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OF INTEREST TO WOMEN.

EVERY woman can be a modiste. Only very few can be successful ones, because only a few recognize and practise the principles that command success. Some may take exception to my statement that every woman can be a modiste. Let me explain my meaning by an anecdote. I know two bright young women in Paris who were suddenly thrown upon their own resources. Reared in luxury and taught to regard themselves as heiresses, they had never even learned to sew, yet, recognizing the rich harvest that may be reaped from woman's vanity by those who can cultivate it successfully, they resolved to establish themselves as modistes.

They secured suitable apartments in a good location for their purpose. They engaged, at a large salary, one of the best of all Parisian artists in designing, cutting and fitting of dresses to take charge of those departments, and furnished her with a corps of competent assistants. Their names were put up as the heads of the business, yet their

only share in it was to exercise the closest supervision over its every detail, to see that all their employes were prompt and efficient and gave a full and satisfactory day's work for their day's wages; to prevent all possible waste of material and time; to see that their customers were well treated and fairly dealt with, and to advertise and push their firm name and their work in every way possible. The result has been that within a few years they have achieved fortune, and are growing steadily richer, while among the best class of Parisian ladies their reputation for turning out the finest gowns vies with that of any other house. What woman has done, woman may do. The principles of success are many and varied, but they are neither difficult to learn nor difficult to follow. First of all, the woman who would be a successful modiste must cultivate her powers of observation in every way possible. The modiste should be, above all, an observer of dress.

This incident happened in a Paris court of justice. A vain woman

was called as a witness, when the magistrate inquired her age. "Twenty-five last August," replied the lady. The next witness was a young man, who said that he was 27. "Are you related to the last witness?" queried the magistrate. "Yes, I am her son," he replied. "Ah!" mused the magistrate, "your mother must have married very young."

I see by the telegrams that the original of the address of congratulation presented to the Marquis of Lorne by the Presbyterian Assembly after the recovery of the Princess of Louise from her accident is for sale in a second-hand store in Ottawa city. The accident, if my memory serves me right, occurred during a sleigh ride, shortly after the arrival of the Princess in Canada. How much the address was appreciated can be understood from the above.

A correspondent, says the London Globe, sends the following touching example of conjugal effrontery: "Mr. and Mrs. — have returned to town and will celebrate