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MR. GLADSTONE'S DAUGHTER.

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Strayed or Stolen. John Ernest McCann. Has any one seen a pair of eyes As blue as the sea 'neath Greelan skies, And sweet red mouth and teeth like pearl? Well, they belong to my little girl. She strayed away with a pretty pout, And I don't know what it's all about, I would give my life, were my life all bliss, To feel again on my cheek her kiss,

She strayed away on a summer morn, When only the ghost of a storm was born; And it was born in her eyes of blue. I don't know what in the world to do Without her smile and her soft caress, And her presences my days and life to bless, She was so fair, delicious, and sweet, That my heart never knew 'twas bencath her feet.

O, she was so sweet—and she was so fair, With her lovely eyes and soft, warm hair! And her dear little bands that fluttered so, When she opened them wide or shut them tight,

When love or storms made her pink or white-There is only this: I must pray to Him To send her back in the twilight dim.

First Ladies of the Land.

Philadelphia Times: Mrs. Pierce gave the surroundings of the household of her husband in the home of the presidents a dignified grace which will ever be remembered with pleasure. There seemed, however, to be a lull in social affairs during her regime. It was the following administration of Mr. Buchanan which was the most brilliant in the whole list since the days of "Dolly" Madison. Harriet Lane was in every respect qualified for the high duty of presiding over the social environments of ber uncle. She had been trained in her duties in the stately school of the court of St. James, and brought to her difficult task at Washington that equanimity and affability which was especially necessary when sectional bitterness was fast approaching a culmination in secession rebellion and war. In the social enter-tainments of Mr. Buchanan's administration, leaders of all shades of political belief and prejudice mingled in pleasant accord. No one would have supposed that the nation was fast drifting into a war which would take the dimensions of the greatest conflict of arms in ancient or modern times.

Mrs. Mary Todd Lincoln entered upon her delicate duty of presiding lady of the her delicate duty of presiding lady of the first republican administration with a legacy of discord in political circles which had been prepared by the chief conspirators against the perpetuity of the Union. The uncertainties and anxieties of the war marred the enjoyments of the social life of the executive mansion during her regime. The faithful stewardship of Abraham Lincoln carried him triumphantly through a second campaign, but the bullet of an assassin cut short the brilliant seasons which were to follow the return of peace.

Mrs. Eliza McCardie Johnson was too much of an invalid to participate in the rayeties of her husband's administration. Her daughter, Mrs. Patterson, relieved her of her social duties and made Andrew Johnson's administration one of the most enjoyable and popular which ever held sway in the mansion of the presidents. In all the political controversies of Mr. Johnson and his adversaries the social life which surrounded him in his official home went far to allay the bitterness of partisan persecution, disfavor and controversy.

The queenly social qualities of Mrs. Grant made the social life of the great soldier, during two administrations, at-tractive and influential. The animosities

the edge of the pool, at a spot where the bank was overhung with bushes. Then she stealthily laid herself flat upon her face under the bushes at the brink of the water, and there she lay in ambush for a long time, while the snake curiously eyed the frog. At last the snake, with sudden resolution, made bold to seize the frog; but as he did so a gloved hand, swifter than his own sinuous motion, darted from the bank, and he was a prisoner, splashing the water of the pool in his vain effort to escape. The girl has one grief-she has not been able to cap-

ture with her own hands a rattlesnake. Mr. Gladstone's Daughter.

Miss Gladstone, who stood upon the right of Mr. Gladstone during his fa-mous speech on the occasion of the presentation of the American testimonial, is taller even than her father. She is a blonde, with luxurious, clear-combed hair twisted high upon her gracefully shaped head. Her eyes are blue, her complexion a dainty pink and white; her nose is a delicate retrousse; her mouth is small, with a most pleasant expression. She wore a summer dress, the yellow lace work revealing the shape of her shoulders and the rounded lines of her arms. She was the most attentive listener in the group. She felt every word of her father's address and paid the same un-flagging attention to the speech of presentation

A Finnish Woman's Success.

Fraulein Sohr's "Record of Woman's Fraulein Sohr's "Record of Woman's Efforts" gives an interesting account of the struggles of a poor Finnish girl, who, in the teeth of every privation and diffi-culty, has achieved the distinction, unique in her country, of a diploma as the first female doctor of philosophy. Irene Alstom, as she tended her father's cattle in the "land of a thousand lakes," dreamed and nondered over all the mardreamed and pondered over all the mar-vels of science and learning, which seemed forever a sealed book to her poverty and ignorance. Yearning to be wise, yet seeing no hope in a gray life of toil and struggle, at last she prayed to die, that she might reach a sphere where her cravings would be satisfied. A humane pastor, divining her longing, sent her o a good school, where she passed as fourth among forty-six young girls at the age of eighteen, though only prepared by her own self-help. She took work in earnest here, often sitting up all night thinking over the day's tasks while her companions slept all around her, and afterwards when as a day pupil she had to provide her own meals, she sometimes went to the classes fasting, save for the fresh snow she picked up and ate on the way. For her father was totally ruined, and she must soon leave school and begin earning. For a while she bravely sup-pressed her longings and submitted to the drudgery of teaching, yet never los-ing sight of the goal she had long had at heart—her matriculation. At last, having saved four pounds, with the scantiest of luggage she journeyed to Helsingfors, and in defiance of opposition, chiefly feminine, such as a more advanced

society can form no conception of, Irene prepared for her ordeal. She paid her lodging in advance for the whole winter (three pounds) and invested in four loaves of the hard round rye biscuit of Scandinavia and Finland, which keeps many months, dividing them methodically so that she had a piece for each day till Christmas. In the depth of winter she worked without a fire, at a temperature of thirty degrees. Celsius, a kind pro-fessor, taught her Latin, moved by her assurance that unless she learned it she

could neither live content nor die happy. Her progress was most rapid; she matriculated, taught awhile again for the sake of her family, renewed her own studies, took a brilliant degree, and at last, recognized by her nation for what she is, th dautless pioneer of woman's progress, she now lives honored and appreciated, still educating her prothers, still thirsting insatiably after truth.

The Southern Girl.

White Sulphur Springs Letter: The southern girl is a type peculiar to the soil. She resembles no other young lady in the country. In thought, manner and methods she has a distinct personality, and could be picked out with ease in a multitude. As a rule she is slender and strong. She is reasonably well modeled, a tendency to tight lacing among the traditions of her people having had its natural effect to some extent upon her figure. She is generally good looking, and is, as a rule, high spirited and some-what self-willed. She is harder to conrol than the northern girl, and when she makes up her mind to get married, and the old people object, she usually carries out the programme if it takes a saddle horse and a railroad train to accom-plish it. None the less, however, she is unusually shrewd in determining her choice and does not usually make mistakes. She reads men cleverly, and is herself somewhat difficult to read. The southern girl's particular specialty is dancing. She can dance every dance under the sun, including all the tie-ups, kicks and running races which have been invented by the dancing master since dancing was taken from the polite arts and raised to a place among athletic sports. She is the most graceful of dancers, and would rather dance than eat. The office of chaperon seems to be a purely perfunctory one, for the southern girl knows her world and needs nobody to guard her. At all events, the chaperon usually keeps discreetly out of the way, and her charge is allowed the most per-fect freedom. This freedom she utilizes in the most enjoyable manner and with the wisest discretion. In fact, the south-ern girl is a most clear-headed as well as companionable young person, and takes all the uncommon events of life, from a torn dress while dancing to a proposal of marriage, with a coolness bordering on ice cream.

cles for the toilet, and also for the han-dles of fans. Belts made entirely of gilt braid are stylish and are worn with white costumes.

The tournure is narrower, but hardly perceptibly smaller in the early fall styles. Fancy hairpins are generally worn and continue to be ornamented and elaborate. The gilt and silver braid trimmings form an attractive garniture for tailormade costumes. The sailor jacket with a blouse waist

underneath is a favorite model to wear with a kilted skirt.

Shepherd's checks form the uppers some of the fashionable walking boots for summer wear.

Brier stitching, as well as feather stitching, is used on children'f clothing, both dresses and jackets. Bengaline is yet a favorite and will con-tinue to be for fall costumes of heavier cashmere and cheviots.

Large buttons enter into the trimming of many fall costumes, and are of very beautiful workmanship.

The soft, warm knitted silk underwear promises to take the place of the Jersey weaves, as it is healthful. The plain skirt has come to stay with out doubt, and it is therefore carefully

finished and generally lined throughout. The morning costume, to be stylish, is in white chuddar cloth trimmed with bright-colored velvet. Yellow is stylish. Low-cut shoes have an embroidery of cut jet beads, and the more elaborat ones cost from \$8 to \$10 per pair.

HONEY FOR THE LADIES. Link bracelets are all the rage.

A corset is nothing more than a waist bas-Low cut shoes have an embroidery of cut jet beads. ket.

Round hats will be more worn this winter than ever before. Royal purple will be the fashionable color

for the coming season.

Many of the new passementaries are mixed with silver, gold and steel. Colored handkerchiefs are but little worn and slik ones are entirely done away with.

Pansies and daises in enamel goods, with diamond center, are the favorite lace pin. Sailor knots, Roman knots and lovers' knots are the prevailing fancies for hairpin tops.

The woolen goods for street wear during fall and winter show unusual brilliancy of

Large buttons enter into the trimming of many fail customes, and are of very beautiful workmanship. Sealskin will continue to be the most fash-

ionable, as well as the most popular, fur for street wear next winter. The old and graceful fashion of wearing

long veils of gauze wound about the head and shoulders is to be revived. An open rose, the centre pink, enamelled petals and tips of leaves set with diamonds,

is a rare and exquisite lace pin. Nothing is more appropriate for second morning wear than sardonyx lace pins, set in flower designs, with sprays of pearls.

Blouse fronts are so popular that they will continue to be used all winter in plush, sealskin, and astrakhan on plain corsages. Muffs will be very small this winter and and will oftener made of the dress mate rial, trimmed with fur, than of fur entirely. Two shanks fastened together side by side, one set with a sapphire, the other with a diamond, are the very latest design in

rings. Bronze, golden brown, beige, tan and al the tawny yellow tints of wood are very fashionable, this season, both here and abroad.

Mrs. Cleveland keeps a sewing-woman employed all the time in making alterations and changes in the trimming of her various costumes,

Very low crowned bonnets have appeared at last, but it is safe to assert that it will take fully two seasons and perhaps more to make them general. The covert Jackets for the fall season, in

stead of being made of the one pretty color, as of the past, will be made in cloth to match the costume. Four folds of black and white silk muslin

make a pretty substitute for ruching to be worn in the neck of a mourning frock. The white is set next to the skin. Miss Octavia Hill, of Boston, recently en-tertained all her tenants to the number of 700 or 800. Miss Hill will be remembered as the

worn above loose vests made of Spanish net. At each side of this blouse, under the jacket and at the belt, are sewed the ends of two long lengths of moire ribbon. The one fastened at the right side is brought down to a point several inches below the belt, and just in front run through a silver buckle or slide, and then fastened securely. The rib-bon is then carried up to the left side and tied in with the second length and there fastened, the loops inclining towards the front of the skirt, above which they fall. Basoues and bodices are cradually being

front of the skirt, above which they fall. Basques and bodices are gradually being lengthened to cover the hips more deeply. The vest, the plastron, the separate waist-coat, the pleated shoulder-pleces, the demure nun's corsage, with fold's lapping each other over the chest: the surplice front, lapping from right to left, and revers of all shapes and kinds, are seen on the newest Paris dresses. It is almost impossible to make the front of the bodice too dressy in effect, or to go far astray in the design, as the variety of models is now so limitless that any style be-

go far astray in the design, is the variety of models is now so limitless that any style be-coming to the wearer is in good taste. A young lady of Austin, Tex., who has much time to spare, and who is very skillful with the needle and excels in all fancy crochet work, has made a unique dress. The material is common spool thread, white, and the entire dress is hand-crocheted work, beautifully flowered and strongly made, and about ten thousand yards of thread were used in its construction. The sleeves are crocheted about ten thousand vards of thread were used in its construction. The sleeves are crocheted in the proper shape and are fastened in by a lock-crocheted stitch. It is a very beautiful dress, and the young lady told us that it took her three months to complete it. The dress worn by Mrs. Cleveland at the reception at the white house given the dele-gates to the medical congress on Tuesday evening last was an elevant robe of blue

evening last was an elevant robe of evening last was an elevant robe of blue satin, covered with tule of the same shade, soft folds of which were draped across the front of the plain petticoat, the back of rich brocade, failing in a graceful sweep to the end of the train. The bodice was cut mod-esty low, both back and front, and trimmed with evolusite old point applique lace fasw th exquisite old point applique lace, fas-tened with a diamond pin. A necklace of the same zerms encircled her throat, they be-ing, as usual, worn high and caught through with a handsome tortoise shell pin. Mrs. Cleveland carried a loose cluster of the lovely pale pink Catherine Mermet roses. A pretty incident was the courtesy paid her by two of the forei in doctors, who, in passing down the line, stooped and kissed her hand.

OLD PEOPLE.

Asenath Miller has just celebrated her 100th birthday at St. Charles, Ill. Robert-Crotty died in his old home at Prospect, Ohio, on August 20, of the heat, at

the age of 103. John R. Guy, of Paynesville, Mo., is seventy-three years old, and yet he says he can jump and crack his heels together twice.

The postmaster at Cleveland, Ga., Uncle Edward Stephens, is ninety years of age, and spry enough to do all that is required of

James Preston of Shenandoah Is enjoying the society of his third wife. He is ninety two years of age and is the father of thirty six children.

Sixty years ago Dr. and Mrs. Harpwell now of Decatur, III., were married in Phila-delphia. Now at the age of 85 and 84 they bid fair to live to celebrate their diamond Philawedding.

Probably the oldest person in Texas was Grandma Mitchell, who died recently at Pilot Point, aged 105. She never wore glasses and she walked half a mile to church the Sunday before her death.

The eightieth wedding anniversary of Man-uel Barriant and his wife of Matamoras was recently celebrated. The husband is in the best of neaith at 102, while the wife enjoys the same blessing at ninety-six.

A colored blacksmith who works every day at his forge, and who is 100 yeare old, is a resident of Ozan, Ark. Ilis name is Per-kins. He was sold on the block in New Or-leans, and taken to Arkansas in 1840.

Willis Blackwell is the oldest man in Kan-sas. He resides at Great Bend, and thinks he was born in Fauquier county, Virginia, in 1775. He can chew two ounces of tobacco per day, but abstains from alcoholic drinks. Mrs. Clarissa Sidener of Adamstown, Ky., made her own clothes and did her house-work until she was 110 years old. She died recently, in her 113th year. All of her teeth, excenting four, were perfectly sound at the

time of her death. The oldest man in Kansas is a negro, who is said, "on good authority," to have been born a slave in Tauquier county, Virginia, November 20, 1775, and is, therefore, 112 years old. He is an inveterate tobacco chewer and insists that if he were to leave of he would die

off he would die. Mr. Adolph Parent, an old man of ninetysix years, who has been acting as bailiff at Pierreville, Canada, for the last fifty years has just left for the United States, with a

Thomas Anderson of West Haven, Conn., is said to be one of the oldest descendants of the Mohawk Indians. Hets ninety-six years

Fleming, L. L. are the last of the Mohawks

Seventy-two years ago, Robert Tirrell of Rhode Island, then a soldier in the British

render island, then a soldier in the Britsen army, deserted and came to Amorica. The old man, who is ninety-three years old, has just received a pardon from the grand-daughter of the king he deserted, and is going back to the old country to die among his bingfold.

back to the old country to die among his kinsfolk. The oldest man in the world is James Jones, a negro and citizen of the United States, now residing at Santa Rosa, Mewico, aged 135 years. He was born before Franklin experimented with lightning and kites, was forty at the time of Washington's election to the presidency, engaged in the revolutionary war, outlived three slave-masters, and at the are of 130 years till able to do chores enough

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Artemus Tucker, and his wife Narcissus,

Artemus Tucker, and his wife Narcissus, who live on a plantation near Americus, Ga., are a remarkable couple. He is eighty years old, and is still holding an important post on the plantation. Narcissus is nearly sixty years old, and tips the beam at 420 pounds in her stockings, while the old man weighs scarcely 100 pounds. She once tried to enter a railroad coach to go to Americus, but the door was not large enough to admit her and

door was not large enough to admit her, and she was compelled to ride on a flat car.

o partially support himself.

attributed his longevity.

fifty meeting houses.

this month.

RELIGIOUS.

There are 120 Congregational churches in

Portland, Me., has decided to build a temple, Work will be pushed as fast as possible, and the temple, when completed, will cost about \$40,000.

At the last religious census of Switzerland taken in 1880, the little republic contained 1,667,109 Protestants, 1,160,781 Cathorics, 7,-373 Jews, and 10,838 of other religious affiia-tion tion.

The 20,000 estimated membership of the Unitarian body in the United States remains the same as it was four years ago, while the 26,235 of the Universalists of that date have fallen to 35,550.

It has been definitely settled that Bishop Ireland, one of the trustees of the proposed university, will be created an archbishop next year, and the present see of St. Paul over which he presides elevated to an arbh-**Discopal** position.

Discopal position. The question of securing a permanent pastor to succeed Mr. Beecher has been placed in the hands of a committee, the mem-bers of which have been scattered during the summer so that nothing in that direction has been done. No one in the church has ex-pressed any choice for a pastor. The Destactant External autodul are

The Protestant Episcopal cathedral pro-ject in New York has been in partial abey-ance during the hot months, but it is to be vigorously pushed with the coming of au-tumn. The question of a site is yet unde-termined, although it seems to have narrowed down to two plots of ground.

down to two plots of ground. The very highest church in Europe is the plugrimage chapel of St. Maria de Ziteit, above Salux, in the Canton of Graubunden. It lies nearly 8,000 feet high above the forest, near the limits of perpetual snow. It is enly open during the summer-time of that region—or, as the folks thereabouts reckon, from St. John the Baptist's Day to St. Michael's Day—and is used only be the Alp herds, who remain through the summer with their cows and goats, and occasionally by hunters in search of the chamois and mar-mot. All the inhabitants of Salux climb up thither on Midsummer Day to assist at the first mass and hear the first sermon of the first mass and hear the first sermon of the year, and there is also a crowded congrega-tion on Michaelmas Day, at the last service of the year.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

"Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" was played at the New York Madison Square theatre last week.

Minnie Hauk has signed an agreement for an American tour, to commence in the autumn.

Cincinnati's pageant "Rome Under Nero," has failed completely, and was brought to a sudden close.

Cappa's Seventh Regiment band, of New York city, will make a concert tour of the states, beginning in October.

Marie Roze intends coming to this country at the close of her present tour, with the Carl Rosa opera troupe in Ireland.

According to a veracious British chroni-cler, the scenery for Henry Irving's Ameri-can tour will fill sixty freight cars.

A new drama in London called "Pleasare," introduces one of the most realistic and sensational stage earthquakes ever seen.

Charles Gaylord has made a new historical play called "Daniel Boone" and Captain Jack Crawford, the poet scout will act in it. Arabs and their beautiful horses have been the attraction at the Paris hippodrome a ummer Buffalo Bill and his cowboys wil ucceed them.

Miss Flora Benjamin is the latest musical but plays almost every instrument, being especially proficient upon the violin, flute and plano. The New Court Theatre. London, to be

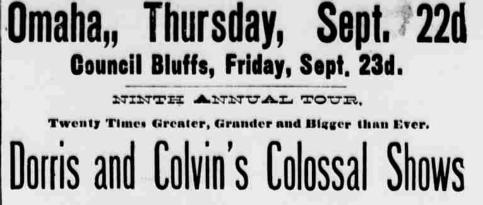
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For many years Russia has interdicted the performance of Victor Hugo's dramas in that country. The boycott on these plays has at length beer, raised, and "Hernani" will be were never witnessed beneath any tented pavillion, A PLETHORA OF AMUSEMENT of all kinds. Circus, Thentrical. Hippodrome and Wild West. A World of Wild Beasts. A Dazzling, Sublime Spectacle. The Whole the Greatest on the Continent. given at Moscow in the near future.

Marion Manola-our first visitor on the conic opera staze from Lapland-is pleas-antly greeted every night in "Bellmon" at Wallack's, New York. De Wolf Hopper is very funny, and the general novelty attracts full houses

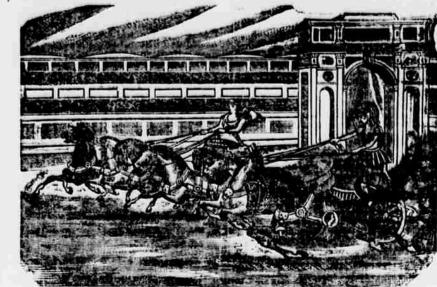
Teresina Tua, a young lady violinist who has created a furore in Europe, by her ex-quisite playing will be heard in this country during the coming season. She is only twen-ty years old and is said to be as beautiful as she is accomplished. is accomplished.

Mabel Sterling, the young Kentucky girl who is preparing to blossom out as a star, in a musical council called "Three Corners," is eighteen years of age and is described as exceedingly handsome in face and form. She makes her debut in New York during the holidays. Sarah Bernhardt has lost her voice, the re-



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Fremont, Saturday, Sept. 17, Beatrice, Monday, Sept. 19, Lincoin, Tuesday, Sept. 20, Wahoo, Wednesiday, Sept. 21, and Council Biul's, Friday, Sept. 23.

ngendered by the war were still rife, but her dignified and conservative control and influence, before she surrendered her trust to her successor, a great change had taken place. Party and sectional lines no longer limited the character of guests at state or public entertainments.

The social regimes of Mrs. Lucy Webb Hayes, Lucretia Rudolph Garfield, even brief as it was, and Mary Arthur Mc-Eiroy, maintained the high standard which had been the characteristic feature of every preceding administration. There were no great issues, however, to crystallize personal and partisan rivalries and antagonisms.

Persian Housewives.

Persian Housewives. St. James's Gazette: The Persian lady is a good housewife. She rises with the dawn, she is liberal in her housekeeping, kind to her servants-a little profuse, perhaps, but then living is cheap in the east. The keys of every-thing are in the keeping of the mistress of the house, and she is usually exact in her accounts. All the wast stock of comher accounts. All the vast stock of conscrves and sweetmeats, syrups for the proparation of sherbets and pickles in endless variety, are either prepared by ber own fingers or under her eyes. Nor does she dudain to be a confectioner and maker of pastry. As evening approaches -the long, elaborate Persian dinner being partaken of among the upper classes by the sexes apart-she prepares to entertain her husband; she will play to himupon the lute or harmonica; she will sing to him, or read him to sleep with poetry; or she will play with him at backgammon or chess, or recite to him long stories in the style of "The Arabian Nights." When he is sick she nurses him, and it is her pride to see that his wardrobe is well supplied and his ser-vants well clad. She will intrigue for him, plead for him, lie for him, and has been known to die for him. She will even earry her complaisance so far as to find another wife for him.

A Girl Who Catches Snakes,

Boston Transcript: She lives in Maiden; the is seventeen years old, or there-abouts, and she is an ophiologist—that is to say, her specialty is snakes. Very often, in pleasant summer weather, this young girl, with hands clad in high buck tioves and armed with a bottle of chloroform, lurks about the fens, and pools, and thickets, watching for snakes, a girl fair to look upon, sauntering, one might imagine, with eyes upon the ground, in maiden meditation, fancy free. She is in maiden meditation, indeed, but not fancy free, because her fancy is bound to snakes and she is searching intently for some variety not yet added to her collec-tion of several hundred. Presently she stops; with an eager gleam in her eve she crouches along a step or two, her glove-elad right hand drawn back as if to eatch some object; she springs forward toward the ground with a swift motion, and then stands creet with the body of a snake writhing about her arm in desperate throes. She has it by the neck and pro-ceeds calmly to thrust its head into the

neck of her bottle of chloroform. Not many days ago this young scientist, Not many days ago this young scientist, after a rather desperate contest, captured in the fells a black snake so large and powerful that when it wrapped itself in the mad grasp of its body about her arm it strained her cords and muscles so se-verely that she was lame for a week. It verely that she was lame for a week. It did not prevent her, however, from sallying forth again, and when she happened to perceive, at the margin of a pool, a big water snake of a variety she had not secured for her collection, she lay in wait for it. As the snake pounced apon a frog she pounced upon the snake; but the reptile was in his element and escaped her. Was she to be balled in that way? Not at all. She managed to inchor a freg in some way upon a stone at

Even Eve Wore a Bustle.

New York Graphic: Bustles date from the beginning of the sex which is at-tached to them. They exist at this date because of a correct rule of art which objects to a straight line beyond a certain length. They are necessary to a recogni-tion of the comeliness of the entire

figure and to the development of the outer view of the dividing line between the waist and the hips, and the necessity for this will be apparent to the individual who has seen an otherwise dressed woman without any bustle. The first adornment worn by Eve, if the historians of her period are to be blieved, was a bustle, the same composed largely of pulpy matter left by the deluge and properly curved and largely ornamented with roses and the various other botanical productions of the new world.

Girls to Have a Business Training.

Baltimore Sun: The school commission-ers of Louisville, Ky., have decided upon a post graduate course for the female high school of that city, the subjects to be taught to be book-keeping, short hand and type-writing. The course will be one year, and graduates from the high school will have the option between this and the normal class, and can either fit them-selves for teaching or for mercantile pursuits.

She Was at Home in the Water.

Pall Mall Gazette: Miss Florence Macnaghton, of Runkerry House, Bushmills, North of Ireland, has just performed a swimming feat under very peculiar circumstances. Seeking to persuade a local fisherman to become temperate, the latter promised to do so provided that Miss Macnaghton undertook to swim the bay between Blackrock and Port Ballantrae, a distance of about one mile. The young lady accepted the challenge, and accom plished the undertaking in thirty-nine minutes, with the result that the fisher-

man donned the blue ribbon,

Far Pretty Women. Printed flannels make convenient and

vielet wood is used in a variety of arti-

view, he says, to perfect his knowledge of the English language. pioneer in tenement-house reform.

Beautiful sleeveless waists are made en tirely of passementeries. There are plain black and white ones, and both black and white mixed with gold or silver.

The brooch has taken the place of the small cravat pin, and is worn generally with the severe tailor-made costumes, and is in harmony with the plainness of the effect. It is now claimed that the head of the sultan's harem is a christian woman, a Span-iard, beautiful and cultivated. She believes in the doctrine of polygamy.

Vests and waistcoats of every description long and narrow, short and full, and ample and expansive, like the old Continental gilet, are all in high vogue again this setson. Buffalo has a woman contractor. Her name is Mrs. A. M. Holloway, and she has just secured the contract for cleaning the streets of that city for five years by a bid of

\$447,000. Gloves of light gray and mastic kid, with the reams lapped, and finished about the wrist with a strip of black leather, and hav-ing several rows of black stitching, are quite the newest.

The puffed and bishop sleeves, which the Athenians wore ages ago, continue to be popular, and will be worn during the fall quite as much if not more than during the summer.

to partially support himself. M. Chevreul, the French centenarian savant, was 101 years old August 21. He says: "There can be no rule of life. What is good for one may not be good for another. We must study what is best for us individually. For example, my parents lived to be more than ninety years old, and they drank wine. From my childhood wine has been disagree-able to me. Like Locke and Newton. I have never cared for any beverage except water." Attemus Theker and his wife. Nariesus A rather alarming result of the higher edu-cation of women is the tendency of those who have secured a measure of literary cul-ture to shower advice and instruction upon other women. A new servant having been engaged at an

aristocratic residence was informed they usu-ally had breakfast about 8 o'clock. She re-piled unconcernedly: "Well, if I ain't down to it, don't wait."

"Which do you prefer, a girl or a woman?" asks Lucy Rigden, in her own peculiar, in-genius manner. Well, that depends, Lucy, We like a girl before she gets womanish, and a woman before she becomes girlish.

The rage for white toilets, which has lasted all summer will continue through the autumn, and costumes of veiling, nun's cloth, serge, etc., will be worn out of doors until the weather grows decidedly chilly.

Dress skirts now appearing have the ap-pearance of ungored, full gathered skirts. They are in fact, just that, (the front and sometimes the side breadths being slightly gored) mounted on well gored foundation skirts.

Mrs. Christian Strachan, and her daugh-ter of Melbourne, Australia, have arrived at Chicago on a tour of the world. It is the first instance on record where two women of our clong with such an ambilions object set out alone with such an ambitious object n view Mrs. Joseph Solomon, whose husband i

running for alderman on the republican ticket in Indianapolis, is out in an interview in the republican organ of that city request ing her friends to vote against her lord and master. Mrs. Solomon says she does not de-sire her husband to hold office, and that the right to vote should satisfy him.

The jewelry of the olden time is again com ing in extensively, as in the case of the brooch. Hoop earings of diamonds will be largely worn this season, and when small are very pretty, as when in the ear nothing s seen excepting the diamonds, the setting being very light. Very large hoops will be worn, but not such much probably as the smaller ones.

The latest "lad" is the interest attached to the inding of an old buttoned shoe. We were cold, with great sincerity, that if a young girl on finding one would count the buttons remaining on it she would be able to tell exactly the number of years which would elapse before her mariage, each button rep-resenting one year. It is looked upon as a great piece of misfortune (by the credulous) to find a shoe minus buttons.

Ladies' visiting cards this fall will be Ladies' visiting cards this fall will be almost square as usual, but it anything a triffe larger. Letter paper will be embel-lished with the monogram and the street ad-dress directly under the monogram, instead of slightly to the right. Where street ad-dress is used only, it will also be placed in the center. In stationary white wave will be used, and if tints at all, the most delicate. Seals have gone entirely out and it is de-cidedly bad form to use one. Fashion able stationers consider them so much bad stock. Manue of the naw one house lackets are

this country. Many of the new open house jackets are

sult of a cold caused by exposure at her country place in the south of France. She is now in Paris. Rehearsals of Sardou's new There is living on the Welsh hills at Typlay, in which she is to appear, were com-menced Thursday. The name of the play is now given as "Deborah." maen a venerable widow Mrs. Frances, who is 107 years old, having been born on Au-gust 15, 1780. She is in excellent health and can thread her needle without using her glasses. She moves about with ease and is enabled to attend to domestic duties.

Mile. Webber, the new rival of the immortal Sarah has scored a great triumph at the tai Sarah has scored a great triumph at the Comedie Francy ise as Donna Sol in "Her-nani," one of Sarah's roles. Bernhardt is devoting her attention to reading Sardou's new play yet unnamed, in which she is to ap-pear at Port Saint Martin.

of are and in a fine state of preservation. He says that he was born at East Hempstead, L. I., and that he and his brother, who lives at Hans yon Bulow, who now resides in Hamburg, will during the coming season di-rect thirty operatic performances in the Stadt theatre as well as the subscription con-certs in that city, the philharmonic concerts in Berlin and some of the subscription con-certs in Bremen certs in Bremen.

Julius Cohn, of Atlanta, Ga., thinks that

Julius Cohn, of Aflanta, Ga., thinks that he has the oldest flute in America. It is an ebony, eight-keyed German flute, and bears a silver plate with the words "Julius Cohn, Dresden, 1738." This is the present owner's great-great-greadfather. There are still good tunes in the old flute. One of the funniest scenes in Von Suppe's opera, Bellman, which is the latest New York crace, is the entrance of De Wolf Hopper in the second act, which is located in :a cave on the borders of the North sea. A severe storm is raging and the comedian is blown in sus-pended to an unbrella, which temporarily acts as a balloon, but suddenly collapsing he is thrown into the sea. is thrown into the sea.

is thrown into the sea. A real cotton-gin, costing \$2,500, will be introduced in a farcical comedy entitled "The Judge," will be seen upon the road next season. There is said to be a scene in it in which the hero, impersonated by a party known as Odell Williams, is cast by the villain into the ginning machine, and effects a thrilling escape from its clutches. Victory Bateman will be the leading lady. Messrs. Contied and Hermann have en-

American season in the person of Madame Niemann-Rabe, who will appear at the Star theatre, New York, January 2. Madame Rabe is the wife of Niemann the tenor, and has long been considered the most charming exponent of modern drawing room comedy on the German stage. She is a beautiful as well as talented woman, and her coming ap-

well as talented woman, and her coming ap-pearance is already looked forward to by German residents. Of "Home, sweet home," F. S. Saltus writes to the American Musician: "Sir Henry Bishop heard it in Sicily, and nobod v knows who composed it. Sicilians living to-day in New York have told me that their grand-tathers said their grandtathers know it In Hungary there lives a man who is over one hundred and thirty years. He enjoys rood health, and, what is more, still retains full possession of his mental faculties. Franz Nazo was born in 1756. His parents were serfs, and died soon after his birth. Up to the age of twenty he performed the duties of shepherd. He then became a soldier, and head protest as obtained in the mathematical fathers said their grandfathers knew it. Bishop introduced it into his 'Clari, the maid of Milan.' Pasta, the original Norma, liked it, and took a copy of it. In 1850, when took part as old hussar in the great battle of Lelpsic in 1813. Being taken prisoner by the French, he atterward returned to Hungary in liked it, and took a copy of it. In 1830, when Donizetti was composing his 'Anna Bolena for her, she asked him to introduce the mel Hence, the water water terms as a coachiman. He now lives on the bounty of the inhabi-tants of his native village Esoknya (Somovy Comitat). Nago does not remember having had a day's illness. Jeffrey Wilson, who died near Mechanics. ody. He did so for the final scene, but made a variation of it. The second part differs almost entirely from the song as it is sung to-day.

Admiral Porter sat in a proscenium box at Jeffrey Wilson, who died near Mechanics-burg, O., was born a slave in Virginia in 1773, and had entered on his list year when he died. He was a slave for ninety-two years. He had two wives. By the first he had eight children, three of whom are living, the aver-age of their ages being eighty years, the eldest being eighty-seven, and the youngest seven-nine. By his second wife he had nine children, six of whom are living, their aver-age being fifty-two years, the eldest being fifty-eight and the youngest forty-one. He nad seventy-six grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild his offspring extending through four generations, there being 106 souls. In Admiral Porter sat in a proseenum box at the Fifth avenue theatre, N. Y., last week and witnessed the first performance of a dra-matization of nis naval "Allan Dare." Sit-ting by the hero of Fort Fisher was the gal-lant old warrior who once went marching through Georgia, and both the old gentlemen seemed to enjoy the high frage seemed to enjoy the play of the night. Brave men are always modest and it was observed Admiral Porter's face was frequently cov-Admiral Porter's face was frequently cov-ered with blushes when some rood point in the play brought down the house, and the old hero was conscious that thousands of eyes were fixed upon him. The Edwin Booth-Lawrence Barrett com-ting the booth-Lawrence Barrett com-

four generations, there being 106 souls. In his veins flowed the blood of three races-white, negro and Ind an-and to this fact is bination has begun its tour in Buffalo. Thence it goes to Detroit, Minneapolis, Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia, New Orleans, Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia, New Orleans, and nearly all of the large cities of the coun-try, including Sau Francisco. A season of forty weeks has been arranged and the fol-lowing will be the complete repertoire: "Janius Cassar," "Othello," "Hamlet," "Mac-beth," "King Lear," "The Merchant of Venlee," "Katherine and Peruchio," "The Fool's Revenge," "Don Cassar," "The King's Pleasure," and "David Garrick." The open-ing play in Buffalo will be "Julius Cassar," with Mr. Booth in his of a part of Brutus, and Mr. Barrett in his familiar personation of Cassius. The stars will travel in the newly constructed palace car, "Junius Brutus Booth." attended by a retinue of servants. Mr. Booth has never been in better health and spirits than at the present time, and both California, with 8,000 church members, The 90,000 Hebrews who reside in New have twenty-six synagogues and over The conference of Congregationalists and Baptists for the purpose of promoting co-operation and union is to be held in London Dr. Joseph Parker of London, will occupy the late Beecher's pulpit on Sunday. October 1, when he will deliver his lirst sermon in and spirits than at the present time, and both be and Mr. Barrett are sanguine of a prolit-The Hebrew congregation Beth Israel of able season.



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