

Fun and Fancy.

Motto for a dude—"There's room at the top." The question of the hour—"What time is it?" Opening of the season—Uncovering the mustard pot. The butcher should always be placed on joint committee. It is the man who has the most property that has the greatest will power. A musical expert says that only one man in a thousand can whistle a tune. And yet there are people who think there is nothing to be thankful for. "Why are those things on your dress called bugle trimmings?" George wanted to know. "O," Emily replied lightly, "because pa blows over the bell."

A New York dentist says that women who gossip a great deal lose their teeth sooner. We doubt it. The women whose teeth are coming out are the ones who have them lying around in wash basins, or window sills, etc. A little four-year-old girl remarked to her mamma on going to bed, "I'm not afraid of the dark." "No, of course you are not," replied her mamma, "for it can't hurt you." "But, mamma, I was a little afraid once when I went into the pantry in the dark to get a custard." "What were you afraid of?" asked the mamma. "I was afraid I couldn't find the custard."

Our Strong Minded Girl asks what to do for the lover in the rose which his lady pressed to her lips with a blush and then folded in a letter to him. That depends. In all probability he will wonder why she enclosed that decaying vegetable, and never dream of the origin of love if he has received it from his obtuse mind. Balzer says there is in man an original obtuseness of fibre as regards sentiment, compared with the delicacy of woman's. And this is true. When love dawns in a woman's heart it brings a train of holy thoughts, of doubts and fears and joys and confidence, that a man's coarse nature cannot comprehend. Even when a woman speaks, letting language feebly express her soul, more gross intellect is but half comprehending. Fine indeed is that organization that can understand before she speaks at all, as women sometimes comprehend women. "No man living or dead has ever understood a woman," says a philosopher of the time, "is a man's sweeping assertion in regard to his sex. And he also puts these words into his hero's mouth: 'It is the highest pleasure in life, that constant, loving study of the one person on whom there is no pleasure like the pleasure of trying to understand what a woman wants; there is no sorrow like the sorrow of failing to do that; and there is no glory like the glory of success. It is a divine task for any man, and the greatest have thought it worthy of them.' But how few men do study the woman nature or seek to enter her heart of hearts! Yet certainly no man has any noble purpose, any hidden depths in his nature that have developed under love's influence. This has been beautifully expressed in the following words: 'Whatever flowers of goodness can find nourishment in the soil of a man's nature, choose the opening of love as the best time for blossoming. If two souls are united, the love-cup will overflow, yet ever to be filled. The man must be able to enter into the woman's nature and thoughts. The faded rose must convey to him some faint apprehension of the impulses that thrill the woman's heart, and make her love lit face flush like the rose that in the garden at Damascus grows.'

Two London Doctors. A black satin evening dress has the front covered with black and white piping, embroidered in net so fine that it cannot be seen unless one looks quite closely to it. At the edge of the skirt is a deep gold fringe, which not only throws the drape well out, but by contrast makes the feet look small. This, of course, is made of double satin. The back is very fully draped with black net, spangled all over with jet. The bodice is one mass of jet, and is made high, but with the black piping below. The bodice is edged with black and white piping. The sleeves are entirely of jet embroidery, and reach to the elbow. It is made short, for dancing. Black silk stockings, with jet clocks, and the most exquisite black satin shoes, with jet awlwork perched on each toe, go with it.

A visiting dress is navy blue, with cardinal shell spots thickly scattered over it. These give it the effect of being shot with the two colors. The over-skirt is gracefully draped over navy-blue satin pleated from the waist. The toque to match is most exquisite. There is a pleating of navy-blue velvet all round the edge, and the rest is a drapery of the chenille-spotted material of the dress. A blue plush jacket, trimmed with feathers, was seen down town worn with this when it was first introduced.

Police officers in China. In the inn yard I saw two women police. The Chinese have, at all their magistrature offices, women who assist in the duties of the court. In rural districts they have women who take charge of the duty of helping to keep the peace, and who have a right to interfere in the cause of justice. Western lands have thousands of places that women might fill to advantage. These women are easily known. They are generally in the prime of life, from 35 to 45, usually of a tall and strong build, and very kind voices. When they come into an inn yard they salute the landlord or the mistresses. They are women of good character, but their position is not envied. I should have said they are always widows, and are by the very nature of their position, the property of their husbands.

Fashion's Fancies.

Woolen granadine passalo are trimmed with yak lace. Velvet or satin ribbons are worn with sixteen costumes. Chartrons and abianthe green harmonize well with black. There are 18,600 female students in the American colleges. A red straw bonnet trimmed with honeysuckles is a novelty. A Boston woman who has invented a corset has made \$50,000 in three years. Satisfactory figured cashmere is a very effective material and has durability. The most distinguished beads of the season are those consisting of granulated lead. Aristocratic English girls play in public cricket matches, wearing fanciful uniforms. Chuddah, serge and nun's veiling robes have woven borders for trimming. Women are paid forty cents a day and their board as farm laborers in South Carolina. Canvas cloths are very fashionable, and are very comfortable on a cool summer day. A woman has asked the Belgian Jockey club to let her ride her own horses in their races. At some time in their lives Mrs. Cleveland, Mrs. Garfield and Mrs. Hayes were all school teachers. The hems of evening dresses are often covered with roses, the edge of lace just showing beneath them. Miss Hattie A. Paul is manager, editor, book keeper and business manager of the Memphis Daily Scimitar. Mitts are not worn with dress costumes this summer. They are relegated to house and negligee toilets. Double folds of canvas examine, instead of linen collars, are worn as neck lingerie with travelling suits. It is said that 900 farms in Iowa are owned by women, and that nearly daily farms are managed by women. Slippers and stockings match the toilet. Undressed kid slippers of the same tint are worn with beige costumes. Girdles are pointed at the back and front, or have only a point in front and loops and ends of wide ribbon at the back. Miss Beattie Dandridge, a daughter of Mr. Zach Taylor, once President of the United States, is living at Winchester, Virginia.

Words of Wisdom. Every man hath a pebble in his shoe. An idle brain is Satan's shop. Years know more than books. The best mirror is an old friend. Opportunity is the cream of time. Never light your candle at both ends. A man of words, had not of deeds, is like a garden full of weeds. Virtue is a flower which blooms only in the garden of righteousness. Beware! is the water, with which we sprinkle the plants of our folly. Futility is the turn door upon which fools love to strike their names. Revelation is the sunshine that dispels the shadows of mystery and doubt. Humor is the clear, sparkling water that bubbles from the spring of good nature. Labor to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire called conscience. A woman may be true as steel, but then you know steel she is too high tempered. If there be any true measure of a man than by what he does, it must be by what he gives. The rose has its thorns; and beauty is never found without one of more. They may be plucked at the points, but cannot be extirpated without killing the tree. There are two things, each of which he will seldom fail to discover who seeks for it in earnest; the knowledge of what he ought to do, and a plausible pretext to do what he likes.

Household Hints. SHREDDED OATS, WITH CREAM—Put into a porcelain lined pan two quarts of boiling water; add half a teaspoonful of salt; stir into it, gradually, six ounces of shredded oats, previously washed, and add a cup of milk or cream. It is very good the next day served with bread and sugar. TO COOK BEEF OR PORK—To one gallon of water take one and a half pounds of salt, a half pound of sugar, and a half ounce of saltpetre. Boil these together until the scum ceases to rise. Skim as the sediment rises to the surface; then take it off and set away to cool. When cold pour it over the meat. The meat will be sufficiently covered to use in eight or ten days. It may be kept for weeks. RICE PUDDING—One half cupful rice, one and one half pints milk, one half cupful sugar, large pinch of salt, one tablespoonful lemon rind chopped fine. Put rice, washed and picked, sugar, salt and milk in quart pudding dish; bake in moderate oven two hours; stirring frequently first one and a quarter hour, then permit it to finish cooking, with light colored crust, disturbing it no more. Eat cold with cream. Not a Vessel, but a Yacht. "So this is the vessel you have been bragging so much about?" "Yes, sir; there she lies. Beauty, isn't she?" "Beauty? You don't call that unworldly looking tub a yacht, do you?" "Certainly she's a yacht. She went a yacht yesterday, admit, but she's a beauty."

Richard Proctor is telling the young men of England how to keep their health and increase their strength. He says that "work with a hammer or mallet, especially on a vertical surface, is excellent for the biceps-muscles, and also for the muscles at the back of the upper arm." This is true, doubtless, but when Mr. Proctor has lived a little longer in America he will attend his advice. There is another and better exercise, which develops every muscle in the body at the same time. Take an ordinary sawhorse and plant it firmly in the middle of the shed. Then take down from its rusty peg an old fashioned and sharp saw. Go to the scowling, set a motto, say, one that has excruciated all over it, as though it had suffered from chronic inflammatory rheumatism, and then lay it tenderly in the jaws of the sawhorse.—Put the teeth of the saw anywhere, it makes no difference where, and draw it toward you and push it from you in persistent alternation until the log squeaks and at last drops asunder. This is the best exercise in the world. If your youth would engage in it, with more alacrity and enthusiasm than they do in the most popular office and, by You may attain to even exercise, as mere wood-sawing, but it is good exercise, nevertheless, and will tell with great effect on the biceps and, for that

matter, everywhere else. It is a bit of old fashioned, perhaps, but time has not destroyed its value. A Great Chemist on Bonnets. M. Chevreul, the continental chemist of the Academy of Sciences, is not only old to discuss the interesting question of bonnets and millinery. A black bonnet, he says, with white, pink or red feathers or flowers, suits a fair complexion. A dead white hat is only suitable for florid complexions, whether blondes or brunettes. A white bonnet for a blonde should have white or pink flowers; blue is still better. Brunettes should avoid blue, and rather choose red pink or orange. Light blue bonnets are especially suitable for fair persons. For dark persons who venture to wear a blue bonnet, yellow is indispensable. A green bonnet suits off a pale or slightly colored complexion. A pink bonnet should not be too near the face, but should be separated by the hair or by a white or green inside trimming, the latter color especially. A dark-red bonnet is only suitable for persons with a highly colored complexion. Avoid yellow or orange bonnets. Violet is not to be recommended unless separated from the face, not only by the hair, but by yellow accessories also. Salt as a Preventive of Cholera. A correspondent writes: It is perhaps more than forty years since I took up a newspaper in which a London physician said: "In the years 1832 and 1834 I went through the cholera siege of London, practicing all the time in the most dangerously affected parts of the city. I took three teaspoonfuls of raw salt daily which fortified my stomach against any possible attack of cholera. This was the substance of the article, which was quite lengthy, in explanation of the effects of the salt. I have tried it since in different parts of the world, and were they now dying at the rate of 1,000 a day in New York of cholera, I would not fear to attempt to stop upon them after eating salt a day or two. Open a bicuit and put a teaspoonful of salt between the pieces, and eat one morn, noon and evening, as a preventive, and have no fears of cholera. After two or three trials it is nothing to do. Of course this preventive is not to be used unless cholera appears upon us.

His Pa Liked the Hammered Kind. They were entertaining some friends at dinner, and the subject of hammered silver came up for discussion. "At the risk of being considered deficient in good taste," remarked the hostess, "I must say that I admire the plain, old-fashioned style of silver sets." "Pa likes the hammered kind," interposed Bobby, who had been allowed to come to the table in condition that he would keep perfectly quiet. "Never mind, Bobby, you were—" "Oh, yes, pa likes the hammered kind," went on the boy, unheedingly. "I heard him say that next week he is going to put all the silver in the house over the hammer."—St. Paul Vindicator.

These few hints may, perhaps, be suggestive of the cause of some of the diseases more especially cholera, discovered, and to which no reasonable source of contagion can be attributed. Frightening Children. With painful frequency we hear of cruel "practical jokes" perpetrated upon little children. Again and again, we come to the old story of a child frightened into convulsions by a playfellow who "only wanted to have a little fun." One would think that innocent as this has been, more especially in the case of children, it is a wicked and cruel thing to do to some extent, and that it should be discouraged.

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