

THE LADIES.

LUDICROUS SCENE IN A HAREM.

European ladies are often invited to the harems of the rich Moors in Morocco, and some time ago one of the most beautiful young girls—faded with the sight of one of the lady visitors taking her gloves.

WOMEN AS LABORERS.

Women in mountainous portions of Italy, writes a correspondent, seem to do a greater proportion of the manual labor than any we have heretofore seen.

They are apt to contract habits of dissipation despite the performance of manual and other military duties, which then upon their return to civil life select the "snaps," as it were, to use the light end of the log when there is no heavy one. And the woman? Oh, she used to it.

STORY OF A BLIND AUTHORESS.

An elderly lady, with a striking face, fully concealed behind a white veil, attracted considerable attention at the Depot the other evening, says the burg Dispatch. She was accompanied by a pretty maid with dark eyes, attended to all her needs.

GOWNS ON APPROVAL.

While lunching at the Richelieu, a loud voice was heard. "I must have been very expensively dressed," she said.

sticks, all round the circle of spaces, about twelve inches apart, and then taking wattle (a kind of coarse grass or reed) she thatches the edifice, leaving a small hole at the top for a chimney and another hole three feet square for a door.

ENGLISH WORKINGWOMEN'S DRESSES.

The evening classes and mutual-improvement institutes have opened their doors for the winter, and I write to you, as a practical educator in popular art, to ask if there is no possible force, educational or artistic, which could be utilized for the amendment of the hideousness of our workingwomen's style of dress?

I have used the word "uniform" advisedly. Who is not familiar with the dress of shabby black or rusty brown of the char or washer woman? With it she either wears a shawl of dirt-colored dinginess, folded into a triangle and tightly drawn across her chest, or a shapeless jacket and a crape bonnet.

Dress of this description has not even the merit of convenience for its wearer's special vocation. It is excessively liable to damage by mud and bad weather, and its utter colorlessness is the chief reason that an English crowd is always such a depressing, joyless spectacle.

FASHION NOTES.

Tweed and shawl capes are very popular. Importers are exhibiting some very pretty wool delaines. Scotch tweeds are making their appearance in every possible color and pattern.

The large shaggy checks are many of them made up with a gored seam on the front and sides. A lace color of the green-yellow marigold comes in wide edgings. A new pattern has openwork wheels rolling over it.

Her Brother Entertained Him.

She was not quite ready to receive him, so she sent her little brother to entertain him while she put the finishing touches to her toilet.

"You are Ethel's beau, ain't you?" the youthful prospective brother-in-law began.

"Yes," said the youth pleasantly.

"And it's in your own name ain't it?"

"And you expect to keep it in your own name after you're married to Ethel?"

"Well, Ethel will have something to say about that."

"You smoke, don't you?" continued the inquisitor.

"Yes, a little."

"And you expect to smoke after you are married to Ethel?"

"Yes, sometimes."

"And you expect to play sometimes after you're married to Ethel?"

"Well, Ethel will have something to say about that."

"Look here, my young friend," said the exasperated lover; "I've got an important engagement which I forgot. I'm going to attend to it. You tell Ethel I've gone and see what she has to say about that."

A Church Flooded with Honey. During the early summer a swarm of bees built in the loft of an Episcopal church in Tulare County, Cal.

The equilibrium of things in general would be more nearly established if farmers who supply the city market would pick their apples after they are ripe and their turkeys before they are ripe.

A lady returned from a foreign tour claims that her health was sustained by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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Mr. Child's Latest Little Jest. The speed of bees, says a writer, has been greatly overestimated, but the man of experience knows that the rapidity of the part opposite the bee's foresight is a stern reality.—Philadelphia Ledger.

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