#### ABOUT WOMEN. AND

# WOMEN AND LIFE INSURANCE.

"Women seem to have a rooted dislike to insuring their lives." This was the assertion of one of a new firm of women "insurance brokers," to a Philadelphia Times writer, who have estabished themselves in the hope of educat. ing the sex to the demands of modern civilization in this respect. Incidentally the brokers are earning a few dollars in the business. The new woman has been steadily pushing herself into many of the avenues to riches and fame hitherto the avenues to men, but the two keen eyed but modest widows who have hitherto taken to themselves the title of "insurance brokers" are the first to venture on such a rocky road to preferment.

They represent several large insurance companies, fire and life, and they will buy or sell real estate, ortrade a second-hand bicycle for a fast horse, or buy you a silver mine in Colorado or a gold mine in Cripple Creek, or negotiate any kind of "paper," or, in fact, do anything that a live man of business finds to his advantage.

Why will not women insure ?"

"If it is a married woman she will Why should I pay money for another woman to enjoy after I am gone? You see, they are always thinking of that terrible other woman that is to occupy their place when they have shuffled off this mortal coil. It is strange that married women always take it for granted that their husbands will marry again if they ever become widowers. This thought in itself is bad enough, but the idea of No. 2 having the money laid in the best society," she said in an interup by No. 1 is worse. So we have to educate the women up to insurance, and it is anything but an easy task."

But all women are not married. Why should not single women get in-sured?"

There, again, the single women has plenty of reason for refusing to insure, and most of them valid. She says that she cannot afford to, for one thing ; then she will ask why she should insure her life and pay out money annually, when she has no children to enjoy the money she may leave. She will say that there is absolutely no inducement for her to go into such a speculation. Even when we point out the advantages of an endowment policy, which will give her the money at the end of twenty or twentyfive years, she cannot see it. She feels that she would rather have \$10 in her pocket to-day than wait twenty five years for \$10,000. I am a woman and I know

my sex." "But do not some women insure their lives.'

"Yes; but they go to men to do it. I suppose there must be about \$2,000,000 invested by the rich women in this city in insurance policies. Your rich woman knows the value of insurance, and she received with great delight, no doubt, does not hesitate to take any means to by the energetic advocates of dress redoes not hesitate to take any means to add to her wealth, even if she must die form, and the fact that Parisian dress to do it. We are trying to educate women to insure with women, and we hope to succeed, but we have to hustle. One of us stays in the office, and the other goes out to look up business, and we are never idle. We represent a number of cure for red noses and contracted chests. excellent companies, of world-wide reputation, but we are hampered by our sex. The new woman has it not all her own way yet--at least not in the insurance dusiness."

## THE BABY'S CRY.

disorders, while those who do not begin till later there are only 100 per 1000 among those who have never worked it ; the violin is also proved to be equally injurious. The remedy suggested is that children should not be permitted to study either instrument before the age of 16, at least, or in case of delicate constitutions, not till a still later age.

#### THE JULY BABIES.

The man born in July is hold, and of strong mind. He will be eloquent, and if he studies music or literature will make himself a great name. Hasty, proud, abusive, miserly; these will be his defects. He will have a fair number of friends, and will betray them, but his many transactions will enable him to form new acquaintances. He well live to be ninety-four.

The woman born in July will be very beautiful, courageous and virtuous. She will be pleasant in her manner of speaking, and will frequently resort to fibbing. She will be irritable, loved, and sought after. She will also be rich and amiable. She will go to various countries, where she will be adored by the young men. Her husband will be young but unfaithful. She will live to be seventy-seven. These are the true and credible fortunes of July babies.

ABOUT PERSONS AND THINGS.

Constantly the statement is made that New York society women "make up" their faces for dinners and balls as carefully as actresses do. Mrs. John Sherwood's remark on this point is interesting. "I know of but two women moving view once. "who use rouge. Cosmetics are abhorred by those who observe form. and are detested in every shape. The object of those who aspire to wield power among the upper ten thousand is to accentuate the difference between themselves and the questionables just as far as possible, and the truly highbred woman would sooner look positively ugly than have any doubts raised as to the genuiness of her skin, lip tints, or sheen of hair.

A missionary at Uganda, referring to the women recently sent out to that post by the Church Missionary Society, says: Their arrival caused great joy to the natives, especially to the women, and no small amount of comment. The waists of the English ladies attracted great attention. The natives instantly gave the ladies the name of 'slendermiddled.' The king asked various cool questions-how old they were, etc. and they told him. He then said, on noticing their ample sleeves, that they must put all their food up their sleeves, as it evidently did not go inside."

The report that the Grecian waist measure is coming into fashion will be makers are going to adopt the generous waist proportions of the Venus of Milo and Diana as the correct standard of size certainly gives an encouraging prospect for their cause as well as a promised

If a half ounce of orris root is broken into small pieces and placed into a bottle with two ounces of alcohol, and a few drops then be placed on a handkerchief, it will give the odor of the fresh violet. The mixture should be tightly corked and allowed to stand several days, eing shaken before using.



they may have the afternoons and evenings off every alternate week. It is believed that the expenses of the household would not be increased by adopting this step, as domestic service under this new condition of affairs would be rendered so attractive that servants would be obtainable at half the present wages. and sweating in factories would be largely diminished by reducing the number of applicants.

# THE LATE M. JULES SIMON.

[Catholic Times.]

Very few, even among the most san guine Catholics, had the courage to believe it possible that when M. Jules Simon departed this life his body would be carried into a Paris church, and the Bishops, Cabinet Ministers, ambassadors, and representatives of public bodies, together with many other persons of note, would be gathered together there around [ a towering catafalque ablaze with tapers and there is no reason for doubting but while Mass was being said for the repose that it will prove very abundant. The of his soul. M. Jules Simon had stood for so many years outside the pale of Christianity, and appeared so firmly fixed in his "philosophy," that according to human reasoning it seemed almost certain that he would die consistently with the ideas and opinions which he had professed during the greater part of his life. The dread of what the world might say about consistency has probably been [ two. For the present the gentlemen the most formidable obstacle of all to the final conversion of those sceptics who have become famous together with their acepticism.

A man who has lived as Jules Simon did, in the full of light of publicity, cannot die privately-the public may be said to be present at his last moments. He feels that the stare of the world is fixed upon him, and that its cars are open to all his words. All that is human in him urges him to die so that those who have admired him hitherto may continue to admire him after he is gove. To break away at last from the reasoning which has been intimately associated with his life and work seems a terrible wrench. Moreover, if he does this, he is well aware that it will be said that his intellect failed as he grew weaker in body, and the pride of mind revolts at such a supposition. And yet those who noted for the last ten years or more the increasingly Christian and Catholic tone of Jules Simon's writings ought not, perhaps, to have felt such surprise when they heard that he had asked for the last Sacraments, and had returned to the faith in which he was educated. At no time was he an atheist or an adversary of religion. He believed in a personal God to Whom all men are responsible, and in the immortality of the soul. But early in life he fell under the infl ence of St. Simonionism, which regards all religious doctrines and dogmas. however useful they may be for the purpose of discipline, as human inventions Nevertheless, the strong spirituality of the man became more evident as he grew older, and of late years, while dis Wr. Wellman laso asserts that he had grew older, and of late years, while dis cussing questions affecting Catholic in-terests, his arguments and manner of expressing himself were such that per-sons not familiar with his past life and real opinions would not have suspected that he was anything else but a tervent Catholic. He was the most powerful advocate whom the Catholics had in the Senate during the great debates on antireligious measures in the "eighties." He was a generous and eloquent cham pion of the persecuted religious Orders, and he brought all his talent to bear in opposing the separation of elementary education and religion. He was an adversary of M. Naquet's Divorce Bill. which, however, became law. In short, the services which he rendered to the cause of religion and the Church make a long and brilliant list As a writer in a Catholic paper here expresses it :--"God owed to this soul, that loved liberty and was ever seeking for truth, the sublime reward of eternal light at his supreme hour. Our two last great men celebrated, the one in science, the other in philosophy --Pasteur and Simon-died Christians full of taith in the God of goodness and mercy." The fact that Jules Simon died completely reconciled to the Catholic. faith could not fail to have a great influence in France, where people are swayed by example more readily perhaps than elsewhere. It was the philosophical writer and moralist both deep and brilliant no less than the Republican statesman of unassailable probity that the Government honored with a National luneral. Not since Gounod's body was carried there had there been such an imposing funeral at the Made-leine. The man who had died almost poor, writing past eighty years of age to live no less than when he was thirty or forty years younger, drew around his coffin all that is most representative in Paris of the intellectual and governing forces of the world. The Mass was cele-brated by the Curé of the Madeleine, the Abbé Hertzog-the same who administered the last sacraments to Jules Simon.

nearly at an end, and as a result, an extensive coal deposit has been discovered which will materially affect not only the district in which it is located, but also the whole country. The discovery of coal in Algoma means the utilization of the iron in the district, which now can be worked to advantage, whereas it was formerly difficult to make profitable use of the iron resources of the district while with long sticks. coal had to be imported from a distance. Prof. Mickle's work has been thorough swingin' our feet two and fro, blushin' and exact, and there is no doubt but that he has made a valuable discovery. The when it was first painted, and lookin'

exact location of the mines cannot be very simple I make no doubt. My left arm was ockepied in ballinsin' myself on definitely stated at present, but it may be said that the coal district is situated the fense, while my rite was woundid inwithin 30 miles of Sudbury and at a con- vinly round her waste. I cleared my venient distance from the line of the throat and tremblin'ly red : Canadian Pacific. The quality of the coal is described as fair class; of a of the iron industry, which may now be expected to boom in Algoma. The coal deposit covers a rather extensive region for she up and sed : you. syndicate for which Prof. Mickle has

been conducting his investigation is there, now cum?' with which observashun she hitched away from me. composed of well-known gentlemen residing in Toronto, Ottawa, Buffalo and Sudbury. The discovery is regarded by sed 1, 'so that you could see some of my those who know about it as being one of | feelings. There's fire enuff in here,' sed the most important of many years. Fur I, striking my buzzam with my fist, 'to ther information regarding the matter bile all the corn beef and turnips in the is expected to reach the city in a day or naberhood." composing the syndicate do not care that menced chawin' the strings of her sun their names should be made public. bonnet.

#### A FEAT OF PENMANSHIP.

yon couldn't dowt me. Gase on this MORE THAN 7000 WORDS ON ONE POSTAL

Walter D. Wellman, a bookkeeper in the employ of Anspacher Bros., the commission merchants, has performed the remarkable feat of writing in long hand close and seveerly damagin' myself gin-7068 words on an ordinary postal card. About two months ago M. C. F. Grincourt, a Frenchman, succeeded in writing full hite, she sed : 5454 words in French on a postal card. Mr. Grincourt's feat made a great sensation, and his postal card was for a long longer Jes say rite strate out what time on exhibition at the Examiner office. An account given in the columns of the Examiner represented this as the finest and closest writing ever accomplished.

But Mr. Wellman has far excelled the Frenchman, not only in the number of words he has succeeded in getting upon the postal card, but in the length of the words he used also. M. Grincourt copied a portion of one of Victor Hugo's novels, in which the words were notoriously short. Mr. Wellman copied eight columns of the Bulletin, selected from three distinct articles, so that he could man be hit on the head with a club, the not be accused of copying from one inevitable result, if the blow be hard writer whose vocabulary consisted chief- enough, will be a break of the skull,

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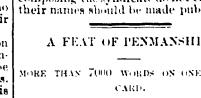
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[San Francisco Bulletin.]

The meaning of the cry of the baby is a study which will be taken up by some young physicians who will make a specialty of children's diseases. "Mothers can aid immeasurably, if

they will," said one of the young doc-tors. "I was called in the other day by a mother to prescribe for 'something dreadint' that she was convinced her child was suffering from and found iter." child was suffering from, and found it to be too warm clothing and so only discomfort. In the nurse's eyes, the only remedy for any indicated discomfort on the part of a child is the bottle. If the baby cries, it must be fed; again, more feeding; if it worries, feed it; if it is sick and nauseated, still offer it milk. It may be too tired from lying on one side, it may be too warm or too cold, or have colic from an overloaded stomach, or a half dozen other conditions may exist which forbid or do not call for

feeding, but only this is offered. "It is the nurse or the mother, whichever is the constant caretaker of an infant who can learn if she will to distinguish the little shades of meaning in a young child's cry." It is a fact well known to physicians

that the cry of a baby suffering from cholera infantum is very indicative of the progress of the disease. A mother was much surprised to be told by her physician after the death of her first born that, as he entered the hall door on the occasion of his first visit to his little patient and heard its cry, he knew there was little or no hope, for, he said, "that cry is one which rings in a doctor's ears when once he has heard it, and he quickly recognizes it."

This mother found that the little wail of agony rung in her ears, too, for when several years after, another child suffered from the same disease, its first cry, suickly identified by the unforgetting mother, sent a hurry call to the phy-Sician's office.

If the utterance of dumb beasts can be studied and understood, there is hape for the baby, that most helpless of all living nature .- New York Times.

#### PERFECTION IN HATRED.

The Albany Argus tells of a woman whose hatred for men was so intense that she refused to accept a legacy left her by a male relative. Who over heard of a woman hater that would carry his vindictiveness to such a bitter extreme?

STRANGE SOURCE OF NERVOUS MALADIES.

authority, that of 1000 girls who study will be two shifts of employes, one to Scott's Emultis instrument before the age of 12, no work from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., and the is to take this less than 600 suffer from this class of other from 2 p.m. to 8 or 9 p.m., so that your health.

THE FACE IN THE MIRROR.

The incident embodied in the follow-

The brilliant ball is over, The guests and minstrels gone :---Within her own fair bower, The maiden stands alone.

Her robe of satin trailing, Resplendent in the light: The golden curls half veiling The lovely face from sight.

She stands.-(fresh roses falling From sparkling porte bouquet), With downcast eyes, recalling The dance and banquet gay.

Then draws the night-lamp nearer, Litts high her jewelled arms, And in the shining mirror, Begins to view her charms.

O strange, mysterious image! She sees, -what sees she there ? Her own sweet, rosy visage, Bright eyes, and sunny hair?

Ah, no! the glass before her Grows dim, as if with tears, And from its depths (O horror!) A bleeding Face appears !

A Face divinely tender, Whose brow a crown adorns; Not rich with gilded splendor, But rough with cruel thorns!

The temples bruised and bleeding, The sad and hollow eyes, The white tips mutely pleading, Before her, shuddering rise!

"Oh! pardon, Jesus, pardon!" She weeping kneels to say; And reuds her glittering garments, And casts her gems away.

"O bleeding Face! this favor Shall not in vain be shown; Henceforth my heart, sweet Saviour, Is Thine and Thine alone !'

E.C.D., in the Messenger of the Sacred Heart.

## SERVANT GIRLS IN AUSTRALIA.

Some revolutionary suggestions in re-gard to domestic servants, says Pearson's A somewhat heroic French scientist is credited with having boldly declared that a large number of nervous maladies from which girls at the present day suffer are to be attributed to playing the piano. Statistics show, according to this beck and call of the mistress. There

#### COAL DEPOSITS

SAID TO HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED IN ALGOMA.

TORONTO, July 10 .- A short time ago Prof. Mickle, of the Toronto School of Science, went to the Algoma District, being sent there by a syndicate to inves tigate rumors that there was coal in the Algoma District. His labors are now

# A COMFORT SOMETIMES.

When health is far gone in Consump-tion, then sometime only ease and com-fort can be secured from the use of Scott's Emulsion. What is much better is to take this medicine in time to save function to the save fused him. "Just take a drink of the function to the save fused him. "Just take a drink of the function the save fused him. "Just take a drink of the function the save fused him. "Just take a drink of the function the save fused him. "Just take a drink of the function the save fused him. "Just take a drink of the function the save fused him. "Just take a drink of the save fused him." is to take this medicine in time to save

Mr. Wellman also asserts that he had when he could escape from his business duties. He says he could have accom plished it in six hours of steady work. He wrote it at the pace of fifty words a minute, while his pace in writing the ordinary size is from thirty-five to forty a minute.

The postal can easily be read with a glass, and a person with a good eye can read it without the help of a glass. A fellow-clerk of Mr. Wellman easily read the postal with his naked eye, but begged off from all postals being written in this fashion. The 7068 words are written with an

ordinary steel pen in violet ink. The ink is a mere matter of chance, and has nothing to do with the fineness of the work.

Mr. Wellman has never done any work of this kind before. His only practice was in writing the Lord's Prayer. Without the slightest difficulty he accom-plished the feat of writing these seventytwo words in a space no larger than a gold quarter of a dollar. The writer of this curiosity is a young

American, twenty-eight years old. He is near-sighted and wears glasses, but his eyes must be very strong, as he has suffered no pain nor inconvenience whatever, from this close work. In fact, his near sightedness may help him a little, us near-sighted people usually see things at a close range much better than people of ordinary sight.

#### A PLACE FOR BACHELORS.

Housekeeping at Buluwayo must be rather expensive at present. Reports just to hand state the price of milk at 36. per gallon, and many other pro-visions, the supply of which is affected by the cattle plague and the native out-break, at proportionally high rates. Notwithstanding this, at least one young Afrikander couple in the laager have since the commencement of the seige entered upon the responsibilities of marriage. A dozen babies have been born during the same period within the fortified area.

#### HEARTLESS GIRL.

"Proud beauty," said he, striking an attitude he had learned by constant at-tendance at the 10, 20, 30 drama—"proud beauty, I go from here to the river, where I shall end my sorrows by jump-

water. That will do."-Chicago Journal.

injury will be less severe. A blow upon have gotten in 8,500 words. He worked on it for fifteen days at odd moments, when he could ergent for the injury ously injure the spinal cord. The injury single nerve for a few hours, yet that may cause trouble for weeks. Between these two extremes the nervous system may suffer to almost any degree from injury. In none of these cases need there be any previous nervous weakness or overstrain. The effect is purely phy-sical. If, therefore, we note in the neighborhood of Donnybrook fair a great increase in nervous diseases, such increase may be due, not to the greater demand which the conditions of modern life make upon the human brain, but to the shillalah.-Dr. Philip C. Knapp in Century.

INJURIES.

sees are due to physical injury.

ARTEMUS WARD'S COURTSHIP.

All natur was husht and nary zeffer dis-

turbed the sereen silens. It sot with

Betsy Jane on the tense of her father's

pastur. We'd been romping threw the

woods, killin flours and driving the wood

chuck from his Native Lair (so to speak)

"Wall, we sot that on the fense, a

as red as the Baldinsville school house

" ' Betay, you're a gazelle.

" You're a cheep

cheeks-

hitched, I'm in

I that very nite.'

"'Twas a carm still night in Joon.

# PORTRAIT OF ALFONSO XIII.

The Pope has just added another to the collection of portraits of distinguished persons which he possesses. This is a portrait of the young King of Spain, Alfonso XIII, which the Queen Regent of Spain has sent to Leo XIII., who is godfather to the King. It has just been presented to the Pope by the Spanish Ambassador to the Holy See, Senor Merry del Val. It is a life-size portrait inclosed in an elaborately wrought frame.

The Pope received this gift with great satisfaction, and expressed his intention of having it hung in his private study. The tenth birthday of the

The tenth birthday of the young king was celebrated in Rome on Sunday, 17th May, with special festivities at both the embassies, that is to the Pope and king, and at the national church of the Spaniards, S. Maria di Monserrato.

The Pope, it is reported, is about to appoint Cardinal Gotti to the position left vacant by the death of Cardinal Galimberti in the pontifical commission for the union of the churches.

are already an incredible number in the course of preparation. The official story of the statesman's life will be made easy for whoever undertakes it, by the fact that the ex-premier has, throughout his life, carefully sorted and arranged his correspondence with a view to its ulti-mate publication. He has selected al-together 60,000 letters for preservation, and has constructed a special fireproof room in which they are carefully stored and ticketed.

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