

What with high finance and chorus girls this is a bad year for millionaires.

The king's cup has filled the cup of the New York yacht club full of joy to overflowing.

The Northwest Passage has been found, but it doesn't appear to be good for much, after all.

The tallest shaft in the cemetery won't prevent a man from being forgotten after he is dead.

Death is a mistake, according to a young female lecturer in New York. So many of us make it, too.

Notwithstanding Mark Twain's venerable appearance, the heart of him seems to be as young as ever.

That alleged comet which the papers announced, has gone. It was only a little celestial fuz, anyway.

It isn't really hard to quit smoking; the only difficulty is to avoid changing one's mind, and taking it up again.

About all there is left for Lord Rosebery is to sit on the fence and wear stones at both parties as they go by.

The Rochester Globe prints this scare headline: "Robbed in a hotel." Such an obvious statement to put in a head!

Mark Twain says he doesn't believe in exercise. Evidently he has never had to frame an excuse for belonging to a golf club.

Mme. Calve says Milwaukee is "a bum town." We are sorry that Milwaukee's opinion of Calve's voice is unfit to print.

"Give your stomach a vacation," says an advertisement. Lord, don't we wish we could! When our stomach goes, we go.

The height of the atmosphere is 109 miles, but there is so little of it, five or six miles up, as to take one's breath and freeze one's ears.

The Chinese have a game called "che-fa," which is said to be very much like policy, even to the detail that the Chinese printers play it.

A Chicago woman refused to pay for a new coat because she said it made her look like a camel. Chicago women like to hump themselves.

Owing to a sudden attack of influenza, Mr. Tellum Whott has been forced to defer writing his article on "How to Avoid Catching Cold."

It must not be forgotten that Mme. Bernhardt presents a more conspicuous mark for egg throwers now than she did in her younger and leaner days.

A young woman in New York has coyly owned to being 2,000 years old. This is a whole lot safer than mentioning a limit that looks suspicious on the face of it.

The Emperor of China is talking of going abroad. Perhaps the do-ager empress has been looking in his hand and informing him that he is going on a long journey.

The Chicago typewriter girl was just inherited a fortune of a million dollars will continue to work as a stenographer, but hereafter she won't take much "sass" from the boss.

Mark Twain's moderation in making it his practice never to smoke more than one cigar at a time will be commended by everybody, with the possible exception of the tobacco trust.

Capt. Bernier says he would not go to the North Pole in a balloon. The cap has seen icebergs at close range and has an inward presentiment that they would not be desirable things to fall on.

The dyspeptic who is ordered by his physician to walk five miles a day, and who recovers his health by following the advice, ought not to complain because he has to have soles put on his shoes.

It is this way with the man at the races: If his pony wins he will have a pony of brandy after a good dinner, but if the horse he bets on sails in loser, then he will have a schooner with his sandwich.

When U. S. Grant Smith of Minnesota became a grandfather a few days ago it was clearly shown that people who were born during or immediately after the civil war no longer have the right to pose as "young folks."

While in his case the winds are not tempered to the shorn lamb, the bald-headed man congratulates himself that there are no more flies to crawl slowly across his cranium, evoking muttered curses and frenzied, if awkward blows.

We are surprised to learn that a fashionable young man wore a pink shirt at a day wedding in Pittsburg. Everybody knows that the proper thing to wear at a fashionable wedding in Pittsburg is a white shirt flecked with sooty spots.

Caroline Fischer, arrested in New York at the request of Swiss authorities, is said to be another Cassie Chadwick, but "young and attractive." There are thousands of that sort; Cassie made her play handicapped by the lack of youth and attractiveness. Well, not everybody can be a genius.

The contention of that Pittsburg woman that the man who trimmed a Christmas tree wanted to marry her will be considered plausible. No man would trim a Christmas tree for a woman unless he was daffy with love.

Miss Roosevelt to Wed



MARRIAGES AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

Miss Maria Monroe and Samuel Gouverneur of New York in the Monroe administration. Elizabeth Tyler and William Waller of Virginia in the Tyler administration. She was the daughter of President Tyler. Harriet Lane, niece of President Buchanan, married Lane Johnson in the Buchanan administration. The Nellie Grant-Sartoris marriage took place in May, 1874, during the Grant administration. Grover Cleveland and Miss Folsom married in the Cleveland administration.

Miss Alice Roosevelt is to be married at the White House Feb. 15, to Nicholas Longworth, Congressman from the First Ohio District. Official announcement of the engagement has been made.

It was learned from official sources that the ceremony is to be performed on Feb. 15 and that Bishop Satterlee of the Episcopal church, who lives in Washington, will officiate. The bridal trip will be made in June. Mr. and Mrs. Longworth will go abroad, making their first stop at London, where they will be guests of Ambassador Reid.

Upon their return to this country the Longworths will make their home in Washington. They will live there as long as President Roosevelt remains in the White House, although a later residence in Cincinnati, Mr. Longworth's home, is contemplated. Since the official announcement confirming the truth of the rumor of the engagement which has been current for many months, both Miss Roosevelt and Mr. Longworth have been showered with congratulations and good wishes.

Epsom Salts as an Anaesthetic. Magnesium sulphate, commonly known as epsom salts, is reported by Dr. Samuel J. Meltzer of New York to have proved an anaesthetic when injected into the spinal cord.

Centenarian's Independence. The death of Senator David Wark, the oldest member of the Canadian parliament, recalls an anecdote which illustrates his remarkable independence. At the age of 101 he was still holding the seat which had been his for almost half a century.

Vanderbilt's Modern Village. George W. Vanderbilt has created Biltmore village, a model settlement near Asheville, N. C., and instituted many benevolent and educational enterprises for the benefit of his own employees and the community in general.

The Self-Reliant Man. The man who wins his way has the ultimate advantage over the other whose path is cleared for him and whose rapid progress along it is an excursion personally conducted by a captain of industry.

Good Cold Weather Dish. "No wonder cabbage is heating," said the farmer. "It perspires more than any other living thing, animal or vegetable. An acre of cabbage perspires over twenty tons of water a day."

Her Mean Joke. "Where have you been now?" asked Mrs. Jawback, icily. It was a cold day, anyhow.

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The most notable of the weddings in the White House in recent years were those of President Cleveland and the Nellie Grant-Sartoris nuptials.

The Roosevelt-Longworth wedding will be the first in many years in which a daughter of a president has been married in the White House. For this reason and the immense popularity of Miss Roosevelt, the affair has already taken on great proportions in the social eye.

Miss Roosevelt has a great many young friends in Washington who might be attendants on her wedding. There are Miss Mathilde Townsend, Miss Boardman, Miss Catherine Elkens and others, but she also has numerous relatives in New York and Boston. Besides this in the makeup of the strictly wedding party the friends of Mr. Longworth will be consulted so that the affair will concern intimately New York, Massachusetts, Ohio, and the District of Columbia.

Miss Roosevelt is twenty-two years old and is the only child of the President by his first marriage. She made her bow to society at a ball given in 1902 in the White House.

Mr. Longworth is a companionable chap, thirty-six years old, heir to a fortune of \$20,000,000, member of one of the best families in Ohio, a crack golfer, bosom friend of the Fleischmanns of Cincinnati, and author of the municipal code under which the cities and towns in his native state are governed.

The drawing rooms of Washington, New York and Newport know Miss Roosevelt well, and among her friends, as among all those of the man she is to marry, there is rejoicing that she has at last yielded to the quiet but unceasingly persistent suit that Mr. Longworth has paid to her from almost the first day they met.

Millionaire With Public Spirit. John S. Neave, a Cincinnati multimillionaire, has filed application for appointment as superintendent of the street cleaning department.

Queer Fad of Eastern Musician. Mme. Maria Sandal Bransen is head of the vocal department in a fashionable musical school in Pittsburg. Mme. Bransen does not believe in wearing stockings and has not worn them since, when a girl of 14, her singing attracted the attention of King Oscar of Sweden.

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GOWNS OF THE MOMENT

Colors to Suit Complexions. The brunette, genuine, dark eyed dark haired, and of good color, is not a difficult type to deal with, given a good complexion and almost every color is hers, brown hair harmonizing with almost every shade.

The fair brunette, she of dark hair and eyes of blue, blue gray, or violet, must use discretion in choosing her colors. No strong, vivid tints for her—nothing, in fact, that will destroy the delicate tints of her skin.

Now It's the Empire. The empire style is a good deal to the fore in lingerie just now. It is especially noticeable in night gowns, many of which have the characteristic Empire feature, which may be called with equal variety the long yoke or the short waist.

Violet Broadcloth Suit.



Directoire coat with inner vest of embroidered velvet and ruffle of fine lace. Darker velvet hat, trimmed with white wings.

Real Mulligatawney Soup. Pound fine in a mortar and mix and sift well a quarter of an ounce China turmeric, one-third ounce of cassia, three drachms of black pepper, two drachms cayenne and an ounce of coriander seeds.

Two large chickens or three pounds of lean veal. Cut the meat from the bones in small pieces, and put it in a pan with two quarts of water. Boil slowly for half an hour, skimming it well.

According to Parisian Ideas. The wrappers and dressing sacsques that have come from Paris this fall are particularly beautiful. And, by the way, because they come from Paris it does not follow that one must purchase them.

Fashion Welcomed Back. Dressmakers as well as their feminine clientele rejoice over the return of the Henrietta cloth sheening over a silk warp and woven in fine textures in the most glorious colors.

A virtue worth heeding in these cloths is that they clean perfectly. The all-wool textures may be washed in the tub with soap bark or a good soap and ironed and still look well.

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HINTS TO HOUSEWIVES

Rub kerosene on the zinc under the stove once a day and it will always look bright.

Tea should be kept in either a tin or glass vessel which has a lid, as it is necessary to keep it tightly covered.

Mirrors and glasses in furniture are best cleaned with a mixture of water, ammonia and whiting and rubbed dry with a clean cheesecloth.

Black oak or Flemish oak, and all other furniture finished with what is called a wax finish should not be cleaned with the regular furniture polish, but with a wax polish.

About Fur Coats. Short blouse jackets of gray squirrel are popular.

Little jackets of brown mink are especially good this winter.

Astrakhan jackets are good form.

Small Pajamas. It is the pajama age, and not alone for grownups, but for the small folks as well.

An Imported Skirt. A very beautiful evening petticoat recently exhibited in one of the shops was of white soft-finish taffeta.

English Mince Meat. Cook two pounds of lean meat in a little water until tender. Cool and chop or grind as finely as possible.

Hints for Dressing Sacques. Among the dressing sacques a new idea is a loose garment of china silk, accordeon plaited and covered entirely with the "all-over" valenciennes lace mesh bordered by the edging.

Oatmeal Snaps. Mix one cupful of sweet cream and three tablespoonfuls of sugar, and add fine oatmeal until stiff.

Blue and Pink. The French have not hesitated this year to bring blue into contact with pink—a combination we have not seen before in years, and very refreshing and beautiful and girlish it is.

Young girl's walking gown of red serge with strappings of the cloth. Red velvet turban with black feathers.



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abroad and they look better than ever. A real lace purse with mounting of silver gilt makes a nice wedding present.

Gray veils are something of a novelty, when worn with hats of any color.

Beaver tricornees seem to be the thing to wear with the directoire coats.

Empire Teagown Negliges. Empire effects are splendidly adapted to the teagown neglige. With cashmeres and other soft wool materials, wide braids, showing silver or gilt threads, form the entire corslet.

Leggings for Baby. The cutest baby leggings are made of corodry—the prettiest of all pink, the most durable of white.

Pretty Dress for Young Girl. Blouse of changeable taffeta forming a yoke, below which the fronts are



slightly gathered. The yoke forms a scalloped strap in front ornamented with gold buttons.

The sleeves, cut with epaulets, under which they are gathered, are finished with deep scalloped cuffs ornamented with gold buttons.

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THE EARTH'S AREA.

One of the best authorities estimates the area of the earth's surface at 196,791,084 square miles, of which about 53,000,000 square miles is land, the rest water.

Nineteen in One Room. In investigating the death of a child London lodging-house inspectors found a room at the east end in which nineteen Russians slept.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children. Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home in New York, cure Constipation, Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms.

Asbestos. Asbestos is a mineral, a silicate of magnesia and lime, together with iron oxide. It is worked in commercial deposits in Italy, Tasmania, New South Wales, Canada and the United States.

Competition. A farmer, during a long-continued drought, invented a machine for watering his fields.

The Kindly Word. A kindly word is a little thing—a breath that goes and a sound that dies.

A Highly Developed Auto. A Brooklyn physician who used to be an automobile enthusiast owns a machine which has been educated to such a high stage of efficiency that he solemnly informs his friends it breaks down while standing still in the garage.

He Doesn't Curse Now. Washington, Kans., Dec. 25 (Special)—Jesse E. Mitchell is a telephone lineman, and also a well known resident here.

"I used to curse all kinds of Patent Medicines, for they never did me any good, but Dodd's Kidney Pills have caused me to change my mind.

In a sad world the old saints who have a right to sleep are the ones in the graveyard.

The trouble with much preaching is that it is advertising truffles when the people need potatoes.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES. Itching, Bleeding, Protruding Piles. Remedies are authorized to refund money if PAIN OINTMENT fails to cure in 10 to 14 days. 50c.

The best way to estimate the force of a man's alleged good nature is to serve him indifferent meals at home.

You always get full value in Lewis' Single Binder straps for cigars. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

When a man has had a quarrel with his wife he tries to look upon himself as entitled to sympathy.

Some men are powerless to make themselves understood by a woman.

THE COUPON BELOW IS GOOD FOR \$1.00 IF SENT AT ONCE.

It Is Wrong for You to Neglect Your Duty to Yourself—Constipation, Bowel and Stomach Troubles Grow More Dangerous Daily.

There is now a remedy called Mull's Grape Tonic that cures these troubles absolutely.

Have you noticed the large number of cases of Typhoid Fever lately? Typhoid Fever, Malarial Fever, Appendicitis, Impure Blood, Pimples, Skin Diseases, Sick Headache, Biliousness, Piles, Femal Troubles, etc., are the result of Constipation.

Good for alling children and nursing mothers. A free bottle to all who have never used it because we know it will cure you.

COUPON. SEND GOOD FOR ONE DOLLAR 1230-5. Send this coupon with your name and address and your druggist's name and loc. to pay postage and we will supply you a sample free. If you have never used Mull's Grape Tonic and will also purchase a bottle for \$1.00 toward the purchase of more bottles from your druggist.

The genuine has a date and number stamped on the label—take no other from your druggist.