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Wearied of great crimes and tantery concerning the identity of the seen him in a bank.

is not enough for Paris.

about two months ago. Tall, slender next day. and graceful, garbed in the most mod-



The Man in the Mask.

in the fashionable Maison Doree, in the Boulevard des Italiens. At first glance there seemed nothing strange in his appearance, but on closer inspection it was seen that drawn tightly across the upper part of his face, and fitting the shape of his features, revealing, yet concealing them, was a silken or eel skin mask.

From the near-by tables it could be seen that he was disguised, but from any greater distance the mask was not noticeable.

Some smiled, thinking he had dropped in on his way to a masked ball, and but little attention was paid to him. A detective who noticed him gave him a little thought, then dismissed any suspicions he might have

The man dined well, handed the waiter a liberal fee, strolled out into the boulevard, and walked away.

The next appearance of the mask was at the Comedie, where he was in one of the premiere loges. The fact that he was masked attracted considerable comment among those enough to detect the half transparent pigment drawn across the handsome face. It attracted so much attention that one of the house detectives approached his seat and spoke to nim. The man made a slight gesture of annoyance and dissent, and continued to watch the performance.

Sworn Never to Unmask. The little scene was witnessed by

scores, and the next day the mystery Beaumarchais, closely followed by the of the man in the mask began to take shape. He appeared that day walking on the Boulevard Poissonniere late men pressing close behind him. The in the evening, and later he appeared man seemed absolutely ignorant of the in the Cafe de Paris, behind the fact that he was being shadowed, and

Really, it was there that he became that he carried in his hand. a mystery. A crowd of merrymakers, noticing the mask, called to him, and in citizen's clothes, observed the odd without hesitation he joined them, procession, and, noticing the suspicious seating himself at the table with them actions of the three young men, fell and drinking wine. His speech and into the shadowing game to see what manner indicated high breeding and was happening. refined manners. If he knew any of Directly in front of the Church of St. the party, he concealed the fact, and Denis du Saint Sacrement, in the Rue when they, after some time, spoke jest- de Turenne, the three men sprang foringly of the mask, he appeared slight- ward and grappled with the Man in

"Take it off, let us see your face," remarked one.

mask," he replied, quietly.

is known that he ever has condescend- man fell back as if frightened, and ed to make concerning the mask, made stood staring in astonishment at the him in a moment one of the most in- masked one. teresting features of Paris. The remark was repeated everywhere, and one of the journals printed something sergeant grabbed them, released the asserted the doctor, "if you can stant about him.

All Paris Talks of Him.

From that evening he was famous. Everyone in Paris, that is, all who frequent the boulevards, the theaters, was requested to accompany the ar- voice of a braw Scot at the end of the music halls, or restaurants, talked of resting officer and enter complaint table. "Mon," he exclaimed, "you him and wondered who he was and against his assailants. He bowed his singin's no' up to much, but your ver why he wore the mask. He went acquiescence to the officer, and an in- acity's just awful. You're richt abou everywhere openly and without seek- stant later had disappeared as if off that brick!"-Philadelphia Ledger.

afternon strolls are through the gal- astonishment. gled political plots, the gossips of the leries. Always he is plenteously sup-French capital are busy with the mys- plied with money-yet no one ever has ment of a nominal fine, and then the

Handsome and apparently wealthy. rious ones to trace him to his place of his friends of the cafes and concert the natural inference is to set him residence. The very freedom with halls the strangest thing of all. He dedown as a notoriety seeker, but this which he entered apartment buildings, clared that the mask was no maskhotels, and other public places protect- but part of the face of the man. He Who is he, and why does he fear the ed him from the shadows. Apparently recognition of the world? totally unconscious of the fact that had been pasted to the skin, or that No one has yet been able to satisfy he was being followed, he always dis- the mask was a strip of skin itself, colthe Parisians on either of these points. appeared suddenly from the view of ored with some pigment. the person who was striving to trace | Effort after effort has been made The Man in the Mask appeared first him-and was seen no more until the since then to solve the mystery, but

ish of evening clothes, he appeared a time promised to reveal to the cu- the jaded sensations of Paris. rious ones something tangible regarding him-that was the fact that he generally appeared to the public gaze coming from the Rue de l'Echelle into the Rue de Rivoli, a short distance from the Palais Royal and the Tuileries. Once he was seen to turn from the Rue Saint Honore into the Rue de l'Echelle-a short half block from the place he usually appears in the Rivoli. But beyond that he never has been traced.

Some declare that he slips on the mask while walking along the street, and that, when he wants to disappear and elude pursuers, all he has to do is to take off the mask and walk past them unconcernedly.

statement that he never would remove the mask was a mere pretense.

Greater Mystery Than Ever. A short time ago three young men, the Man in the Mask stroll out and

Gay and jaded Paris has a new sen-ation. ing anything in particular. He evi-dently loves art, for frequently his three prisoners standing dumb with

one who attempted to tear the mask Effort after effort was made by cu- from the face of the mystery told to

with no success. The mystery of the There was just one clew which for Man in the Mask continues to stir

> Deduction by Analogy. "Mamma. I'se got a stomache ache,"

said Nellie Bly, six years old. "That's because you've been with out lunch. It's because your stomach is empty. You would feel better if you had something in it."

That afternoon the pastor called, and, in the course of conversation re marked that he had been suffering all day with a very severe headache. "That is because it is empty," said

Nellie. "You'd feel better if you had something in it."-American Specta-

Veracious.

At a certain Scottish dinner it was They declare their belief that his found that every one had contributed to the evening's entertainment but a certain Dr. MacDonald. "Come, come Dr. MacDonald," said the chairman; "we cannot let you escape." The docsitting with a party of actresses in a tor protested that he could not sing, boulevard cafe, drinking wine, saw "My voice is altogether unmusical, and resembles the sound caused by the act



From That Evening He Was Famous.

they pledged themselves in a cup of wine to follow him and unmask him. He walked down the Boulevard trio of young men. He turned to the left into the Rue St. Claude, with the walked leisurely, playing with a glove

About that time a sergeant of police.

the Mask. Two pinioned his arms behind him while the other, with a quick motion, reached for the mask to tear "I have sworn never again to un- it from the man's face. Twice his fingers clutched at the mask, then, just That remark, the only one so far as as the sergeant sprang forward, the

The man in the mask smiled slightly. man and all three of the young roi- it I will sing." Long before he had sterers were placed under arrest.

Seems to Become Invisible.



Fell Back as if Frightened.

of rubbing a brick along the panels of a door." The company attributed this The other assailants, when the to the doctor's modesty. "Very well," finished his audience was uneasy There was a painful silence as the doc As usual, the victim of the assault tor sat down, broken at length by the

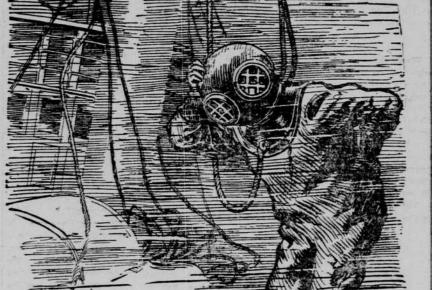
SLEEP CURE IS A NEW FAD.

The other day we were discussing, And now we want to know if it can | theory, eight hours of sleep we have away days of his imprisonment; and cheering effect on the patient. it gives one furiously to think of the sleep cure. Some have the gift of sleep, propounded that each person is alkeep out of mischief all the time. It and others haven't, that is quite un- lotted by destiny so many hours of ac- is so monotonous when one comes to mistakable; the secret of more than tive life, so many thousands or hun- think of it, 365 times in the year one one notable instance of beautiful dreds of thousands of hours to live, gets up and dresses, and sticks hairmothers, grandmothers, I mean, is these, of course, above and beyond the pins in one's hair. It would be so acknowledged to be due directly to the hours allotted to sleep, and that just much more charming to wake up and 1 in the point, and treble down the power of sleep, to take a quiet little as one nay spend a big balance at the find all that done. Perhaps the next nap at any time of the day, when a bank in a short time, so the man or specialist will be some one who will busy afternoon or long evening is be- woman who turns night into day, and train us in the art of sleep, who will fore them. It really seems, then, one robs himself or herself of sleep, spends show us how to dispatch ourselves into of the cleverest attainments open to his balance at the bank of life soon, Slumberland, and how to stay there the eternal feminine, this capacity of and dies early. It's an odd theory, but till the comfy moment arrives when capturing 40 winks whenever she it looks as if there ought to be some- we want to awake and start action all

the latest idea, i. e., the sleep cure, be acquired, like other gifts, this one all considered ample for us won't sufand this morning's paper has brought most precious of all, this beauty treat- fice; he or she must have nine hours the subject to the top again, now that ment, which costs but the time in who wants to live to 90. A lovely thins another miner has been rescued at the which to take it. Making your mind would be to be able to sleep righscene of the mining disaster in France, a vacuum, repelling every thought and through, while some one washed and and found in better condition than the emotion is one recipe, the initiated and dressed one, and did one's hair, and to men rescued the week before. He sup- the enthusiasts declare, and imagin- wake up just in front of a breakfas posed that he had only been a week ing that one is dead, and that nothing tray. I wonder could the sleepy people lost in the mine, and the inference is, matters, another-rather a nasty one manage that! Yet it is a very ecoof course, that he must have slept methinks, not calculated to have a nomical way of spending one's time

thing in it. And, according to this ready.

to sleep. Why, one doesn't even wan' The theory has been proposed and shoe-leather, and is quite certain to



TOUGH LUCK

AID FOR THE HOSTESS.

3UGGESTIONS FOR NOVEL AND ; out of doors, and the hunt for flowers PLEASING ENTERTAINMENTS.

A Cake-Guessing Contest-An Attractive Lily Luncheon - A Flower Party for the Children-Choosing Partners.

Cake Guessing Contest.

This is a clever little skit to fill in a few moments that might lag. Write these questions on slips of paper and pass pencils, allowing 15 minutes for he guessing. For a prize to the person who has the most correct answers. rive a prettily decorated cake.

What kind of cake should a jeweler eat? Gold and silver cake. What kind for a politician? Elec-

tion cake. What kind for a man who lives on his friends? Sponge cake.

What for a maker of gloves? Lady What for a gardener? Fruit cake. What kind for a lover? Kisses.

What kind for a pugilist? Pound What kind for a geologist? Layer

What kind of a cake would a persou have if he ate all of these? Stomach-

A Lily Luncheon.

This affair is most attractive. For the center piece use a large bunch of white lilies with the natural foliage; shade the candles with white; use glass holders, winding them with smilax. The place cards are in shape of lilies with the lettering in gold.

Of course the hostess will wear white, and if there is any color it must be yellow. Serve the regulation luncheon menu, but the ice or cream may be frozen in "lily" forms or served in a real calla lily. This is a decided novelty, but is a practical one. White candles should be the only artificial light in the dining room and they nake the proper setting for this unusually pretty affair.

Party for Children.

A mother I know has planned such a unique afternoon party for her two children, aged eight and ten. If the weather is fair there will be games

(artificial ones) will be most realistic. Each child is to be given a basket with a bow of ribbon on the handle. The one who finds the most blossoms will be given a box of marshmallows or buttercup candies, which is not to be opened until the child

After the hunt a wreath of flowers is to adorn each child's head, and for the remainder of the time the guests will be called by the name of the flower composing the wreath. If anyone forgets and calls the real name, a forfeit is to be paid of a flower from their wreath. At the end of a half hour a count is taken and the one who has paid the fewest forfeits is permitted to choose the games to be played for the space of 15 minutes.

The dining room is going to be very pretty with a large gilded basket for the centerpiece, pink ribbons from it leading to the places for the little girls and green for the boys. The basket will contain a flower for each with a tiny gift tied to it. A simple menu is to be served, consisting of clam bouillon, wafers, lettuce, sandwiches, ice cream in tiny baskets, with a flower tied on the handle, lady fingers and maccaroons so dear to childish hearts.

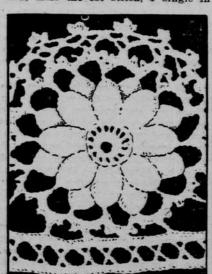
To Choose Partners. The nickname of states provide a good way to select partners. Write the names of the states for the girls and the nicknames for the men, and then let them find each other. A lively time is likely to ensue. To save the hostess from wracking her brains the list follows:

North Carolina-"Old North" New York-"Empire State." South Carolina-"Palmetto State." Rhode Island-"Little Rhody." Ohio-"Buckeye." Connecticut-"Nutmeg State." Delaware-"Blue Hen." New Hampshire-"Granite State" Pennsylvania-"Keystone State." Louisiana-"Creole State" Illinois-"Sucker State" Indiana-"Hoosier State." Massachusetts-"Bay State." Texas-"Lone Star State." Maine-"Pine Tree State" Virginia-"Old Dominion."

Dahlia-Border Design.

Suitable for Trimming a Tea-Cloth or Sideboard Cover.

A very handsome and effective horler for a tea cloth or sideboard cloth: Materials, Coat's cotton, No. 8. 8 ch. oin round, fill the ring with 16 d-1st ound, 1 ch, 1 tr in each double stitch. -2d round, 1 d in the 1st hole, 11 ch, turn, miss the 1st stitch, 1 single in



A RATHER INTRICATE PATTERN.

miss the 1st stitch, 1 single in each of the 12 ch, repeat all around. Turn the work on the wrong side-3d round. 1 tr in each of the 10 single stitches, 3 of 16. Turn the work to the front flowers.

Very Handsome and Effective Border | side .- 5th round. Slip stitch to the top of the peal just finished, 1 d in the center stitch, 9 ch, 1 tr in the point of the next petal, 9 ch, repeat .-6th ch, 3 d, 4 ch, 3 d, 4 ch, 3 d, 4 ch, 3 d, under each loop of chain. Join the patterns to each other twice by a middle picot. The Heading.-1st row, 1 tr in the

MADAME MERRI.

fit. It includes four new quick-firing middle picot of the group next but one to the joining, 11 ch thread 6 times round the needle; insert the hook in the middle picot of the next group. work off 3 stitches, then 3 times more round the needle; insert the hook in the middle picot of the next group of the next pattern, and work off all the stitches; 11 ch, 1 tr, in the next group; 11 ch, 1 d, in the next; 9 ch, 1 d, in the next; 11 ch, 1 tr, in the next; 11 ch, repeat .- 2d row. Double .- 3d row. Cotton 3 times round the needle, insert the hook in a double stitch of last row, work off 2 stitches, cotton again round the needle, miss 2 stitches, insert hook in next stitch, work off all the stitches 2 ch. 1 tr. in the center of the group just worked, 2 ch, miss 2 stitches; repeat.—4th row. Double, taking up back thread only.

The Edge.-1st row. 1 d in the middle picot of a group, 3 ch, 1 tr, in the same place; repeat. At the joining of the pattern work 1 tr in the free picot 1 tr in the free picot of the next patsach ch, 1 d in the next hole, 13 ch, of 5 ch, 1 tr, between the 2 tr, 5 ch, 1 single in the loop of the treble just worked 3 times; repeat.

Virginia Beauties. In Virginia the beauties sleep upon other side of the peal to correspond, 1 herb pillows. They begin at this time single in the last stitch of the 12 of the year to gather the garden herbs single. In the next pedal, miss this and to dry them. They never bury round every alternate petal in the believe it makes wrinkles. But they same manner.-4th round. The same, sleep on herbs, powdered and softened but work 12 tr along the petals instead with rose leaves and the buds of spring

GOSSIP FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

The Sting of the Ex-Senatorial Wasp---Senator from Pennsylvania Brings That State Much Honor.



WASHINGTON .- Ex-Senator Chandler, "the wasp of the Senate," as he was formerly known, has managed to get into his natural element which is hot water. He mixed in the railroad rate legislation as an intermediary between the strenuous President Roosevelt and the vitriolic Senator Tillman, of South Carolina. The opportunity to have some fun was too great for Mr. Chandler to let pass. President Roosevelt, as everybody who has come in personal contact with him knows, is impetuous and in private conversation speaks his mind very freely and sometimes extravagantly about those with whom he may have a difference of opinion.

On the rate bill the president had some strong differences and to Senator Chandler he talked very freely about Senators Spooner, Knox and Foraker. It so happened that two of these men. Spooner and Foraker, have been in Mr. Chandler's bad books for some years and the

latter did not hesitate to report to Senator Tillman some things which the president said about these senators that sounded rather harsh in private conversation, but were absolutely offensive when delivered in public. ator Tillman felt called upon to make a statement on the floor of the senate giving his version of the negotiations that had been in progress between the president and the Democrats through Mr. Chandler, the intermediary. In that statement he quoted what Senator Chandler had said that the president had said about Knox, Spooner and Foraker.

SENATOR KNOX REMAINS COOL.



Senator Knox, one of the trio named by ex-Senator Chandler as having been criticised by the president, refused to get excited over the report as he said that the president knew him too well and knew his desire to enact constitutional legislation too well ever to have charged him even in private with having a purpose to defeat the bill. Mr. Knox is one of the well-tried friends of President Roosevelt who can talk to the latter like a "Dutch uncle," and the president takes his lecture in good part. It is remembered that a year or two ago a fulsome magazine article was published by a well-known writer in which the present Secretary Root was lauded to the skies and President Roosevelt quoted as saying that Mr. Root could fill any position in the cabinet and would make a better secretary of state than Mr. Hay or a better attorney general than Mr. Knox. This article caused some comment and the

friends of Mr. Knox were inclined to be offended, especially as it was shortly after the attorney general's successful credit to the administration. The president got worried over the article, and as Mr. Knox did not go to the White House for several days the president sent for him, and in an embarrassed sort of way denied that there had been any war rant for the quotation attributed to him in the magazine article. President," said Mr. Knox, "I never gave that matter a second thought, be cause I knew that you were not fool enough to make such a remark." The president, who is apt to be carried away by the enthusiasm of the moment and who doubtless had spoken in most laudatory terms of Mr. Root, saw the point of his attorney general's remark at once.

THE "GOLD-DUST TWINS."



Two new members in the senate are getting a large share of credit for securing a sane and constitutional measure through that body. These are Senators Knox, of Pennsylvania, and Crane, of Massachusetts. Mr. Knox has taken high place in the senate during his first term because of the reputation he had when he entered that body, His advice has been sought and his opinion respected far beyond that which is accorded to new members. He has made but one set speech, but his interruptions have been frequent and always on some vital point in the rate bill. Mr. Crane entered the same time that Mr. Knox did and brought with him the reputation of being a supert When it seemed imperative that an amend

ment should be made to the rate bill to make it constitutional in the judgment of the majority of lawvers in the senate. Mr. Knox was given the task of convincing his colleagues that the amendment was necessary. To Mr. Crane was given the task of lining up the senators for this amendment. The two men worked together and were about the busiest members in that body. They are both small men physically, and

leagues the "Gold Dust Twins of the Senate. Senator Knox's prominence in his first term and the high position that has been accorded him, has brought unusual honor to his state of Pennsylvania so that there is strong talk of making him governor of that state. He will not listen to such a suggestion, as he does not care for a busy political life, but many of his friends are urging him to accept a nomination, that he would give such an ideal administration as governor as to force him to the forefront as a presidential candidate in 1908. Secretary Shaw, of the who is himself a candidate for the presidency, stated

the other day that if Pennsylvania elected an exceptionally able man for

governor this year that man would be a formidable dark horse in the presi-

THE WEARY CONGRESSMEN NEED REST.



Congress is getting tired. It has now been session nearly six months and that is considered a pretty long time for these \$5,000 officials to attend to public business. There are the inevitable signs of approaching adjournment. Passages on steamships abroad have been engaged, tours of the United States, Canada and New Mexico are projected and many congressmen are studying railway maps and steamship itineraries much more closely than they are legislation. The hot weather is approaching and that always has a deteriorating effect upon enthusiastic statesmanship. After a long winter's work it is pretty hard for the average congressman to keep up the pace with the mercury in the 90's and old "General Humidity" dominating the climate of Washington. The house has been going along in an or

dinary sort of way and is pretty well clear of all sort of legislation. It was the policy of Speaker Cannon and the house leaders to pass the important bills and throw them into the senate in order to direct the attention of the country to this upper branch of the national legislature and bring criticism upon it as being a dilatory body. The senate pays about as much attention to this sort of criticism as a duck does to a stream of water turned upon its back. The senate takes its own good time in disposing of any piece of legislation, but this time varies. It has spent about three months on the rate bill. It is liable to spend three hours on an important appropriation bill.

THE FISHERMEN EAGER FOR THEIR SPORT.



When the gray heads of the senate have reached a conclusion the word goes out that by such and such a date congress ought to ad-Then the committees get very busy and report the bills that are to pass and they are taken up and disposed of in ample time to allow congress to get away on the date fixed. It is then that the enthusiastic fishermen, as well as the travelers, begin to make preparations for their vacation. Fly books are overhauled, rods unjointed and examined and everything put into ship shape for the senators' summer sport. Old Fishermen like President Pro Tem Frye, Senator Proctor, of Vermont; Senator Du Bois, of Idaho; Senator Spooner, of Wisconsin, and half a dozen other lovers of nature, and the delights of fishing, can hardly wait until the day of adjournment. The fishermen of congress each has his own

favorite territory. Senator Proctor is one of the millionaire owners of immense fishing preserves in the almost unknown land of Gaspe in eastern Canada. He goes there with his friends and is isolated from the world. They live in primitive style and enjoy the real sport of salmon fishing and occasionally hunting the moose and the caribou. Senator Spooner loves the northern Wisconsin lakes and would rather have a four-pound bass at the end of his line than to beat Bailey on a constitutional point. Senator Du Bois goes after the trout 1p in Idaho and Wyoming and is an expert fisherman.

EFFICACY PLUS PRAYER

Ethel, one of New Hampshire's terial welfare of the family: "An'. nent seemed to be to trap them. She "Ethel, dear," said mother, serious-ly, "do you really think that last is a pleaded with him and scolded him, but expect Him to do such a thing as all to no effect. So Ethel took a new that?"

lirectly with the spiritual and ma- pincott's.

even-year-old daughters, is devoted to dear God, please smash all Willie's he birds. She was enraged at her nasty traps, for Jesus sake, amen." "Ethel, dear," said mother, serious-

> nice thing to ask God to do? Do you Ethel smiled beamingly, and an-

When prayer time came the other swered: "Oh, that'll be all right, muzevening her mother heard this final zer. Jes' before I comed upstairs I petition added to those which dealt smashed 'em, all my own self."-Lip-