

THEY will soon be able to do without the "lords of creation" altogether in America. I read in a contemporary that a Mrs. Rayne, of Detroit, directs a school of journalism, teaching pupils to revise MSS. and other newspaper work generally. Detroit! Is the smart *Detroit Free Press* directed *sub rosa* by women? Perhaps that accounts for its extra sharpness. American ladies "know a thing or two," as they would say of themselves.

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ALSO two young ladies have started a Publishing Company, called "The Purdy," in Chicago. Picture the fair young heads bent over *his* MSS. Are they business-like enough to allow no softer feeling to influence their judgment. In England it is said a lady novelist generally ends by marrying her publisher. In Yankee land a few years hence this will be transformed into *he* (the author) marrying his publisheress. But then there are two of them. Will they fight for him?

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THE "Early English Text Society" are employing ladies on transcript work for their reprints. Miss May Bateson, of Newnham College, is at work on an unique MSS.; and two other ladies are also copying one belonging to an old cathedral. The work, however, is tedious, and needs good sight and bagfuls of patience. I believe a great many ladies do very similar work at the British Museum.

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IN New York, women have been lately employed as Custom House Inspectors, as they are found to be very quick at detecting smuggled goods. Of course. Is it not always allowed that lynx-eyed woman can detect even spots of dust unnoticed by the sterner sex, and also little things never escape her 'cute observation?

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THE following are the names of those English ladies who have received awards at the Paris Exhibition: Miss Dorothea Beale, gold medal; Mrs. Ernest Hart, gold medal; Miss Alma Tadema, silver medal; Miss E. A. Armstrong, bronze medal; Miss Mary Hart and Miss Ada Leigh, silver medals; Miss Kate Greenaway, bronze medal; Miss E. G. Jeffreys, Miss Anna Merritt, Miss Clara Montalba, Miss Lottie Coutty, and Miss Henrietta Rae, all honourable mention.

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## HOSPITAL INTELLIGENCE.

REPORTS OF INSTITUTIONS, &c.

I AM informed that the first lecture on Electro-Physiology and Therapeutics, which I recently announced in these columns, at the Institute of Medical Electricity, 24, Regent Street, W., was on the evening of Tuesday, the 10th, delivered with marked success to a full and appreciative class. Several Medical men who were present expressed themselves as favourably inclined to the lectures, which are to be given regularly through the session.

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It has also been requested that I state in these columns that at the quarterly meeting of the General Committee of the Birmingham District Nursing Society, on Friday, October 11th, R. L. Chance, Esq., in the chair, the following resolutions were passed:—"That the best thanks of this society be accorded to the Hospital Saturday Collection Committee for their contribution of £54 13s. 8d."; "That the best thanks of this society be given to the Needlework Guild Birmingham Centre for the sixty garments received per Lady Peel, Hampton in Arden." The following new donations and subscriptions, &c., were announced—Donations: General Dispensary, £5 5s.; Mr. Hollinsworth, £5; grateful patients, £1 5s. Subscriptions: Mrs. J. Cartland, Mr. H. B. Francis, Mr. A. H. Etches, £1 1s. each; Mr. S. Booth, 10s. Food, fruit, &c., from Mr. Andrews, Mrs. Barnard, Mrs. C. G. Beale, Mrs. Cartland, Mrs. Fairfax, Mrs. W. Mathews, Mrs. C. E. Mathews, Mrs. Vardy. Blankets from Mrs. C. G. Beale. Flowers from Mrs. Vardy, Flower Mission, Christ Church Flower Service. Surgical appliances from Mr. C. Roberts. Donation for special case, from Mrs. A. Chamberlain. Subscriptions and donations may be paid to Mrs. C. G. Beale, Maple Bank, Edgbaston, or to Lloyds Bank, Five Ways. Applications for Nurses should be made at the Home, 98, Newhall Street. Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. H. Etches, 6, Bennett's Hill, Birmingham.

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AT the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital quarterly meeting recently held, it was reported that "Applications having been repeatedly made to the Hospital to provide Nurses for private outdoor Nursing, which hitherto it has been impossible to comply with, arrangements have been entered into by which four additional Nurses will be available for this purpose, and it is hoped that the addition may be but a step towards the greater development of this branch of the Hospital work at no distant day."

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