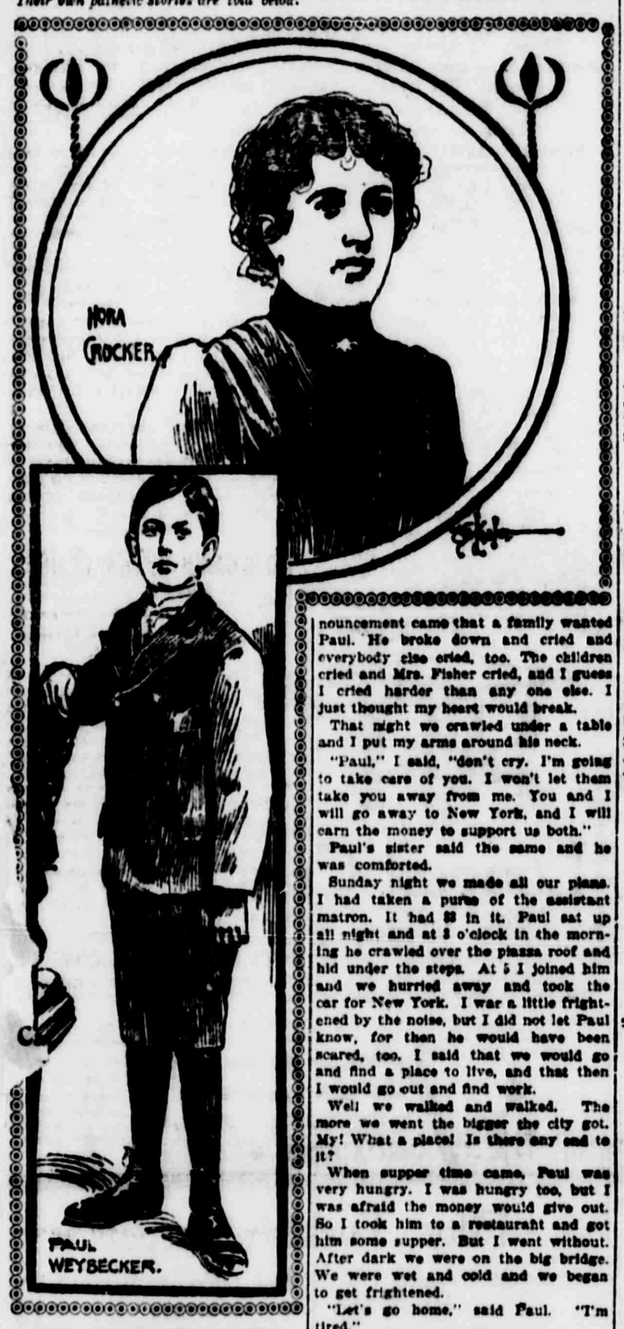
RUNAWAYS TELL OF ELOPEMENT.

Little Paul Weybecker, eleven years old, and Nora Crocker, aged sixteen, ran away together from the Fisher Home for Orphans in Paterson because they loved each other so. This was one of the reasons. Another was that some New Jersey farmer had been appointed guardian over little Paul and the innocent love and friendship ties that had bound the two children together for months were about to be severed. Nora stole a purse containing $3 and the youthful romancers hied themselves to this city. Yesterday they returned to the Fisher Home, tired, sick, hungry and without money. Their own pathetic stories are told below.



NORA CROCKER'S STORY.

I am very glad to get back home. But I hope Mr. and Mrs. Fisher won't send me or Paul away again. We all love him so much, and I know Mr. and Mrs. Fisher love him too, and that they can't bear to send him to go away from the Kinder-[illegible] Magistrate Name. [illegible] the house last Friday when the an-[illegible] language a [illegible] are unmis[illegible] "Sapho" isn't a bit afraid. Nora, she was big and strong, and I knew she would take care of me.

My sister was just as much to blame as Nora was. She said Nora could get work and we could live together and grow up and some day be married. I liked that, 'cause Nora's nice and I'm fond of her. Besides, I did not want them to take me away from her.

We had lots of fun walking 'round the city till the rain came, and then it was horrid. I got so wet and cold. Nora bought me a nice supper, but she would not eat herself—said she was not hungry. But she looked it.

I clung to her hand tight when it got dark on the bridge. Then I thought of the nice, cosy bed here and I wanted to get back. When I asked her, Nora said yes. So we came home. My eye, but I was sleepy before we got here. We was so afraid to go in. We thought Mr. Fisher would lick us or something.

Yes, I am very fond of Nora, but I don't want to run away again. I want to stay here.

LITTLE PAUL WEYBECKER'S STORY.

[illegible] announcement came that a family wanted Paul. He broke down and cried and everybody else cried, too. The children cried and Mrs. Fisher cried, and I guess I cried harder than any one else. I just thought my heart would break.

That night we crawled under a table and I put my arms around his neck.

"Paul," I said, "don't cry. I'm going to take care of you. I won't let them take you away from me. You and I will go away to New York, and I will earn the money to support us both."

Paul's sister said the same and he was comforted.

Sunday night we made all our plans. I had taken a purse of the assistant matron. It had $3 in it. Paul sat up all night and at 3 o'clock in the morning he crawled over the piazza roof and hid under the steps. At 5 I joined him and we hurried away and took the car for New York. I war a little frightened by the noise, but I did not let Paul know, for then he would have been scared, too. I said that we would go and find a place to live, and that then I would go out and find work.

Well we walked and walked. The more we went the bigger the city got. My! What a place! Is there any end to it?

When supper time came, Paul was very hungry. I was hungry too, but I was afraid the money would give out. So I took him to a restaurant and got him some supper. But I went without. After dark we were on the big bridge. We were wet and cold and we began to get frightened.

"Let's go home," said Paul. "I'm tired."

"Yes, I guess we'd best," I said.

A policeman showed us the way to the ferry. I had just enough money left to buy my ticket and a half one for Paul.

It was midnight when we got back to Paterson, but we hung around for a good while, we were so afraid to go in. Mr. and Mrs. Fisher were very kind, and I got something hot to eat. I was pretty hungry. But, oh, I do hope they won't send little Paul away.

NEWARK GIRLS TO CLIMB LADDERS IN FIRE DRILL.

Newark schoolgirls are in a panic today and Newark schoolboys are in great glee.

The girls declare with spirit that they "won't, so there now," and the boys say they will have to. It all arises from a suggestion by Mrs. Martin Ademann at the meeting of the Woman's Municipal Improvement Association.

"With so many fires occurring here," declared Mrs. Ademann, "girls ought to be taught the use of a ladder in getting out of windows."

Another member then moved that the ladder be made part of the fire drill, which was unanimously carried.

HUNG GIRL UP BY THUMBS.

Couple Sent to Penitentiary for Inhuman Treatment of the Woman's Child.

Thomas Greenwood and his wife, Frances, were taken to the penitentiary to-day to serve the terms of imprisonment to which they were sentenced by the justices of Special Sessions for inhuman treatment of Martha Nelson, the woman's twelve-year-old child by a former husband.

Their pastime was to hang the girl to a peg in the wall by her thumbs, and then flog her with a cat-o'-nine-tails. The whip was exhibited in court while the child told her story.

The Justices sentenced the couple to the full penalty, one year for the man and six months for the woman. They lived at 208 East Ninety-eighth street.

GIRL PICKETS ACTIVE.

Strikers Report Few Green Hands Applying for Work in Tied-Up Cigar Factory.

Pickets in petticoats are patrolling the street in front of the cigar factory of Kerbs, Wertheim & Schiffer, at Fifty-fourth street and Second avenue, where the big strike is on.

According to the strikers, the girls are doing good work, few, if any, green hands applying for employment.

The girls who went to work from the American Tobacco Company's plant, at Fifty-second street and Third avenue have left.

RAZORS IN THE AIR.

Vast Preparations for the Last Cake Walk of the Season To-Morrow Night.

Many of the inhabitants of the west side, from Minetta lane to Seventy-second street, are busy preparing for the last grand cake walk of the season, which takes place to-morrow night at the Grand Central Palace. To the population have been added dusky delegations from aBltimore, Washington and Philadelphia.

For fear of a repetition of a recent Long Island affair, the management has decided to search the competitors as they enter the hall, and razors will be checked free of charge.

"On the Spot," a brand-new rag-time dance, said to be a combination of the Orient and the far South, will be tried for the first time.

Next there will be a pot-pourri of buck wing and jig dancing, singing and acrobatics.

The cake walk will come last and the judges will officiate behind a screen.

LEFT BABY IN HOSPITAL.

Woman Promised to Call for It, but Failed and Cannot Be Found.

A woman who gave her name as Annie Cremmer, and said she lived at 59 Eldridge street, went to Gouverneur Hospital on Saturday with her twelve-year-old child and left it there for treatment, saying she would return the next day.

The woman failing to put in an appearance, the child was taken to Bellevue Hospital, in the belief that it had been left there at the different place.

Brill Brothers

OUTFITTERS TO MEN AND BOYS.

The Short Covert Coat

will be almost as much in vogue this Spring as it was last year—a trifle longer, perhaps, with preference expressed for the darker shades of cloth. The utility of the short box top coat is an argument in its favor which the vagaries of fashion cannot well combat. It is not only comfortable, but it possesses the special advantage of permitting free use of the limbs—a strong point with vigorous men fond of walking.

SPRING TOP COATS.

Stylish short Covert Coats, in all the new shades of tan, silk lined, well made—really worth $12, but our special price only..... 10.00

Better grade of short Covert Top Coats in tan shades—just the coat for business and for walking—worth $15, and that sum is demanded elsewhere; our special price..... 12.00

Spring Raglans in Oxford Gray Cheviot—silk velvet collar and piped cuffs—vertical pockets—perfect in fit and finish—46 in. long; worth $20; our special price..... 15.00

Spring Top Coats of Oxford Cheviot—silk lined and silk faced to edge—velvet collar—with or without cuffs; equal to custom made at $25; our price special at..... 18.00

MEN'S SPRING SUITS.

Spring Suits of Fancy Worsteds and Cassimeres and Oxford Cheviots—absolutely all wool—well made and durably lined; worth $12 to $15—our special price..... 10.00

Spring Suits of Oxford Cheviot—single breasted, satin-lined sack coat—double-breasted vest—exceptionally well made; worth $15—our special Spring price..... 12.00

Spring Suits of Worsted Cheviots in hairline stripes and subdued plaids—some with single-breasted, some with double-breasted vest; worth $18—special at..... 15.00

Spring Suits of imported Cheviots in new gray shades, and fancy weaves in grays and browns with dash of red and touch of green—some with double-breasted vest, some with single-breasted vest—new cutaway sack coat; worth $22—special at..... 18.00

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Trousers to match, $3.50.

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If you were floundering around helplessly in the water, you would grasp wildly at a life preserver. Why? Because it was your only chance of life! Your health is your life—the very essence of life! But because you think you are safe on land you don't bother about preserving it. Abbey's Salt will keep you constantly healthful. If your stomach is out of order—perhaps from a dyspeptic condition—perhaps from excesses in eating or drinking; if your liver isn't working right and you are constipated; if you are bilious; if your head aches; if you are temporarily bothered with any of these illnesses in an incipient form, you owe it to yourself to remedy this condition at once—if you neglect these things, they'll become chronic. Preserve your health by the daily use of ABBEY'S EFFERVESCENT SALT. It has done it and is still doing it for hundreds of thousands the world over. It will do it for you!

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GOWNS OF RARE DESIGN.

Simpson, Crawford & Simpson's Dazzling Display of Spring Fashions.

The shopping world found its mecca yesterday at Simpson, Crawford & Simpson's, Sixth avenue and Twentieth street. The announcement of the firm's Spring opening display of imported gowns and confections drew the women folk like a magnet. Every department of the immense bazaar displayed novelties and had its share of admiring patrons, but the big show was in the department set apart for the display of imported gowns.

One of the most admired of these was a Calliott creation of polka dot liberty foulard covered with black lace. A Mme. Paquin design in old-fashioned shetskin, though the height of present fashion, is reminiful of the gowns our grandmothers used to wear. The quaint effect is due to a kilted skirt with six rows of tucks about the bottom, a high bodice and the half blouse effect and the new sleeves, running to the elbow and terminating in a deep cuff of chiffon.

Box coats displayed show plaitings front and back in graduated tucks. The collars are extremely deep and finished with a ruffle of the cloth. The driving coats of broadcloth were made extremely full, the sleeves terminating in graduated cuffs, flared with lace, and hoods of crushed velvet, edged with lace and satin.

In the millinery department the fashionable hats caught the fancy of the charmers. A fashionable design was a Ribaux confection of red Tuscan straw. Tuscan straw, by the way, figures largely in the spring designs. The trimming of this particular one was a crown of big red cherries, the facing of velvet, caught front and back with rosettes of red chiffon.

One of the picture hats was a large pink maline, with applique of real lace on rim and crown, topped with an Alsatian bow of pink satin, caught in front with a thick cluster of tiny roses. The variety in pattern hats is bewildering, with flat crowns and poke in both, ready for engraving.

PEARL BROOCHES.

We are showing many effective Brooches in 14 kt. gold set with pearls; among the number is a pearl daisy with garnet, pearl or opal centre at $5.00, with diamond centre from $10.00 to $20.00; other designs with pearls and diamonds from $12 to $100.

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CANVASSERS on a line of ladies' goods; new line; New York, New Jersey, Connecticut; salary and expenses. Call or address J. N. Gardner & Co., 48 Leonard st., New York City.

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SIEGEL COOPER CO.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 1900.

Only Three Days More of the Lenten Attraction,

Pope Leo XIII. in the Gardens of the Vatican,

As Shown by the Moving Pictures.

Admission Fee, only 10c.

The proceeds will be divided among the Orphan Asylums of New York city.

Six lectures daily—at 10.30 and 11.30 A. M., and 1.30, 2.30, 3.30 and 4.30 P. M.

Don't miss this splendid opportunity to see His Holiness.

The journey to Rome is a long one, and very few of the faithful ever have the good fortune to gain admittance to the Pope's presence, so closely is he guarded at all times. But you can see him in these wonderful moving pictures, walking and driving in the beautiful gardens of the Vatican, surrounded by a retinue of dignitaries, the picturesque Swiss Guards, &c. When these pictures were first shown at Carnegie Hall, this city, the admission fee was $2. Now you can see them for 10c., and the proceeds go to a worthy cause. Don't put it off 'till the "eleventh hour," as you may find the lecture room too crowded.

Trimmed Millinery was never handsomer or cheaper than it is this Spring, thanks to the improved taste of the milliner and the tendency of the public toward simplicity in style. Every woman can now afford to own a beautiful and stylish hat at a very small cost.

That Big Special Sale of Trimmed Hats, which we planned to demonstrate that we can and do sell fine millinery at lower prices than any other millinery establishment in New York will be continued to-morrow. Come and see the largest and finest display of artistic millinery ever exhibited outside of Paris. Original models and exclusive styles from the world's most famous milliners will be on sale at half the prices asked by exclusive milliners. Virot, Camille Roger, Maison Lewis, Josse, Esther Mayer, Carlier, Violet Berthe and Susanne Blum—famous creators of the world's most fashionable millinery—will be well represented in this magnificent showing, together with our own original designs, productions of exceptional beauty, made from the choicest materials by the best millinery talent of America. You'll find it impossible to duplicate the goods and prices elsewhere.

At $15 to $25, Your choice of upward of 150 IMPORTED PATTERN HATS AND BONNETS, exclusive models that cost from $25 to $50 apiece to import.

At $7.50 to $12, Your choice of over 1,000 MAGNIFICENTLY TRIMMED HATS, each a model of beauty, no two alike, and we guarantee you a saving of one-half on any one of them.

At $5, Your choice of a remarkable showing of FINELY TRIMMED HATS—productions of our own superior workrooms, copies of imported models, all beautifully designed and of rich materials—hats that would cost you from $10 to $12 elsewhere.

Laces, Embroideries and Lace Allovers---A Special Sale! Main Aisle, First Floor.

A large and particularly choice selection of beautiful and dainty Spring goods—the newest, the most stylish, and the best of their several kinds—now offered at prices that cannot be duplicated elsewhere, in fact, at a saving of almost one-half from prices prevailing in the open markets at present.

LACES—Valenciennes and Point de Paris, in sets, with edgings and insertions to match, the very newest patterns, your choice, per yd., 10c

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18x36 inches	75c	30x60 inches	1.85
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China and Glassware. It's offerings like these that bring business to our china store, and it's but natural that they should, for the goods are as fine and perfect as any in the land, and every price means a great saving from elsewhere quotations for same or similar merchandise.

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TEA SETS, 56 pieces, finest thin imported china, very richly decorated in sprays of flowers in their natural colors, full gold lined, regularly sold for $8.00; special at 4.75

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2 ft.	2.30	3 1-2 ft.	4.30	6 ft.	7.50
2 1-2 ft.	3.00	4 ft.	5.00		

READY MIXED PAINTS, all sizes and colors, guaranteed, 1-2 pint size to-morrow at 10c

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GOLDEN OAK HALL STAND, of elegant design and finish, 6 ft. high, with French bevel plate mirror, 4 double coat hooks and umbrella attachment; regular price $8.00, special for Thursday at 4.75

LIBRARY TABLES, of quarter sawed golden oak, piano finish, heavy rope legs, large drawer and shelf, regular price $8.75; special, for Thursday, at 4.75

HANDSOME WARDROBE, of golden oak, polish finish, with top cabinet, with two large drawers in base and the same height, very roomy, regular price $18.00, special, Thursday, to-morrow, at 12.00

BEDROOM SUITS, 3 pieces, of golden oak, has swell front dresser and washstand, prettily carved, 20x30 inch bevel plate mirror in dresser, and of elegant design, workmanship and finish; worth $30; here to-morrow at 17.50

We make no charge for packing and shipping.

Ladies' Shoes and Oxfords. The N. D. Dodge & Bliss Co., of Newburyport, Mass., made and shipped to one of the leading shoe jobbers of this city a large lot of ladies' shoes for spring wear. Through some misunderstanding between the maker and the jobber the shoes were not accepted, but were thrown upon the open market. Our buyer happened along in the nick of time and bought them for cash at a price far below their actual value. It was a lucky deal for us and it will be a lucky deal for you if you take advantage of it and buy a pair of these fine shoes while you may. They will be placed on sale to-morrow at these prices:

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