

from the vanity and petulance which sometimes mar the judicial character, and withal, the unaffected modesty of his nature, render it impossible for his successes to excite the lower forms of envy or to evoke other feelings than the belief that he thoroughly deserves his good fortune and the hope that he may long be spared to perform the important duties he is so admirably qualified to discharge.—*R. D. McGibbon, Q. C.*, in "*The Green Bag*," *October*.

A SUCCESSFUL FEMALE LAWYER—MRS. CLARA FOLTZ.

The *New York Times Illustrated Magazine*, speaking of Mrs. Foltz and her work, says:—

On an upper floor of a large building, overlooking busy and crowded Nassau street, New York, is the office of Mrs. Clara Foltz, one of the most prominent women lawyers in this country. On the walls hang certificates showing her right to practice in all the courts in California, the United States Supreme Court, and the courts of the State of New York.

After sixteen years of successful practice as a lawyer in California, Mrs. Foltz came to New York, and a little over a year ago was admitted to the New York bar, Gen. Benjamin F. Tracy, ex-Secretary of the Navy, acting as her sponsor. Since coming here she has been engaged in a number of leading cases, and has been uniformly successful. Her preference is for criminal cases, and she derives a handsome income from her practice, while many other women lawyers have a hard struggle to support themselves.

In fact, she could retire from business if she chose, but her ambition spurs her on to accomplish certain ends that she has in view. She wishes to build and endow a law college for women in her native State of California, and it is whispered would not be averse to a position on the judge's bench. Such lofty ambitions as these require many years before they can be fulfilled.

The career of Clara Foltz is a lesson for every woman. She was married when she was only fifteen years old, and was left a widow while she was still young, with five children to support. She bravely declined offers of aid from her relatives and declared her intention to study law. This, however, was easier said than done at that time in California. The new Constitution of the