

WOMAN AND THE ARTISTS.

Modern Culture Resulting in Over-development of the Feminine Head.

A certain artist, who, being wiser than his kind, has concealed his name, says that he can no longer get suitable models for the female figure, because all of the women of to-day have heads too large for their bodies.

He is a brave man indeed who dares to accuse the women of to-day of having by reason of their learning developed swelled heads.

What this artist and all the rest of his kind should do is to remodel their ideas about models. Let them stop worrying about the Greeks and carve in immortal marble the genius of American womanhood.

JOHN SEEKS EDUCATION.

Shaman Offers to Teach Co-Eds to Cook Chop Suey for Tuition.

A knowledge of oriental cuisine, the art of dishing up a delectable bird's nest, or of making toothsome yumca, is not a sufficient foundation for a student who wishes to try for a high college degree, says the Chicago Inter Ocean.

At least, this is what Willie Woo, a Mongolian chop suey chef, who has a restaurant at 5592 Lake avenue, learned at the University of Chicago recently.

He went to see one of Dr. Harper's deans and endeavored to argue the Midway pedagogue into letting him register in the department of "household science."

The dean cross-questioned him on his preparatory school work in China, and found that the celestial had special-ized in the alphabet too little and had spent too much of his time in the kitchen.

Willie offered to teach co-ed's how to make chop suey for his tuition, and when the dean refused him admission he was very much disappointed.

Willie says he went to school all his life in China, and that he would have gone to college in his native land had he not taken advantage of reduced rates and come to this country.

FINE FEATHERS ON HIRE.

Costly Girls of London Can't Afford to Buy Them, But Must Wear Them.

Ostrich plumes are as much of a necessity to the London roster girl on her outings as are the pearl buttons on her masculine companion, and the big trimmed hats with their drooping feathers are familiar in all gatherings of this class.

Many of the girls cannot afford to keep their money tied up in useless plumes, and thus thrives a brisk industry in the hiring of these feathers.

Weather conditions determine the terms somewhat, since a wet or foggy day will take the curl out of the feathers and make recurring necessary, for which "Arriet" has to pay an extra shilling.

On a bank holiday some shops rent out several hundred plumes, while on other occasions there is a steady trade with young women who wish to adorn themselves for an outing.

Remarkable Postscript.

Miss Carey Thomas, the president of Bryn Mawr college, talked at luncheon about the ingenuousness of children.

"A friend of mine," she said, "once showed me a letter that her little son had written her from Andover. The letter ran like this:

"Dear Mother: I am well and I hope you are well. Will you please send me \$2? I know the last did not last long, but it is all spent now, and I need \$2 badly. I hope you are well. I am well. Please do not forget \$2."

Valuable Canine.

"Henry" said Mrs. Peck. "Mr. Smith's dog came very near biting me this afternoon. I was awfully frightened, and it's up to you to do something about it."

"I will, my dear," replied Peck. "I'll see Smith the first thing in the morning, and if he doesn't ask too much for the dog I'll buy him."—Chicago Daily News.

Showed It.

Friend—I suppose the baby is fond of you?

Page—Fond of me? Why, he sleeps all day when I'm not at home and stays up all night just to enjoy my society!—Town and Country.

CREATING FORESTS.

TREES TO BE PLANTED IN CALIFORNIA BY GOVERNMENT.

Large Areas of Land Will Be Reforested Productive by Reforesting and Extensive Irrigation.

California and other western states have proved the efficacy of irrigation in promoting agriculture, but there are millions of acres of fertile land unused through lack of sufficient water.

An example of what the bureau of forestry is doing in this direction is furnished by the nursery which it is establishing 15 miles from Santa Barbara, in Southern California.

The nursery in the Santa Barbara reserve will be planted with seed of trees likely to flourish in that region.

The first attempt at reforesting will be made on the upper watershed of the Santa Ynez river, which supplies the town of Santa Barbara with water.

In the whole of the Santa Barbara forest reserve, which contains nearly two million acres, there are only two groves of any size.

In Nebraska the bureau of forestry has demonstrated its ability to solve the same kind of difficulties with which it is confronted in California.

So the woman who can box, really box like a man, not like other women who dabble in the manly art, is to be a feature in our homes.

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"The barber talks it is due to the customer, and, as I have said, most of the customers in a barber shop run to sporting news.

"I have one man here who has made a study of the war in the far east, and I really think he would be a valuable aid to any board of strategy.

"Cadetships in the Japanese navy are open to every subject in the empire, as are also commissions in the army and all civil appointments under the government.

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"Dear Jane, I inclose check," wrote John, "but please don't buy any more hotels at this price—they are robbing you."—The Smart Set.

FORGOT HIS BASS DRUM.

Iowa Man Has Strong Claim on the Title Champion Forgetter.

The man who lost the bass drum has been found, says the Chicago Inter Ocean.

Newspaper paragraphers have made merry with the absent-minded man, and he has been accused of all sorts of deeds of omission and commission.

Originally this story may have been a fable, but now it is true. A man has actually lost a bass drum, and all the members of an Iowa band will bear witness to the fact.

It happened near Davenport, a few Sundays ago. There was a celebration at Davenport and an up-country band had arranged to take part in the festivities.

Just as the train was moving away, a fat, red-nosed man grasped the rail and swung aboard. Then he turned pale and gasped.

"Where's my drum?" he cried, as his eyes bulged and his knees shook.

"I saw it on the depot platform," said the trombone player.

CHEAP SWIMMING POOLS.

May Be Made in the Brook by Country Boys with Small Labor.

The brook or running stream of natural outdoor water gives a variety of chances for the man who wishes to live his life aright, says Country Life in America.

The brook can be converted, without being diverted, into a swimming pool for boys by building a dam at the point where the banks do a little extra shelving and tend to form a natural basin.

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WHY THE BARBER TALKS.

Keeps Posted on Current News of the Day and Is Competent to Speak.

"Barbers have to know something besides shaving and hair cutting," said the boss of a downtown shop, says the New York Sun.

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OUR CHEWING GUM.

HABIT THAT HAS BECOME ALMOST NATIONAL.

Effect on the Users Rather Beneficial Than Harmful—Source of Supply of the Substance.

Now and then one sees men as well as women chewing the cud in public with a steady persistence that exercises a certain fascination upon others in their neighborhood.

Chewing of gum has become almost a national habit. To its credit may be set down the fact that among men it has to a great extent driven out the chewing of tobacco.

Unfortunately for the manufacturers of chewing gum, there are very few places where this tree grows in abundance, as in the case of the rubber tree, there has not been time enough to ascertain with certainty if when cultivated the sap can be relied on to keep up to the standard.

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Mr. Starvem—That glass contains milk, Mr. Slimsky; the water is at your left. And, by the way, your board bill was due yesterday.—Cleveland Leader.

TAKE TIME FOR LUNCHEON

Although They Rush in Business, Chicago Men Slow Down for This.

There is just one place in the hours of business in which the Chicago man of affairs forgets that he is in a hurry, remembers that the world was not made in a day and that engines which run under a full head of steam all the time are soon worn out.

The Chicago business day begins earlier than it does in New York. The difference of an hour in time between New York and Chicago may have something to do with it, for no matter how strenuously the Windy City may deny it Gotham remains its pulse.

The average Chicago office is an exhibition of time savers. The most handy telephones and tickers are attached to the chief's desk.

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TROTTER OR GALLOPING?

What Do Fish, Seals, Insects and Worms Do in Getting About?

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ANTQUITY OF PLATINUM.

Plate of the Rare Metal Discovered in Tomb of the Seventh Century.

Perhaps some Egyptologist will shortly discover that radium was known to the ancients, for most of the recent discoveries appear to be but duplications of earlier results.

LIFE SAVED BY QUICK WIT.

Policeman Impersonated God to Keep a Crazy Man from Killing His Wife.

"Quick wit is of more value to an officer than being a good shot," said a policeman in Kansas City, Kan., recently, reports the Kansas City Star.