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Always Some One Below.
On the lowest round of the ladder
I firmly planted my feet
And looked up at the dim, vast distance
That made my future so sweet.

The Picnic—Before and After.
O, joyous, gladome picnic morn!
How cool the air, the skies how bright!
A thousand mental joys are born
To fill the heart with wild delight.

A Song of Killarney.
By the lakes of Killarney, one morning in May
On my pipe of green holly I warbled away
While a blackbird high upon the arbutus-tree
Gave back my gay music with gushes of glee.

AMONG THE LADIES.
What is Transpiring Throughout the Women's World.

FASHION AND MISCELLANY.
Girls in Starched Shirt Fronts.
The girl is pretty. Oh, yes—but look at the shirt front on her. It is well enough for us to adopt the clothes of the other sex if only we can feminize them befittingly.

A Wealthy New York Widow.
Mrs. Robert L. Stuart is the widow of a very rich man, who left his entire wealth—some \$10,000,000—to her, and her influence in New York is widespread and beneficent, and yet few people know her.

The Divorce Bill.
The quickest divorce ever granted in York county, Me., was decreed by Judge Haskell at Alfred, last week. Mrs. Edward W. Kelley, of Saco, had applied for a divorce, and she appeared before the court to plead her reasons.

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The Man Milliner.
Worth, the famous "French" dressmaker, is a native-born Englishman. He is a man of striking appearance, with rather a Scotch type of face, which is made more noticeable by the Scotch cap he usually wears.

Divorce in Five Countries.
If the wife of a Turkoman asks his permission to go out, and he says "Go," with out adding "Come back again," they are divorced.

Fashion Notes.
Mutton-leg sleeves are becoming to every one.
The hem of a widow's veil is deeper than ever.
Sailor hats in colored straw are effectively trimmed with black lace.

White silk brocaded or lace parasols are not seen to advantage in an unexpected shower.
Bathing stockings which are rubber-finished and cork-soled find a large sale just now.

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and other handsome materials are in popular use.
Simple white waists of French raincoat, India linen, American sarak or China silk are worn over skirts of various kinds. They may be shirred, tucked or plaited to suit the form and fancy, and are made with bishop sleeves.

Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe is 77 years old. The only sister of Mrs. Henry George is a Sister of Charity in St. Louis.

The Queen of Rumania has accepted the presidency of the new Women's Library which is shortly to be opened in Paris.

Buffalo has a Woman's Wheel Club and a Woman's Pedestrian Club. The wheel women comprise the elite of Buffalo's society, and the pedestrianists are the upper-ups.

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HOW THEY DO IT.
Subtle Advertising That Beats the Garulous Advance Agent Hollow.

In the fine art of advertising the men and women of the stage have obtained an efficiency that sometimes puts to shame their merely dramatic achievements, and that excites the bitterest envy among those steady-going people who pay for what is said about them and their goods at the usual rates per column.

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Vital Statistics from Europe.
Here are some vital statistics from England: The greatest number of births occur in February, the fewest in June. Five per cent. of all marriages are fruitless, ten per cent. among the "nobility."

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How He Proposed Marriage—A Curious Love Letter.

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Queer Things That are Patented.
The Louisville Courier Journal says: There is a claim in the patent office for a patent on the Lord's prayer, the specifications being that the repetition of the same "rapidly and in a loud tone of voice" will cure stammering.

The First Person Singular.
When a great man overworks the big personal pronoun I, people are ready enough to laugh at him and charge him with having an exaggerated sense of his own importance.

A Matrimonial Boycott.
Mr. Hickey, County Waterford, Ireland, has been boycotted not only by the men but by the women. At a recent meeting, a Miss Sheehan, seconded by Miss Sullivan, moved this resolution: "That we, the young girls of Waterford, Tipperary and Kilkenny, resolve and promise to treat with scorn and contempt any matrimonial proposals from Michael Hickey."

Ex-President Cleveland always keeps an appointment with his wife without regard to what other matter may be pressing upon his attention.—Exchange.