

SENSIBLE WOMEN UNPOPULAR

They Bore the Animosity of Members of Their Own Sex Because They Are Not Fashionable.

Of late it has come to be regarded as a misfortune for a woman to be sensible, says the Chicago Chronicle. She is not in the fashion, and there-fore might as well be out of the world.

The sensible woman is fearfully hard on romances. She picks the prettiest love story in the world so to pieces that it looks like even less than 30 cents when she gets through with it.

Each bit of sentiment she dissects with the aid of her merciless practical sense and points out how it is founded on selfishness and will gradually grow into indifference.

Once the sensible woman entered a house of sorrow. A young girl lay dying there and her family were gathered at her bedside, when the practical woman came to the door and called out one of the weeping ones.

"Marie," she said, in her brisk tones, "it is evident Jennie can last but a short time. Don't you think I'd better have the drawing-room swept so that she may be laid out in it?"

THE WORD "CHEMAWA."

One Pioneer of Oregon Thinks It Probably Is Chinook for "True Talk."

About the discussion of the meaning of the word "Chemawa," the site of the Indian training school, Thomas N. Strong, who was asked for his opinion, said, according to the Portland Oregonian:

"I am ignorant of how Chemawa was named, but always had the impression that it was a misspelling of the two words che wawa. The Chinook jargon was spoken in different tribes, and very often foreign words would creep into it from the English and Indian languages where it was used.

TO TEST GATHMAN GUN.

The Target to Be Used Will Represent a Battleship of the Iowa Type.

All arrangements for the test of the Gathman gun at the Sandy Hook proving grounds have been made by the joint board of army and navy officers, and it remains now only for congress to provide the necessary money to conduct the experiment.

The board has arranged to fire 20 shots, which will determine the destructive energy, accuracy and safety of the gun. To conduct the tests more than \$100,000 will be needed, and it will be necessary to secure a special appropriation from congress.

AMERICA'S CUP IN DANGER.

Yachtsmen on This Side Atlantic Realize New Challenger Will Be Formidable Foe.

The conviction among yachtsmen on this side of the Atlantic that Sir Thomas Lipton's challenger for the America's cup carries with it real menace to the continued residence of the famous trophy in this country has grown with the cable reports from abroad concerning the elaborate preparations being made for the building of the new challenger, Shamrock II.

W. Butler Duncan, the prospective manager of the new defender, when shown a copy of Mr. Crane's letter, declined to comment on the comparative thoroughness of the preparations made by the challenger and defenders of the cup.

HAS FAITH IN HIS BOAT.

J. P. Holland Says the Day of the Submarine Boat Has Come— Available for Passengers.

J. P. Holland, inventor of the submarine boat, gave before a large gathering of students and friends of Manhattan college, New York, the introductory lecture to a course in naval architecture which is being established at that institution.

NAME FOR CUP DEFENDER.

New Yacht Being Built May Be Christened "Eagle," an Appropriate and Suggestive Name.

A PHENOMENAL SUCCESS.

Y. M. C. A. Established at St. Petersburg Taken Immediately with Russia's Young Men.

The St. Petersburg Young Men's Christian association is having phenomenal success. The rooms were opened less than two months ago. There are now over 600 members or applicants for membership.

The London county council had to purchase 60 saloon licenses in buying property to cut a new thoroughfare from Holborn to the Strand, and the saloon trust proposes to acquire these to begin with.

SEARCHLIGHTS FOR NEW YORK.

Elaborate System to Be Established to Protect Against Approach of a Possible Foe.

Gen. Wilson, the chief of engineers of the army, proposes to establish an elaborate system of searchlights as a part of the defenses of New York harbor. He intends to spend \$150,000 for the purchase and installation of the system, and will ask an appropriation in the regular fortifications act for the purpose.

RETURNS TO INDIAN KIN.

Years of Civilization Fail to Destroy a Pretty Girl's Love of Savage Life.

Mrs. Charles Robinson, of Pittsburgh, Pa., has received a letter from her sister Mrs. Emma De Knight Sleeth, of Arkansas City, Ark., telling the strange story of Belle Givenswater, a Ponca Indian who after 20 years of refined civilization went back to her tribe.

SKELTON OF A WOMAN.

Portions of a woman's skeleton, white with glistening salt, and a salt-encrusted chain still encircling a rock at the edge of the great Salt Lake have been found. They tell the story of a ghastly crime committed over half a century ago.

CRIME COMMITTED OVER HALF A CENTURY AGO REVEALED BY FIND ON THE SHORE OF SALT LAKE.

Where Peter the Great Lodged. In the quaint town of Zaandam, in Holland, Peter the Great came in 1697 to learn the trade of shipbuilding.

KIPLING TALKS TEMPERANCE.

English Author Finds a Lesson in the Experience of the Soldiers in South Africa.

Rudyard Kipling has come out as a strong advocate of temperance. Writing on the subject he says: "So far as I could see in South Africa, it did not matter what sort of spirits a man fancied, because there was not the least danger of his getting more than was good for him.

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A COMPARISON OF LEMONS.

Examination by Chemists of California and Sicily Fruit Greatly Favours the Former Fruit.

The New York Journal of Commerce prints the following: Reports giving the comparative citric acid test by Stillwell and Gladding, chemists to the New York produce exchange, of selections of California and Sicily lemons, have attracted much attention in green fruit circles.

TO GIVE A SHOW.

Yale Students to Put a Dramatic Company on the Road Next Spring.

Yale will put a dramatic company on the road next spring. The Yale dramatic association has just decided to visit New York, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Washington and Hartford, Conn., during the annual Easter recess.

FOREIGNERS INTERESTED.

American Art Exhibition at Paris Excites Favorable Comment by Foreign Critics.

John B. Cauldwell, United States director of fine arts at the Paris exposition, has arrived at New York. The American exhibit was left in charge of Henry B. Snell, the assistant director, who will remain with it until it is shipped home on the United States cruiser Prairie about the end of the month.

ITALIAN PRIEST ROBBED.

Clever Swindlers Play a Neat Trick and Are Enriched \$20,000 Thereby.

According to a story just received from Italy, a couple of clever rascals, said to be Americans, played a confidence game lately on an Italian priest by which they profited to the extent of \$20,000. They have not been caught.

The men, under the eyes of the priest, had extracted the institution's money in the safe while placing their own counterfeit in the compartments.

SCHOOL FOR GOSPEL SINGERS.

Irre D. Sankey En Route to New York to Establish a New Institution.

Irre D. Sankey, famed co-laborer of Dwight L. Moody, hopes to parallel in New York the work which the late evangelist initiated at Northfield. During their long association both believed in the effectiveness of combined exhortation and Gospel song.

BURY LEPERS ALIVE.

The Victims Are Guests at Banquets That Precede Funerals in China.

The Chinese have a curiously cheerful way of disposing of their lepers. The relatives of the afflicted persons propose to him that they bury him alive, and such is the fatalism of the Chinese that the victim readily consents.

DOING THE DISAGREEABLE.

Naturalists say that, when examined minutely with a microscope, it will be found that no creature or object in nature is positively ugly, that there is a certain harmony or symmetry of parts that renders the whole agreeable rather than the reverse.

TRAFFIC IN GEESSE AT BERLIN.

The aggregate wholesale traffic in geesse at Berlin amounts annually to nearly \$2,000,000.

THE SITE OF HANNIBAL, MO.

The land where the city of Hannibal, Mo., is now located sold in 1828 for \$40.

PRICES OF COAL.

Coal brings the highest price in South Africa and the lowest in China.

QUEER USES OF CORN.

Things You'd Never Dream Could Be Made of It at the Paris Exposition.

At the Paris exposition there is a little showcase wherein are displayed the more important Indian corn products of this country, says the New York World.

This substitute, compounded with 60 per cent commercial rubber, is used in rubber boots, linoleum, wheel tires, blankets and other articles. Crude corn oil has been used in the manufacture of toilet soap.

NEW SOURCES OF ALCOHOL.

The Stimulating Product Is Now Obtained from Several African Plants.

It is announced in the Revue des Cultures Coloniales (Paris) by Ch. Riviere, of Algiers, that alcohol may be obtained from several African plants, namely, the carob, the asphodel, the squill and the alfalfa. The fruit of the carob is a pod with very sugary content.

AMERICAN CITIES.

Chicago now contains a greater population than all the cities of the United States contained in 1840, and New York now has a greater population than all the cities together had in 1850.

THE SUN IN TURKEY.

In Turkey the disappearance of the sun at night is accounted for by the periodical retirement of that plump luminary for prayers and religious reflection.

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