

rule. She, with the reflected light of her bold husband's name forming as it were a halo round her brow, is about to exchange the paint brush for the pen. During the autumn her first essay in literature will be published, and it is to be entitled "London Street Arabs." One thing, she has chosen a subject she thoroughly understands, which is not always the case with would-be authors, and if her pen pictures of "gamins" are as picturesque and as true to life as her well known pictures, the little volume is certain of success on the score of its merits alone.

A SHOP has been opened in Princes' Street, Hanover Square, for the exhibition of lace from Honiton and the other districts of Devonshire. The ladies of that beautiful country are endeavouring to resuscitate this old and almost forgotten industry, and this new depôt is the outcome of their efforts. Honiton lace was once very celebrated, and rightly, for it is most beautiful. If only English ladies were a little more patriotic and a little less fond of boasting, "this comes from abroad," as though therefore it must be superior

to any home article, the old-time English industries would stand more chance of revival.

VEVA KARSLAND.

TRIVIALITIES.—It is not always easy in any sphere to discriminate between the trifling and the momentous. It is often a matter of comparison, and judgment and experience are needed in the selection. Trifles are not to be confounded with details, which are often most important. Neither are things necessarily trifling because they are small. A kind look, a gentle warning, a cordial greeting, a slight service, are sometimes despised as trifles, when in truth they are signs of a generous and kindly nature, and carry untold blessings to their recipients. Many little things are far more important than what we miscall great ones; they may indeed be the true realities, while the others may be insignificant. If each one will faithfully examine the meanings and purposes of the various spheres in which he moves, and endeavour conscientiously to make them first in his heart and life, the trifles will sink into their proper and subordinate place.

POST-CARD EXAMINATIONS.

WE are pleased to be able to announce that the second of this series of examination questions has been most heartily responded to, more than double the number of competitors (over the first) having entered for it, the following having secured the prize of a book or books of the value of five shillings:—

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