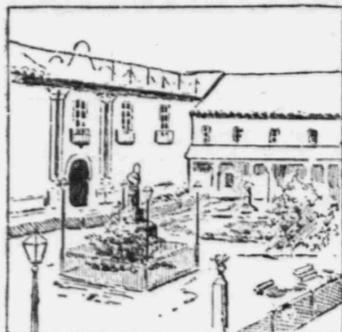


### HONDURAS A MECCA FOR CRIMINALS.

Officials Protect Outlaws and Make Trouble For Foreign War-rant Servers.

Special correspondence of The Florida Star. TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras, July 27.—Honduras is primarily a land of law-breakers and a rendezvous for criminals from every country on the globe. Riot and revolution travel hand in hand. No man is assured of possessing life or property from one day to the other, and scenes of violence and bloodshed are enacted continually in the thoroughfares of the different cities under the very noses of the derelict native police. The natural characteristics of this Central American republic are as deplorable as the political conditions.

Honduras occupies a peculiar position before the rest of the world. It is the only country that neither makes nor recognizes treaties of any sort and thrusts aside all consideration of written or unwritten international



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laws. Thus is the utmost immunity guaranteed fugitives from justice, who arrive on nearly every incoming vessel. In return for this protection the floating population vows eternal allegiance to the faction in power. Open admissions, in fact, have been made to the effect that the present incumbents of public office owe much of their rank to the influence of the seclusion seeking criminals.

Many attempts, though but few successful ones, have been put forth to bring to justice perpetrators of various crimes who have fled to these parts. One of the most recent was the effort of William H. Evans, a New Orleans detective, to take into United States jurisdiction a notorious eastern defaulter. Evans was commissioned to not only find the man, but, if possible, induce him to return part of his booty. Should he fail in that the authorities were to be approached and told that it would be for their good, financially and otherwise, to set him across the border. Such was the task assigned to the detective.

Evans was compelled to return to the Crescent City empty handed, but before leaving he gave the following account of his adventures:

"After reaching Puerto Cortez, on the Caribbean sea, I started for the interior immediately. A two days' journey over swamp land and mountains, along the edge of precipices where a misstep would send you a 1,000 feet below, over slippery paths and through rivers filled with alligators brought me to Santa Barbara, where it was expected the man sought would be found.

"He was there—a veritable monarch of the natives. It was not at all necessary to hunt him up as he took on himself that task. He wanted to know every foreigner who came to the place. Introducing himself, he inquired what business brought me to Honduras. It was soon explained. The fugitive listened patiently and then extended an invitation to dine at the Plazo hotel. After the meal cigars were lighted and a walk suggested in order to talk over matters. The street carried us down by a bridge, crossing the Lungpen river, a sluggish, dark stream, reminding one of the Ganges in India. At the bridge the defaulter paused, calling my attention to an old alligator taking a siesta on a little island. He was about 18 feet long and covered with scales more than an inch thick.

"Leave me alone," said my companion. "Go about your business and don't attempt to interfere with me. If you do persist, you will be food for one of those boys. Not a word now. You go back to the United States and say that I am here, but do not propose to be kidnaped. I won't settle, either, so that ends all."

"On returning to the hotel I concluded the best thing to do was to confer with General Louis Bogran, ex-president of the republic. He was for some years an exile, but now is permitted remain in his native town. Bogran is a very handsome man, with great dignity of manner. After listening courteously he replied in good English:

"Senor, many men who come to Honduras become numbered with the missing. An arm or a leg may be washed up on the bank of the river. They are food for the fishes. See that you do not meet this fate. Suppose inquiry is made. The alcalde will hold a court of investigation. In 20 years the finding has always been the same—'Left the country' or 'Called by God.'—Here in this the capital city today are refugees from New York, Bos-

ton, Philadelphia and Chicago. European countries, England, Germany, France and even Russia, contribute their quota. They work together for their own interests, and you are safer elsewhere."

"Realizing the truth of the general's statements, I made hasty arrangements for leaving the country. Early the next morning I mounted my horse and pushed forward to Segua on my return trip." JOHN ROBERTS.

#### A Minister's Good Work.

"I had a severe attack of bilious colic, got a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, took two doses, and was entirely cured," says Rev. A. A. Power, of Emporia, Kan. "My neighbor across the street was sick for over a week, had two or three bottles of medicine from the doctor. He used them for three or four days without relief, then called in another doctor who treated him for some days and gave him no relief, so discharged him. I went over to see him the next morning. He said his bowels were in a terrible fix, that they had been running off so long that it was almost bloody flux. I asked him if he had tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and he said, 'no.' I went home and brought him my bottle and gave him one dose; told him to take another dose in fifteen or twenty minutes if he did not find relief, but he took no more and was entirely cured." For sale by Wilson & Son.

### THE SUMMER GIRL.

In Lace and Ribbons She Looks Dainty and Cool.

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NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—We see less of the cheap joking in the papers about the summer girl, but she is not by any means forgotten, nor does she mean that we shall overlook her, and so this letter shall be devoted to the sweet creature and no one else. In the first place she is lacy and chiffony and ribbony, and everything calculated to make a girl look dainty and cool she wears as by right of her inheritance of youth and beauty. For her the birds give their plumage and the flowers of the field their perfume, and for her the poor little worms and the gambling lambs offer the best they can produce. And all that does not men-



SWISS GOWN.

tion the labor of many hands, all engaged in producing things delicate enough for her to wear. For her the ostrich farmer risks being kicked out of the county every day, and for her toils the man with the hoe. In fact, when one looks into the question one sees a wide field of toil and endeavor open out so wide that no one can tell the tenth of it, so let us leave that and talk of some of the things offered to make the lovely summer girl the exquisite creation she is. And that she is exquisite every one must admit.

Just now there enters more lace than anything into the costuming of the sweet girl. Nets are used as foundations for all sorts of garments, from dresses to cloaks and mantles and capes, and they are covered with other lace in many forms, but all are so arranged that a little of the foundation is seen. I saw several coats for swell occasions, and they are made with trimming of narrow black velvet ribbon set on in many lines, and over the rest is a regular design of applique of black lace of the heavy old guipure sort, with the edges cut away so that it becomes a separate pattern, and the effect of this over the dress was very fine. White dresses are so refined when the lace overgarment is worn with them that it is a wonder that everybody has not got one of them. Some of the jackets are of black lace net and the applique is white or cream, but these are not so pretty as those where the whole is black and depends upon the contrast of the dress beneath.

The newest laces amount simply to a revival of the old guipure and cluny. Guipure has always been a most valuable lace, especially in black, and it

has a richness that no other lace has ever had. Its wearing qualities are too well known to require mention, and, being of pure silk, there is a gloss not seen in any other kind. Cluny is only in white, and it is very handsome, particularly when laid flat, as it is so high that it stands up in fine relief upon whatever garment it is intended to ornament. Renaissance and Arabian are both sure of a year of favor, and both are produced in all over designs. This will enable the dressmakers to achieve some splendid effects never yet seen by the clever application of one or the other of these laces. Whole suits are seen of these, and they are beyond measure elegant. In the way they are made lies the fact that they are as suitable for the summer girl as for her more sedate mother. In fact, lace, like death, is for all ages.

To be used as edging to fine swisses and other thin and delicate summer goods there is no lace so well liked or so suitable in point of delicacy as valenciennes. This, with its insertion to match, is the only thing to put upon these fine materials. A dainty summer gown for a lovely girl is of dotted swiss and has three bias ruffles of plain swiss, and on each of these it has a row of the narrow lace along the edge, with a row of insertion to match at the upper line. Above these there is a trimming consisting of three wide gauze ribbons, and each of these has a row of insertion at the top and bottom. The ribbon has a ground of dull green, with soft pink checks over it. At the waist there are lines of insertion, each marking a plait. The waist is extremely neat, yet quite elaborate. It is in French bodice style and has a yoke simulated by the use of shirring of the plain muslin with the edging, and a row of the gauze ribbon is passed around it. The sleeves can better be understood by a reference to the illustration. The dainty hat is of shirred muslin, with no trimming but a few white feathers. The parasol is also a fluff of chiffon and pink taffeta.

OLIVE HARPER.

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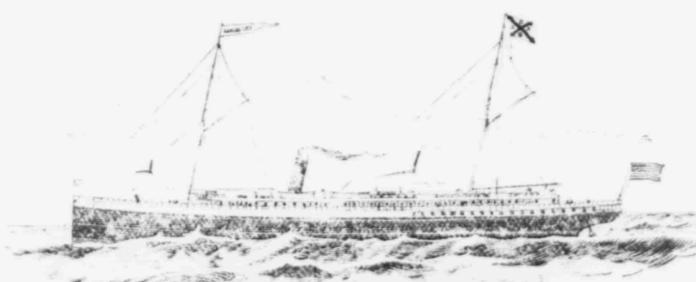
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