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**The Evening Chit-Chat**

By RUTH CAMERON



I wonder if it's an American trick to talk and judge of things of which one knows practically nothing, at first hand, or just a human habit—as wide as the world.

For it may be both, but it's certainly the first.

We were talking of Oscar Wilde the other day. A young college graduate was of the group. She appeared painfully shocked. "How can you like his poetry? I think it's dreadful," she said.

We asked what she had read of him. She tried to mention something, stammered a bit, mentioned a poem which was really written by Swinburne, and finally acknowledged that she really couldn't remember what she had read just that moment.

"But I always heard that he was a very immoral man, and that his poetry was very improper," she concluded, virtuously.

Isn't that quite a typical case of this tendency to talk without any bias of personal knowledge?

In much the same way, how many people make fun of Ibsen and Browning, and tell how involved and uninteresting and unnecessarily abstruse their books are, when they—the critics—have never really sat down for half an hour and read the writers they are judging.

It's often the same way with public affairs. It seems to me that vague rumors, general impressions, and not specific information, stand behind many of the opinions one hears expressed on public matters. How many people, for instance, rage against Cannon and Aldrich and Payne, and exult at Uncle Joe's downfall, who could not name any specific thing that any of these three men have done.

In a general way they think of these Senators as having too much connection with trusts and monopolies and railroads, but ask for a specific instance of just how these men have betrayed their country's trust, and I doubt if three out of five of the critics could give it.

How many people who protest against "that terrible tariff bill that makes the cost of living so high," really know any of the specific provisions of that bill?

Now, mind, I'm not trying to defend Cannon or Aldrich or Payne, or the tariff bill.

My personal sympathies are most decidedly not in that direction. Besides, that's politics, and I have been politically, but most emphatically, warned that that is a man's province and I must "keep off the grass."

All I want to make you realize is how prone many of us are to talk and judge on subjects of which we have little or no first-hand knowledge.

Have I succeeded?

Ruth Cameron

**Silence!**

The instinct of modesty natural to every woman is often a great hindrance to the cure of womanly diseases. Women shrink from the personal questions of the local physician which seem indelicate. The thought of examination is abhorrent to them, and so they endure in silence a condition of disease which surely progresses from bad to worse.

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**Fads and Fashions.**

The Paris hobble skirt seems unlikely to reach this country in its full strength, but it will undoubtedly come what influence American fashions.

For the new modest tailored gowns, silk and satin prevail in self-tones, stripes, dots, coin spots, plaid and checkerboard patterns.

Scarves of Persian silk, lined with chiffon or the same shade as the strongest note of color in the Persian design, are quaint and pretty.

White serge with a hairline of silk thread woven in it is especially smart for tennis suits. Black is a favorite color for the silk thread.

Some gowns with round necks have sleeves to the wrist, and sleeves in general show some fullness and are very ornate, reaching well below the elbow.

New coats are very chic; rather short—some hardly more than hip-length—and show straight lines giving the box effect rather than the fitted.

Hand-embroidered batiste frocks, chiffon veiled, are everywhere worn, while chiffon wraps and scarves are fitting adjuncts to these perishable toilettes.

Magnificently pretty turbans are made of draped Yedda straw, Leghorn, Tegash and hair straws so thin and supple that they yield to any desired shaping.

Collars of platted mairne are new and attractive. These are of two shades of mauve and rose, pink and blue, trimmed with pearly fringes, will be very much to the fore in autumn fashions.

There is a veritable craze for gilt buttons, rows of them being sewed on the fronts of houses, on jackets and

even on cloaks, usually no larger than a pea and bullet shaped.

Lingerie is in the height of its popularity, for with the tailored suit cut in such manly lines as prevail, something of the feminine touch must appear in telling fashion.

Dull beads of varying size, of bone, dyed to match fabrics, or of wood, are liked because of their lightness, replacing glass beads, which are too heavy for the light fabrics in vogue.

Many of the new scarves are prolonged into points at the back, recalling the precious heirlooms of grandmothers who invariably possessed a black lace and a cashmere shawl as emblems of respectability.

The prevalence of sombre colorings abroad is having its effect on the side of the water. Black, marine and blue de roi are the favorite tints, with a dark and discreet purple and the entire gamut of greys.

**Tragic Death of Little Boy.**

Two-Year-Old Boy Found Dead in a Swing—Entangled in Ropes.

NORTH SYDNEY, Sept. 26.—Sydney Mines was the scene of another tragedy to-day, the victim this time being a two-year-old son of John Harrietha, of Cranberry, who was found dead in a swing at his home at noon to-day.

The little fellow was playing about his home as usual this morning, and on his failure to come into the house to dinner, his sister was sent to look for him. Going to the little swing which his father had erected for him and where he was wont to play, the girl was horrified to find the child with the swing rope tightly wound around his neck and lit extinct. The little fellow, it is thought, instead of using the swing in the regular way, twisted the ropes until his head became entangled and was unable to extricate himself.

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(Manilla "Times.") A remarkable natural history group has been presented to Governor-General Forbes by Governor Callies, of La Laguna. It consists of a dog in the grip of a huge box constrictor, a buck and a fawn and its history makes a thrilling hunting tale. Some weeks ago Governor Callies went deer hunting in the mountains of La Laguna. His beaters and dogs located a doe and began following her through the timber.

Suddenly one of the dogs made a great outcry, and hurrying forward the Governor found another hunter in the person of a huge box constrictor. It had fallen upon the doe and encircling its body had taken a hitch around the trunk of a sturdy tree and was crushing it to death.

The game dog charged in, but the snake pinned it against a log with its tail and would speedily have dispatched it. Callies closed in and with a well directed shot to the neck killed the constrictor.

The doe was dead when the hunters disengaged it from the coils of the huge snake.

The fawn was found hidden in some brush and a little later the buck was located and shot. The constrictor measured twenty-one feet in length and its body is very large. The buck and doe are also large specimens, and the group is a striking one.

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