





# Manchester Enterprise--Supplement.

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## Gossip for the Ladies.

The Virginia Legislature has just imposed a new tax on bonds—just made it more difficult to buy them.

Three newspapers in Iowa are edited by ladies, and are dressed up for their dinner dresses.

No club-headed parsons next sum-

mer, but pretty, Jessie, little John,

and Maggie are covered with gold.

An Iowa jury recently decided that when a man's recent engagements were broken off, his fiancée must return all presents or her value in money.

Mrs. Sarah N. P. Perkins, a Congregationalist, New Haven, Conn., has taken one of the prizes at a late Orange County Fair for the best wheel of bread.

A young woman, Nellie, of New Haven, Conn., recently got engaged to a man who is a son of a wealthy father.

"What's nothing like persistence?" John Couch was married in Philadelphia the other day to a girl who had refused him eight times. She refused to see if he really deserved her.

"I hope you excuse this intrusion," said the bride, "but my husband's husband?" blandly asked the Judge.

"Fear! Compulsory! He commands you! You know him, Judge."

"I'm a good-looking, single, detective, society for finding out the habits of women men. Every unmarried lady in the place is a member, of course."

"It has been said that it is better to be married than to be single, but I am married to be unable to be married."

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The young man and young woman are caught that they don't know their own names given to them.

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