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Paris Misses Its English Patrons.

One Englishman wastes, according to his means, more money on a pleasure trip than three dozen foreigners. The Englishman is not a good linguist, and even if he knew a language grammatically his words are straggling. "They refuse to come out in procession," as George Eliot wrote. As a consequence he is fleeced and submits cheerfully to the fleecing. Not so the German, the Austrian, the Spaniard and the Italian. They all know French, and even if their accent should betray their foreign origin they are safe, for the French shopkeeper and trader only goes deliberately for the "Anglish." The "Anglish" have kept away, and now there is wailing and gnashing of teeth.

Don't pull up on the road to success and wait for the other fellow to go ahead.

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Every ship that comes to America got its chart from Columbus. Every novel is a debtor to Homer. Every carpenter who shaves with a foreplane borrows the genius of a forgotten inventor. Life is a girt all round with a zodiac of sciences, the contributions of men who have perished to add their point of light to our sky.—Representative Men.

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I am sure Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—MRS. THOS. ROBBINS, Maple St., Norwich, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1900.

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IRONY OF FATE.

Famous Artists, Who at First, Received Scant Appreciation.

In an article on "The Art of the Age" in Pearson's there is an interesting reference to the early struggles of famous artists. J. F. Millet, the great French painter of peasant life, for instance, only reached a moderate amount of comfort toward the end of his life. Since his death his pictures have sold for enormous sums, "L'Angelus" being bought by his country for $75,000. Can we account for this? Millet was an artist consistently true to himself, never turning aside to do what he considered was below the standard he had set for himself. It not infrequently happens that men of strong personality produce work not understood by the average man, and as he is the largest buyer of pictures, it follows that the artist is left to eat his heart out or starve, as Millet did for years, because he works outside accepted conventions. Recently an exhibition was held in London of the works of the French romancist Montecelli. His career was a remarkable one, for from poverty and obscurity his pictures suddenly became the vogue, and for a while he lived in opulence; then they ceased to sell, and he became little better than a vagrant, tramping from place to place.

ST. VITUS' DANCE

Three great and complete cures effected by Dr. Greene's Nervura Blood and Nerve Remedy.

Mrs. J. A. Ferre, who resides near 905 Main Street, Hartford, Conn., says:

"My daughter Lulu became very ill with St. Vitus dance over a year ago. She became so bad that she lost the use of her right arm and side, and we thought at one time she would lose her speech. Her tongue was almost paralyzed. She was so bad she could not feed herself, and at night she would get so nervous I had to sit and hold her. I tried several doctors but they did not do her any good. I did not find anything that would help her until I tried Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy. She is now, by the use of this medicine, entirely cured."

C. H. Bailey, Esq., of Waterbury, Vt., writes:

"I am more than glad to write about my little daughter. Until a short time ago she had always been a very delicate child and subject to sick spells lasting weeks at a time. She was very nervous, and our family doctor said we would never raise her, she was so delicate and feeble. We tried many remedies without the least good. We felt much anxiety about her, especially as no doctors could benefit her, and had great fear for her future. Learning of the wonders being done by Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, I determined to give it to her. She soon commenced to improve under its use, and rapidly gained in every respect. She eats and sleeps well, and her nerves are strong. The medicine has done wonders for her and it is the best we ever knew. I recommend Dr. Greene's Nervura, blood and nerve remedy, to everybody."

Mrs. J. Learmonth, of 776 Broadway, South Boston, Mass., says:

"At ten years of age my daughter became affected with a nervous condition which soon developed into St. Vitus' dance. It was pronounced by the attending physician to be a very severe attack. The mouth would be drawn spasmodically far to one side, the hands and arms were restless and constantly twitching. Her limbs also were weak; her ankles bent under her so that it was almost impossible to walk. She was so nervous that she would scream almost like a maniac and then have fits of crying. After two months' treatment without a cure I concluded to try Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy. Three bottles entirely cured her. She is now thirteen years old, and has been well ever since, and to-day is a picture of health."

FASHION'S VERSATILITY.

Suggestions For the Wardrobe of the Well Dressed Woman.

One of the most exquisite and striking illustrations of the season's craze for gold trimming is seen in the "opening" of a leading house. It is a robe of white chiffon richly embroidered with gold in a floral design that surrounds the skirt, curving in the front to outline the front gore. The flowers are in solid raised work, yet of extreme delicacy, and the whole is a work of art.

The robe appears in every form for day and evening wear. There are finely woven henriettas and cashmeres with lace designs wrought in the panels or with rich, embroidered cutwork, through which delicate silk shimmers softly. There are heavier cloths with interwoven borderings, and there are the filmiest things that ever were seen outside of Titania's cobweb wardrobe for evening occasions. In all, the waist material is a part of the robe, and is generally in the form of a Persian jacket, bolero or Eton, high and sleeved in the day gowns and decollete in the evening. In the latter it is usual to employ accordion pleated chiffon of the prevailing tone in the material.

The imported gowns this year show the most daring color combinations that, nevertheless, produce perfectly artistic effects. A "home gown" of pale blue crepe, for instance, has a black velvet bolero, with revers of violet panne, which is used on collar and sleeves, also a band of heavy white guipure, with touches of gilt, further decorates the bolero. A dinner costume of hunter's green velvet has tiny cordings of pale blue, violet and yellow outlining the far pleated blue chiffon inserted at each seam, nearly to the knee. For the front of the corsage the blue chiffon is used and similarly treated, and the square decolletage is corded in the same manner.

There is a perfect revel of color in all directions. An evening cloak that is designed for a tall and stately blonde is of white satin, brocaded with great velvet rose sprays of pink and deep rose red. The high collar and Carmelite hood of chinchilla are lined with pink velvet. The lining of the cloak is of self-brocaded pink satin with tracery of gold.

A costume of strawberry colored velvet with trimming of white satin, brocaded with velvet roses, sounds rather startling when considered as a daytime gown, yet such is the velvet and color craze that a visiting costume on that basis is being made for a social leader. The velvet coat has revers of the brocaded satin, with waistcoat to match and the long velvet tunic is caught up at one side to show a petticoat of the satin. The strawberry velvet hat is lavishly trimmed with white ostrich plumes radiating from a large gold ornament at the front.

One of the oddities in furs is a mink bolero, with elbow sleeves of black guipure over cloth of gold. These are caught in at the wrist by bands of the fur fastened by gold buttons. The hat to match is of gold cloth, fur faced, built high at the side under the brim, and having two large choux of gold and black lace on the bandeau. From the upper chou two long black plumes sweep toward the back.

A French Wedding.

At a recent wedding in Paris the bride amazed all beholders by wearing a long, voluminous tulle veil flecked with silver. The innovation pleased as much as it surprised, and it is not improbable that we shall be taking our last look at the winter bride-to-be through a mist of tulle and silver. The bride who introduced this novelty was a young woman of social importance, and as her frocks were made by the "great artists" of Paris, it is possible that the spangled veil was the inspiration of one of these faiseurs, and not an idea of the demoiselle herself. The bridal wreath was of myrtle and orange blossoms. The gown was heavy ivory-white duchess satin, the trained skirt made in groups of tucks, the bodice having a bolero of corded silk and applications of embroidered mousseline de soie. The sleeves and revers were trimmed with the same embroidery and the yoke was of transparent mousseline.

There was one maid in attendance. She wore the newest of new frocks—white peau de gant cloth, which name describes the fabric perfectly. It had a small bolero strapped with cloth and a large collar of Roman point. The sleeves were rolled at the elbow, showing undersleeves of crepe de chine. The skirt was plain. She wore a hat of white beaver with one long white ostrich plume and a knot of velvet ribbon as trimming and carried a bouquet of pink roses.

"To the Queen's Taste."

In a "confession" book owned by the Queen of Portugal one of the questions asked is: "Do women admire ugly men?" The Empress of Russia answered this as follows: "Yes, I believe that some women admire ugly men—when handsome men are out of their reach."

Queen Margherita of Italy gave the following reply: "From fifteen to thirty a woman loves a handsome man; from thirty to fifty she admires a handsome man, and after fifty she worships a man in any shape or form."

Princess Henry of Battenberg wrote: "Many ugly men are very lovable, undoubtedly—but, then, so are handsome men. However, 'handsome is as handsome does,' and a good-looking man with only his good looks to fall back upon would have a poor chance of winning any right-minded girl's affection."

In answer to the question, "What quality do women most admire in men?" the Queen of Portugal herself wrote in her book: "Purity in a man is surely as grand and as ennobling as purity in a woman." The Princess of Wales admires "modesty" in a man above all other qualities.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

At the Jewelers.

Newest necklaces are elaborate affairs of many and various colored stones and the richest of rose gold. One of them presents a superb ensemble of diamonds, pearls, sapphires, rubies and emeralds.

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Great is the vogue of green enamel on either gold or silver. Nearly every woman who buys a new brooch or belt clasp demands in it at least a touch of that golden green color which is just now the fad in fashion.

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Some very handsome aluminum rings for men, with a diamond or colored stone in gypsy setting, are shown. A novel variant is a ring half gold and half aluminum.

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Bridal Etiquette.

A maiden is usually married in white; a widow never. A widow on remarrying may wear gray, fawn, lavender or some such delicate shade.

If you know only the bridegroom and are selecting a present choose something useful for the home or something suitable for a gentleman. With your present send congratulations and kind wishes.

Wedding invitations are issued in the name of the bride's father and mother or, in lieu of these, her guardian. No one should go to a wedding in mourning; either decline the invitation or discard the mourning for the event. Wedding presents may be sent a week in advance of the event, accompanied by a visiting card or a note.

The bridegroom provides the flowers carried by his bride; the flowers carried by the bridesmaids and the carriage which drives his bride from the church and all other expenses incidental to a wedding are paid by the parents of the bride.—American Queen.

Many green leaves are to be seen on winter hats.

Flaming red hats, feathers, ribbons and velvet flowers are prominently displayed by high-class milliners.

Loose meshed ribbons in gold and silver in narrow widths are made up with velvets and ribbons for hair ornaments.

A real velvet gown is trimmed extensively with a heavy, coarse braid lace around the skirt, and the jacket nearly covered.

Lacings of gold cord are much used in velvet and taffeta boleros, and are also introduced in the side panels of many new skirts.

Marked favor will be shown to both plain and fancy panne velvets for costumes entire and for accessories of every description.

A princess effect is given to some gowns by carrying the pleats which finish the back of the waist down the skirt. These may be in box or side pleats.

The Eton jackets show fronts double triple and even quadruple. Shaped ruffles at the lower edges of the skirts with these give the effect of nearly as many skirts.

Panne velvet is a great favorite with the fashionables of Paris, not infrequently taking precedence over ordinary silk velvet. It will be much employed for separate waists, trimming, and also for muffs and hats.

A little lace Eton jacket, which is short and hangs straight without fitting to the figure, has a pretty finish around the edge. It is made of narrow folds of satin, lavender and pale blue interlacing loosely, and sewed on so that it hangs freely.

The general persistence with which the bolero holds favor, both here and abroad, indicates its general becomingness. In traveling suits, shopping or afternoon gowns it appears in some form or other, and appeals always to the woman of fashion.

The flowers in tinted gold are certainly beautiful. Not the enamel, that has an unreal look. Take an oval belt buckle in gold with a wild rose and buds lying across it, the rose-tinted pink and the buds showing a little pink and the pretty green calyx, and there is nothing more beautiful in metal.

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Many of the popular misconceptions about the physiological and psychological makeup of the Chinaman are to be traced to a general impression that the Chinese are a tropical people. Of course, when we deliberately set out to consider the matter we realize at once that only a small part of China lies within the tropics, and that a great part of the empire enjoys a winter at least as severe as that of New England. Those who have reason to pay some attention to Chinese affairs bear constantly in mind the fact that the climatic discipline of the Chinaman has been that of the Frenchman, the German, the Austrian, the American and the Briton.

WOMEN MUST SLEEP.

Avoid Nervous Prostration.

If you are dangerously sick what is the first duty of your physician? He quiets the nervous system, he deadens the pain, and you sleep well.

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