

Spheres of Influence.

[A speaker at the women's congress suggested that their male opponents should be made to suffer "some inconvenience in private life," observing that the dinner table might become a useful tool in our hands.]

Phyllis, when we used to woo,
And on politics debated,
I was Tory, dear, while you
Woman's suffrage advocated.

Married, though, with views still sound,
I no longer would be winner
In debate, because I found
You revenged yourself at dinner.

Thus not arguments convince
Me, now yielding on the question,
But your rechauffes and mince,
Phyllis, and my poor digestion.

—Punch.

Encouraging.

Gentleman—Cabby, I'll give you a sovereign if you catch the 4:30 train.

Cabby (excitedly)—Jump in, guv'nor, an I'll do it or break yer neck in the attempt!—*Tit-Bits.*

Uncle Bill's Idea.

Fun and funerals look alike to some women.

Flattery is like whitewash; the amount you can use depends upon the quality of the object it is applied to.—*Clerical Leader.*

New York All Right.

Mr. Gotham—No use talking, the best summer resort on the face of the earth is New York city.

Mr. Suburb—That's so. It's so easy to get out of.

Accounted For.

She—He says he loves me, yet he has only known me two days.

Her Friend—Well, perhaps that's the reason, dear.—*Philadelphia North American.*

Sex in Eating.

When a young girl loses her appetite, she eats no more than a bird. When a young boy loses his appetite, he eats no more than a grown man.—*Detroit Journal.*

POULTRY POINTERS.

It is not the large hen that lays the large egg always.

The nests should never be fastened to the henhouse in such a manner that they cannot be taken down.

Keep young chickens growing now, so that they will have sufficient vitality to withstand the summer weather.

As soon as the hatching season is over all of the cocks not needed for breeding should be marketed, as they are only an expense.

A good remedy for blood feathers is flour of sulphur with butter, given in a pill the size of a pea a few times, until they molt.

If raising fowls largely for meat instead of eggs, you want the large breeds and those that grow rapidly. You must feed them liberally.

The earliest maturing fowl of the large breeds is the Langshan, which usually begins to lay when 7 months old. It makes a good winter layer.

Ducklings, if exposed to wet weather or even wet ground, are apt to take cramp in their legs, and this in many cases proves fatal. Keep them dry.

While good breeds are desired for profit, the best kind will be profitless without good management, and good management is the result of careful study.—*St. Louis Republic.*

The Blessing of War.

"This here last war," said the old man, "has been a great blessin to our family. John's jest been mustered out of it with one leg and enough pension to paint the house, pay off the mortgage and buy two bran new mules for next year's plowin."—*Atlanta Constitution.*

Couldn't Fool Mamma.

Kate—He says that after we are married my every wish shall be his law.

Her Mother—Yes; I understand that the statute books are full of obsolete laws.