

Can't Wizard Burbank be induced to try his hand on a mosquitoless summer?

The national bank circulation now amounts to over \$500,000,000, very unevenly distributed.

As Mrs. Langtry talks of going into vaudeville it looks as if she is about ripe for a pension.

In the celebrated case of gasoline fumes versus mosquitoes Judge Nose reserves his decision.

There is one thing in favor of the 50-year-old school marm—she is going to stick to her business.

The stigmatism is a big mosquito well supplied with yellow streaks. It means business in every attack.

The postmaster general has invented a new kind of money order. But it will be just as hard to get as ever.

The early publication of "Fads and Fancies" is now promised. It has been well advertised by smart advance agents.

A Pittsburg man has invented a machine that will make and bake forty pies a minute. Where is the gatling gun now?

Simeon Ford's chauffeur ran away with his automobile. The joke is on Simeon, but he doesn't see any material for a funny story.

A Philadelphia paper says that "Mrs. Harry Lehr now has a pet poodle as her constant companion." Another whack at Harry?

A crockery trust with a capital of \$40,000,000 has been organized. It may be dangerous to start a bull movement in that stock.

It is to be remembered, furthermore, that J. Pierpont Morgan can afford to buy a new suit of clothes every day in the year, if he feels like it.

A western novelist recently went to jail in search of local color. Most men would prefer to get their local color in nice fat public offices.

The actress who wanted her green eyes made brown would have saved money if she had conquered her jealousy without going to a doctor.

The Massachusetts judge who has decided that an umbrella is private property probably knows who has his, and hopes the warning is sufficient.

In case her creditors kick at getting only seven mills on the dollar, Cassie Chadwick can point out with force that they are in luck to get that much.

A bunco man of wide experience says that "a sucker is born in New York every thirty seconds." Yes, and when he grows up he gets into the smart set.

The Illinois Automobillists' Association will ask uniform laws for the regulation of motorists. Without the aid or consent of any old pedestrian, gentlemen?

Paul Morton and James H. Hyde danced in the same set at Newport. Paul will soon feel his salary needs bracing up or he will be resorting to allied interests.

As to the monkey that died in consequence of being deprived of its daily allowance of coffin nails, let us try to be resigned. It was not a promising monkey, anyhow.

Philadelphia is bragging that it is so big it takes more than one shower to cover it. Philadelphia is also so sleepy that it takes more than one thunderclap to awaken it.

The Troy, N. Y., baseball team has gone on a strike. Some of the Troy "fans" are unkind enough to say that not before this season has the team's hitting been worthy of notice.

In one day recently 100 wives applied at the New York police courts for warrants, charging desertion on the part of their husbands. Married people should keep away from New York.

"All wives," says a woman physician, "should become hypnotists and put their husbands under the influence." The great trouble with this scheme is that so many men are poor hypnotical subjects.

A man in Pittsburg is paying a debt incurred at a game of cards by omitting his regular daily ablutions for the space of one year. His appearance on the streets of Pittsburg, however, is not likely to occasion any remark.

A Pittsburg spinster willed \$500,000 to her old sweetheart, who had married another woman. But wait. Don't get excited. She provided that he would have to secure a divorce from the other woman in order to get the money.

A telegram from Boston says a famous poet of that town has broken down from overwork. Possibly he had been trying in his Bostonish way to find out why he should be criticised for making "banter" rhyme with "hozanna."

Apparently even our foreign-born citizens quickly absorb the fine old traditions of New England. A Polish woman in Ohio, who was first beaten by her compatriots as a witch, has now disappeared. Perhaps she was burned or drowned.

John W. Gates and John A. Drake are indulging in daily games of golf at Saratoga. The dispatches do not mention the size of the stakes, but we may safely assume that the gentlemen would not think of playing for less than \$1,000,000 a hole.

A Father's Duty. It is beginning to dawn upon the minds of men that the question of physical development generally and especially of infants in their first year belongs to men and not to women only—to fathers in fact as well as to mothers.

In and Out. How silly lovers' quarrels are, and yet there is no doubt that people who will fall in love are always falling out.

SALT RHEUM ON HANDS. Suffered Agony and Had to Wear Bandages All the Time—Another Cure by Cuticura.

Another cure by Cuticura is told of by Mrs. Caroline Cable, of Waupaca, Wis., in the following grateful letter: "My husband suffered agony salt rheum on his hands, and I had to keep them bandaged all the time. We tried everything we could get, but nothing helped him until he used Cuticura. One set of Cuticura Soap, Ointment, and Pills cured him entirely, and his hands have been as smooth as possible ever since. I do hope this letter will be the means of helping some other sufferer."

It is an easier matter than most women realize to become a thorough-going bore. We have all met such a woman. She will recite for hours at a stretch the troubles—real and imaginary—which she experiences with her husband, children and servants. She will expound upon her own ailments and worry you with a long story of her pains and aches.

Insist on Getting It. Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch. This is because they have a stock on hand of other brands containing only 12 oz. in a package which they won't be able to sell first, because Defiance contains 16 oz. for the same money.

I think the first virtue is to restrain the tongue. He approaches nearest to the gods who knows how to be silent, even though he is in the right.—Cato.

Important to Mothers. Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Watson.

Reason is the glory of human nature, and one of the chief eminences whereby we are raised, above the beasts in the lower world.—Lord Bacon.

Here is Relief for Women. Mother Gray, a nurse in New York, discovered a pleasant herb remedy for women's ills, called AUSTRALIAN-LEAF. It is the only certain monthly regulator. Cures female weaknesses, Backache, Kidney and Urinary troubles. At all Druggists or by mail 50 cts. Sample mailed FREE. Address, The Mother Gray Co., LeRoy, N. Y.

Her Excuse. A bright girl asked to be absent from school half a day on the plea that company was coming.

"It is my father's half-sister and her three boys," said the girl, anxiously, "and mother doesn't see how she can do without me, because those boys act dreadfully."

The teacher referred her to the printed list of reasons which justified absence, and asked if her case came under any of them.

"Oh, yes, Miss Smith," said the girl, eagerly, "it comes under this head," and she pointed to the words, "Domestic affliction."

Tommy's Explanation. Little Tommy told his mother that he thought it too rainy for him to venture forth to school, relates the New York Tribune.

"But it will not be too rainy this afternoon for you to play ball, will it?" asked his mother.

"No, mother," replied little Tommy, respectfully, "because you can always play better ball in the rain than in the sunshine."

"I don't see how, Tommy."

"Why," replied Tommy, "it's because when it is raining there is lots of mud, and that makes it so slippery that you can slide on your stomach better."

The proof of the pudding is in the eating, but indigestion corrupts good morals.

WRONG SORT. Perhaps Plain Old Meat, Potatoes and Bread may be Against You for a Time.

A change to the right kind of food can lift one from a sick bed. A lady in Weiden, Ill., says:

"Last Spring I became bed-fast with severe stomach trouble accompanied by sick headache. I got worse and worse until I became so low I could scarcely retain any food at all, although I tried every kind. I had become completely discouraged, had given up all hope and thought I was doomed to starve to death, till one day my husband trying to find something I could retain brought home some Grape-Nuts.

"To my surprise the food agreed with me, digested perfectly and without distress. I began to gain strength at once, my flesh (which had been flabby) grew firmer, my health improved in every way and every day, and in a very few weeks I gained 20 pounds in weight. I liked Grape-Nuts so well that for 4 months I ate no other food, and always felt as well satisfied after eating as if I had sat down to a fine banquet.

"I had no return of the miserable sick stomach nor of the headaches, that I used to have when I ate other food. I am now a well woman, doing all my own work again, and feel that life is worth living."

"Grape-Nuts food has been a god-send to my family; it surely saved my life and my two little boys have thriven on it wonderfully." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

There's a reason. Get the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in each pkg.

CONCERNING FASHIONS

This Gearing is Seasonable. Washable gloves have become absolutely indispensable to the summer girl. Not only do they save her hands from the ravages of the burning sun without inducing perspiration, but they are always immaculately clean and fresh.

Fabric gloves, whether in lisle or linen mesh, are so skillfully woven now that they have lost all of the scratchy feeling which has long been their objectionable feature. The girl who is peculiarly sensitive to this irritation will find lisle gloves lined with the most supple of China silk.

Fashionable shades, such as old rose and old blue, are lined with crease silk or silk embroidered with polka dots or tiny flowers. Linen mesh gloves, so popular during the warm months last year, are more than ever in evidence this summer, and the stitchings on the back show most elaborate handwork in self-tone of contrasting shade.

The New French Blouse. Never have the separate blouses seemed so altogether fascinating as at present. The sheer materials which the importer shows in such wonderful array make these waists especially attractive.

White crystal silk serves of the entire waist, while cavalier cuffs and stole collar are embroidered in pastel shades. Narrow black velvet in a Greek key pattern gives character to the bodice and both of these decorations are novel as well as inexpensive. Applique, guipure or the popular spangle can be used in



place of the embroidery. A bodice suitable for formal occasions is effected by omitting plastron and cuffs.

Cauliflower Soup. One fine cauliflower, two tablespoons of butter rolled in one of cornstarch, one onion, bunch of parsley, two blades of mace, two quarts of water, two cups of milk, pepper and salt, a pinch of soda in the milk. Cut the cauliflower into bunches, reserving about a cupful of small clusters to put whole into the soup.

Neat Shirt Waist Suit. A neat little shirt waist suit is that of blue silk, trimmed with tucks. The bodice is made with the fronts set into the shoulder seams in plaits. The surplice is finished with bands of silk, in groups of tucks. These reverse-like fronts are joined with buttons to a plain band collar, which is made of silk and edged with a stitched band of silk.

Never "One Too Many." One can never have too many cushions in the summer time and, of course, simple styles are best. A practical pillow cover, cool and fresh looking, was of cadet blue linen, showing

Child's Garden Hat. A little mite of a girl is displayed in a most wonderful creation of a garden hat planned and made by her own hands. The main body of the hat was composed of a large-size palm-leaf fan. The handle was removed and at that end a round scoop was cut to form the crown; Shirred in puffs and ruches over this scooped-out portion, completing a puffy crown, was dainty pale-blue cheesecloth. Bordering the entire brim were full plaited ruffles and ruches of the same colored fleecy material which formed a soft, becoming frame to the piquant face of the youthful wearer. Long, graceful streamers caught at either side of the back and intended to tie under the chin added a finishing touch to this dainty and exceedingly picturesque style of garden hat.

Home-Made White Waist. A pretty white waist which a girl has had made at home has wide embroidery for the base. This forms the back, front and cuffs of the sleeves. Four lengths of the embroidery are used, two at the back and two in the front. The scalloped edges just meet in the back; the little pearl buttons, placed one on each scallop, are fastened with little loops which are worked on the other. The front is similarly made. The scallops caught together permanently. On either side the plain edges of the embroidery are tucked yoke deep to give the necessary fullness. The sleeves are of plain lawn above the cuffs. A little colored slip of silk is worn under the waist and a line of pale green or blue or whatever it may be shows through the openings left where the scallops meet and a tint of it through the material.

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trim the tight-fitting lower parts of the sleeves. These bands are also stitched and ornamented with buttons.

Popular Russian Styles. Russian styles are holding their own and a smart model for a girl of 10 is in black and white mohair, showing an emblem worked in red on the breast and bishop sleeves brought into self cuffs. A black patent leather belt loosely confines the waist and with this frock is worn a white linen Eton collar and a red tie. Turn-back cuffs, tied with red ribbon through button-holed slits, give the finishing touch to a decidedly stylish and pretty frock.

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Attractive Walking Costumes. The costume at the left is of grenadine or voile. The bolero, made with plaits at the shoulders, is bordered with a bias band of taffeta of the same shade, and with a plaiting of the same. The waistcoat is of white linen ornamented with buttons and finished with a little embroidered collar. The knot and girdle are of the taffeta and the chemisette is of batiste. The full sleeves are finished at the elbows with frills of batiste and lace and bands and knots of taffeta. The skirt is made with groups of plaits alternating with groups of box plaits and is encircled at the bottom with bands and plaitings of taffeta. The other costume is of linen embroidered with braid. The bolero, which crosses slightly in front, is embroidered with the braid and bordered with a little frill of the material or of batiste. The blouse is of batiste and the girdle of silk. The sleeves are finished at the elbows with turnover cuffs of the material embroidered with frills of batiste and lace. The skirt is trimmed at the bottom with bands of the material and the braid.

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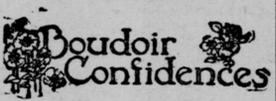
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cannot afford to throw last year's blouses away, and isn't smart enough to turn the sleeves upside down herself—which is the method of the ingenious to make last year's sleeves look like this year's—and hasn't yet found a dressmaker who isn't too busy to do it for her. For where is the dressmaker who will bother turning sleeves upside down when she has got whole rafts of brand new summer gowns to make?

Rhubarb Wine Recipe. Twelve quarts of rhubarb, cut and bruised into small pieces, 10 quarts of cold water, 15 pounds of sugar. Put these together and let stand three days, stirring two or three times a day. Then put into a jar or crock, and half ounce of gelatine dissolved in a little of the wine; let it stand two months, then strain and bottle. A little coloring may be added, if desired. Without, it is, white wine.



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In turbans the box shape and the torpedo are both fashionable. Pretty little Gaiasha fans for the hair are selling for 5 cents apiece. Flowers are placed on the embroidered muslin hats as well as ribbons. What a smart little air the black velvet collar gives to a white linen jacket.

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After Mrs. Ponsonby had talked about dressmakers and dressmaking until Mr. Ponsonby was weary, and when Mrs. Dallington had for more than two solid hours discussed gowns, hats, wraps, corsets and feminine apparel in general, Arthur Ponsonby flicked the ashes from his cigar and, turning to Dallington, asked:

"By the way, Fred, where did you buy your shirts?"

"I always get them at Creighton's."

"Do you like his style? I think Mudders makes the sweetest shirts I ever wore. They fit just lovely over the hips, and he seems to have a way of putting in sleeves that is so cunning."

"Oh, I shall have to go to him when I need shirts again. Where do you get your trousers?"

"Mansell always makes mine. I wouldn't think of going to any one else. How much did you pay for that vest. It's just as sweet as it can be."

"Yes, isn't it pretty? Do you know, I bought it ready made. I very seldom do such a thing, but it happened to just fit me and I couldn't resist it. Did Mansell make that coat your wearing?"

"Yes. How do you like it? Do you think it fits me just right across the shoulders?"

"It's perfect. I never saw anything sweeter. You ought to wear gray all the time. It's really very becoming to you. What a cunning tie you have. Where do you get your ties?"

"Oh, I wouldn't think of getting a tie anywhere but at Murgenheim's. Do you like these socks I'm wearing?"

"Dear me! They're awfully cute. I bought some new ones last week, but I like yours better than any of mine. I'm going to have a new pair of trousers cut out just as soon as I can get around to it. What do you think would be a good style for me to get? Would you have them shirred at the knees?"

"No, I don't like them that way. I think I would have them tucked at the ends and cut full at the sides, with deckled-edged seams. Still, if you like them gathered at the top, I—"

"Arthur," exclaimed Mrs. Ponsonby, "have you suddenly gone crazy?"

"Fred Dallington," that gentleman's wife demanded, "what in the world is the matter with you?"

The men shook their heads and denied that they had lost their wits. Being reassured, Mrs. Ponsonby asked Mrs. Dallington how she intended to have her Indian head skirt made up.

"I think," said Mrs. Dallington, "I will have it plaited both in front and behind. Do you remember that denim of mine?"

"Do you mean the pinkish one that Mrs. Blytheleigh made for you?"

Defeated and shamed the two men lit fresh cigars and sat back and were silent.—S. E. Kiser in Chicago Record Herald.

An Effective Sample. A clergyman was very fond of a particularly hot brand of pickles, and finding great difficulty in procuring the same at hotels when traveling, always carried a bottle with him. One day when dining at a restaurant with his pickles in front of him, a stranger sat down at the same table and with an American accent presently asked the minister to pass the pickles.

The minister, who enjoyed the joke, politely passed the bottle, and in a few minutes had the satisfaction of seeing the Yankee watering at the eyes and gasping for breath.

"I guess," said the latter, "that you are a parson."

"Yes, my friend, I am," replied the minister.

"I suppose you preach?" asked the Yankee.

"Yes, sir; I preach twice a week usually," said the minister.

"Do you ever preach about hell fire?" inquired the Yankee.

"Yes; I sometimes consider it my duty to remind my congregation of eternal punishment," returned the minister.

"I thought so," rejoined the Yankee, "but you are the first of your class I ever met who carried samples."

—Tattler.

An Experienced Bridegroom. When my father, the late Rev. P. B. Wilcox, was preaching in Maine, he was notified that a couple were waiting for him in the parlor, says a writer in the Boston Herald. Upon entering the room he recognized the man as a two or three times widower, and learned that the object of the visit was matrimony.

After ascertaining that the proper legal steps had been taken, my father said: "You will please rise and unite your right hands."

The man hesitated, looked at the woman, then at my father, and finally