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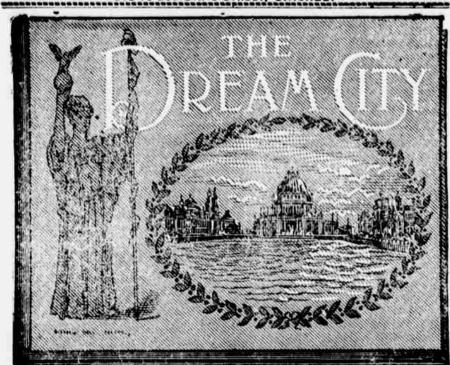
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LONG HAIR FOR MUSICIANS. its Value Practically Illustrated Through M. Yanye.

"Is long hair an unfailing mark of renius?" The answer is: No, not necessarily, but it is certainly a mark of policy. It does not require any profound wisdom on the part of a public performer to know that it is better to be talked about for his ugliness or his eccentricity than not to have his personality discussed at all, and if a man be so unfortunate as to possess a normal face and figure, with the average number of features and limbs, in what quarter must be look for individuality ave in his hair?

M. Aime Lachaume, the young French planist who is this year touring with Rivarde, and who did the same last year with Ysaye, tells how he happened this season to bloom out as one of the long-haired brethren. When he first came to this country M. Lachaume wore his hair in every-day feshion, and also cultivated a rather tentative beard. People heard him play, exclaimed: "How unassuming!" went away, and forgot him. Since his conversion, however, the same persons cry: "How hidcous! but the man is evidently a genhus. Bravo!" and they depart, and this tune do not forget.

It was Ysaye who breeght this change about. Last year, in the course of their travels, the two artists found themselves in a town somewhere in the west. They were sitting in a room together, when Ysaye exclaimed: "It's po use, Lachaume, I can't stand that beard of yours any longer; it is too ugly, and it must come off!"

"But, my dear man," answered the alarmed pianist, "I have taken such pains to grow that beard; it has cost me years of labor and anxiety; besides, you know one must have something distinctive about one."

"Yes, of course, I know that, but all you've got to do is to let your back hair grow like mine. And there s no time like the present, either, so you just sit down in that chair there and we'll make short work of the business."

No sooner said than done. In a few econds Lachaume was sitting trembling in the chair, while the great Ysaye wielded the razor about his devoted chin.

"In future, my dear boy, use a razor, but never scissors, and you are sure to become famous."—London Truth.

#### BULLION EMBROIDERY.

Little Shops Where Uniforms Are Made Gorgeous with Gold.

One sees from the sidewalk of a quiet street cast of Third avenue a big basement shop where two or three girls are bending over well-worn embroidery frames. The samples of their work displayed in the windows show that they are making bullion embroidery to decorate the coats or caps of milbtary officers, policemen, and others whose trades or professions require uniforms. There is less to be done in the bullion embroidery trade in this city than in most old world cities, but there is a constant and growing demand for the handiwork of the bullion embroiderers, and the trade is one that keeps its own in spite of labor-saving devices.

Bullion embroidery worked directly upon the stuff of the cap or coat is still the proper thing for the uniformed man who would have all his accourrements right. The embroidery shops are usually little places, and the proprietor is sometimes a woman. The frame is a simple device of hard wood, enlarged or reduced in accordance with the needs of the particular piece of work in hand. The embroiderers are usually girls, often very young, though the designers are sometimes men. Embroidery designing is not a very difficult business, because little originality is demanded, since the trade has well-established traditions, and there are plenty of books to guide the designer. There are no new designs to be made in masonic, military or naval emblems, and even the myriad shooting clubs of the German quarter are not likely to require anything that will demand great ingenuity of the embroidery designer.

The girls that do the actual work of bullion embroidery are often native Americans, though the trade is mainly controlled by foreigners, French and German for the most part. The particular shop here indicated is managed by a liebrew, and the pretty girls visible from the street as they lean over their work seem to have Jewish features -N. Y. Sun.

THE QUEEN AND THE "ORB." How the Brave Girl Suffered Stiently at the Coronation.

It is largely used on account of its convenience and general adaptability, At the coronation the ceremonies though there is a growing feeling that lasted more than four hours, and it is on the whole quite satisfactory. throughout the queen played her part The plank floor is short lived; it is with wonderful composure. Care, says a writer, had been taken to provide a crown suitable for her small head, but no one had thought about reducing the size of the orb which she was required to carry in her tiny hand.

"What am I to do with it?" she asked, in concern. "Carry it, your majesty," replied Lord John Thynne.

"Am I? It is very heavy," the queen enswered in a tone of amazement. However, it was too late for protest, and she obeyed the exigencies of the situation.

A worse mistake had been made with regard to the ruby coronation ring. The jeweler had made it to fit her majesty's little finger, whereas the archbishop declared that according to the rubric it must be put upon the larger finger, and accordingly forced it into that position. The queen bore her painfully swelling finger with the same heroism tot she carried the weighty orb derward the finger had to be harried in jer water before the dening. off. - Westminster ring could be a

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tural communities. The railway proposes to transport in small packages perishable products at greatly reduced charges. The goods are to be shipped on passenger trains. A package weighing 20 pounds may be sent to London from any station within 100 miles for eight cents. For every additional five pounds up to 60 pounds an additional charge of two cents will be made. No box of greater weight than 60 pounds will be received at this rate. The produce must be shipped in certain kinds of boxes, which may be bought of the railway company if desired. Prices vary from three to ten cents, according to size. For prepaying charges parcer stamps which can be affixed to the package are on sale at the stations. It is thought that this arrangement will stimulate the shipment of perishable goods direct to London and will bring producer and consumer in direct contact. Not merely will the commission charges be saved in many cases, but the freshness of the produce and the ease with which it is obtained should largely stimulate consumption. We should like to see some such scheme

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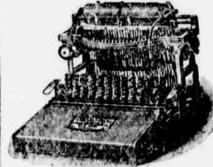
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