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Certainly no pleasant associations cluster about the Tweed Court-House.

Worse weather is predicted for to-morrow. Come, come, Farmer DUNN, what have we done to you?

It seems that in typhus, too, the unexpected may happen. Eternal vigilance is the price of a healthy New York.

Those quarrelling Kansas legislators should devote a day to a solemn consideration of the spectacle they are making of themselves.

There is probably little hope that the Muses will become the highest bidders at the sale of their once splendid home, the Metropolitan Opera-House.

MICHAEL READING, aged 101, has died at Thompson, Conn. He used tobacco and liquor all his life and never called in the doctor. His is an encouraging record.

Calls of the hour to Congress: Repeal the Silver Purchase act! Turn the wheels to crush the Reading coal barons! Settle the Quarantine question! Banish the Anti-Option phantom!

California does add a United States Senator to the right side of the column. And the promise is that STEPHEN M. WHITE will be an acquisition to the upper chamber at Washington.

The "L" Road Extension Committee is said to be "waiting." The people have been engaged a long, dreary while in that same occupation. And rapid transit promises is all they get.

The House Committee appointed to investigate the Reading coal combine reports that the facts ascertained merit the fullest consideration of the Government's law officers. Will they get it?

Now it is a gas monopoly and a possible raise of rates with which Brooklyn is threatened. The sooner the churchly city comes under the same blanket with New York, the sooner it will be merged into a splendid monopoly-defying, world-amazing municipality. It will be worth while in all ways.

An Ohio State Senator has introduced a bill meant to discourage the marrying of eloping couples. The Senator's intentions are probably good. He may remember, however, that State lines are very narrow boundaries in this age, and he may be very sure that "love will find a way" despite all the created Legislatures.

YOUNG MEN FOR ACTION.

The latest Cabinet rumor is to the effect that Mr. CLEVELAND will lead the President's family of advisers in years, and that his associates will be comparatively young men. As Mr. CAMBRIDGE is within two years of three score, this does not imply that the different portfolios will be put in the hands of inexperienced youths. But there will be no venerable heads around the council board. The secretaries will be men of vigor and activity as well as of experience, and will be able to do the work of the several departments efficiently and without relying too much on subordinates.

The idea is a happy one. The members of the Cabinet have important duties to perform. The Departments of State, of War, of the Navy and of the Interior require active, efficient heads. The Postmaster-Generalship and the Attorney-General's position are not sinecures. If the Administration is to be a grand success, every one of these important offices must be administered with vigor and guided by a firm and powerful hand.

Mr. CLEVELAND is right. A Cabinet of young, active, vigorous men will be a valuable aid to his Administration.

TWO BRIDGE PLANS APPROVED.

The Secretary of War has approved the plans for two new bridges across the East River between New York and Brooklyn. The height of the bridge from Broadway, Brooklyn, to Rivington street, on this side, is to be one hundred and forty feet in the centre of the span above mean high water.

This is a practical step towards that union of the two cities which the people want and the politicians oppose. Every bridge that is built adds another tie to consolidation and makes it a greater certainty.

New York needs bridges or tunnels, not to connect the city with Brooklyn alone, but with New Jersey and Staten Island as well. In the matter of bridges we are behind the age. The ferry-boat carrying across the river the hundreds of thousands of passengers who are coming from the West and South into New York or going from New York to the West and South is a relic of past days. Communication by land over the river or under the river and the termini of all the trunk railroads in the city of New York are what are demanded by the progress of the age.

In view of the new Brooklyn bridges, will the legislators at Albany allow themselves to be compelled by their bosses to refuse to allow the people the privilege of saying by their ballots whether they do or do not desire municipal union?

A GLORIOUS PROSPECT.

Count VON CAPRIVI is an agreeable and lively sort of consoler. In urging the passage of the German Army bill the Count told the legislators that in the next war with France Germany will need a large army. The French, he said, will form several armies and advance on their old territory from different points. The strategy of the Germans will then be offensive. If they should be victorious the French army would fall back on Paris and rely upon its fortresses.

Count VON CAPRIVI mapped out a pretty good fighting campaign for his countrymen. They would be compelled to invest three fortresses, and for this would need three divisions. Then they would have to capture some of the barring forts, which would require siege artillery. After doing this, in a week or so the German armies would have to cross the Meuse, in full view of the enemy. They would then proceed to encircle Paris and to take the city by front attack. For all this they would require large numbers of troops.

What a splendid outlook this is for the German people. What glory—and what wounds they would win! How many promotions and widows would be made. What crosses of honor—and wooden legs—the German soldiers would possess after the war. How many thousands and tens of thousands would be promoted, if not to commands, to heaven. What a number of names of heroes would be written in general orders, and what a vastly greater number would be inscribed on tombstones.

The American people have no opportunity of winning such honors and such glory in fighting the quarrels of Kings and Emperors. But then they are the more likely to retain all their limbs and die peacefully in their beds, and that is some slight consolation.

CITY HALL PLANS.

Mayor GILROY is pushing the preliminary work on the new municipal building with vigor. Yesterday he submitted to the Sub-Committee on Plans a communication from the Architectural League of New York urging the immediate engagement of professional advisers by that committee, and submitting names for the advisory committee.

The League sets forth the reasons which make it advisable to have from the start the advice and co-operation of capable architects. It is necessary that experts should frame the programme so that competitors may know just what is required and be assured that all competitors will stand upon an actually equal footing, and that the decision will be impartial and unbiased.

The Sub-Committee adopted a resolution appointing consulting counsel and directing them to ascertain the terms on which the Advisory Committee of Experts suggested by the League will act.

There seems to be determination on all sides not to allow another Mayoralty term to expire without any movement towards the erection of the much-needed building.

THE FRENCH EXPOSURE.

The efforts of the French Royalists to take advantage of the Panama developments to revolutionize the Government and overthrow the Republic have not yielded any promising returns. Their "movements" in London and Madrid have not been of sufficient consequence to redeem them from the ridiculous.

The Panama scandal has been a disgrace and a humiliation to France. It has proved that corruption and rascality have been as flourishing under the Republican Government as they were under the rotten, debauched and immoral monarchies.

At the same time the scandal has accomplished some good. It has shown of what paltry, beggarly material the whole batch of pretenders to the French throne is composed now that time has rubbed off the gilding. It has proved that the destiny of the whole French nation can no longer be shaped and controlled by the uprising of a Paris mob. It has afforded evidence that even Parisians are growing less excitable and cannot now be thrown into a turmoil of revolution by a breath.

The Republican Government, unshaken by this scandal, will be established more firmly than ever, and it is to be hoped will be cleansed and purified by the experience through which it has passed.

LET THE LAW DECIDE.

It will be just as well to stop the ridiculous opera bouffe performance of the double-barrelled Mayoralty at Long Island City and leave the contest over the office to be decided in a regular way by the courts. When two police forces are set up, each believing in its own regularity, what is a silly comedy may be easily turned into a tragedy.

However objectionable PATRICK J. GLEASON may be to many of the citizens, he holds the certificate of election as Mayor. The flight of County Clerk BURKE is good evidence that the certificate was dishonestly issued. But it was issued, nevertheless, by the duly authorized official, and there is no other legal certificate in existence.

Mr. SAXTON, the contestant, has no right to seize the office by violence. The law says how he shall get possession of it. He should proceed in accordance with the law. But there should be no delay about the decision of the question. If necessary the Governor should at once convene a special term of the Supreme Court in Queens County to try the case and render judgment forthwith. The farce has continued long enough.

THE BENCH JUMPED ON HIS NECK.

A Judge in Wichita, Kan., peeled off his ermine yesterday and whipped the defendant in a case he was trying almost out of his boots. The Judge had to do it, and it was a good thing for the Court that he was able to do it, because the court officers were absent at the time, and somebody had to trounce the defendant into submission to His Honor's orders.

The defendant was in the act of carrying off a child concerning which he and his wife were litigating. He was taking the child from the court-room, and paid no attention to commands from the Bench to bring the youngster back. The Judge hopped out of his judicial dignity in a twinkling and was on the defendant's shoulders in a minute. He crushed the defendant down into a chair, got his knee into the man's abdomen and his hands around the man's throat, and was strangling him, when the defendant threw up the sponge and promised to respect the Court's wishes thereafter.

A Judge who can enforce the law in this earnest fashion ought to be an ornament to the judiciary of any place. The lawyers, no doubt, have a wholesome respect for his rulings, and there ought to be that about his decrees that would make a man feel shaky about being hauled up for contempt, unless he cared to learn just how near a half Nelson or a strangle hold will come to squeezing all love for existence out of an inexperienced "rassler."

If the Massachusetts law cannot reach the "Rev." Mr. OHME, of Haverhill, the fact is one deeply to be deplored. This man, who poses as a Christian minister, allowed his little daughter to linger in sickness three weeks, and finally to die of what he knew to be typhoid-pneumonia, all without any attempt to save her by proper medical treatment. "As God did not heal my child," he says, "I believe he has another object in taking her away." It is difficult to write with becoming patience of such a case.

Scotland furnished yesterday the most ghastly piece of bungling at the gallows of recent record. A poor fellow who had tried to cheat the hangman by cutting his throat was almost beheaded when the strain came on his weakened, nonexercised neck. New York State leads the world to-day in its method of executing murderers. The electric process is scientific and sure and humane. Hanging is brutal and uncertain and out of date.

Harvard has taken a sort of vengeance on Yale for the football result of last Fall by winning the joint debate at Cambridge. But this will bring a doubtful gleam of satisfaction to the enthusiastic though disappointed athletes of the College eleven, who prefer points on goals to points under discussion.

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THE PLAYERS' CLUB RIVAL.

Professional Woman's League Has Just Been Organized.

Its Object Is to Serve and Benefit Plucky Women.

Weary of waiting to be recognized by "The Players' Club," the wives and sisters of the actors and managers have organized an association, henceforth to be known as "The Professional Woman's League."

The object of the League is to benefit and serve those women in professional circles who are having an uphill kind of a time making a living.

The circular just issued calling attention to the work of the League and addressed "to all women in the dramatic, musical and literary professions who may feel a desire to make application for membership," bears the signatures of the following well-known women:

Miss Lotta Crabtree, Mrs. Rachel McAuley, Mrs. Sidney Rosenfeld, Mrs. Edwin Knowles, Miss Martha Morton, Miss Rosa Rand, Miss Virginia Buchanan, Mrs. Louisa Eldridge, Miss Helen Tracy, Miss Sara A. Palmer, Mrs. John Keller, Mrs. Percy Winter, Miss Dora Goldthwaite, Miss Katie Mayhew, Miss Ella Starr, Mrs. Lester Gurney, Mrs. James Fairman, Mrs. Minnie Maddern Fiske, Mrs. Agnes Ethel Roderbush, Miss Mary Shaw, Miss Bertha Welby, Mrs. C. A. Dorrmus, Mrs. E. L. Fernandez, Miss Mary T. Eberle, Miss Estelle Clayton, Mrs. Carl Haswin, Mrs. Louise Paulitn Warner, Mrs. Ada Jeffries Goodfriend, Mrs. J. J. Brown, Mrs. Robert Mantell, Mrs. Arthur Hornblow, Miss Isabella Evesson, Mrs. Alice E. Ives, Mrs. Clara B. Rust, Miss Maud Harrison, Mrs. Lyman Fiske and Mrs. A. M. Palmer.

The following quotations from the constitution will give the reader a good idea of the breadth and scope of the work contemplated by the organization.

Object of the League:

1. To bring together women engaged in dramatic, operatic and literary pursuits, with the view of rendering them helpful to each other.

2. To administer to the financial needs of members by loaning them small sums at low interest.

3. To arrange and conduct a department to provide members with such outfit as is necessary for the obtaining of employment.

4. To provide a series of lectures and classes at minimum rates for the study of the drama, languages, singing, elocution, Delsarte and dancing.

Membership—Its membership shall consist of women engaged in dramatic, operatic and literary work, and all women not actively engaged in the above pursuits, but interested in them, may become eligible for associate membership at the discretion of the Governing Board. Women engaged in like occupations in other cities may become non-resident members and shall be entitled to all the League privileges when in the city.

To facilitate the work of the League there will be nine committees, viz.: Ways and Means, Entertainment, Costumes, Supplies, The Press, Literature and Art, Music, Languages and the Drama.

The Press Committee is to have charge of all matters intended for publication. This will put an end to the lost diamond and runaway saddle-horse schemes of advertising. No member outside the Press Committee will be permitted to print or have published in any newspaper any matter concerning the League, and no newspaper man will be permitted to enter the League's headquarters.

Poetesses, novelists and newspaper scribblers and sketchers will be provided with subjects, plots and information for their work.

Dues and obligations:

1. The dues at all be $2 per year.

2. Each member pledges herself to give three days of her service during the year in the serving room of the League or such department as the Executive Committee directs, or to provide a substitute at $1.50 per day.

3. Each member pledges herself to give during the year two articles which could be sold in the bazaar or utilized in the costume department.

Privileges:

1. Any member in need of financial assistance can lay her case before the Executive Committee, who may at its discretion lend her the money needed. Small sums up to $15 can be worked out in the sewing-room at $1.50 per day. For larger loans a small rate of interest will be required.

2. Any member in need of clothing to enable her to obtain employment can, by applying to the Executive Committee, obtain such clothing, which she will be expected to pay for in small weekly or monthly sums, according to her arrangements with the Committee.

3. A staff of competent needlewomen will be kept in the sewing-room, and will undertake to make costumes for its members at a slight advance on the cost of labor.

4. Instruction in any of the branches above designated will be furnished at nominal rates.

Mrs. Palmer, President of the League, expects an overwhelming demand for membership, and that the Association will be as great a success as the "Players' Club." Not a man of any age or condition will be allowed to enter the League.

The first business meeting will be held Monday afternoon, Jan. 23, at 29 West Thirtieth street, to which address women can send their names with a brief note regarding the pursuits and ambitions.

Notwithstanding the galaxy of clubs for women in New York, the Professional Woman's League is bound to make a reputation for itself. It will be stated incidentally that the women who made the tremendous success of the Actors' Fund Fair last Fall and the women who are organizing the league are identical.

Miss Marguerite St. John has been elected Chairman of the Entertainment Committee of the League, and a better choice could scarcely have been made. The Committee includes Mrs. C. A. Dorrmus, Mrs. Arthur Hornblow, Mrs. J. A. Brown, Mrs. Louise Paulina Warner, &c. They will have charge of the first reception, which takes place on the 23d inst., at which several prominent artists in the musical world have volunteered their services.

NELL NELSON.

Promotion.

[*From Truth.*]

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HOUSE AND HOME

Dinner Dress.

The dress is of pale green taffeta, scalloped at the foot and bound with velvet, passementerie ornaments being placed at each scallop. The bodice is trimmed with strips of passementerie, and finished with large velvet yoke. Collar of Irish point. Sleeves of cloth, richly embroidered and finished with epaulettes of velvet.

Whalebones.

To straighten whalebones hold them in the steam of boiling water.

One of 140 Sultanas.

The wife of the United States Consul at Zanzibar paid a visit to the Sultan's harem in which he has 140 wives. A full-blooded Arab is the head Sultana. Here is what she looked like to the visiting white woman:

"The Sultana was seated in the midst of an almost interminable row of children, which flanked her on each side. These were not hers, but the Sultan's by other wives, she being childless. As he is very proud of his children, they were thus displayed, and it spoke for the good disposition of the chief favorite that she was willing to show these jewels to her rivals.

"She sat in a large, rather bare room, with many windows on every side. In every window was at least one head, in some more, which belonged to the other Sultanas, who thus assisted at the interview. This array of repulsive savage countenances, though intended to be friendly, made me doubly glad that I had not gone alone.

"The Sultana received us as graciously as her code of politeness permitted, but it was easy to see that greedy curiosity was the only feeling which animated the poor creature. This related chiefly to our clothes, upon which she was woman enough to pounce at once. I really thought I should not get out with all mine on, so aggressive was her desire to study every garment.

To Keep Eggs.

To preserve eggs put the small ends down in dry salt and keep in a cool place.

How to Keep the Feet Warm.

The first and most important rule is never to be tightly shod.

Boots or shoes that fit closely prevent the free circulation of the blood by pressure; but when, on the contrary, they do not embrace the foot too firmly, the space left between the shoe and the stocking has a good supply of warm air. The second rule is never to sit in damp shoes.

It is often supposed that unless shoes are positively wet it is unnecessary to change them while the feet are at rest. This is a great fallacy; for when the least dampness is absorbed into the sole, in its evaporation it absorbs the heat from the foot, and thus perspiration is dangerously checked.

Little Annie Rooney.

Annie Rooney has been appointed to a clerkship in the office of the Secretary of State in Michigan.

Suede and Glace Gloves.

The suede or undressed glove is made with the hair side of the skin out; the glace or dressed kid is made with the inside of the skin out.

In choosing a suede glove examine the inside. If the inside is smooth the chances are it is not kid, but lamb. Real kid is roughened inside in process of finishing, but the cheaper lamb skins are usually left smooth. It is difficult and disagreeable to put on a glove that is smooth inside. It slips when it ought to cling.

The best skins come from Grenoble, where the young animals run about tame in the streets like cats. Poor little kids! They are cultivated for nothing but their skins. To make the suede glove the most carefully selected of the young animals yield up their jackets. They must never have eaten anything but milk.

The older kids that have fed on grass make the thicker suede glove, the firmer glove used for day wear.

Pigeons.

Clean the pigeons, wash and wipe, and if old and tough, cover with spiced vinegar and onion and let them stand several hours. Drain, wipe dry and stuff with cracker crumbs, highly seasoned and moistened with butter. Dredge with salt, pepper and flour; fry slices of salt pork, and in fat fry a large onion; cut fine; put the crisp fat in a stew-pan, add fried onion and brown the pigeons; add boiling water or stock to cover. Simmer till the pigeons are tender; remove the fat, season to taste and thicken gravy with flour and butter cooked together. Serve hot.

Good and Bad Dresden.

The purchaser should know that much of the ware in Dresden pattern is made at cheap factories in Dresden and instead of bearing the crossed swords, the trade-mark of the royal factory, is simply marked with the word "Dresden." Such ware may be made anywhere, but is mostly made in cheap factories.

All ware which bears the royal mark of the crossed swords is not necessarily decorated in the Dresden factory. It has long been the iniquitous practice of this factory to sell its imperfect porcelains with its mark, but without decoration. In such a case the mark has a little cut in the glaze over the trade-mark or several dashes just above it, the number of dashes indicating to some degree the amount of imperfection in the piece, and any such mark certainly indicating that the ware was decorated outside the royal factory. The Minton imitations of Dresden ware are better than the cheap German decorations and command a much higher price. By a recent regulation of the Custom-house all articles of porcelain of pottery imported into the United States must bear in distinct letters the name of the country where they were manufactured.

Baked Hash.

Hash, that much-abused dish, is relished at my table since I discovered that I could bake it. As for ingredients, it is generally made of stock on hand. Then, when ready to be cooked, it doesn't go into the frying-pan but into the oven on a baking-dish, and when breakfast is ready it comes out light and wholesome and devoid of grease.

The Best Toast.

Wheaten bread is composed principally of starch. When starch is subjected to a high temperature it is changed into an easily digested substance called dextrine. In the ordinary cooking of a loaf of bread the starch in the outer layers is changed into dextrine, which helps to give the crust that peculiar, agreeable flavor which we call sweet. Slices of bread undergo a similar change when toast is made. To make toast successfully one must endeavor to convert as much as possible of the starch into dextrine. To do this, cut the bread one-third of an inch thick, place the slices in a toaster or wire broiler, and dry slowly either in a moderate oven or by holding the broiler some distance from the fire.

The object is to give the heat time to penetrate to the centre of the slice before the outside has begun to change color, for if a sheath be formed over the outside, at once the moisture will be shut in and the middle of the slice will be prevented from becoming sufficiently heated to change its starch, for the temperature will not rise much above 212 degrees Fahrenheit until the water is dried out. Starch is changed to dextrine at 401 degrees Fahrenheit. Toast that is moist in the middle and blackened on the outside is less wholesome than untoasted bread.

Walking-Dress for Young Girl.

The redingote is of gray Zuper cloth, embroidered with shades of gray silk, and

trimmed with bands of gray fox. Hat of hairy felt, trimmed with feathers.

Novel Writing Sets.

The latest in desk furnishing comes in china, with silver finishings or plain. An entire set of inkstands, penknolders, trays and boxes for various purposes are shown in the finest qualities of porcelain. The small sponge bowls are beautifully lined with gold. A postage-stamp holder is of most delicate pink, spangled with gold. Many of these pretty sets come in Dresden ware. When genuine they are expensive.

Fancy Tea Cakes.

Sift one pound of flour on the pastry board, make a hollow in the centre, put in half a pound of powdered sugar, half a teaspoonful of lemon essence, five ounces of butter, half a saltspoonful of salt and mix to a soft, smooth paste, adding the yolks of three eggs and one gill of cream. After the batter has been thoroughly incorporated with the other ingredients and well mixed let the paste stand for one hour, then roll it out a quarter of an inch thick; cut it into various small shapes with fancy cutters, put the little cakes on a buttered baking pan, brush them over with beaten egg, strew on the tops some chopped citron, raisins or blanched almonds, and then bake them in a moderate oven.

Almonds are blanched by soaking them in hot water until the skins can be rubbed off with a cloth. The petits-fours, as these cakes are called, after being baked in a moderate oven until a light-brown color, are cooled on a sieve and then dusted with sugar.

Your Velvet Dress.

Make your velvet dress with a round waist, with seamless back and jacket front, with large revers opening on a vest of gathered blue peau de soie. Have gigot sleeves and a rather full skirt, gored in front and straight in the back.

About Kid Gloves.

In buying kids examine the fingers separately, and look for broken stitches. If, when stretching the fingers, the thread pulls away from the kid, leaving a white spot, the gloves will not wear well. When the kid stretches easily and seems elastic it is likely to be a good quality, but if it is stiff or unyielding it will neither fit nor wear well. Always get a glove large enough. If they are so narrow as to require stretching they never will look as well as if the hand was the first stretcher. If they are short-fingered, they convert the hand into a positive deformity, and do not wear half so long as when they are of the proper size.

A great deal depends upon how the gloves are put on the first time. The hands should be dry and cool; if they are at all moist they should be well powdered. First, work on the fingers, keeping the thumb outside the glove. When the thumb is put in place the elbow on the knee and work the glove down smoothly. Button the second button first and so on to the top, leaving the first button till the last.

When removing gloves never begin at the tips of the fingers to pull them off. Turn back the wrist and draw them off wrong side out. Before putting them away, turn them right side out, and smooth out lengthwise. Never roll them up tightly, one inside of the other, as whatever moisture they may have gathered from the hands dries in this way very slowly and makes the kid stiff and hard. Strips of canton flannel are good to lay between gloves.

Dry cleaning will clean light gloves nicely, but if much soiled it is better to send them to a reputable cleaner. Benzine will clean white gloves, but it is not to be recommended where there is any color. Where black kids have become rusty about the finger ends they can be restored by adding a few drops of black ink to a teaspoonful of olive oil, and applying with a feather or camel's-hair brush.

Polish for Patent Leather.

To polish patent leather, take a half pound of sugar, one ounce of gum arabic and two pounds of ivory black and boil all together. Then let it stand until cooled and settled, when it may be put in bottles for use. This is also good for all black shoes.

A Wife Worth Having.

"I've won over $5,000 worth of the comforts of life from one person. Who? My wife," said a St. Louis man. "She's got election betting down to a science. When an election comes on she makes out a list of the things she wants, and a woman's wants are not few, I beg you to remember. She bets with some outsider on the Democratic nomination, then duplicates these bets with me on the Republican nominee. Get on to her scheme? If she loses on the outside she wins at home and quits even. If she wins on the outside and loses at home she gets her togs, pays her losses and has the bill sent to me. She has a great head for business, has that woman, but if I don't succeed in heading her off pretty soon the Sheriff will close me out and I'll have to compromise for about 15 cents on the dollar."

The Age of Specialties.

It seems possible nowadays to buy almost any service or knowledge in almost any department of life. It is an age of "specialties" and "trained" functions. The woman who found a dozen years ago that her skill in making a certain pudding could be utilized to buy bread for her family when misfortune came was the pioneer of a long line of specific workers, chiefly women, many of whom have found fame and fortune. There are professional movers and house-cleaners; professional bric-a-brac dusters and gray hair pullers; vocabulary of small talk can be secured for dollars, and the art of conversion is on sale; whist teachers are a late entry into the field of "particulars," and a professional glove-mender does not exactly cry her trade through the streets like the umbrella-mender, but she may be had for the asking and paying. As says Carlyle: "Blessed is he (and she) who hath found his work; let him ask no other blessedness. He has a work, a life purpose; he has found it and will follow it."

Bits of Fashion.

Short-waisted bodices are decidedly on the increase, and may be included in the list of blouse bodices, as they differ both in cut and style from those of past days, being rarely made of the same material and color as the skirt.

Slippers, laced with ribbon to imitate a sandal effect, are worn with Empire gowns. The gold toes and heels are also much worn, especially so on white or black satin slippers.

The new gold buckles, to be worn over the broad black velvet belts, are novel in design. They represent gold ribbon, about half an inch wide, twisted in and out to form a long oval shape.

Silver Mountings.

"Don't throw away the silver mountings of worn-out pocketbooks," says the economical woman, fully realizing what a great addition to a handsome card-case or leather porte-monnaie is to one's toilet. If the original is beyond repair, the silver ornaments may be transferred to another book, the price of which will, of course, be less than what one would have to pay for an entirely new one, and the effect will be just the same.

Browned Turnips.

Pare turnips and cut lengthwise, put in a saucepan and cover with boiling water, let boil for half an hour, drain. Put two ounces of butter in a frying-pan, when hot add the turnips with a tablespoonful of sugar, stir and turn carefully, sprinkle with salt and pepper and serve hot.

The Latest in Rings.

There is nothing especially new in ladies' rings. The favorite shape of the season has either a long marquise setting or is a straight band of gold set around with gems. The smallest band rings, which are the merest edges of gold, set half way round with diamonds, rubies or emeralds, are still worn in groups of three, including one ring of each kind of jewel. Sometimes a single ring of this kind is worn as a guard to a more valuable one.

Crochet Cover for Flower Pot.

The foundation of this cover, which is very easy to crochet, steel hoops—the steels taken out of old dress improvers or boilces will answer the purpose very well—must be soldered together at the ends. The upper and lower edges are formed of steel hoops a half inch broad and 12½ and 10 inches round, connected by thirteen upright rods a quarter inch wide and four inches long, all these rods as well as the lower hoops being wound over close with soft knitting yarn. For the plait-

ed part, rows of chain about eight and three-fourths or eleven yards long are crocheted with very thick unbleached knitting yarn; these are taken double and led through the upright bars in close reversed rows, and then twisted also over the upper edge, which is lastly ornamented with a three-part braid plaited of nine chains, a braid of six chains being put round the lower edge, the ends of which are fastened carefully into each other. The cover when finished so far is brushed over with glue, and when dry bronzed. In the model cover the upright bars and braids are gold, the plaited parts green.

Spring Humors

SPRING HUMORS, blood humors, skin humors, scalp humors, with loss of hair, and every other humor, whether itching, burning, bleeding, scaly, crusted, pimply or blotchy, whether simple, scrofulous or hereditary, from infancy to age, are now speedily, permanently and economically cured by that greatest of all known humor cures, the

Cuticura Resolvent

A SKIN and blood purifier of incomparable purity and creative power. An acknowledged specific of world-wide celebrity. Entirely vegetable, safe, innocent and palatable. Effects daily more great cures of skin, scalp and blood humors than all other skin and blood remedies before the public. Sale greater than the combined sales of all other blood and skin remedies.

Sold everywhere. Price, $1. POTTER DRUG AND CHEMICAL CORPORATION, Boston.

Send for "How to Cure Spring Humors, Blood Humors, Skin Humors, Scalp Humors."

SPICED SCISSORINGS.

Keep Off the Crinoline.

[*From the Rochester Post-Express.*]

We have had little faith in the dress reformers and no desire to see them succeed in their design of parading their sisters in short skirts and trousers; but we feel like appealing to them now to make a heroic effort for a moderate purpose and try to save us from the hoop skirt.

What a Woman Can Keep.

[*From the Atlanta Journal.*]

The success of Mrs. Linnie Williams, who has just been re-elected State librarian of Tennessee, shows that whatever may be the incapacity of a woman as to secrets, she can keep books.

Perils of Police High Life.

[*From the Harrisburg Star-Independent.*]

The life of a prominent policeman in a city like New York is filled with thorns, temptations, debasements and means for his own destruction, if he is not a man of self-will strong enough to resist allurements and beguiling from any source.

Electric Execution the Thing.

[*From the Philadelphia Ledger.*]

Electrical execution has been so perfected that there can now be no objection made to it on the ground of cruelty. * * * It would be difficult to conceive of a more humane way of inflicting the death penalty.

Kisses Simple—Kisses Stolen.

[*From the Philadelphia Inquirer.*]

A woman's kisses are her own property, and she bestows them by favor. Man may beseech and manoeuvre for a kiss, but at the last it must be a free gift. Stolen kisses are humbug. A kiss that is really stolen is no kiss at all. Therefore, young man, beware.

By All Means Let Jones Return.

[*From the Chicago Journal.*]

Sam Small has left off evangelism and returned to journalism, which he ought never to have left. If, now, Sam Jones should return to the law, the cause of pure and undefiled religious language and literature would doubtless receive a wholesome impulse.

A Truth That Is Conspicuous.

[From the Chicago News.]

We wish that much good may come of Senator Noonan's committee to investigate the "sweater shops" of Chicago. Certainly here is a field which needs much good. But it is just as well to acknowledge the truth—namely, that legislative investigating committees mostly amount to nothing.

An Unwilling Creation.

[From the Cincinnati Times-Star.]

Whether the election of United States Senators by popular vote would be an improvement or not, the tomfoolery of a few Legislatures is creating a public sentiment in favor of making the experiment.

WORLDLINGS.

The cars the Pennsylvania Railroad is building to transport the two big Krupp guns to Chicago will be the biggest freight cars in the world.

There are now only eleven wooden vessels of the old style in active service in the United States Navy.

It is said that the yew tree sometimes attains an age of 2,800 years.

The production of gold last year amounted to 6,010,000 ounces.

Quilts made of perforated sheets of white paper sewn together are said to be becoming popular in Europe.

VAGRANT VERSES.

My Ideal.

Laughing eyes of clearest blue,
Hair of gorgeous golden hue,
Sweetest lips o'er mortal knew,
My ideal e'en must have.

Contour of head and neck divine,
Form of rare and chaste design,
Grace of air and mind sublime,
My ideal here you see.

But, if I met with such a lass,
Perhaps she would not deign to pass
A second thought on me, alas,
Whose ideal she would be.

—Nutley Review.

Why.

The militaire, old and picturesque,
With the shrewd, sagacious head,
At noonday sits at his office desk
And munches a crust of bread.

The clerk a toby of old ale drinks,
Eats chops with a joyous grin;
And envies the rich man who, he thinks,
Is feasting on terrapin.

And wellnigh we see with a vision fair,
Through these luncheons, cold and hot,
Why one man is always a millionaire
And the other one is not.

—Puck.

Suppose!

How easily would sweet accomplishment bless,
How simple to govern our acts
That every endeavor be crowned with success—
Could we take suppositions for facts!

—Judge.

Learned Something Anyway.

[*From Life.*]

Tom Keyes—Have you given up the idea of taking singing lessons?

Carrie D'Alto—Yes. I found it would take me three years to learn to sing as well as I thought I sang already.

Hard to Please.

[*From Puck.*]

Superintendent—What is the matter with you now? We have directed three additional trains to stop at your station.

Mr. Suburb—Yes; but they stop at the other little stations, too.

TS aroma stimulates digestion.

H-O Hornby's Oatmeal

Enduring strength comes of its use.