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The COURIER will not be responsible for any debts made by any one in its name, unless a written order accompanies the same, properly signed.
 L. WESSEL, JR., Prop'r.

Wonder if President Harrison will begin his reign strictly observing Lent.

UNCLE SAM'S domain of statehood is larger than ever and now covers forty-two states. The collection of gems is constantly growing. Who'll be the next?

DURING one of the usual alterations in the Indiana legislature the other day a lady in the gallery, overcome with the excitement, fell in a swoon. The Indiana legislature is no place for ladies.

ACTRESSSES are still losing their diamonds, which shows that a good joke improves with age. Actresses who have been with us for thirty years (excuse names) have lost Goidconda and South Africa.

FULL DRESS is to be required at the inaugural ball. This was also demanded four years ago, when the democrats came into power. Most of the outgoing statesmen have their necks pretty low just now, any way.

A RICH treat is in store for our readers. Mr. John B. Wright is writing a contribution for the COURIER entitled "Is Marriage a Failure." The article will appear in a current issue and knowing the gentleman's versatility on the subject together with the work of his gifted pen, it cannot fail to prove rich and interesting matter for our readers.

LOOK out for some excellent improvements soon to be made in the COURIER'S typographical appearance. Some new features, particularly novel and interesting will also be introduced. The COURIER appreciates the liberal patronage that is being bestowed upon it and thinks there is no better way to demonstrate this feeling than by making improvements.

THE COURIER acknowledges receipt of an invitation to be present at the spring meeting of the Overland Park Club at Denver commencing May 18th and continuing one week. The races will take place on the clubs newly improved grounds and \$8,300 will be offered the best speed. Mr. D. L. Hall, the superintendent at Denver will furnish information, entry blanks etc.

THE legislature is keeping up its busy hum and work, although there has as yet been nothing particularly startling done, is being carefully transacted. Another month and that honorable body will be at home engaged in their respective callings and once more the great chambers of the state house will be lone and lonesome for two years hence, state politics will fall into a comatose condition and the city of Lincoln will continue in its rapid strides of progress nevertheless.

KEARNEY is trying hard to boom itself. The good people are putting good money into big and glaring advertising matter, both in the press and otherwise, telling the world that it is the greatest, best, finest, most prosperous, and has better advantages, superior attractions and in short were one to believe all they read about Kearney, they would soon begin to think that town was the paradise of America. It advertises itself as the greatest distributing point in Nebraska, having more factories etc. All this bosh tends to make people of sound judgment look upon Kearney and its boomers with anything but the light that they would have the city shown in, and whether booming a town in such a manner is certainly questionable.

LENT is close at hand and before another issue of the COURIER, the initial day of that holy season will have been ushered in and the customary ceremonies attending the occasion will be fairly introduced. The churches, especially the Episcopal and Catholic will duly observe Lent in the accustomed manner, society will not be as gay as heretofore and perhaps the world will be the better therefor. Society in its frenzy for every thing that amuses, forget quite often that they owe a duty of religion and would perhaps never stop to think there was such thing as a God or Saviour. Society should at least take heed of this holy occasion and though not wishing to become too religious, if nothing more, might obtain from the usual social festivities, and after Easter, when the charmed circle once more blossoms out in all its brilliancy, every one will enjoy the time with additional satisfaction.

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 L. WESSEL, JR.

New spring wraps just opened, Ashby & Millspeugh.

NEW YORK FASHIONS.

OLIVE HARPER WRITES ABOUT SOME OF THE NEWEST THINGS.

Directorie Walking Jackets and Hats. Home Toilets That Please the Eye—Some Spring Walking Costumes That Are Positively Killing.

[Special Correspondence.]
 NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Yesterday I was meandering along Fourteenth street looking for items, when I saw a crowd of ladies, young and old, congregated before one large show window, each



HOME TOILETS.

pushing and elbowing the other and straining to get a nearer view of something there displayed. I looked at them contemptuously and thought to myself "bonnets," but as I was in the act of passing indifferently by I noticed that it wasn't the bonnet window, and then I concluded to see what it was. I had to wait some time, but at last I reached the window and found that all this excitement was due to four smoked waists which were shown upon figures. They were of surah silk, one white, one dark brown, one pink and the other sage green. The yokes were made pointed and were done simply by the smocking, leaving the fullness for the waist. This was then gathered in a belt, leaving a ruffle about four inches deep below. The sleeves were smocked three inches deep at elbow and waist and this left the rest puffed.

We have been familiar with smocking for some time, but these waists were so beautifully done and so novel in form, that every woman who saw them doubtless determined to go right home and make one for herself. This pattern of smocking was done in honeycomb pattern and sewn with white sewing silk in such a way as to look as if each sewed place was a bead. These are to be largely worn during the summer by young ladies, and they are peculiarly adapted to slim young figures, and they will be worn in the street as well as the house.

While I was about to leave the spot a carriage drove up from which descended Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, and I could not help remarking the new style of carriage cloak dress which she wore, and I



SPRING WALKING COSTUME.

recalled to mind that I had heard just such gowns mentioned by an uptown dressmaker, though I had seen none before. This cloak dress was of rough beaver, as to the back of it, and the back breadths extended into a demi-train, bordered at the bottom with a heavy silk cord. It was dark blue in color. The front breadths of the cloth were cut narrow in redingote shape, so as to expose the underskirt, which was of faulle of a rich mahogany brown, laid in narrow plaits from top to bottom. The waist front laid back in wide pointed lapels, and the space was filled in by a very full ruff of Brussels point. There were six enormous buttons, three on each side of the waist.

The fashion of having adjustable trains is also being revived, though now, instead of being buttoned under the drapery at the bottom of the skirt, they are fastened at the waist with a pin or large buckle and let fall from there, loose and free from the skirt like a court train, and while it may differ from the underskirt it must at least resemble the corsage of the gown. The trains are lined with satin or silk and laid in heavy plaits at the waist.

Dresses for home wear show very little attempt at drapery, and the back breadths are usually either shirred or simply pleated, and in front there may be panel effects, or a slight lifting of the skirt at one side to show the under skirt, and the loose Fedora style for tea gowns and some few cashmere dresses.

One of the most exquisite dresses made this season has just been finished for Miss Hargous, who is the belle of all the debutantes of New York. It is of silver gray clairrette and has a partial princess effect. It has a rich embroidering in black silk down the front and on the bottom of the left side, and the pretty waist is trimmed by a high band of

black velvet, which is also used for other furniture wherever applicable.

Another very tasteful and stylish home dress is made in the directoire style, and is of the new satin face broadcloth in wood brown. The facings and belt are of pale blue satin and the waistcoat of lace; the draped overskirt is of the striped combination, matching the bottom in blue and brown, looped with a gilt buckle. One peculiarity about this is that the bottoms of both skirts are furnished with saw tooth edges. Either of these would be exceedingly pretty made up in the lovely spring cotton goods.

I noticed yesterday in one of the wholesale houses hundreds of rolls of new seersuckers in all the daintiest new tints. These goods are practically indestructible, like the silk warp Henriettas, and they are excellent value for every day summer wear. There are also many new effects in alpaca, in the fine brilliantine quality, which is very beautiful. It is seen used in very many Paris costumes, particularly in the directoire polonaises or coats, and though it does not fall so softly in folds as cashmere and other kindred goods it will still be much worn, for it is not easy to soil or wrinkle and dust or dirt will not adhere to it. The price of this runs from 50 cents to \$2 per yard, but this latter quality is more beautiful than silk. It can also be obtained in colors.

The walking jackets all have the directoire effects, and it is a sort of a race as to who shall get the largest lapels and buttons. Hats also. Still they are jaunty and stylish, and if it wasn't that it would be something else. The models are of heavy corded silk, with passementerie trimming, and fine serge with a striped velvet vest. Bustles are very small.

The handsomest new spring walking suits are made of light ladies' cloth with or without the colored border, slightly draped, or plaited from top to bottom. One is of tan color



DIRECTOIRE WALKING JACKETS AND HATS.

plaited with directoire jacket of tan colored pilot cloth, richly braided in a darker shade, and a lighter shade than the goods. The hat matches the dress in color, as also do the gloves. The style is now for gloves to match the hat more than the cloak or wrap.

Now we come to the consideration of some of the necessities of life, a few of which I have grouped together, calling upon my sister women to uphold my assertion. First are two dainty and natty little tea aprons made to put on over a dress when about to serve tea to guests. They can be kept on after if desired, because they are pretty and becoming. One is made of cream colored silk tissue, with embroidery of cardinal floss and gold thread, and ornamented with cardinal ribbons which reach to the shoulder and are there fastened. The other is of lace, with cherry satin garniture and ribbon. These tiny aprons are very suitable for young girls, or ladies whose dress is for the time otherwise plain. The lace and ribbons give them a dressy effect that nothing but pretty combinations of lace and ribbons ever achieve.

The comb is of silver, worked in an intricate and attractive pattern, and the pin represents an old and defaced coin, and both are to wear in the hair. There are many other fancies for the same purpose, but none so artistic. They, however, are not so absolutely necessary for the happiness of womankind as the pretty little bag which hangs between them, and which is made of satin and plush, embroidered with gold and chenille, and finished with handsome silk cords and tassels. It would probably require about a week's labor to do this and cost perhaps \$2 or \$3, and it is for the purpose of holding pieces of twine, which come around groceries and which might be wasted if there was no such bag to put it in. True, \$2 would buy a bushel of balls of twine, and the time spent in making it might be better employed, but then the satisfaction and serene delight of knowing that your re-



SOME OF THE NECESSARIES OF LIFE. putation as an economist is beyond question established is something. The bottle below is for perfumes and costs about six bits, but we all know how much sweeter perfume would be from such a bottle, and, therefore, the few days and couple of dollars spent in making the little bag to cover it should not count. And there really are women to whom just such trifles are necessary, so bless them, let them enjoy themselves in their own way. OLIVE HARPER.

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