

## Even She Had Corns

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## LONDON GOSSIP.

LONDON, July 30th, 1917. AUGUST 4, 1917.

Saturday, August 4th, the third anniversary of Britain's entrance into the war, is to be celebrated by a speech from the Prime Minister and the inauguration of a National War Aims Committee. The presidents of the new War Aims Committee are the Prime Minister, Mr. Asquith, Bonar Law and G. N. Barnes—that is, the two Liberal leaders, the Unionist leader, and the Labor leader. The object of the committee is to keep before the nation both the causes of the war and the necessity for continuing it "until the evil forces which originated it are destroyed for ever." The Prime Minister's speech inaugurating the committee and the first meeting of the committee will be at the Queen's Hall, London. Lord Crewe will preside. The address of the committee is 12, Devening Street, the Government "Whips' office, which street also contains the official residence of the Prime Minister in London.

### THE END OF THE SEASON.

There seems to be some doubt as to the finale of this war-time season. Did it close last week with the brilliant series of Society weddings, or will there be sporadic gaudies until the rising of Parliament? No one seems to know. Anyhow, there will probably be a chance for many of the ladies in the circle intine of our handworking King and Queen to do justice to new summer toilettes worthy of Ascot. I believe that there will be some very special gaudies during the visit of their Majesties to Aldershot, and possibly some Royal entertainments on a war-time basis at Windsor when the Court moves there. With a twenty-year-old Princess and girl cousins of about the same age some gaudies seem due even in war time. In the natural order of things Princess Mary would have been having the time of her life during these past two years, when her chief occupation has been visiting hospitals with her parents. Mean-

while, there are few Society fixtures for the closing week of July, when in a peace-time season hostesses would be vying with each other for final dates for dances and evening parties before the rush to Goodwood and Cowes.

### POPULARISING DOMESTIC SERVICE.

For many years prior to the war domestic service had been on the down grade of popularity among the class of women who formerly looked to it as their means of livelihood. In fact, so bad had the situation become in London that it threatened, to bring about something like a social revolution by the breaking up home life among the better-to-do classes. Naturally the special conditions which the war has brought with it have not made the problem any easier of solution. Indeed, by the huge demands which it has made upon women's labor for all kinds of work it has rather aggravated it than otherwise. Now that so many openings hitherto closed to female labor have been opened in the stress of a national crisis, mistresses may well wonder whether they will ever have the same choice for household work as they once had. Apart from the question of wages there is the important matter of conditions; and most important judges are agreed that if more women are to be induced to make domestic service their life work, what Mrs. C. S. Peel, of the Ministry of Food, described as "the social unfashionableness of lack of freedom and the long hours" of the domestic servant will require to be modified if not got rid of altogether. Mrs. Peel seems to think that the hope of the future is the setting up of training colleges where girls of good education and upbringing could be properly trained to take up the work of household economy. These trained workers, she thinks, would be popular with employers, who would be glad to give good wages and conditions to a girl who would not break their property, spoil their food, or

run up their housekeeping bills. But Mrs. Peel recognises that the training must not be all on one side. Mistresses as well as servants must be taught to regard the work of the house as much more serious and scientific a pursuit than has been the rule in the past.

### WHISTLING AT WESTMINSTER.

A habit has begun to be indulged in by one or two members who sit below the gangway on the Ministerial side of the House of Commons which threatens, if unchecked by the Speaker, to become a nuisance to the Chamber. Some weeks ago, when the Chancellor of the Exchequer announced a heavy and an altogether unanticipated increase in the daily cost of the war, a low whistle was emitted, which startled the House by its shrill novelty, but was forgiven in the belief that it was an uncontrollable display of shocked surprise. The success of the effort seems to have inspired its originator, or some imitators, to try the effect of repetition, and one day last week this was done twice in the course of a Ministerial reply to a question. The lack of decorum thus displayed, and the certainty that if the habit be permitted to grow it will spread like an unpleasant weed, should suffice to have it nipped in the bud. It has been bad enough to have "Speak up!" roughly ejaculated at frequent intervals, and occasionally almost before the Minister has begun his reply, but if whistling is to follow cat-calls may next be expected. The House already suffers in the estimation of the constituents who visit it from the easy-going methods of a few, and on all grounds it will be well if these go no farther.

### SUBMERSIBLES FOR SALVAGE WORK.

Experiments are being carried out, I hear, on a fairly large scale in connection with the design of submersibles for dealing with ships sunk in depths hitherto regarded as beyond the limits of salvage. Apart from this development, the possibilities of which are believed to be immense, it is fully expected that a large amount of tonnage will be raised by ordinary methods after the war, and companies are being formed on both sides of the Atlantic with that purpose, while the British Admiralty of late has been giving special attention to the equipment necessary for the work. Many vessels have been refloated already, and in the case of one mail steamship company three out of six vessels torpedoed are again in service. In different parts of the world, several steamers abandoned by the underwriters as a total loss have been recently brought to the surface as the result of salvage enterprise, and in view of the high prices ruling for almost every description of tonnage substantial profits have been realised.

### ROMANCE OF THE GIBSON GIRL.

The career of Camille Clifford, the actress, who is to marry a second time, is one of the romances of the stage. She was a prospect, nearness before her late husband, Lord Aberdeen's eldest son and heir, Captain Lyndhurst Bruce, was killed at Ypres. Unfortunately they lost their baby girl, and Mrs. Bruce was left with no children to console her in her bereavement. Now she is engaged to an Army officer, who has been twice wounded, Captain Evans, of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers. Many people think she is an American because of the name she created as "The Pearl and the Rose of the Gibson Girl," but on her father's side she is half Irish and half Dane, while her mother was a Norwegian. As Camille Otterson (her maiden name) she travelled steerage to America in the nineties to seek her fortune. She could not speak a word of English, and for a time she was a mad maid in a Boston family. Then she got her chance in the back row of the chorus at the New York Casino. In 1904 she came to London and made a hit, and Seymour Hicks, with his keen eye for talent, engaged her to lead a chorus of Gibson girls in "The Catch of the Season."

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### AIR RAIDS.

LONDON, Aug. 17. The Admiralty announces the successful carrying out yesterday of a series of raids by aviators of the Royal Naval Air Service, of the dropping of many tons of bombs on military objectives in Belgium. The Ostend railway station and sidings and the railway junction were attacked. The airdrome at Ghistel was bombed and several fires observed. Attacks from the air were also made on airdromes at Engel and Utekerke. All machines returned safely.



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#### THE BANANA.

The banana is a slippery article of food which is picked in a green state and very often eaten while in the same condition. It is manufactured in Central America and shipped north with its clothes on, after which it is laid away for several months and allowed to fade in spots and contract a number of facial blemishes. It is astonishing to note the change that comes over a bright green banana after it has been north for a couple of years without running foul of glutinous, adjustable teeth of the vegetarian.

The banana is grown for profit and also for the benign purpose of choking the appetite down to a slow walk. Three or four long, freckled bananas eaten just before supper will cause the most rugged appetite to lie down on its back and gasp for breath. This is one reason why astute boarding house landladies always keep bananas on the dining table and urge their use as a cure for sick headache, the grip and inflammatory rheumatism.

The banana is provided by nature with a stout overcoat, which has to be peeled off and thrown to the sidewalk, where it can reach out and trip up some innocent party who fails to see it coming. If Congress were not so busy trying to keep all four feet in the trough, it would pass a law making it a capital offence to grow, keep, transport or offer for sale any banana that was not equipped with a non-skid casing. Almost every day we read of some estimable citizen with a ninety-six inch waist measurement

who steps blithely upon the crouching form of the banana peel and then comes down with concussion of the think separator. In view of these facts, we will give a year's subscription to this paper to any reader who will tell us why Congress is allowed to live, move and have its being. Bananas come in mammoth bunches.



Four freckled bananas eaten just before supper will cause the most rugged appetite to lie down and gasp for breath. The simpler the coat the more attention is given to collar and cuffs. It is extremely likely that dresses will be conservatively cut this fall. Small children have conventional animals embroidered on their frocks. Black velvet ribbon is used as belts for little girls' summer frocks. Checked velvet ribbon is used as belts for little girls' summer frocks. Checked collar, belt and cuffs make the child's serge frock interesting. Chiffon chemise jumpers are used for evening wear with charming effect. There is much heavy, raised em-

### The Gas Rangel

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### Fashions and Fads.

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brodery on Georgette crepe blouses. The straight-line bodice, hanging free from shoulder to hip, is very graceful. High, unlined soft collars are coming into prominence for cool weather wear. Long necklaces in black and white or amber and white are a vivid touch for a costume. Novelty plaids and striped taffetas, combined with cloth, make very effective afternoon dresses. If the child's hair is straight, do not curl it artificially. Kiddies are wearing straight hair just now. Many of the dresses of soft material have a line of small buttons down one side from waist to hem. The white summer frock will be like new if trimmed with black velvet and turquoise ribbon used alternately. Very cunning little sleeveless over-blouses of contrasting color are worn, with white skirts, by little girls. A charming effect is gotten by using polka-dotted material for the collar and cuffs of a dress of solid color. Blue satin veiled with mousseline de sole and embroidered in green, gold and red makes a distinguished frock. A drooping hat of white straw is bewitching if wreathed with roses and soft yellow flowers around the crown. Girdles are fastened in a careless manner, with loops, long ends knotted every now and then, and finished with rosebuds at the end.

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