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Rank.

"Is he an actor of rank?"
"Yes, very."

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Answered.

Evelyn—When does Hazel expect to get married?
Lorraine—Oh, every season.

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CHILDREN LOVE SYRUP OF FIGS

It is cruel to force nauseating, harsh physic into a sick child.

Look back at your childhood days. Remember the "dose" mother insisted on—castor oil, calomel, cathartics. How you hated them, how you fought against taking them.

With our children it's different. Mothers who cling to the old form of physic simply don't realize what they do. The children's revolt is well-founded. Their tender little "insides" are injured by them.

If your child's stomach, liver and bowels need cleansing, give only delicious "California Syrup of Figs." Its action is positive, but gentle. Millions of mothers keep this harmless "fruit laxative" handy; they know children love to take it; that it never fails to clean the liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach, and that a teaspoonful given today saves a sick child tomorrow.

Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on each bottle. Adv.

ADVISED HIM TO GET BUSY

Laborer Resented Interest Shown by Statesman as to the Farmer's Prospective Crop.

The earl of Aberdeen, lord lieutenant, whom Mr. Ben Tillett suggests hanging, is one of the mildest-mannered and most kindly of men.

He takes a great interest in agriculture, and one evening, while taking a walk in a country district, he paused to watch a laboring man at work in his little garden.

Leaning over the fence, his lordship asked: "Is this good soil?"

"Aye," said the laborer dryly.

Several other questions were answered in the same laconic way, the laborer digging busily all the time. Finally, Lord Aberdeen asked: "What is your next crop to be?"

The laborer paused in his work and looked at his questioner severely.

"See here, my mannie," he remarked, "I dinna suppose you ken anything about crops. Just you get a bit garden yersel' an' start work on't, an' then ye'll hae something better to dae than come botherin' busy folk!"

Black Hole of Calcutta.

The innate corruption and depravity of human nature were perhaps never more clearly brought out than in the historic Black Hole of Calcutta. That atrocity stands unrivaled—as an instance of the utmost suffering humanity can endure, passed through by a large number, yet leaving a few survivors to tell the tale. Many more have been slain or executed at one time, death being expected; but probably only safe keeping of the prisoners was intended, and only fear of breaking a despot's sleep prevented their earlier release. Yet this torture, "unequaled in history or fiction, whose record cannot be read unmoved after the lapse of a hundred and fifty years," was produced merely by crowding men together in an ill ventilated room. No fires, racks, nor scourges were needed; all that was done or required to be done was to space from each the amount of air and space to which he was accustomed, crush him into close proximity with his fellows, and the thing was accomplished.—From "A Farmer's Note Book," by C. E. D. Phelps.

NOT A MIRACLE
Just Plain Cause and Effect.

There are some quite remarkable things happening every day, which seem almost miraculous.

Some persons would not believe that a man could suffer from coffee drinking so severely as to cause spells of unconsciousness. And to find relief in changing from coffee to Postum is well worth recording.

"I used to be a great coffee drinker, so much so that it was killing me by inches. My heart became so weak I would fall and lie unconscious for an hour at a time.

"My friends, and even the doctor, told me it was drinking coffee that caused the trouble. I would not believe it, and still drank coffee until I could not leave my room.

"Then my doctor, who drinks Postum himself, persuaded me to stop coffee and try Postum. After much hesitation I concluded to try it. That was eight months ago. Since then I have had but few of those spells, none for more than four months.

"I feel better, sleep better and am better every way. I now drink nothing but Postum and touch no coffee, and as I am seventy years of age all my friends think the improvement quite remarkable."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Write for a copy of the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

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The cost per cup of both kinds is about the same.

"There's a Reason" for Postum.
—sold by Grocers.

MME. MERRI'S ADVICE

ENJOYABLE GAME FOR WINTER EVENING IS "UP JENKINS."

Idea Originated in the East, and is Sure to Afford Lots of Fun—Various Flowers of the States Given From Memory.

Have you ever played the exciting game of "Up Jenkins?" If not try it; I was initiated last summer while at an eastern resort, and even the quite grown up lads and lassies enjoyed a round at it and the hotel living room used to ring with merry laughter.

I hope I can make the rules clear so you can all understand, and the faster it is played the more fun it is. The players are divided into sides with leaders or captains and sit in a line on opposite sides of a table. A toss up is made for the first start, and it is the place of the leader of the "in" team to say what shall be done by the "out" team, which have a coin (a quarter is best) which they must endeavor to keep concealed.

The players on the "out" side pass the coin from one to another beneath the table, leaving it hidden with one of the members.

When the leader calls "Up Jenkins" and raises his hands over his head, the opponents follow his example with their hands closed. He says "Down Jenkins" and brings his own hands down on the table. The "out" team follow his example and now the leader must say under which hand the quarters is concealed. Crying "off," which means off the table, he touches each hand which he thinks is empty and leaves the hand which he suspects has the coin until the last. If he is mistaken and the coin is beneath one of the hands he has ordered "off," his side loses and the other team is "in" and his "out." If the last hand should happen to have the quarter, the game is won and another turn is taken. The side that is "out" must follow the opponents' captain only: If he says "Up Jenkins" while his hands remain on the table and the hands of his team go up, the opponents take no notice of the order, nor if all hands are held up and he calls "Down Jenkins" without his sitting the action to the command. The leader's example only is followed, not his words, and here is where many players get caught. For all mistakes made by the "out" side a forfeit is paid to the "in" team. The hands are brought down on the table hard to smother the ring of the coin.

States and Their Flowers.

Some time ago I had a request for the state flowers and did not have the list at hand. I am very glad to publish it now. I find in some cases the state legislature has adopted the chosen flowers, and in some instances they have been selected by a vote of the school children.

I do not give this as an authoritative list, but print it as it came to me:

Alabama, golden rod; Alaska, forget-me-not; Arkansas, apple blossom; California, golden poppy; Colorado, columbine; Connecticut, mountain laurel; Delaware, peach blossom; Florida, orange blossom; Idaho, syringa; Illinois, violet; Iowa, golden rod; Kansas, sunflower; Kentucky, golden rod; Louisiana, magnolia; Maine, pine cone and tassel; Maryland, black-eyed Susan; Michigan, apple blossom; Minnesota, moccasin; Mississippi, magnolia; Missouri, golden rod; Montana, bitter root; Nebraska, golden rod; New Mexico, cactus; New York, golden rod; North Dakota, wild rose; Ohio, scarlet carnation; Oklahoma, mistletoe; Oregon, Oregon grape; Rhode Island, violet; South Dakota, anemone patens; Texas, blue bonnet; Vermont, red clover; Washington, rhododendron; West Virginia, rhododendron; Wisconsin, violet; Wyoming, gentian.

MME. MERRI.

THIS SET THE LATEST



In turquoise matrix for daytime wear.

Colors From Argentine.

Unless all signs fail the coming spring is to be a cheerful season if emaline garb can make it so for the newest colors are exceptionally vivid, not to say glaring. The Argentine lance is responsible for a shade of yellow enriched and deepened with ones of red, called the "tango," and here is a queer tone of pink somewhat resembling "Nell rose" which shades into orange, blends beautifully with black or bronze and is christened the Argentine. All of the new blues are exceedingly intense, the greens are vivid as tropical foliage and the erstwhile modest mauves and heliotropes have a yellow-red undertone which give them a peculiar brilliance.

CLOTH AND SILK COATEES

Little Garments Have Returned to Favor in More Alluring Forms Than Ever Before.

Coatees are with us again and in a far more alluring form than when they first came out a few seasons ago. Then they extended below the waist line, but nowadays they scarcely cover it at back and sides and not at all at the front. In fact, they are glorified expressions of the demure Eton jacket, made up in one of the new rough-surfaced fabrics of a vivid shade like sapphire blue, carmine red, or lizard green, and lined with hand-embroidered shot silk gauze, resembling brocaded materials. Plaided and Roman striped soft silk coatees are being made up into adorable little garments lined with a solid bright color. And to go with these mere apologies for wraps there are belt-vests broad enough to extend well below the waist line and far enough above it to give an empire effect to the transparent blouse worn beneath the jacket. This belt in plain-colored corded silk, is severely tailored, appears to close in front (it actually hooks at the back) with a double row of tiny silk-covered buttons, and at either side has a small labeled watch pocket.

Both the cloth and the silk coatees are worn with white serge frocks at the southern resorts, while those in plaided or striped pattern are also intended for use with black satin house skirts.

PRETTY SPRING HAT



Model of English straw trimmed with large roses.

SET OFF THE PEACHY SKIN

Excellent Reason Why Black Velvet Patches on the Skin Have Met With Such Favor.

Black velvet patches are more favored than are the older-fashioned patches in court-plaster, because they are so much more becoming to their wearer. Their soft denseness makes a sharp contrast on a peachy skin—and in these days every fashionable woman's cheek is peachy, either naturally or artificially. The black velvet patches are round, diamond or crescent shaped and so tiny that only with the utmost difficulty are they handled while being put on. But once attached to the cheek, the chin or the brow, they stick tightly for they are mucilage-backed. The true coquette nearly always wears a black velvet patch these days with her evening gown and sometimes she places one of them upon her shoulders or her back, depending on which of these parts of her anatomy is the most beautiful.

New Photograph Frames.

Small photograph frames made of nickel or brass are arranged to hang on two small uprights in the fashion of little easels, so that they can be tilted to any angle.

TAKE UP ORIENTAL TURBAN

Latest Vagary of Fashion Has Met With Favor—Easily Made From Strip of Tinsel Net.

Back to the turban has gone Dame Fashion. Not to the well-known head-covering of Madame de Stael and her contemporaries, but to the turban of the Orient, than which nothing is easier to make. It is merely a wide strip of tinsel net whose folds are held down with crescents in spangles so that it may be folded neatly in bandeau manner about the forehead to expose a simple and very flat head dressing.

To go with the turbanlike coiffure, consisting of a long and thick strand of unwaved hair swathed about the crown of the head and in front brought close to the forehead, there are some charming fancy hairpins in brilliants set in gold or silver. Their tops are shaped like plain ovals, horse-shoes or half-moons and they keep the coiffure firmly in place. They are also most effective when used on oriental turbans in white gauze.

Black Ornaments.

Black ornaments are becoming more and more the fad. The fashionable strings of cut jet beads are obtaining a greater vogue with every week that goes by. Black velvet bracelets, clasped with rhinestone monograms, are worn closely about the wrist. Huge black oilcloth roses are pinned against afternoon frocks and the latest Paris ornament is a cabochon of onyx surrounded by pearls, fastening the airy material of a white tulle bodice at the bust.

The Reason.

"Why was the boss' candidate scratched so on the ticket?"
"Because the people are itching for reform."

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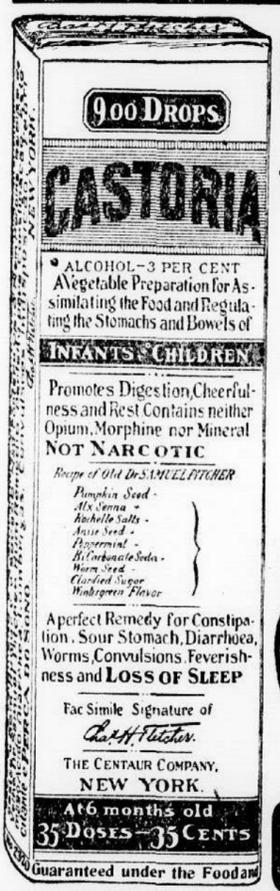
"What large eyes that Boston girl has."
"They were grown under glass."

Prescription For Liver Troubles

BOND'S LIVER PILLS are from a prescription originated in 1893 by three of the most prominent physicians of the South. They are especially intended to cure Constipation, Biliousness, Dizziness and all Liver Troubles. One little pill at bed time, repeated next night, when necessary, usually cures the ailments caused by torpid Liver or Bowels.

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