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HAVING A PURPOSE.

We can well imagine times when the necessity for applying ourselves is very real and very stern; when we can derive but little comfort from our position, and when we are likely to pose as martyrs rather than as soldiers ready for the fray. But all that comes before the light of reason and understanding breaks through the darkness and makes things plainer than they have ever been. It is good to have an individual purpose in life; what that purpose is lies within our own breasts. We are not all molded upon the same pattern, says the Charleston News and Courier. In deed, it is said that there are no two natures alike and that God in his goodness decreed that such should be the case. However, that may be, we are all in fact his children and are placed in this world for the one great, controlling reason of working out our own salvation. How we are to do this rests with each one of us personally, and just to the extent of our realization and understanding of that sacred trust will we make our efforts tell. To be prepared at all times as far as it lies within our power is not the least important of the means at our command, while to leave the future to take care of itself and to trust to the spur of necessity for obtaining our most vital results, however helpful such results may be on occasion, is only tempting Providence unneces

How much of a man's income shold be spent for rent? Benjamin C. Marsh, of New York, executive secretary of the committee on congestion of population, told the Citizenship Class of the South Congregational church of this city that no wage-earner should pay more than 20 per cent. of his income for rent, says the Boston Globe. This is cutting the scale down, as there is a saying that one-fourth of the income can be wisely devoted to rent. Perhaps conditions are changing and Mr. Marsh is right. One-fiftn of the income certainly leaves a larger margin to be devoted to the purchase of food, clothing and other necessities and gives a little chance to save. But a man wants to pay or can afford to

It is not clear from the annual poincreased number of arrests may indicate keener attention to the evil on the part of the police rather than any Cleveland Plain Dealer. Regardless of the fuller interpretation of the figures, it is hoped they may arouse public in terest in a matter of deep moment to the city. Judge Cull of the municipal court has taken a firm stand against the carrying of concealed weapons Other courts show an inclination to tackle the problem more earnestly than has been the wont in recent years.

The west can outdo the east, when it sets about it. That Oriental ball in San Francisco threw the famous Hyde ball in New York into the shade, says the Milwaukee Wisconsin. The guests at the New York affair merely went to European history for their costumes, for the most part; while San Francisco searched the Orient, as became a city drawing its wealth from the Pacific, and a delighted public reads of a hostess in mauve pantaloons embroidered in gold thread, and of her mother in Oriental trousers of coral pink. Such a detail as a Salome dance by six young girls was but a trifle in comparison with the evident gorgeousness of the ball as a whole

A man in Philadelphia who some years ago befriended a tramp to the extent of one dollar has been left a fortune by the grateful nomad. But this need not cause a rush of sympathetic benefactors towards the Wandering Willie faternity under the de lusion that this case is the rule and not the exception.

A western court rules that a buildog is a "weapon." More accurately, it would seem, a projectile of great muszle power at rather short range, but whose velocity generally beats that of the pugnacious intruder when the bull dog is turned loose.

One of San Francisco's wealthy clut men was shot to death because he spied on his wife and her chauffeur He seems to have lacked an under standing of San Francisco etiquette.

"Tattoo" Veil



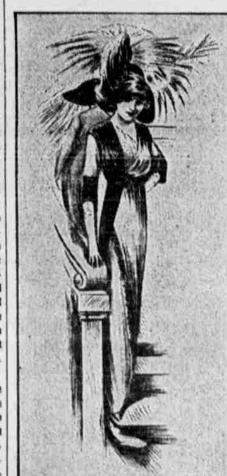
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Here is one of the latest veils worn by fashionable society women, with the novel "swirl" on one cheek. These veils carry every conceivable design from an alligator to a rosebush, and give a curious tattooed effect to the wearer.

Possible Accidents to Costumes, No Matter What Their Color, Are All Provided For.

At one of the debutante teas the hostess, a woman noted for her fastidi- have been revived, though probably ous dressing, tore her gown so badly it is not always possible to find suit that repair was necessary. A friend able accommodations with a fifth of accompanied her to her room to sit process. A smart new version of the the income, nor with r fourth for that and chat while the mending was go- mode may be seen in a suit consisting matter. Rent is not a luxury, but a ing on. The maid brought out a sew- of a white linen skirt and a black fixed charge, and it is not always what ing case filled with needles threaded taffeta coat, in Russian blouse style, with silks and cottons of all colors. It took but a moment to select the re- buttons and buttonholes bound with pay, but what conditions compel him quired color and the repairs were white linen. Another striking black quickly made. The guest thereupon and white combination is in a gown remarked on the advantage of having threaded needles ready at hand. The hostess proudly admitted that this was lice report exactly what relation ex her own brilliant idea, as it made her ists between the number of arrests for nervous to see a maid try and try carrying concealed weapons and again for a needle eye when she was of black velvet. A hat that would be growth of the habit itself. The largely hurried. She says she not only has a stock of needles threaded in black and woman is a wide black straw of white, but on the day a colored frock is worn needles are threaded in that color and placed in the workbasket. material increase in gun toting. At It takes only a few minutes on a bright flat mass of pure white roses. least, that suggests a pleasanter ex day to thread needles and the system planation of the figures, says the really saves time, eyesight and, most precious of all, patience.

GOOD COMBINATION.



The effectiveness of black and gray. shown in a gown of gray cloth allied to black panne and black Spanish

Dainty Dresser Cover.

For a dresser cover, take three embroidered handkerchiefs, sew a row of insertion around each one; then join them together, and put a narrow lace around all; line with any preferred have the walls of Troy in straight color of cambric, tacking at each corner so it can be easily removed for black satin ribbon. Those who are laundering. Put at each corner a bow of ribbon the color of the lining. This makes a very pretty dresser for silk does not last long, especially

WOMAN HAS CLEVER SCHEME BLACK AND WHITE COSTUME

Idea That Really Never Has Lost Favor Comes With New Versions of the Mode.

Black and white costumes, it seems, few have ever been able to discover that they were in need of any such which is adorned with white linen of oyster white satin, the skirt of which opens in front to show an upward turning point of black satin, underskirt. This is all the black there is, except in the girdle, which is altogether stunning worn by the right graceful lines, which is entirely covered on the upper side by a drapery of white chiffon. The trimming is a

The Living Room.

In choosing chairs for the living room the individual requirements of the members of the family should be remembered, so that when the family is gathered together there will be a comfortable spot for each member.

The curtains, too, should be chosen in accordance with the needs and desires of the family.

Since the living room is always where the privacy of home life is enjoyed, the curtains should, if necessary, serve as protection from passers-

On the other hand, the room will probably require all the light possible. A happy arrangement is often made by having upper and lower curtains. Such sash curtains are made in two tiers and hung on two sets of brass rods. so that either the upper or lower half, or both, can readily be drawn aside.

Narrow Belts Smart. While wide girdlelike belts are fashionable, there is something chic and smart about the narrow belt which the

former lack. Black patent leather belts one and a half inches in width are popular. These are decorated with a buckle to match, or one of antique silver. Plain stitched cloth belts to match the suit are also worn. Sometimes these are trimmed with tiny white buttons arranged in a design at the back.

Narrow satin belts are in demand. Some are made of contrasting color from that used in the dress. Suede and leather belts are made in

all widths desired, and in every color.

Shoes in Colors.

Every effort is being made to produce novelties. Many colors are being made up into suede shoes-purple, sage green, sea blue, raspberry red. The colored shoes are worn with dresses to match, and with white and black gowns, and colored stockings of these bright shades are worn with black shoes. Now black stockings lines from the knee, which looks like economically inclined have liste thread heels and toes to their silk stockings, if you walk much.

MAPPENINGS IN TRIC CITIES

Veteran and Bride Face Want for Love



VANSAS CITY .- Expelled from the Confederate Home at Higginsville because they became engaged and were married several weeks ago. Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Starns, both past 70 years old, came to try their future in Kansas City the other morning. The aged couple had just 15 cents when they arrived at the court house to apply for admission to the county home. Two small telescope suitcases contained all their worldly goods.

Mr. Starns told fondly about the romance of a few weeks and the courtship "on the sly" in the Confederate

"You know, I was in Senator Cockrell's brigade and saw hard service in Mississippi, Alabama and Georgia during the four years of the Civil war." Mr. Starns said. "I went to the tinued a resident of the home. She became ill five months ago and I was assigned to wait on her.

"Well, we just got to talking to each other and decided that if younger folks could get married there wasn't any crime for older ones to do the same. I wanted a wife and she wanted a husband and we made up our minds that if we had to be thrown out into the cold world or anywhere else we would get married. I found that my heart was just as susceptible to love as when I was a youth and a whole regiment of Yankees couldn't have stopped us, either.

"There were two other couples in the Confederate Home who wanted to get married. But there was a ban on marriage in the home. Five days ago, a little more than a month after we were married, we were told we would have to move out. My wife had asthma and I wasn't able to work, so we were hard pressed for a place to stay and something to eat. Now we have found a home where it isn't any crime to be married."

The bride and groom were assigned Confederate Home eight years ago to a room at the county home. Mrs. from Jackson county. There I met W. Starns has lived in Jackson county B. Ellis, my wife's first husband. He more than forty years. Mr. Starns has died two years ago and his widow con- been a resident of Missouri 70 years.

Times Are Bad for Steamship Barbers

NEW YORK.—Barbers on Atlantic liners are now complaining about safety razors, which have reduced their profits to such an extent that they have been compelled to eke out a living by selling all kinds of notions, from Bibles to chewing gum. In the palmy days barbers were inclined to regard with scorn and to keep waiting the passenger who shaved himself and only came to the shop for a hair cut. On the White Star line the daily rush for shaves among first cabin passengers was recognized by the company, and one of its rules, 403, section 8, read:

"Barbers of the White Star steamships are not allowed to cut passengers' hair before noon."

All morning the barbers were kept busy, and in the afternoon from 4 take a chance of cutting themselves expenses." with the old-fashioned rabors as the ship pitched up and down or rolled from side to side.

Now many passengers shave themand never patronize the barber's shop unless the ship is over toward her ber doesn't want to shave any one. | spend money or give tips."



Owing to this decline of business the steamship companies have had to reduce the rents charged for the barbers' shops on their liners, and in some cases they have had to pay as much as \$40 a month to get the professors of the tonsorial art to go to sea. Rene de Sans Souci, one of the most dignified sea-going barbers, said:

"Yees, it ees verre sad, triste, eh, for ze artiste of ze cheveux to the sea in big sheeps for many days without o'clock until dinner time, scraping the | making the razor on face to go. I am chins of passengers who would not desole because for the rent and my

Sam Skeggs, another roving barber, well known from the Hudson to the Yukon, said that the barber business on board ship since the advent of the selves, whether it is rough or smooth, safety razor gave him the fantods. "All I can do today," said he, "is to cut hair and trim whiskers of pious beam ends, which is the time the bar- | travelers who do not know how to

New Plan for Classifying Prisoners



DITTSBURG.-Warden Edward Lewis of the county jail is thinking of population." applying to Andrew Carnegie in the hope of getting him to donate a liorder to supply brain food for a num- a dozen languages. ber of real "high brows" now in confinement. The prison library has been found absolutely insufficient to supply having such a select body must now toric old Charlestown jail of cultured formerly engaged as a foreign banker, and astute Boston, which has hitherto the country.

Warden John McNeil, "that anyone would seek for a batch of the real. as 'high brows,' but we have a collec- moments.

tion that is a wonder. The literary talent and linguistic power of some of these prisoners is simply marvelous, and the strange part of it is how men of such profound knowledge are not otherwise brainy enough to keep out of jail. If the average receipt of such prisoners is maintained it will be a strong argument for the 'low brows' side, of whom we have a big

All told, there are a score of prisoners now doing time in the prison who brary filled with literary classics in are able to converse fluently in half

As convincing proof of this, a prisoner of Polish birth was brought out to converse with an attache of the disthe requirements of these highly intel- trict attorney's office. The latter is lectual prisoners, and the prize for somewhat of a linguist and boasts of being able to converse in 12 different come to this city, instead of to the his- languages. The prisoner, who was just went the young attorney three held the honor over all the cities of better. He dempnstrated to the listeners that he was as familiar with 15 "A city or county jail is about the different tongues as he is with his nalast place in the world," said Deputy | tive chatter. There are others in jail equally fluent, too.

All of these prisoners demand highsimon pure intellectual giants known class literature to peruse in their idle

"Mammy" Takes Son's Garb to Prison

ATLANTA, Ga.—"Dis here's fer my boy. I hear he's gwine out to de gang ergin," said an old negro mammy the other day at the grill door of the

She carried an old basket made of 'splits," which she handed Deputy Sheriff John Suttles as he opened the door. It was covered with a newspaper, neatly folded, which he lifted at one corner.

"Why, what's this?" asked the jailer in surprise as he saw inside a suit of baggy clothes, alternately striped with broad bands of black and white, the uniform of a Georgia convict.

"It's his suit," she explained. You see, hit's dis way: Dat boy allus was overgrown for his age, an' when he fust went out to de roads he was pow'ful uncomf'table 'cause de clo'es him ter be fixed up right when he what he had warn't like what his mammy used ter make. Dey was all skimpy in the waist, and de pants was tight. Why, he said he jes had on, and he shirts ain't had no tails at

"Den when dey wore out, you see. him perzactly. After dat he didn't to make.



min' so much de work, an' when his time was out dey let him bring it home. Dat's dem. He'll want 'em ergin, I'm sho, an' his ol' mammy will be satersfied about him."

"When was he arrested and what's his name?"

"What's his name? Oh. Julius Wilyums. I ain't knowin' when he was 'rested, but I aint' seen him in er month, so I knows he's in jail, I wants goes out. You'll give 'em to him?"

The promise was made on the spot and the old woman left "satersfied." When the basket was examined it conter pull an' tug every time he put 'em tained the suit of stripes, generously made, an old broad-brim hat that will keep the sun out of the eyes, and a pound cake with fancy icing. It was a speshul suit was made, what fitted clearly of the kind that mother used



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Unrealized Idyl of a King. King Arthur had just invented the

round table. "Can you invent a bureau that a man's wife will let him have two drawers of?" we asked.

Perversity of Nature.

His father was busy and had cautioned him not to ask foolish questions, so he said to the boy when he came into the room:

As long as this isn't a fool question, what is it?" And this is what the boy propound-

"When you've a sore throat, dad, and it hurts you to swallow, why do

you want to swallow all the time?"

How He Was Hurt. Sunday School Teacher-And when the prodigal son came home, what

happened, Tommy? Tommy-His father ran to meet him and hurt himself.

Sunday School Teacher - Why, where did you get that?

Tommy-It said his father ran and fell on his neck. I bet it would hurt you to fall on your neck!

The Biblical Injunction.

A Washington clergyman made a call of consolation upon a woman who had suffered a sad bereavement. "I hope," said the pastor, "that in your bitter trial you have found some ray of comfort from the Scriptures.' "Indeed I have, sir," was the confi-

dent though fearful reply. "That's grand, sister," was the sympathetic observation of the minister. 'May I ask what passage of the Good

Book helped you most?" "Grin and bear it."

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