

WAS A CLOSE CALL

Exploding Gasoline Set Fire in an Ionia Restaurant

MAKING A COMPLETE RUIN

The Ionia Hotel... Several Hundred Dollars... \$1,100 - Fire

Ionia, Mich., Dec. 29.—Ionia had a narrow escape tonight from a disastrous conflagration...

COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS

Annual Meeting in Detroit—Membership and Finances... Detroit, Mich., Dec. 29.—About 100 members of the Michigan Commercial Travelers' association convened in annual meeting...

FRED MARVIN RELEASED

Charge of Embarrassment Against Him Dismissed... Detroit, Mich., Dec. 29.—Fred Marvin is no longer held under the charge of embarrassment in the police court...

FOOT CRUSHED

Conductor McMahon Injured at Station Junction... Ionia, Mich., Dec. 29.—Tim McMahon of Detroit, the popular conductor of the Detroit, Lansing & Northern railway...

BOOM CONTRACT LET

Bay City, Mich., Dec. 29.—A contract has been signed by Whitney Wells with the Michigan... Bay City, Mich., Dec. 29.—A contract has been signed by Whitney Wells with the Michigan...

MINISTER UNDER A CLOUD

Paw Paw, Mich., Dec. 29.—The Rev. Jonathan Edwards... Paw Paw, Mich., Dec. 29.—The Rev. Jonathan Edwards, pastor of the Long Island City church...

SHARPE SENT TO JAIL

Pontiac, Mich., Dec. 29.—Fred Brooks, who is in jail at Springfield, O., charged with obtaining money under false pretenses...

WILL USE SCOWS

Newport, Mich., Dec. 29.—Preliminary steps are being taken to investigate the feasibility of using scow-bottom sailing craft on Swan creek to transport stumps...

NEW HIRE HAND IN FLORENCE

Cedar Springs, Mich., Dec. 29.—Thomas Kinsey, a merchant at Resley Center, while hunting near his home...

WHEAT VOTE ON LOCAL OPTION

Allegan, Mich., Dec. 29.—The supporters have voted to submit the local option question at a special election, February 14.

HANGED WITH A SHOTGUN

Hosens, Mich., Dec. 29.—William H. Ashley, living there, (also northwest of this place), committed suicide yesterday

CYCLES IN FASHION

Girl of 1893 as an Alleviator of Hard Times

THE GOWNS OF 1890 AND

The Princess Gown—Gown's Tailor and the Duchess' Turquoise Rib and Spanglers—Evening Gowns

We have all been talking about "the styles of 1893," and wondering the styles of 1890. And yet there are points of resemblance.

"I'm sure," said a dear old grandma when we were all discussing the matter, "that I'm reminded every

time I go upon the street of my big brothers who used to say to me when I was small: 'Sleeves, where are you going with that little girl? I see so many sleeves nowadays escorting little girls, and big ones too, about the town.'

"That's telling," said the dear old lady, with a mock courtesy. And then her sweet face grew sadder as she added: "Poor big brothers! They were a torment then, but what wouldn't I give to see one of them to-day? And for a little space we all were quiet.

perhaps, blue cloth in the strictest tailor cut, with braided trimming or spangling of fine fur; or, heliotrope velvet—beautiful color no longer necessarily associated with age—with lining of creamy tone; or turquoise brocade, or pale rose with creamy lace. And whatever she buys, be it stockings, or dresses, or bonnets, or cloaks, or even shoes, will be or may be spangled all over, as gray as a pimpernel at a Christmas tree in fairyland.

Indeed, the girl of 1893 is wide awake. Her big shoulders are perked up at a jaunty angle. Her cuffs bat or toggle with its bobbing fasteners and pert pompons is full of life. There is intelligence in the twist of her ribbon, design in the curve of her waist, intent in the poise of her head. She leaves nothing to accident. She knows what she's about.

Out of the waste basket of past modes comes the overskirt to vex us or to please, as the case may be. Having first the skirt of texture rich and full dimensions, one must place over it looped drapery falling in waves at the bottom, or descending in front in an oval or a point, or even wound around the form spirally, so that the trimming resembles the stripes on a barber's pole. Best of all, of course, are the classic tunic point, the oval and the row of ripples at the skirt bottom. Only for daughters of the gods divinely tall are strongly marked horizontal lines admissible.

Above the overskirt, and much more objectionable, except for the slenderest figures, the eye first rests upon a meaningless row of little buttons above the hips. Sometimes this is merely more than a double ruffle, sometimes a row of quite deep founces obscuring the beautiful curves of the figure. It is not universal, fortunately, but it is common.

Above the overskirt the bodice is loaded with trimming, or given that effect, at least, so much is it bedecked

WALKING COSTUME

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AMUSEMENTS

THE GREAT PRICE

THE INCENTIVE TO PURCHASE



Mrs. J. H. HOBBS, 122 Pacific Ave., Santa Cruz, Cal., writes:

"When a girl at school, in Reading, Ohio, I had a severe attack of brain fever. On my recovery, I found myself perfectly bald, and, for a long time, I feared I should be permanently so. Friends urged me to use Ayer's Hair Vigor, and, on doing so, my hair

and I now have as fine a head of hair as one could wish for, being changed, however, from blonde to dark brown."

"After a fit of sickness, my hair came out in combfalls. I used two bottles of Ayer's Hair Vigor

and now my hair is over a yard long and very full and heavy. I have recommended this preparation to others with like good effect."—Mrs. Sidney Carr, 1480 Regent St., Harrisburg, Pa.

"I have used Ayer's Hair Vigor for several years and always obtained satisfactory results. I know it is the best preparation for the hair that is made."—C. T. Arnett, Mammoth Spring, Ark.

Ayer's Hair Vigor Prepared by Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

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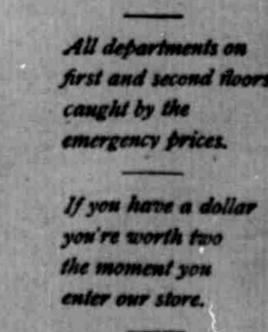
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