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A SCENYLESS NATION.

The department of agriculture has recently called attention to the backwardness of this country as a producer of the particular kind of crops that go to the making of perfumes, says the Washington Post. Swift in the development of other industries, we have been extremely neglectful of our opportunities in this particular, since, it is claimed, we can raise in one part of the United States or another all of the plants needful for an innumerable variety of sweet odors, from ylang-ylang to attar or roses. This information doubtless is intended to serve as a timely spur to our industrial and commercial lethargy. And yet the news fails to carry with it any great sense of shame. It is difficult to assign the reason why the possibilities thus pointed out produce little or no enthusiasm, yet such is the case. It must be because the making of perfumes is not pre-eminently an indication of national vigor or greatness. Certain it is that their universal use by a people is not a sign of virility. Weak and effeminate nations have been given proverbially to the use of unguents and ointments, whereas soap and civilization have been inseparably conjoined. So long as we lead in soap, it matters little who manufactures the aromatics. A good bath is better than much volatile oils, while civet and musk may cov

er a multitude of sins, especially those

The savings bank figures of the

of omission.

Comptroller of the Currency are impressive, in their aggregate; they are less flattering to national thrift and prosperity when analyzed than is easily assumed from a casual glance at their totals, says the Philadelphia Review. On the other hand, the comptroller's figures relate only to the institutions that bear the name of savings banks, while there are several other classes of institutions that do for a day's work. the same sort of business, and the savings of the people are far greater than the deposits reported by the savings banks alone. The comptroller reports an increase in the past fiscal year of 311,000 in the number of depositors, and aggregate deposits of they are mostly water. something over \$4,000,000,000, an increase of rather more than \$300,000,-000 during the year. The average deposit per capita increased during the year from \$420 to \$445, but 3 per cent. interest on the sum due depositors a year ago would account for half of value to the body, while 25 cents' daily meal at 5:30 a. m. He excess of deposits over withdrawals. 25 cents' worth of milk 1,600 parts of slices of wheat bread and four glass-Roughly speaking, the depositors real food value to the human system. es of milk, one of which is hot. gain about 3 per cent. a year by interest and 3 per cent. by deposits in increased about 50 per cent., and the average deposit has increased but little more than 10 per cent., or 1 per cent. a year.

The brand of "S" figures in an extraordinary act passed by our parliament in 1547. Any able-bodied man or woman found loitering and not seeking work for the space of three days could be seized and brought before two justices of the peace, who, two witnesses, "shall immediately with a hot fron in the breast the mark of 'V' and adjudge the said person living so idly to the presentor. to be his slave for two years. The said slave shall be made to work by beating, chaining or otherwise," says the London Chronicle, If convicted of running away during this period. the justices could cause him to be branded on the forehead or the cheek with the letter "S" and then adjudged tion the manager of the lunchroom to play certain games and to dance to his master as a slave forever. For had to make a rule that a safe num- all they want to on the roof." running away a second time the penalty was death.

It would be futile to deny the gravity of the landslides along the Culebra cut. Utterly stupid, on the oth DETROIT, MICH.—"Spark" is his er hand, it would be to overrate their importance. The descent of five hundred and fifty thousand cubic yards has been the sole companion of James of loose earth recently was an im Pyke, cobbler, since his wife died, four pressive disaster, but the current is sue of the Canal Record states that this slide, added to those which have occurred since last July, does not exceed the total of 6,104,000 cubic yards allowed for slides in the central division in the revised estimates made at that time, nor will the added excavation increase the estimate of cost | died. of excavation in the central division made in October, 1908.

Automobile journals are now looking for a \$500 four-cylinder car of twenty or twenty-five horse-powerall this to come in 1915. A car of this character now costs about a thousand dollars. By that time, automobile dealers believe, there will be a million and a half machines in use, and people who cross the street will have their work cut out.



## "Harem Skirt" Split Latest Drink



CLEVELAND, O .- J. L. Saunders, who claims to have a farm about three miles south of Uhrichsville, has some new ideas in the line of frapped drinks and frozen dainties which he is anxious to give to the world. Armed with a blank contract and about six months' growth of whiskers, he came to Cleveland, anxious to exploit some of his ideas. He wandered about the city until he bumped into a drug store on the public square.

"Are you the owner of this estabveyor of ideas, eyeing the white-coated sodn clerk.

swered the spirit presiding over the ty to make an offer for the place, I might | Splits." listen to you.

girls are in need of fancy 4rinks. I small as it is."

winter and I have been staying up as late as nine o'clock figuring some high-sounding titles. Some of 'em would inspire the young with grand ideas.

"Now, take 'The White Man's Hope." Wouldn't that sound fetchin' on a glass of ice cream sody? You could add the whites of a couple of eggs and give a guaranty that if the college boys drank enough of 'em they could go out and lick Jack Johnson." "That's a good idea," remarked the

"But," continued Saunders, "I got a better one. They's a lot of suffragists in town. Why not put a sign in the window, 'Vote for Women Frappe?' That'd bring 'em, I reckon. Reciprocity cocktail would be a good title to catch these pesky politicians when lishment?" asked the prospective pur- they leave the courthouse and the city

"But, listen to what I been figuring "I'm not exactly the owner," an- out for the college boys and the socie girls-'Rah-rah Fudge Served bottles and glasses, "but if you want With Three Cheers and Harem Skirt

"That's enough," said the fat boy "Well," said Saunders, "I've an idea behind the counter. "If we used those for you fellers. I've been reading ideas we'd have to build an addition that the college boys and the society to the store, and the square is too

## Boston Man "Roasts" Baked Beans

B OSTON.—The baked bean that has made Boston famous, the succulent oyster and beef extract, were branded as being injurious or of no food value by Dr. Franklin White, lecturing at the Harvard medical school on "Digestion." He claimed that people could live more successfully on half the quantity of food teken. Prof. John H. Woods of Cambridge also aimed a blow at the high rost of living by claiming that a 12 cent meal suffices

"It is a hard thing to say in Boston," Dr. White allowed, "but beans are notoriously hard to digest. They may be an excellent diet for one leading an active outdoor life. While oysters eaten raw are digestible, they are practically of no food value, for

"I always feel that it is pathetic to see people buying beef extracts for invalid foods, knowing as I do, that they cost so much and contain so little of any value.

worth of eggs will yield 700 parts, and served with a cereal, a soup, four



"It takes from 15 to 30 glasses of beef juice to equal the food value to the body of one glass of good milk.

"Meat that is cooked rare is digested by the stomach in two hours, that which is half roasted takes three hours, and that which is wholly roasted requires four hours to digest.

"Dyspepsia is called the American disease. Surely it is not due to the fact that we have not good food, but is rather due to our bad habits."

A 12 cent breakfast is all the nourishment Prof. Woods of 23 Inman street, Cambridge, who is 66 years old. requires to do a day's work consisting of 12 hours reading and study and

#### "Twenty-five cents' worth of beef a 10 or 15 mile walk. juice will yield only six parts of food | Prof. Woods sits down to his

# In Hat Trimming



By JULIA BOTTOMLEY. ITH a remarkable vogue in black and white in ribbons and straw shapes the liking for flowers to provide color, follows "as night the day." But flowers are everywhere used, whether the hat is quiet or gay. A group of three mod-

els shown here portray what may truthfully be termed the three lending ideal shapes and their popular and tasteful trimming. In Fig. 1 a French sailor with a

decided upward roll to the brim and a low dome crown, is pictured. The shape is in white chip, but any other white braid will give good effects. The bow across the back is of white satin ribbon having a border of black velvet ribbon stitched on one edge. The loops are wired. There are four of them making a wide double Alsafian bow, extending across the back of the hat, mounted against the crown.

Small, full blown garden roses are massed over the crown, concealing droops about the head but lifts abit, and a few glossy leaves peep out about the base, outlining the shape and making a good finish.

One of the hats on the helmet order in tones of bronze and purple. bronze velvet faces the brim and is laid in a flat plaited bow at the left. Here a spray of wild flowers in color. In amethyst shades, with deep suit herself.

purple facing, and cerise flowers, it is very handsome. It is a good model in all black.

Shapes which flare off the face have captivated many fancies and are apt to lead all others for summer wear. Fig. 3 shows a smooth straw in leghorn color, in which the brim ruptly at the front with a sharp turn upward. Two bouquets of roses and moss joined by a band of black velvet ribbon, which extends about the is shown in Fig. 2, made of rough braid crown, make this a hat which will harmonize with almost any costume.

This shape is to be had in many colors as well as black and white. It is pretty in black hemp or tagal, and in shaded colorings in which dark red, good black chip will prove serviceable. purple and green tints appear. This The color of the roses is a matter of hat may be designed in almost any taste, which the wearer may settle to

DESIGNED FOR HOME WEAR HATBAG FOR THE TRAVELER

Make Up Well for This Pretty House Dress.

Here is a smart little dress made up n mulberry-colored cashmere. The unwrapped over at left side and stitch- paper bag to hold your hat on the ed, and is trimmed then with passe- train. But how often will it fit? menterie.



each side, and is then crossed over a

vest of tucked cream ninon; the over-

sleeves are cut in with the bodice and

are trimmed like edge of fronts to

match tunic. The tight fitting under-

Material required: Six yards 46

inches wide, six yards lining, one and

one-half yard ninon 40 inches wide,

Linen for Needle Work.

Heavy gray linen is much used for

the background for embroideries

which are to be employed as house

decorations. Bedrooms and living

rooms for country houses are fur-

nished in gray in many instances, and

en are embroidering these articles in

sleeves are of tucked ninon.

three yards trimming.

low and fuchsias red.

# excess of the sums taken out. In 10 First Roof Garden for Shopgirls



N EW YORK.—The first roof garden older employees, each of them having in this country to be built express- 20 minutes rest time in the forenoun ly for the use of women employees of a department store was opened recent- at any time from 10 to 12 a. m and ly in this city by a firm employing near- from 2 to 5 p. m. a relay of girls will upon confession or on the proof of ly 2,000 women and girls. Any one curlous to know how the roof garden and ing the lunch hours, extending from cause the said laborer to be marked its reseda tinted rest room walled with glass are received by women sharing the place with older women. employees should talk with one of the girls. Not that the women are any are not so picturesque.

bolting their luncheon in order to are often spent in the same way. spend 40 of the allotted 45 minutes lunch time on the roof. As a precau-

ber of minutes should be spent on the consumption of sandwiches, cream cakes and other things usually included in girls' luncheons. One reason for the extra enthusiasm of the younger girls, whose duties keep them on the run most of the time, is that they have three chances at the roof garden to one chance enjoyed by and again in the afternoon. Therefore be found in the roof garden and dur-11 to 2:30, a relay is certain to be

So far, except on stormy days, most of the giris and many of the women less enthusiastic, but their adjectives have gone from lunch directly to the open roof, stopping to get hats and After the place was opened steps coats from their lockers before going had to be taken to stop the girls from | to the lunchroom, and the rest periods

"It is good," said a manager, "to see the pink tinge on the girls' cheeks tion against an epidemic of indiges- when they come in. We allow them

# Love of Books Starves Cobbler

name. He is only a little yellow dog. He feels pretty bad, for his master has left him forever. "Spark" years ago, but James became so infirm that he was taken to the Arnold home and "Spark" left behind.

When Mrs. Pyke was alive the couple live., in a cottage on Myrtle, near Twelfth street, and with the money Pyke earned mending old shoes and his pension, they had the home nearly paid for. Then Mrs. Pyke

It was Pyke's love for books that led to the loss of his home. Agents knew when his pension rame, and would come up to the little shop in Twelfth later to send him to the soldiers' street to display their goods. James could not resist, and bought-and bought. Payments lapsed, and at last the house was lost. For about three years Pyke lived in the shop and its ting the dog, his eyes roving over the one room, four by six feet, crowded with encyclopedias and "Spark," his neers persuaded and at last James only companion. Pyke is 75 and grew too occupied in reading to do much work. All his pension money went to little dog sat mourafully on the door-



He ate less and less. A bit of bread and a little milk sustained him for a day. Neighbors brought him things occasionally and tried to convince him his health was more important than books, but James is an Englishman, born in Kent.

Pyke became weaker, and finally was obliged to apply to O. M. Poe post, G. A. R., and the post decided to place him in the Arnold home and home.

James said he wanted to remain where he was. "I can't leave 'Sparks' and my books," he said, patcherished volumes; but the post ofconsented.

After he had been taken away, the my for books-a little literary revel. step, refusing to be coaxed away.

Mulberry-Colored Cashmere Would Simple and Easy Method That Will Preserve the Much-Prized Headgear.

The season for traveling is once more nearly upon us, and our hats, if der skirt is of lining, to which is at not broader, are higher than ever. Of tached a deep kilting; the tunic is course you may ask the porter for a

Try, instead, laying the hat on The material of bodice is tucked sheet of stout brown paper, so as to get the correct size. Then make the paper into a large envelope by gathering the two sides in the middle and pasting them down. Slit up the sides about two inches and turn these down to form the closed ends; but before pasting them cut away the inner part of the turned-up ends and snip the corners to give a neat edge.

Do the same with the top of the big. but, of course, do not paste down the flap. Sew to each side of the bag cord or plaited twine handles by which to hold the bag. The whole may be folded and tucked in a corner of your sultcase.

Explosive Neckties.

There are several processes of manufacturing artificial silk which are based on the use of ordinary cellulose, reduced to a plastic condition so that it may be drawn into threads. These are woven into various forms whose chief difference from real silk, to the eye, is that the material is

All but one of these processes yield a "silk" that is as safe as cotton. The other employs nitro-cellulose, or soluble guncotton, from which the threads are drawn in ether or alcohol. After the thread has been drawn and is ready for weaving it is supposed to be denitrated. If it is, then it is entirely safe. Otherwise it may be exceedingly dangerous, for it then remains nothing less than guncotton spun into a fabric.

Small Girl's Hobble-Skirt.

There is apparently considerable diversity of opinion as regards the correct position for the belt on the small girl's frock. Many of the smartest little French dresses show the sash in practically normal place, while on other frocks the belt is so far down as to hamper the tiny wearer in her walk almost as absurdly as does the hobble-skirt of the moment inconvenience her elders. The abnormally long-waisted effect obtained by placing the belt almost at the hem of the frock is charmingly quaint on some children, but is not becoming to every type.-Harper's Bazar.

The Boy's Outfit.

Severity must mark the outfit for a small boy. In the morning a Russianblouse suit of natural-colored linen worn with a wide patent-leather belt, the linen is used for bed hangings, is practical. To complete this dress cushion covers, tablecloths and win- should be brown boots and stockings. dow hangings. Ambitious needlewom- Low shoes and socks are fashionable for all children, leather leggings bequite elaborate designs in several col- ing worn out-of-doors until the weathors. For one bedroom a set of hanger is really warm. This fashion should ings for the bed and window is being not be kept up after the boy has grown made of the gray linen embroidered big, any more than he should be with designs of wood fairles and fuch- forced to keep to his knickerbockers sias in tons of violet, green, pale yel. when he is tall enough to wear long trousers.-Harper's Bazar.

### THAT WAS THE LAST STRAW

Many Women There Are Who Will Understand Just Why Long-Suf-fering "Worm" Turned.

Several years ago an Atchison couple were living happily together. The community was shocked one day when the wife applied for a divorce and got it. The story of the divorce has come out. It seems that the wife went into the kitchen and "slaved" all day. She made bread, pies, cake, cookies and pork and beans. She boiled a tongue, made a potato salad, stuffed eggs,

made a custard and brown bread. When her husband came home at six o'clock in the evening he found her dressed up. And on the table was cold tongue, pork and beans, fresh bread, cake, cookies, ple, potato salad, stuffed eggs, brown bread and custard. The wife thought her husband would say: "You poor darling, how you have worked today!" Instead, he said, in a surprised way: "COLD supper! Lord, but you have an easy time!" His wife did not answer him. She was speechless with rage, and he does not know to this day why she asked the court to be divorced from a BRUTE.—Atchison Globe.

IGNORANCEL



Old Gentleman-And what's your name, my boy?

Kid-Sech is fame! He don't recognize de 45-pound champeen of the Thoiteenth ward!

The Impossible.

Andrew Carnegie, at a recent dinner in New York, said of a certain labor trouble:

"It is silly of employers to pretend in these troubles that they are always in the right. Employers are often in the wrong; often unreasonable. They often-like Mrs. Smith-Jonesask impossible things:

"Mrs. Smith-Jones, taking a villa at Palm Beach, engaged for butler a stately old colored deacon.

"'Now, Clay,' she said to the old fellow, 'there are two things I must insist upon-truthfulness and obedience.

"'Yes, madam,' the venerable servant answered, 'and when yo' bids me tell yo' guests yo's out when yo's in. which shall it be, madam?""

Better Days. He (with a little sigh)-This is the third winter hat you have had this

She-Well, but dearest, summer will soon be here now. Humor is a great solvent against

snobbishness and vulgarity.-Seaman. A Monopoly.

Urbanite-What did you come to the city for? Country Boy-To earn an honest

Urbanite-That's all right. You'll find no competition.

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