

Wichita Daily Eagle

SCRATCHED TEN MONTHS
A troublesome skin disease caused me to scratch for ten months...

SWIFT SPECIFIC

I was cured some years ago of White Swelling in my leg by using Swift's Specific...

SHORT AND INTERESTING.

Eight cubic feet of snow produce one cubic foot of water.

All the people in Brazil have unusual respect for old age.

Twenty-two spinsters are numbered among the inhabitants of the Cherokee strip.

A dog dog that received injuries in a recent gasoline explosion at Spokane, Wash., remembers the occurrence so vividly that he will not venture within a square of the place.

William Hecker, a Swiss baker in Augusta, Ga., is a powerful fellow.

The largest engine is at Friedensville, Pa. Its driving wheels are thirty-five feet in diameter.

Extraordinary strength was possessed by the Roman emperor Caisus Julius Verus Maximinus.

Fred White, of Otsego, Minn., while mentally deranged, gouged out his right eye and with an ax cut off his right foot and his right hand.

A couple of burglars in Fall River, Mass., while trying to escape, were pursued by two football players.

A severe pain in the ear of Elsie McLaughlin, aged seven, at Frankfort, Pa., compelled her parents to call a physician.

A baker in St. Johnsbury, Vt., in kicking himself because he broke an egg to put it in a cake instead of placing it under a hen or in an incubator.

Every shade of brown is shown, both in silk and cloth.

Entire costumes are now made of accordion-plaited silk mull.

Basques are at the height of fashion and round waists are also worn.

Desden china trays are in use for the toilet, the bathroom, the library and the table.

Tom Thumb ribbon, sewed on in rows, is employed to great extent to trim capoteats.

New capoteats are very small and are sometimes merely a few velvet loops, a bit of lace and an aigrette.

Two exquisite stones, matching in size and color, placed side by side, is the newest style of mounting a ring.

The best street dresses are severely plain, and even the most elegant costumes have no trimmings on the skirt, save four or five rows of machine stitching just above the hem.

In marriage announcements in Spain the ages of both parties are given.

Wagon mothers put a pair of tongs or a knife in the cradle to insure the safety of their children.

Romanian mothers tie red ribbons around the ankles of their children to preserve them from harm.

Among the Bengaleses shouting the name of the king of birds (garunda) is supposed to drive away snakes.

The husband does not buy his wife in Maritelle, and although there is a suggestion of a memory of marriage by capture in the details of courting and in the avoidance of the parents-in-law, she would appear to remain her father's property.

When children are born the father has to buy them of his father-in-law.

Friendly Regard is never entertained by the children for a medicine that tastes bad.

little ones of Scott's Emulsion, a preparation of cod-liver oil almost as palatable as milk.

FOREIGN GOSSIP.

The Manchester canal, now finished, has cost the lives of 158 men, the permanent injury of 186 and the temporary injury of 1,404.

A difficulty has arisen about the election of a mayor at Hythe, Kent, England. None of those selected will accept office and steps will have to be taken to compel some one to serve.

The Prussian minister of the interior, Count von Eulenburg, has sent a secret circular to the presidents of districts, warning them of the spread of socialism and asking them to take all possible means to check it.

In Holland women and persons of either sex under the age of sixteen are now forbidden to begin work earlier than five a. m., or to continue at work after seven p. m., nor can their work exceed eleven hours a day in all.

In the last twenty years titles of nobility have almost disappeared in the French chamber of deputies, there being but sixty-five remaining instead of two hundred and twenty-two in 1871.

There are two mountains in lower California that are estimated to contain ten million tons of pure alum.

The Chautauqua salute, waving a white handkerchief, was first given at the request of Chancellor Vincent, as a greeting to a deaf-mute.

New York and Massachusetts have each been represented in the cabinet twenty-eight times.

In every land between Spitzbergen and Patagonia there is some species of the common blood-sucking mosquito.

The first aerial voyage was made September 19, 1783, by a sheep, a cock and a duck to a height of one thousand five hundred feet.

Within a year Eleanor E. Greatorex has become one of the best-known of American illustrators.

Roscoe Conkling's statue is to be placed in Madison square, New York. This is finally settled, and Sculptor Ward's plans for its erection have been accepted by the park board.

Mrs. Caroline S. Brooks, the sculptress, is modeling a grand Columbian memorial, eached groups of which were completed in butter and exhibited in the Arkansas building at the fair.

Mary Horritt Halliday, a Cairo (Ill.) girl, educated at Vassar and Packer, has been elected president of the Woman's Art Club of Sculptors and Painters in Paris.

The exports of breadstuffs during the eleven months ended November 30 amounted to \$171,655,502, as compared with \$123,268,669 in the corresponding period of 1892.

The Bank of England annually receives \$247,000 from the government for managing the public debt, paying the dividends, etc.

Until within a short time, this country was manufacturing collars and cuffs for 150,000,000 people, though it had only about 65,000,000 to be collared and cuffed.

Statisticians claim that the earth will not support to exceed 5,000,000,000 people. The present population is estimated at 1,467,000,000, the increase being eight per cent. each decade.

Stranger things abroad. Street-car ambulances are used in France.

A Denmark old maids' insurance company pays regular weekly "benefits" to spinsters of forty years and upwards.

In the rivers of Surinam there is a fish that has four perfect eyes, two on each side of the head, one above the other.

There is a bold ridge of gray volcanic mountains in the Cape Verde islands, the crest of which is said to form an exact likeness of George Washington.

Expedition island, a tract of land thirteen miles long and from one and one-half to two miles wide, lying off the coast of Australia, has entirely disappeared beneath the waves.

Sports and pastimes. A man in Grayling, Mich., has an otter which he has trained to dive and catch fish.

Several members of the Princeton, Yale and Harvard football teams of this year were but eighteen years old.

A bicyclist of San Bernardino, Cal., has a ten-foot mast and eight-foot-square sail rigged to his safety, and claims that with its aid and by careful handling he easily makes a speed of twenty to thirty miles an hour when running before the wind.

A big deer happened casually upon the town of Nehalem, Ore., recently, trotted the length of the main business street, meandered into the back yard of a citizen's house, ambled through the house and out of the front door and then trotted out of the city limits.

It is useless to tell a boy who has determined to become a barber that he must "begin at the foot," and it is equally a waste of time to say to a boy who intends to be a chiroprapist that he will reach head some day.

"On, papa," said Wallie, "see my horse-chestnut!" "That isn't a horse-chestnut, my son. It is too small for a horse-chestnut."

"Well," said Wallie, "see my poppy-chestnut, then." "Harper's Bazar."

THE WOMAN OF FASHION.

Woman, Maid and Child Are Marvelously Alike in Gowning.

The Style for Children Shows No Originality—The Popular Materials—Some Dainty Dresses Described—Fancy Costumes for Little Folks.

Everybody looked cold to-day. The suggest of wraps, the warmest of furs, didn't suffice to keep Jack Frost from nipping noses and ears.

A goodly display of red noses and blue lips. One woman, brave enough to hold her muff over her face, suggested an idea. Why not have nose-laps, as well as laps for ears?

There was but little to attract in the street gowns, to-day. Heavy cloaks and furs were about all that one could see.

A bright green cloth was worn by one girl who seemed impervious to the biting wind. It was trimmed with a rich band of soft gray fur.

A bright afternoon dress of clear red velvet, with skirt trimmed with two broad bands of white cloth, embroidered in scarlet shades and edged with milk bands.

I admired, also, a white crepon gown, with twists of golden brown velvet for belt and trimmings.

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In cloaks I saw much of the same styles as we older folks affect—revers, fur bands, velvets, plushes, et al.—with the touch of youthfulness added

to make them suitable and wholly charming.

More ingenuity is expended on the fancy dress for little folks than upon the more sensible home gown.

The brightest twins in all the world—just five years old apiece—were clad in this fashion to a children's gathering that opened the new year.

The boy was a true cavalier, with his short cascade of dark green cloth, his dainty lace tie, his white leather brooches and belt, and his gold helmet with great plumes soaring above, flaring white cuffs, and neat black stockings and slippers.

A neat skating costume shows a long blouse in white cloth, falling over a black velvet skirt, edged with white Mongolian. A velvet yoke is inserted, fur-edged. The child carries a white muff and wears a little velvet cap.

I reproduce some of the newest shapes in hoods and bonnets for the younger folk. The pretty fur-edged hoods, with high bows, wings and plumes are worn by very little ones; and the big drooping hats, with broad brims that are caught in fetching gathers and curls for the older ones.

The ribbon, the plume and the chou in velvet are most suitable for trimming.

It's Not Very Wicked. She looks about her pretty boy. A bald head with a score. The bald head? I. And what my sweet Sweet baby, just turned four. —Brooklyn Life.

The Two Things Won't Hitch. It won't do for the man who claims to love the Lord Sunday to be found selling goods with a short yardstick Monday.—Ram's Horn.

Very Likely. "I should like to have a chance to hitch him."

"I know you would. You'd accept him."—Life.

"DON'T BORROW TROUBLE." BUY SAPOLIO 'TIS CHEAPER IN THE END.

OF GENERAL INTEREST.

Tax king of Italy eats only one meal a day.

A white penny of 1877, if in good condition, is worth \$1.

Pope John II, 1322, had a "first-water diamond of five pennyweights, upon which was carved an exact likeness of Christ."

The women of Belgium and Holland are noted for their snowy linen; they attain this desired result by the use of borax, a handful to ten gallons of water.

Cotton has been cultivated since time out of memory. One of the presents received by Jacob, Joseph's father, from the royal hand of Pharaoh, was a "cotton robe."

The driest season in half a century in the southwestern seaboard counties of Texas closed a week or so ago. The oldest inhabitants bear ample witness to its unprecedented character.

Oak branches make a most charming indoor decoration for the winter. The leaves, to be sure, lose their brilliant red and curl up as to show their dull, terra cotta nether sides, but the ball-like lumps that the leaves form, have the suggestion of Louis XV. curves, and are highly effective against a suitable background.

Writers of ancient days. PRUDEN'S "Connection" was offered to one publisher after another for several years, none venturing to undertake its publication.

The manuscripts of Tasso, which are still preserved, are illegible from the immense number of erasures, changes and emendations.

The only instance of perfectly successful collaboration in English literature is found in the dramatic works of Beaumont and Fletcher.

The letters of Leonardo da Vinci were allowed by his family to perish in a garret. Only such were preserved as were in the hands of others.

The works of Aristotle comprised more than four hundred treatises on various subjects. The manuscripts which survive of his writings were accidentally discovered in an advanced stage of decay in an old chest.

Keeping a diary was a confirmed fashion among the literary Romans. Most of them carried little tablets tied at their belts, in which they kept memoranda of their doings so as to forget nothing when they came to write up the record at night.

Styles in stationery. CREAM WHITE and blue paper and envelopes are the popular colors in fashionable circles.

A BROWN paper embossed in silver is popular among those not well posted in what is perfectly correct.

A SORT of pepper-and-salt gray for writing paper is pretty, but not sensible, for neither white nor black ink will be clear on it.

To BE in it your writing should be adorned either with a coat of arms, a monogram or an address stamped across the middle of the top. Silver on blue and dark blue or red on white are the favorite colors, though gold is also used, especially for monograms.

SEALING wax in all possible shades is displayed, but white for blue paper, dark blue or red for white and black for mourning are the colors most used. Some pretty effects are obtained by using a sort of clear amber wax mottled with silver. Wax, by the way, is a necessity in these days of very insaficiently gummed envelopes.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

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