WOMAN'S REALM

The Village Gossip.

Out on her neighbor's shady porch
The village gossip sits,
Talking about her sister-in-law
And giving her cousin fits.
And there's not a woman in town
who fails
To catch it ere she quits.

Once she was young and rosy-
cheeked
And trim and sweet and shy,
And people didn't shun her then,
Or ever wonder why
She always saw the wicked while
The good escaped her eye.

But that was long ago, before
The wrinkles lined her brow;
Men flocked around her then, but
she
Has no admirers now,
And, having feelings, she must find
A vent for them somehow.

She's heard a truly awful thing
Concerning Mildred's beau,
And when she's through with
George's wife,
The latter's pretty low.

The children coming home from
school
She hurries out to meet,
And questions them, and, being full,
Goes rushing down the street,
With many a morsel on her tongue,
That she considers sweet.

She goes on Sunday to the church
To spy on others there,
And seldom fails to get upon
The track of some affair
That she can magnify somewhat
And then proceed to air.

Yet women sit and listen to
The things she says and know
Just what she is, but, whispering,
pass
Her slanders to and fro,
And ever as they go the rounds,
They grow and grow and grow.
—Sam Riser.

Spiced Rose Leaves.

This is the month to begin picking
your Christmas presents, girls.
Well, start in saving rose petals.
The country girl really has the best
of it, because by the end of summer
she can have a store of rose leaves
that would make any city girl en-
vious. But even if you can't find
roses amid the bricks and mortar of
your city home, surely you have some
friends out of town who own rose
bushes. Ask them for the petals, and
you are persistent, with what
flowers you can gather yourself, by
the time you should have a fragrant col-
lection.

Beginning in June, the leaves should
be gathered, dried slowly in the sun
and packed in cardboard boxes. All
during the summer, when you can
add of bits of thyme, rose ger-
anium leaves, sprigs of lavender,
clover blossoms, indeed any
thing from field to garden, to
the rose petals. Between the
layers of rose leaves sprinkle lightly
ground cinnamon, allspice, a
few tonka beans, and if you happen
to have a stick of Japanese
incense crumble it up and toss
in the leaves and sprinkle. By the
time that box ought to be
full it is a whole florist's shop.
And you see what a delicious
mixture you have—better than sachet
powder—and it costs you
$1 per pound—for making
up the bags?

The bags?

Why, entire Christmas pres-
ents. There couldn't be any-
thing finer or more acceptable
than a sachet of gauze or tar-
letan filled with those rose leaves,
tied with ribbon and mailed to
your friend for a holiday gift.

Pro a holiday gift.

Summer will have an old sum-
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you wore. Then to make the bags.
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out a carefully prepared quantity of the most healthful milk. After wearying of this form of sustenance the baby takes a glance around the compartment, and finds that he has entered a plate-glass mirrored house, the like of which has never before appeared to him. An automaton monkey sits near by and thrusts into baby's hands a combination nail cutter, tooth cutter and rattle. An electric appliance furnishes music popularly supposed to reduce youngsters to a condition of sweet sleep.

When the purpose of the music has been achieved the baby sleeps, and is then turned into the third compartment, where the actual washing is undertaken. The nails are nicely trimmed, the hair brushed, and when baby awakens from his nap he is a sight

lon, and the scheme is utilized for the shield.

Handsome satin ribbon is used for the stock and sash.

There's an airy-fairy sort of lightness about this dress that would hardly be caught in black and white.

Don't Bite Your Lips.

If girls only knew how they disfigure themselves by continually biting their lips they would make an effort to break themselves of the habit, says the New York Telegram. An ugly mouth is often the result of a habit which has its rise in the possession of a dimple. Who has not seen girls, and even middle-aged women, in the 'bus and train, making themselves absolutely ridiculous in their efforts to create a dimple by biting their lips?

Absolute repose of the features should be taught every child as a part of its earliest lessons.

The Frenchwoman's Work.

Many people wonder why the Frenchwoman spends so much money on dainty silk linings for skirts, for silken petticoats, and for fine shoes and nice silk stockings.

But after watching a few of these winsome ladies walk the question is easily answered.

The typical Parisian girl walks in such a way that the lining of her skirt, her underskirts, and bewitching hosiery and shoes form an indescribable mass of fluffiness.

BEIGE VEILING GOWN WITH RUSSIAN EMB... ...RY, FRANCIS MODEL

for gods and men and a fit ornament to any society.

The name of the inventor of this delightful system has not been revealed to the public, and there are certain of the skeptical who ridicule the idea of the plan being practicable. This view, the friends of the invention claim, is merely the expression of the jealous, and not to be seriously considered by anyone in real need of a patent "baby washer."

PARIS MUSLIN.

As Dainty a White Dress as Could be Desired.

The skirt of this exquisitely sheer white dress is one piece, with its surface broken at intervals by fifteen clusters of tucks.

Strips of the muslin and rows of Point de Paris insertion, with an edge at the foot, form the flounce.

DAINTY PARIS MUSLIN.

the insertion is effectively on in cross pieces above be the clusters of tucks. The is set on with a beading. and tucks are on the blouse and collar in the same fas

The Englishwoman may ... as much money and thought on her lingerie, but no one is any the wiser, and though she may happen to lift her skirts when crossing a wet street, the artistic effect is by no means so good, for even this is not done with the Parisian grace.—Matron and Maid.

The Christening.

"So pretty Miss Sweetthing broke the bottle of champagne over the bow of your new yacht as it was launched and christened it the Gobolink," remarked Hempstead.

"Well, not exactly," responded Meadowbrook. "She christened it the 'Oh, please wait a minute!' but I had the name Gobolink put on the stern all the same."—Brooklyn Eagle.

Legend of the Opal.

Gray years ago, a man lived in the east,
Who did possess a ring of worth
immense
From a beloved hand. Opal, the stone,
Which flashed a hundred bright and
beautiful hues,
And had the secret power to make
beloved
Of God and man the one
Who wore it in this faith and con-
fidence.

Lavender and Linen.

The care of linen and particularly the condition of the linen closet during the summer months, is a matter of importance to the thrifty housekeeper. The first detail is the cleanliness of the closet or linen chest. Take every drawer out and scrub vigorously with ammonia suds, rinsing in clear water.

Allow the shelves or drawers to dry in the sun. Then line with white shelf paper and replace. If the house is to be closed for all or part of the summer the table linen should not be starched—towels, of course, never are—and with the bed linen, sheets, spreads and pillow cases also unstarched, should be put away perfectly clean.

There is, of course, no more fragrant or delightful aroma for the house linen than lavender. If you are so fortunate as to be able to get it in the bulk for an "inside price" the blossoms are inexpensive. Bags made of fine mousseline and sewed securely, or large satin paper envelopes filled with the blossoms are the best preservers of the pungent lavender. Scatter them through the folds of the linen, the more the more effectual.—Chicago American.

My Lady Smiles.

Bridget—I can't stand the missus, sur.

Von Blumer (sarcastically)—It's a pity, Bridget, that I ... have ... elected ...

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What did this bride do? She ... ng coins, handed one ... he minister and put ... he pocket! ... er

"A thrifty wife," ... with a sigh, "is he... r. Perhaps he ought ... crown.—London Tit-

His chum came ... slipping a lock of ... m ope, not furtively ... but just placing it ... y, calm, businesslike ... a "Hello!" said the ... 's up?"

"Nothing," he ans... sending back Miss ... ty low's hair, that's all ...

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"Does she say so?"

"Oh, she always say ... deciding things just ... m ever or cards out soo... r

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"All right," said the col... he can use hieroglyphics, so So he wired back:

"G. T. M. can G. T. H."

Two days later he receive... spatch from Bloemfontein o... him to attend a board of i... On appearing in due course ... asked what he meant by s... such an insulting message to ... perior officer.

"Insulting," repeated the col... innocently; "it was nothing of ... kind."

"But what do you mean," de... ed his superior by telling me ... 'G. T. H.?"

"It was simply an abbreviati... replied the colonel. "G. T. M. (G... eral Traffic Manager) can G. T. ... (get the house)."—New York Tri... une.

"What is your sentence?" said the King of Naples to a convict, when visiting a large, crowded prison.

"Fifteen years, your majesty."

"And what had you done?"

"Nothing whatever."

"Quite innocent?"

"Entirely, your majesty."

"And you?" he asked another.

"Thirty years, sire. Victim of a false accusation."

"And you?" to a third.

"In for life, my king."

"And what had you done?"

"Everything you can think of my king—theft, burglary, highway robbery, manslaughter, murder. I only wonder they did not sentence me to death."

"What is your name?" asked the king a smile twitching the corners of his mouth.

"My name," replied the first class criminal, "since I have been here has been 912. I have no other."

After finishing his tour of inspection the king said to the governor: "All the prisoners here seem to be perfectly innocent. There is only one bad man among them—No. 912. He seems to be a great villain. You had better let him out lest he corrupt the others."

Storm warning—A severe storm may be expected every day of the week in all domestic circles wh... Hudso... Soap is no... ...

LIKES FREAK ANIMALS.

Queer Hobby Indulged by Wealthy Philadelphian.

PRIVATE MUSEUM AT HOME.

F. A. Robinson, of Nos. 2,316-18 South Tenth street, collects animals of the kind that in museums are called freaks and in medical books are called monstrosities. Among the queer animals he has gathered together in his private museum are six-legged cows, two-headed lambs, eight-legged pigs, four-winged chicken, eighteen-horned goat, two-tongued cat, three-horned ram and five-legged sheep.

This collector of strange animals keeps these extraordinary creatures in his house, and in the stable back

F. A. Robinson, Who Collects Freak Animals as a Hobby.

of his house. Some of them are stuffed and stand on pedestals, while others are alive and inhabit stalls on the second floor of the stable. An idle, easy existence is theirs, for all they do is munch hay, sleep or keep still while the hands of Mr. Robinson's curious friends pass over their abnormalities, or while the children of Mr. Robinson play about their feet.

It is Mr. Robinson's Hobby.

Mr. Robinson does not collect freaks in order to make money out of their exhibition. He gathers them about him as others surround themselves with paintings or wood carvings or antiques, because he likes these things, because the unusual animals interest him. Mr. Robinson is a roofer by trade, his age is about 45, and he is worth a good deal of money.

Five-Legged Sheep.

Those who call to look at the collection are welcomed with delight by Mr. Robinson. He is a tall, big-boned, strong man, with a vivacious manner and with a huge moustache. His house is a double one, and he leads his visitors from the hall to the apartment on the right, where a suite of four shadowy rooms are filled with disordered heaps of his dingy curiosities—a pile of cannon balls, guns and swords in this corner, hangmen's ropes and crocodile skins in that, and in all the prominent places the dead freaks.

Among the latter are a two-headed

FOUR-HORNED RAM.

calf, a pig with eight legs, two mouths, two tongues and three eyes; a dog with eight legs, a duck with two heads, double-headed pig, two-headed chicken, duck with a double head and four legs, a four-legged and four-winged chicken, a frog with five legs and a cat with two bodies, six legs, two tails and two tongues.

Some of the Living Freaks.

The live animals, as has been said, are in the stable, which is now too warm for them, so that they will be removed this week to the Robinson farm, down

EIGHTEEN-HORNED GOAT.

in the ...k. The cow, Bessie, has six legs, ... extra ones growing out of her left ... ulder. She is seven years of age ... healthy. The collector bought ... from a stranded side-show company for $450, and he has been offered $700 for her, he says. "But why ... her? We are too fond of her, the family and I." Jenny is a five-legged sheep from Ohio. She is huge, and her fifth leg has no power in it. In his quest for freaks Mr. Robinson travels all over the country, and his hobby costs him a good deal of money every year.—Philadelphia Record.

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25c Linen Suiting marked at 7½c.
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3 dozen Ladies' Lovely Gowns, made in princess style, with choice insertion in yoke and large collar of embroidery. New, fine gowns, worth $1.25 and $1.50, for Tuesday's selling priced at 89c.

$1.25 Wrappers for 89c.
5 dozen new Print Wrappers, made with fitted lining in waist and well finished, worth regularly $1.25, we have priced for Tuesday's selling 89c each.

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Another big shipment of the 4 and 5 cent qualities, with best woven edges, we have priced for Tuesday's selling 3 cents per yard.

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100 cards of fine Torchon Laces and Insertions, worth regularly 5c per yard, priced for Tuesday's selling 3c per yard.

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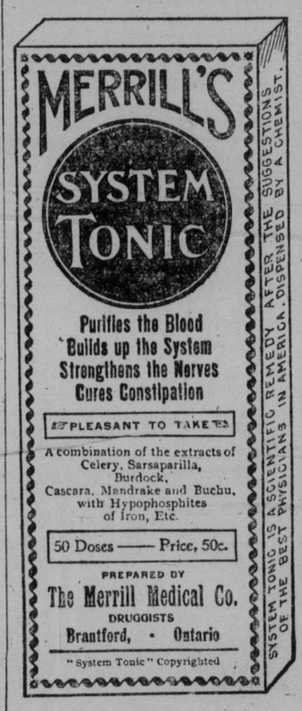

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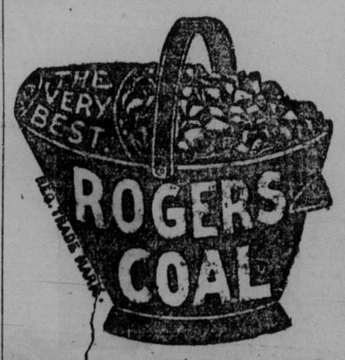

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