knows how she felt. It seemed hard to
have to go to work indoors when all
nature was calling her to come out and
enjoy the bright sunshine and pure air.
How many women with the privilege
of getting out that way take advantage
of it? There are very few. If they
have spare time in the afternoon it is
usually spent in dressing up and going
down town.How about the garden? There is
something fascinating about preparing
and planting a garden. Some think it
is work too hard for a woman to do.
Of course the ground must be prepared
and put in shape with the plow and
harrow before she can find any pleasure
in the work. But after that process is
over, the garden is ready for the
woman's hands. Some have the idea
that the whole garden must be put in
one day, and they are immediately dis-
couraged with the magnitude of the job.
Such is not the case, as you well know
if you stop to think. Supposing you
put out so much each day, say what you
can do in an hour or two. A change of
work is a rest, a recreation. Besides
being a change, gardening has the ad-
vantages of fresh air and sunshine.Any woman that has done gardening
knows the pleasure and satisfaction
gained, not only from being out of
doors, but from the consciousness that
something worth while is being accom-
plished through her efforts.Gardening is "worth while." Arguing
from that point, all like nice, fresh
vegetables, don't we? Perhaps some
may say "Yes, but let the rest raise
them." We have more satisfaction
when we know our fresh vegetables
come from our own garden and are
raised by our own hands. We do not
have to depend on someone else for
them.A small plot in the back yard will fur-
nish a wonderful lot of garden stuff if
properly tended. The ease with which
vegetables can be grown, and the im-
portant place such produce occupies in
the economy of the home makes the
garden a problem which should not be
allowed to remain unsettled one day
longer than necessary. If you don't
know how to put out a garden, the De-
partment of Agriculture of Alberta
issues each spring a booklet on garden-
ing from which any information in gen-
eral may be obtained.DO WOMEN MAKE
GOOD UNIONISTSEmployment as Temporary
Expendency Causes an
Apathy With SomeWith some seven thousand civil ser-
vants at Ottawa organized, with about
five hundred civil servants in the Pro-
vincial government employ organized,
with school teachers in the province or-
ganized to the tune of about one thou-
sand to fifteen hundred—and the ranks
of all these workers being composed in
large percentage of women—the woman
unionist is attracting attention of Can-
adian Organized Labor today. Will the
women make as good unionists as their
brothers? Will they prove safe, sound
and sane, or be prone to fall for Bol-
sheviki and other extreme and imprac-
tical idealisms?Women workers have been organized
in many vocations. And experience
probably proves that they are about as
successful as their brothers while they
are at it. Retail clerks, with big per-
centage women membership, have pro-
ven strong and successful in many places.
The time is coming when those callings
employing women largely will be more
strongly organized and better working
conditions will prevail.The great difficulty confronted in or-
ganizing and instilling union enthu-
siasm in the ranks of women workers, is
the fact that the workers consider their
employment as temporary. They expect
to get married hence do not have the
keen interest in better pay envelope
than would be the case if they were
faced with the certainty of spinster-
hood and the necessity of earning a liv-
ing. If all girls and women employed
would consider the welfare of those who
have to work for a meal ticket, who
have no parents or relatives to give ma-
terial aid to their material require-
ments, they would give more heed to
unionism to the great advantage of
everybody concerned.POPULAR FABRICS
FOR STREET WEARFor the simple, straight line dresses
for street wear this spring, wool jersey
cloth is as popular as when first intro-
duced several seasons ago; serge is an
all-year favorite; soft, light weight
velours are also very much used in
spring dresses of the tailored type, and
there are a number of twilled materials
that are much like serge, but are usually
more expensive, that are highly ap-
proved.In silks, the knitted fabric of silk or
mercerized thread, used more than a
year ago is a favored one, as are taff-
tas and silk poplins. Satins are ex-
tremely popular as well as faille silk
and some moire effects.For wraps, the cape is favored. Many
of the best models have no fastenings
of any kind but are merely wrapped
gracefully about the figure. Bright col-
ored linings in dark silk or wool fabric
wraps are generally favored. Embroid-
ery is practically all the trimming used
on the majority of silk fabric wraps,
while handsome, heavy wool fringe ap-
pears on the wool fabric models.

RAJAH SILK FAVORED

Rough finished, heavyweight Rajah
silk is in high favor this spring for
suits and frocks. A smart semi-formal
suit may be made of this material, with
a loose jacket of plain tan Rajah silk,
silk mouton and button-hole with
silk soutache braid and ball buttons.
The skirt is a clever conceit of stripes
and panels of the plain silk combined
with a close printed silk crepe in Chin-
ese blue and green. There is a vestee
of the same printed crepe and the coat is
lined with it.The Red Chevrón Association are
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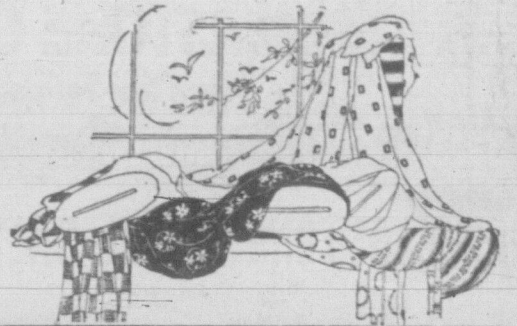
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