

EARNING THEIR LIVING.

Some of the Curious Ways of Self-Support in New York.

Curious Industries Outside the Limits of Ordinary Business—Schemes of the Intelligent Agents—Training School for Young Ladies.

New York, Dec. 3.—A distinguished woman once said, in conversation with me: "There is something in New York for everybody to do if they can only wait patiently till they find it."

Curious, indeed, are many of the ways of earning a living in this big busy city—ways that are unknown, unheard of and surprising to those who live where the attrition of life is less dreadful and where the inventive faculties are not put under such terrific pressure.

There are professional letter-writers, usually women, who let it be known, by a judicious distribution of cards, or through newspapers, that they will write letters "in strict confidence," for those who have not the trouble to acquire the art of penmanship.

Lessons are given in every art, accomplishment and industry under the sun. Hundreds, perhaps thousands, of women teach every possible kind of stitch that a needle can lend itself to.

Washing and mending lace is an industry by itself. Foreign fingers are most expert at this, French usually, though sometimes the Viennese take to it.

A number of women maintain themselves by operating purchasing agencies on their own account. It is a slash and a thankless way of earning bread, but it has been the resource of more than one woman who found herself on her own hands, without any other talent than that of buying dry goods with judgment.

Designs and see them. They are Fashions, ER'S

they may be, are also in existence. Since their business depends solely upon fools, it is doubtless a briar one.

A few women earn a stunted subsistence by making various dainty devices of colored French tissue paper, lampshades adorned with roses, fans, and other popular mural decorations.

Among the advertisements for occupation I see, from both men and women, offers to read to invalids at a ruinously low rate per hour.

I often see the advertisements of persons "supercharged with magnetism," offering themselves in the capacity of mediums. They, too, have designs on invalids, and are ready and willing to exchange some of their superstitious magnetism for the coin of the realm.

"Lecture writers" abound and boldly claim to the world their willingness to write lectures on any subject for anybody else to deliver "at prices within the reach of the straggling."

There are places of the strictest privacy where political speakers are "drilled." A man who finds himself in a prominent position before he has learned the art of making speeches can hire him to one of these tutors and be drilled on the sly.

There are also other brilliant and not over-moist creatures who advertise themselves as "engaging conversationists," and without saying anything very definite about themselves, give the reader to understand that they can be engaged to do some fine talking for a reasonable consideration.

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A few musicians, men and women, manage to get through the perplexities of board bills by accepting calls to play at impromptu, little parties, family gatherings, parlor dances and informal social occasions.

Some of the "reduced" gentlewomen work out their material salvation by making the gorgeous pin cushions now sold by all the first-class dry goods houses. They take orders for a hundred or two hundred at a time. Their profits are not extravagant, however.

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Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is recommended by physicians of the greatest eminence on both sides of the Atlantic, as the most reliable remedy for colds and coughs, and all pulmonary disorders.

The English war office has decided to arm the volunteers with the Martin instead of the Snider rifle.

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To the FARMERS OF HURON

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