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I'm glad they go so soon away.
How does this costume match my dress?
I think it looks quite charmingly.
"Bowed sweetly to the Smiths?" Oh! yes.
[Responds]... "Pride, vanity, hypocrisy,
Good Lord, deliver us."

I hate those haughty Courtenave! I'm sure they needn't feel so fine, Above us all—for mamma says Above us all—for mamma says
Their dresses aren't so nice as mine.
And one's engaged; so, just for fun,
To make her jealous—try to win
Her lover—show her how 'tis done—
[Responds]... "From hatred, envy, mischief,

Good Lord, deltver us."

To-day the rector is to preach
In aid of missionary work;
He'll say he hopes and trusts that each
Will nobly give, nor duty shirk,
I hate to give, but then one must,
You know we have a forward seat;

People can see—they will, I trust— [Responds..., "From want of charity, deceit, Good Lord, deliver us." Did you know Mr. Gray had gone? That handsome Mr. Rogers, too? Dear me! We shall be quite ferforn If all the men leave—and so few!

I trust that we with Cupid's darts
May capture some—let them beware—
Responds]...."Behold the sorrows of our hearts. And, Lord, with mercy hear

HONEY FOR THE LADIES.

The wife of the Rev. Joseph Cook has gone to lecturing. Such is the effect of a husband's awful example. The most exclusive and fashionable dress

makers of Paris announce the revival of the Velvet is pre-eminently the favorite material of the season, and pink velvet is much liked for ball and reception toilets.

Swiss bodices and wide girdles of velvet pointed back and front, are worn with grand other dresses of cashmere or surah. Miss Emma Latham, the daughter of a Sar

Francisco banker, is one of the most hand somely dressed ladies on the Pacific coast. Fashionable young lady, detaching her hair before retiring—"What dreams may come when we have shuffled off this mortal coil!" A new London wrap, christened after Mary Anderson, is a jacket of sealskin, opening zonave fashion over a vest of undyed sealskin. Miss Mable Collins, the novelist, has made modjeska's early life the subject of a story entitled "The Prettiest Woman in Warsaw." Lucy Larcom's last poem is entitled "I Climb

to Rest." Lucy should marry some rich fel-low who could afford to have an elevator in In France nearly all the railroad ticket an signal clerks are women, who are paid as much as men. They are preferred because of their sobriety.

The tournure is reaching quite prominent proportions; but, let us add, the old-time hoop is not restored to favor, nor is there a prospect of its being so.

Among favorite monogram decorations for note paper is a sunken square of darker tint than the paper, with the monogram in a light-er shade raised upon it. A woman can rip and tear and darn and it yet be considered sweet-tempered, but just let a man do it and people will say all manner of hard things about him.

"I'd like to give you a piece of my mind, Mrs. Smiggs." "I wou dn't talk of inpoesi-bilities, Mr. Smiggs. The article you speak of is to small to be divided."

Velvet dresses are handsomest when made all of one kind of velvet and trimmed only with a little lace, black or white; or both, or tinted to match the color of the d.ess.

A man's brains weighs three and half pounds. A woman's brain is somewhat light-er, but of finer quality. That is what enables her to taste lard in her neighbor's pastry. As in the spring the young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love, it is not un-

Gloves thirty-one inches long in mosque-taire shape, without a single button, are made of reddish tan Swede leather, to be worn with any evening dress, either white, black or col-

Pekin velvet with chocolate ground and red satin stripes is used for the gathered vest and full skirt of elegant costumes that are completed by a long pelisse of plain brown velvet.

Boston girls never say "He is a gone goose."
When a lover is observed to be idiotically sweet on any particular young lady, the other girls refer to him as "a departed aquatic flow-

er of the genus anser. Literary bracelets are adopted by studious transatiantic belles. The bangle consists of twelve tiny gold books linked together, with the name of some favorite author enameled on the back of each book.

A country gir', coming from the field, being told by her poetic cousin that she looked as fresh as a daisy kissed with dow, said: "Well, it wasn't any iellow of that name; but it was Steve Jones that sissed me. I told him that every one in town would find it out."

It is said that puffing and draping must go; that the angular style is to prevail; that long flowing trains (which are already worn for full dress) and the demi-train will be the fashionable skirt of spring; but let us hope this does not include street wear, for surely women of to-day are too sensible to ever constitute themselves "street sweepers" again.

so nothing better made. Either of these corsets will prove a favorite when once worn.

Every woman should have a sealskin sacque. In the first place it is rich and becoming article of dress, and is exceedingly comfortable when the thermometer is down in the neighborhood of zero and cold north winds prevails. It can be worn in either sunshine or storm without fear of being spoiled. It looks well at the theatre or on the fashionable promenade; in fact, it is en regle under almost all circumstances during at least six months of the year. But there is another great and controlling reason why this delightful article of attire should be in the wardrobe of every member of the opposite sex. So great is the fascination it possesses for metropolitan mankind that it never fails to secure for its wearer a seat in either the street cars or the clevated roads. Black or blue velvet will not do it. Let a sealskin sacque enter one of these conveyances; a dozen newspapers will be folded up at once, a score of sleepy men will suddenly awaken and the sealskin sacque will have its choice of thirty seats.

EDUCATIONAL

Forty students of the Texas university are

A two-year-old child at Gainesville, Ga. an already repeat the entire alphabet. A petition has been presented to the Con-necticut legislature, asking for the passage of law prohibiting the nac of tobacco in the

of all the business. The annual product smounts to about \$8,000,000. Ah Sin, the Milwaukee Chinaman who ex pects to enter Cornell university, says he made 88,200 in two years in the laundry business. Milwaukee must be cleaner than it looks.

Miss Anna P. Sill has just resigned the po-sition of principal of the Rockford (Ill.) Fe-male seminary after 35 years' service. She founded the school, and has been remarkably successful in its conduct. A census of a Philadelphia boarding school of forty-eight girls showed that one could make bread, one knew how to fry oysters, three knew how to broil beeksteak, forty-eight could embroider and ferty-seven dance.

New York state expended \$1,925,671 on its public schools during 1883, of which amount \$1,066,341 was expended in the cities. Though the returns show the number of children of school age to be 1,685,100, but 1,041,000 at-

The Old Elm Tree.

As I sat beneath an old elm tree, the wind went whistling by. It bent its bought

It bent its boughs
and seftly breathed
the following with a
a sigh: "I have lived
here for many a year and
seen the summer come and
go. The spring time with its
flowers and rain, the autumn
with its fruit and grain, the
winter with its chilling blast,
when with snow and ice the skies
are overcast. In summer time beneath my shade have children
often played, and oh, how oft, beneath
my boughs have lovers renewed their plighted
vows, and many a time the old and feeble
have sought my shade to snoke their pipes
or ply the needle; and thus it's been
with smiles and tears I have watched
them come and go for three-score them come and go for three-score years, and many a tale I could tell of what in that time be-

ell. But age is creep-ing o'er my head and I fear my roots are getting dead; 8 0 0 n I'll wand decay like those

SINGULARITIES.

A rooster at Verbena, Ala., has two tails and three leps. It is said that the ducks in Chesapeake bay, California, subsists entirely upon wild celery, which, it is reported, grows in abundance in

that vicinity. A successful taxidermist of Irwintown, Ga., ecently killed a blackbird which he has skillfully mounted and turned into a very unique and pretty neck-scarf or cravat.

A wild duck took a direction parallel to a locomotive leaving Tarrytown, and it was a close race for two miles, but just before reach-ing Irvington the bird forged ahead of the en-

of hard things about him.

A society young lady told her illiterate but wealthy lover that she was going to give a german, and he said that he'd be sure to come, as he was very fond of beer.

A gold watch with a bullet in the back of the case, where it lodged after going through the time piece, belongs to W. R. McGunnigle, of Saginaw, Mich. It saved his father's life during the war.

Samuel Fogely, of New Philadelphia, O., put a heavy load of powder into a log, and, as the fuse failed to fire it, he went up and sat astride the log. Then the charge exploded and Fogely will die.

Mrs. Louise Lyman, of Cabot, Mass., made a clothes line from the combings of her hair. She began the industry in 1829, and made 100, feet of the cord, which the family used for years as clothes lines. A walking skeleton in Lille, France, can as contract his diaphragm as to drive the air completely out of his chest, so that not more that one inch of space remains between his heart and his backbone.

Archdeacon Bruges wentions a reasonable to expect ere long to hear of Mr.
Tilden's engagement to "a beautiful young lady."

Gloves thirty-one inches long in mosquetake above without a single letter are such later.

Archosacon Proges Centions a gentleman who was so thoroughly a gamester that he left in his will an injunction that his bones be made into dice, and his skin so prepared as to be a covering for dice-boxes.

Forty cents a week is all that it costs John W. Nissley, of Mount Carmel, Pa., who is 65 years old, and weighs 175 pounds, to live. His diet is dry bread and hot water, and has been so for the last seven years.

A flock of wild turkeys walked around the public square of Perryville, Mo., apparently without lear, but were gone again before the people recovered from their surprise and could capture any of them.

Three months ago a resident of Preston City, Conn., part'ally swallowed a fish bone. It lodged in the back of his mouth, between the lower jaw and cheek, and being unable to remove it, waited for it to work loose. Instead it disappeared, and a few days ago was taken out below the chin. It had traveled four inches, and finally produced an ulcer and found its way out.

A report comes from an Illinois town of a woman falling dead at the piano. We have no desire to make light of the sorrows of an afflicted family, but this ought to be a warning to a great many piano-players.

A favorite dress is the front and sides of one material; the waist or corsage, as it is termed, and the train of another. The waist may have a tiny basque skirt for may curve to a peak, and be edged with lace or a ruching of the fabric.

A country gir, coming from the field being.

as the religious cat.

A cat that had in some way become a prisoner on the top of a house in Philadelphia seventy feet high, became frightened at the frantic efforts of the crowd below, and after clinging to the caves of the building for some time suddenly dropped to the ground. Of course the cat wasn't killed, for if the Philadelphians are to be believed the tough feline lit on all fours and immediately made a beeline for the backyard fence, where he is now tuning himself for the coming concert.

A gentleman while passing along a Hart-

dress) and the demi-train will be the fashionable skirt of spring; but let us hope this does not include street wear, for surely women of to-day are too sensible to ever constitute themselves "atreet sweepers" again.

Is there any one thing interests a woman than the novelty of some invention intended directly for them? Among the latest is the self-adjustable corset for ladies, who require padding (which we all know is injurious) fer a perfect fitting dress. This bust is capable of being made large or small, as a woman's size demands. Ventilated, and of the best of acted springs it can but be healthy. Very light weight, it is made of the same material and the same non-breakable bones as the corset will prove a favorite when once worn.

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have been able to suggest a sufficient remedy.

A few days ago a large mountain eagle swooped down, gathered up the pet dog of a woman living near Glendive, Montana, and attempted to make off with it. The woman was not, as some might think because she had a pet dog, a dudine, but a determined woman, and she determined to have that dog. She bounced into the house, seized her husband's trusty old rifle which had put an end to many a poor Lo, and in a moment she had her trained eye along the barrel of the gun directly against the emblem of our national liberty who was robbing humanity of its allowance of saussage. The plucky woman shut her eyes, turned her head, and pulled the trigger, with the result namely, an eagle freed from its load, and the remains of a yellow poodle scattered upon the ground, and

ARE YOU GOING TO EUROPF?

In another column will be found the an-ouncement of Messrs. THOS, COOK & SON, ourist Agents, 261 Broadway, New York, relative to the very complete arrangements they have made for tours in Europs the coming Spring and Summer. "Cook's Excur-sionist," containing maps and full particulars, will be mailed to any address on receipt of 10 cents.

A Valentine,

A valentine! Ah, can it be That some one has addressed to me These lines, so sweet and tender? Name or initial is not set Upon the page, and yet—and yet I think I know the sender.

What though the writing be disguised, And many a little trick devised To aid the fond deception: st. Valentine provides the key That spoils the little mystery The moment of reception.

We may be right, we may be wrong: For lack of confirmation strong
We give the rein to fancy,
And let her wander at her will,
And her bright destiny fulfill In fields of necromancy.

And valentines would lose their charm, If they at once could doubt disarm Ere yet the seal was broken; And so the deeper the disguise, The more delightful the surprise,

And sweeter is the token.

—[Josephine Pollard. CONNUBIALITIES, Mgr. Capel is no longer popular with the ladies of Washington. They have awakened to the fact that he cannot marry. A novel wedding gift is that of the Marquis of Kildare, who has ordered watches to be prepared as his gift to each of the brides-

The census proves that the number of persons in a family in this country is a small fraction over five. In some families the husband is the small fraction over. "Your husband always appears to be in very high spirits," "Yes," returned his wife, "if they didn't come so high I should have had a new fur sacque this winter."

M. de Fay, the great Paris matrimonia agent, has made an enormous fortune, and has retired to private life, refusing to part with the good-will of his profession

"Come, let's bill and coo a little, as we used to," said Mixey to his wife, after they had been married a year. "Yes," she replied, "you look out for the bills and I'll do the coo-"My dear," said a dying husband to his wife, "when I am dead will you see that my grave is kept green?" "Yes," sobbed the heart-broken woman, "I will for a little

"If it be true that the hairs of one's head are all numbered," said the man after he had ecaped from his wife's clutches, "there will be ene angel at least who will show up with a big deneit."

What this country is yearning for is a public school system which will teach the wives of the future that light housekeeping is something more than reading novels and starching their husband's stockings. "Fred Douglass first met his new wife when

she was six years old. She refused to kiss him at that time. Mrs. Douglass must have been a six-year-old girl of considerable Intelligence, out she seems to have lost it. Capt. Paul Boynton, hereto ore the lone voyager, is to be married in Chicago on the evening of the 14th inst., to Miss Maggie Connolly, daughter of Mr. Cornelins Connolly, of Chicago, and will bring his bride to his home in New York.

A barbed wire fence will be built in the Indian territory and New Mexico 200 miles long. The modest young woman who prefers to go around that fence rather than climb over it, will never reach the other side until she is too

old to get married. A Vermont woman who has just had the mumps says she hopes to gracious she will never have to go through such an experience, again. For two whole weeks she hasn't been able to jaw her husband or to let out a single eighborhood secret; awful martyrdom!

Perhaps the reason the young ladies do not take advantage of their leap year prerogative is that the business outlook is not very encouraging. Of course the dear creatures hesitate to add their support the expenses of a man with an already restricted income. But to hesicate is to lose. hesicate is to lose.

There is a noble old oak on the line of Maryland and Virginia near the little village of New Church, which has been famous from time immemorial as a place where cloping couples have been joined in wedlock. A runaway Virginia couple were married under its spreading branches on Thursday of last week

arr, and a collection will be made at the door to defray expenses."

"I say, Mr. Painter, can you do a job for me to-day?" "Certainly, certainly; what is it?" "I want a sign painted." "All right; what kind of a sign?" "A sign of rain." (Exit, dodging a paint pot.]

The man who discovered the key to the an-

"My views on the marriage tie," said Monsirnor Capel recently, "are, briefly that woman was made by God Almighty to be either married or to become nuns, and that there is no such state as old maid recognizable. My advise to all young women is to accept marriage proposals instead of rejecting them."

The man who discovered the key to the anticent Aztec writings was formerly employed on The New York Tribune, and acquired the talent he has used to such good advantage in deciphering Greeley's manuscript.

Queen Victoria's new book will be illustrated from drawings by herself and daughter Beatrice. It is believed that Daniel will be An intimate friend of Miss Ella Wheeler, the poetess, now in New Orleans, says that young lady is to be married in early spring to Mr. Yorke of New York. It is reported that the final e of Mr. Yorke's name is the spark which caused the conflagration of love now said to be roaring and seething in Ellia's heart.

giving instructions for his will, he directed a legacy of \$100 to be given to his wife. Being informed that some distinction was usually made in case the widow married again, he doubled the sum, and when told that this was

quite contrary to custom, he said, with heart-lelt sympathy for his possible successor: "Aye, but him as gets her'll deserve it." but him as gets her'll deserve it."

A Pennsylvania minister who is very popular among the matrimonially inclined, says wealthy bridegrooms do not pay better than those of more moderate means. Ten and twenty dollars and expenses a.e. the average figures, but \$100 and \$200 fees are given to big preachers. Sometimes a generous bride hears of the small fee paid by the groom, and attempts to remedy the matter by sending the preacher a handsome present. But this is

Charles Richards, a young Englishman, died in New York of pneumonia, and was buried in Evergreen Cemetery last Saturday. The only mourner was Miss Winfred, a governess in a well known family in New York. Miss Winfred and Richards were lovers in England but a brother of the young lady tried to separate them. Finally Miss Winfred left her home and came to New York, whither she was followed by Richards. They were about to be married and received the blessing of the young lady's father, accompanied by a check for a £100, when Richards became sick and died.

Bishop Garrett, who presides over a missionary jurisdiction of 100,000 square miles, extending from Texarkana to New Mexico, lives in Dallas, Tex.

Mrs. Ayer, wife of the late Dr. Ayer, is an Episcopalian and attends Grace church, New York. She dresses very quietly and gives a great deal to charities. Dr. Desms, of New York, has about recovered from his illness. Last Sabbath was the first occasion in twenty years that he has been absent from the pulpit on account of illness.

Father Stephan, the famous Catholic missionary who is now in Washington, has had a life full of adventure. For a long time sitting Bull was under his charge. He is the trusted counsellor of all the Northwestern Indians, and is said to have more influence over them than any other white wear.

than any other white man. "Camp Meeting" John Allen, of Wilton,
Me., has reached the age of sighty-nine years.
"I find much time to read," he said the other
day, "and have read the Bible through, and
half the New Testament the second time in
the last four months. I have read the Bible
through many times, but never before quite
so quickly." so quickly. Bellefontaine, O., is now the scene of one of

influence and prominence, and some whose names are as familiar as household words. influence and prominence, and some whose names are as familiar as household words.

At the last Methodist Episcopal General conference, held in 1889, a resolution was passed requesting all the churches in the United States to pay off as much of their debta as possible before the meeting of the next general conference, to be held at Philadelphia in May, 1884, so as to make as good a showing in the centennial year of Episcopal Methodism in the United States, 1884, as possible. It is not possible to get an absolutely correct statement of the total amount paid in response to this advice. Last year the "spring conferences," which are most the conferences situated in the east, paid off \$1,000,000 of church debt and improved their church property to the extent of \$1,925,000. The "fall conferences" for 1882 paid off \$732,000 of church pebts. It is probably an underestimate to say that in four years the churches have paid off \$5,200,000 of debt, and probably improved church property to the extent of \$3,500,000, a total of \$8,700,000 for the entire country. This does not include either the Methodist Protestants or the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

Wendell Phillips

He stood upon the world's broad threshold wide
The din of battle and slaughter rose;
He saw God stand upon the weaker side,
That sank in seeming loss before its foes;
Many there were who made great haste and

Unto the common enemy their swords; He scorned their gifts of fame and power and gold, And, underneath their soft and flowery

words,
Words,
Heard the cold serpent hiss, therefore he went
And humbly joined him to the weaker part,
Fanatic named, and fool, yet well content
So he could be the nearer to God's heart And feel its solemn pulses sending blood
Thro' all the widespread veins of endless good.

—[James Russell Lowell.

PEPPERMINT DROPS.

A gasman always sing in long meter. If egge keep on getting much higher in price Denis Kearney has found that the only way he can reach the upper crust is by handling

There is a man in the Mississippi legislature named Christmas. He is in favor of annual John L. Sullivan boasts that he makes \$25,000 a year. Young man, strike out from

Every cloud has a silver lining, but it is not so with solid silver water pitchers. They are nickel-plated.

Another baby left on a Pittsburg door step. Another Pittsburg man wonders if this makes him a step-father.

They say that dogs can't reason, but no one will doubt that a dog tries to reach a conclusion when he chases his tail. Shakespeare said: "There's good in every-hing." William had evidently never tackled

thing." William had evidenti-a railroad restaurant turnover. When Hamlet said, "But I have that with-in which passeth show," it is believed that he had in his pocket a complimentary ticket for a circus. Hon, J. L. Sullivan called his San Francisco

audience "loafers," and referred to himself as "a gentleman," A Bostonian never for-gets himself, An exchange says that Noah was the first pitcher an record. He "pitched the ark within and without." The game was finally called on account of the rain. A perfect rush of Italian artists with their

attendant original dudes is expected in Amer-ica in a few days. The organ-grinders are to be banished from Paris. "I say, Jenkins, can you tell a young, ten-der chicken from an old, tough one?" "Of course I can." "Well, how?" "By the testh." "Chickens don't have teeth." "No, but I

air, and a collection will be made at the do-to defray expenses."

Queen Victoria's new book will be illustrated from drawings by herself and daughter Beatrice. It is believed that Daniel will be easily distinguished from the British lion by the green cotton umbrella under his arm. Florida strawberries have fallen to \$5 quart. They are quite small and decidedly acid. Some people who like sour things may enjoy them, but for our part we lose taste for them after the third plate.—[Philadelphia

While scattering a few crumbs for the spar-rows this severe weather don't forget to throw out a lot of old tomato-cans, barrel-hoops and cast off shoes for the poor goat, which has as much right to live as the imported feathe Crushed strawberry color is not now consid-

ered the correct thing. The newest color in fashion is "the inside of a mule's ear by star-light." The outside of a mule's heel will tar-nish the starlight at short range when the sky s cloudy. A fat man in this city is making quite a for tune by a shrewd trick. He secretes two cats under his vest, and when visiting music halls he makes them yell by squeezing their tails. People not posted on the trick imagine him to

"Where shall we bury?" asks a scientific writer. Dld you ever try the earth? That is considered a very appropriate place by mwny people. This practice of burying a corpse in an ash barrel or throwing it over the back fence into a neighbor's yard cannot be too strongly condemned. At a theatre in Dublin a gentleman request-ed a man in front of him to sit down, adding,

oe a great opera singer.

sarcastically, "I suppose that you are aware, sir, that you are not opaque." "I shall sit down when it suits mo," was the response, "and if you want to handle my name, mind its not O'Paque at all, but O'Brien." Petroleum V. Nasby,

Cures the Piles Too. Edouard Reintard, of New York, writes It gives me great pleasure to say that a single box of HENRY'S CARBOLIC SALVE effected a complete cure of Piles, with which I had been troubled for over a year, and which nothing else that I used would cure.

When the World Will End.

When lawyers fail to take a fee And juries never disagree;
Wken politicians are content,
And landlords don't collect their rent;
When parties smash all the machines,
And Boston folks give up their beans;
When naughty children all die young,
And gick are been with And girls are born without a tongue; When ladies don't take time to shop, And office holders never flop; When preachers cut their sermons short, And all the folks to church resort; When back subscribers all have paid, And editors their fortunes made; Such happiness must sure portend This world must seen come to an end.
—[Pittsburg Dispasch.

Bellefontaine, O., is now the scene of one of the greatest religious revivals ever held in the state. People from thirty miles around are flocking to the town, and conversions are taking place daily. One hundred converts have been added to one denomination since January 19, and the conversions in some cases are said to be very remarkable.

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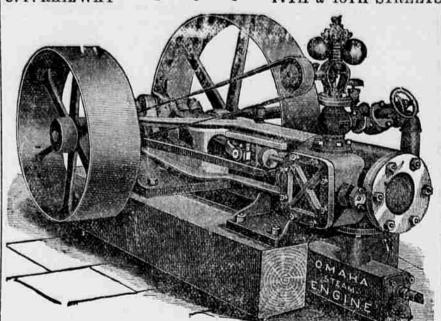
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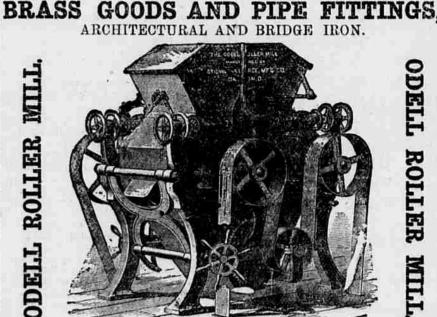
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