

tion of the hangings was saved. And, by the way, the Femmine Industrie has a branch in America conducted for Italian emigrants by Miss Carolina Amari and my cousin, Miss Colgate, Miss D'Annunzio, the niece of Gabriele D'Annunzio, assisting in the teaching.

"And how long has this work existed in Florence?" Miss Ryerson was asked after an inspection of all the wonderful embroideries and lace, baskets and hangings of the Florence Industrie Femminile.

**WONDERFULLY PROSPEROUS.**  
"About two years. Originally six ladies were appointed by the Roman head of the organization, two Italian, Princess Corrali and Contessa Angiola Rusconi, two English, the Duchess of Sermoneta and Mrs. Ninian Thompson, and two Americans, the Contessa Rucellai and myself."

"And has the work prospered?" Miss Ryerson looked enthusiastic. "Most wonderfully, thanks to the great liberality of the American tourists in Florence. They and the Italian are our best purchasers. The English have their Irish industries and buy at home. We began with the committee of six and now we have 60 patronesses and my books make a showing of 4,000 francs, or \$1,200, the first year, 12,000 francs, the second, and this last year 31,000 francs or \$6,000. Then the society goes away with the middleman, pays 4 per cent on its stock as well as allowing a discount to stockholders on their purchases. Any craftswoman may send in her work, and besides the patronesses have founded special schools for the peasant women on their estates. Our branches of industry in Italy now include lace, embroidery, knitting, linen and textile work in leather, wood, lava, coral, tortoise shell, ivory and mosaic, painting, engraving and designs on glass, paper, stucco, porcelain and enamel."

**THEY HAVE GOOD TASTE.**  
"And how are Italian women to work with?"

"Most satisfactory and most business-like," answered Miss Ryerson emphatically. "Their strong point is their good taste, which is unflinching. We Americans may furnish over a well known quality of energy, but it is the Italian who has the taste, so necessary a feature in a revival of an art."

"Are there other American women connected with the Industrie Femminile in Italy?"

"Oh, yes, the president of the whole society, lately resigned, Contessa Cora di Brazza-Savorgnan, was formerly Miss Stewart of New Orleans. She has two schools to teach women occupations which will enable them to make a living without going to the fields or the factories. Her lace school at Santa Margherita was the beginning of the work, now she has opened the Santa Margherita summer school at Terracina di Martignello, where women from any country may find a home and opportunities for study."

**AMERICAN COUNCILOR.**

"The councilor of our Florence branch is, also, an American, Contessa Rucellai, who was Miss Edith Bronson of New York. She does not live in Florence, but at Campo Bisenzio where she has established, on her husband's estates, a school for the manufacture of straw baskets and most artistic designs. Campo is the center of the straw plaiting industry of Tuscany and it was there that a few years ago the women almost went out of fashion. The Marchesa Ettile de VII Marco, formerly Miss Dunham of New York is councilor of the committee in Rome and has lace schools in the south of Italy. Then the Marchesa Romoene Renneri di Sorbello who was Miss Robert of New York has a flourishing school at Perugia where she taught embroidery in grandiose architectural patterns with courses cords on hand woven looms. Only the women on her husband's estate are taught it on condition that half their earnings are put by in the savings bank."

Miss Ryerson spoke with enthusiasm of these American women's work leaving her own part in it all entirely to the imagination.

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**IS J. PIERPONT MORGAN TO BECOME A CATHOLIC?**

Special Correspondence.  
LONDON, May 15.—Rumor over here is always busy with J. Pierpont Morgan's name. The latest tale concerning him which the gossiping dame has started is that he intends joining the Roman Catholic church. The statement that as a reward for returning to the Vatican the famous capitalist, John Pierpont Morgan, which was stolen from the cathedral of Assisi, the American multi-millionaire is to have his name embroidered on its precious folds, has been used to lead credence to the report of his contemplated change of faith. It is said that this honor has been decided on as a sort of inducement to take the decisive step, it being already known at the Vatican that he has strong leanings in that direction. When he is in London, I have been told that he frequently attends the services at the Roman Catholic cathedral at Westminster. The explanation which he gives to his friends is that there is something in the service which appeals to his artistic temperament. It is not generally known here that Mr. Morgan is one of the pillars of the Protestant Episcopal church in America and a frequent lay delegate to her conventions. Therefore, the rumor that he intends joining the mother church finds ready acceptance here than it will probably obtain in America. Millionaires do not often change their faiths. They are too busy money-making. And whatever church they happen to belong to proves equal to the task of removing from their paths that ancient stumbling block concerning the difficulty a rich man will have in getting into the kingdom of heaven.

The Duchess of Argyll has recently effected a pleasant surprise for the duke. She had her shooting and fishing box at Brevinloch on the Berkshire moors most beautifully decorated, furnished and lighted with electric light. She kept all this profound secret until she went up there the other day and saw the transformation. He said to a friend afterwards: "By Jove, my wife may not be a beauty, but unfortunately she is an heiress and consequently supposed to have no heart; but upon my soul she is the sweetest woman in the world. Sometimes I wish from the bottom of my heart she was poor so as to get a real chance of letting her know how much I care for her."

Like a good many Scotchmen, the Duke of Roxburgh is a viciously indifferent to his surroundings. All his life he has roughed it twice a year at his box on the moors. When there he and his friends used to sit in a room, which had in the center a deal table off which they had their food while their meals were cooked by the wife of one of the gillies. Like the typical Scotchman, too, this duke with royal blood in his veins had but the poorest taste in food and provided he had his lordship in the morning and Scotch broth in the evening with Scotch whisky to wash it down, this was about as much as he bargained for. Since his marriage his American wife has educated him up to the charms of French menus, for, as she was wont to tell her friends, "this utter ignorance of what constituted a really recherche dinner made me blush many a time."



INDIAN MAHATMA INVADES AMERICA.

Sri Aganya Guru Paramahansa, the wisest man of India, has reached New York to unburden himself of a moiety of his vast store of knowledge for the benefit of the western unbeliever. The gentleman's full name translated into idiomatic English means "Wise Man Devoid of Evil, Unfathomable Preceptor, Highest of all Gods." Great rajahs bend beneath his will and the Hindus worship him as the reincarnation of their great god Krishna. Just what branch of wisdom he intends first to implant in the American breast has not been clearly conveyed, but he despises money and says there can never be either wisdom or happiness in its possession.

**SOME COSTUMES SEEN IN MEXICO.**



The cut illustrates some curious costumes still worn by the women of Oaxaca, a state of the republic of Mexico. Especially striking is the head-dress of the girls engaged in the cochinal industry. These Indian maidens still deck themselves in the type of costume beloved of their ancestors.

**MANAGER OF AN ESTATE.**

Miss Grace Darling Peete of Jersey City had nearly finished her study of medicine in Michigan university when her father died. Mr. Peete was the manager of an estate which included the care of sixty-eight houses. Instead of any other man being made manager Miss Peete was asked to take her father's place as best fitted to carry out his plans. She did this successfully for several years, then returned to the university to finish her course.

**AN ODD BEQUEST.**

A rare example of discerning gratitude is given by the late Marchioness Isabella Lucida of Pavia, who has left a legacy of \$2,000 to a local comic paper to which she had been a lifelong subscriber. Her will also directed that \$300 in addition should be spent on a sumptuous banquet in which the staff of the paper should be entertained "in recognition," so the will textually reads "of the many pleasant hours spent in perusing its humorous columns."

**WILL ANNIHILATE NAVIES.**

A French scientist has advanced a new and startling theory to account for the mysterious blowing up of the Jena in Toulon Harbor. He thinks the catastrophe was due to stray electrical currents, such as are used in wireless telegraphy, and he offers to prove the possibility, at all events, of such an essentially by exploding cases of powder from a distance by means of a wireless apparatus he has invented.

**Instrument no bigger than a hand camera.**

Obviously, a vessel of this type must carry aboard or over a goodly store of explosives, and if these can be detonated through space by wireless telegraphy, she carries with her wherever she goes her own death warrant. All land magazines, too, will be exposed to the same invisible danger; a danger which it would be impossible to foresee, or to effectually guard against.

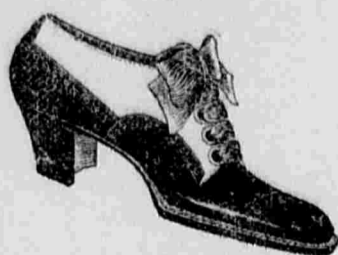
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