SAW SPURGEON AT HIS BEST

An Omaha Reporter Who Heard the Great Preacher in London.

PICTURES OF THE MAN AND HIS WORK

Annual Meeting of the Methodist Hospital Association-What Omaha's Ministers and Plous People Have Been Doing.

The many excellent magazine articles and newspaper editorials that have appeared recentry and since the death of the late Rev. Charles Haddon Spurgeon, have brought his life and works very prominently before the reading public. Thousands who knew comparatively little about the great London preacher have learned a good deal about him of late, and those who had read his writings and sermons all the way from "John Plough-man's Taik" down to his last great dis-courses have become more familiar with the events of Mr. Spurgeon's busy life by means of the current illerature bearing upon the interesting features of his character and

have been deeply interested in many of these biographical sketches and editorial notices of the life and works of the great London preacher, and in one respectal the articles that I have read have had the same effect upon me. They have invariably called to mind the 16th day of July, 1882, when it was my good fortune to attend church at Mr. Spurgeon's tabernacie near the "Elephant and Castie" in the great and

wonderful city of London.
In glancing over my notebook the other day I found that the brief notes that I jotted down while listening to Mr. Spurgeon's dis-course contained some very interesting points and from them I will furnish a rather imperfect synopsis of the sermon for the readers of The Sunday Beg.

At that time I had done but very little

newspaper work, but having something of the reportorial bent of mind I used my pen-cil in "jottling things down" and will make the best of the brief and fragmentary notes taken as I listened to the sermon. My traveling companion was a gentleman from Loraine, O., Rev. J. J. Conoughy, and we were told at our hotel on Sunday morning to take the tramway to the "Elephant and Castle" and then to "follow the crowd." This we did and had no trouble, as we were in good time, in finding the way to Mr. Spur-

Mr. Spurgeon's Tabernacle. The great structure does not look much

The great structure does not look much like a church to the average American. It looks more like a stock exchange or possibly a theater from a few blocks away, but as we approached the edifice we noticed huge tablets fastened against the iron fence with printed announcements of the services for the entire week upon them. The tabornacle is not an ornamental structure. It was eviis not an ornamental structure. It was eviis not an ornamental structure. It was evidently built far comfort and convenience, not to please the eye. Along the front there stretches an immense portico, the pediment of which is supported by six Corinthian columns. Ascending a flight of half a dozen broad stone steps that stretch clear across the front of the building one enters a piain, wide vestibule, from which the people pass to the main auditorium or into the gallery, which runs almost all the way around the great building. The tabernacle is both long and wide, but the pulpit is built in such a great building. The tabernacle is both long and wide, but the pulpit is built in such a way as to bring the preacher within reasonable distance of all the people. The pulpit platform, as I now recall it, seemed to be about as much above the pews in on the lower floor as it was below the pews in the gallery and it jutted out towards the center of the great building twenty or thirty feet from the end opposite the main entrances.

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When we entered we found a large concourse of people waiting in the lobby of the gallery. We were informed that these people were waiting for the gong to sound. Mr. Spurgeon was thoroughly cosmopolitan. He was also democratic to a certain degree. He believed in having every man, woman He was also democratic to a certain degree. He believed in having every man, woman and child who attended his church provided with the best vacant seat in the house, it didn't matter whether they rented pews or not. His plan for filling up all the most destrable pews was a very practical one and has been adopted at many other large temples of worship both in Europe and America. At five minutes before the services began a small electric gong in the gallery rang sharp and clear, and then every unoccupied pew in the house was free and open to the person who desired to take it. We were waiting patiently for the gong, but before it rang a business man of the city, whom we had met a few days before, recognized us and invited us to accept seats in his pew which we very gladly did. When the gong sounded it was interesting to see the great congregation of visitors who had been waiting move forward and fill up the vacant seats. The great auditorium and the gallery became a sea of numan faces.

And Everybody Sang.

A double quartette of singers assisted by a director led the singing but the entire audience joined. I have heard sweeter music but I never heard melody with so much volume and power as that congrega-tional singing. It was a veritable inspiration. The great building seemed to tremble and paipitate with the rise and fall of that tremendous chorus of 5,000 voices. Mr. Spur-geon announced the hymns and seemed to enjoy that part of the service very much. His pulpit was simplicity itself. He had a bible and a hymn book on a small desk of the bible and a hymn book on a small desk of the proper height before him and when the text was read be seemed to have little use for a desk or any kind. He advanced toward the railing around the platform and frequently placing his hands on the railing he leaned forward and taiked very much as a man would deliver an impromit fecture. It is not necessary for me to scan my note book to remember the text. I have never forgotten it for a single day since. The manner of his reading and the striking comments that he made as he read the sacred lines left an abiding impression. an abiding impression.

His Text and Sermon.

Mr. Spurgeon read from the fourth chapter of Mark: "Behold there went out a sower to sow." etc. Mr. Spurgeon paused when he had read the first sentence and said; "And why shouldn't he sow! That was his business and we would naturally expect that he would attend to it. But there are people who go out to sow and seem to forget their mission. They sit down in the corner of the field or by the wayside to gossip or idle their valuable time away, and before they are sware of it the day is done and there is no seed cast into the ground. Other men go out to sow, but they turn saide to do seembly. there is no seed cast into the ground. Other men go out to sow, but they turn aside to do something else. A man should stick to his business. If a man is a preacher he should preach and do nothing else. The less he tries to do of other things the better. The human mind is like a camera. The passing of a dog may ruin a fine photograph, so the mind may be corrupted by a sinful thought."

When Mr. Spurgeon had finished reading the chapter he took hold of the subject with great earnestness. He divided the subject into the following parts: How Christ spake to those on the outside and how he spake to those on the inside; how he went out and rathered in the lost sheep, and how he fed hem when he had them in the fold.

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Touching upon the way Christ talked tolthe people Mr. Spurgeon said: "Some men think they must preach deep things—oh, the wonderful thought of modern times—and they go to deep they never come up. I am suck of this talk about profound thought. These socialed profound thinkers remind me of the neutricitish, which sinks in the depths of the ocean and spreads its inky blackness behind it so you cannot follow. So these profound men sink out of sight in profundity and never come up. They go to the bottom like an old ressel. Christ didn't preach in that manner. He didn't carry a gold pencil case in his pocket and every time he ran across a word of sixteen syllables put it down, as some modern preachers do, remarking that "there is a good word to go into my next sermon." When a man prenches so that you can't understand him you may be pretty sure that he don't know what he is talking about. When a man has studied his subject and has a good grip on it he can speak so you will understand him. If a speaker cannot make his subject plain you may be sure it is away shove his head and he can't reach it. His subject has passed clear over his head like a bird in the air. He has not got a good view of it and therefore he can't describe it.

"I heard a man say once that he found it ifficuit to get his mind down to children. The fact of the case was he didn't have any

inown that he did not know.

"It is good to spend a part of every day in secret study and meditation. It helps to keep the balance wheels of the mind all in

Mr. Spurgeon indulged in no flights of dra-Mr. Spurgeon indulged in no flights of dramatic oratory. He gesticulated some, but
his gestures were simple and appropriate,
reminding one of Hamlet's injunction to
"suit the word to the action, the action to the
word." He said nothing that dazzied or
startled the audience, but his voice and his
thought ran smoothly on in a strong,
powerful current like the sweep
of a mighty river. His language
was remarkable for the number of short,
simple words employed and the force of their
application. His voice was as clear as a corapplication. His voice was as clear as a cor-net and was as pleasing at the close as at the beginning of the discourse. The vast audience sat apparently spellbound, drinking in every word that fell from she speaker's lips every word that len iron, with the utmost carnestness.

J. M. Gillan.

Methodist Hospital Meeting. On last Tuesday the annual meeting of the Methodist Episcopal Hospital and Deaconess Home association at Omhaha was held in the Young Mon's Christian association rooms. A sense of neep gratitude to God pervaded the assemblage, that success so sigual had attended the first year of the organization. ganization. Several changes were made in the constitution, one of which was the re-duction of the number of trustees from fifteen to nine, and the executive committee was reduced from seven to five. The report of B. R. Ball, president of the Board of Trustees, was very gratifying.
Following is a synopsis of the address of Rev. J. W. Shank, president of the asso-

Members of the Methodist Episcopal Hos-Members of the Methodist Episcopal Hos-pital and Deaconess Home Association—Dear Co-workers: We are here today to pass our first annual mile post. One year ago we gathered for the purpose of organization. We proceeded by faith, but not without some-what of fear find trembling, while we remem-bered the apostolic injunction to "work out our own salvation with fear and trembling." Providence smiled upon our undertaking. Providence smiled upon our undertaking. A suitable building was purchased and the institution was opened on the 28th of May, 1891. That it has done good work and been favored of both God and men is shown by the record of what has been accomplished.

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These patients have come from the following widely different localities: Omaha 60, lowa 50, Wyoming 1, Kansas 1, South Dakota 3, Missouri 4, Illinois 3, Colorado 1, throughout Nebraska 130.
Thus it will be seen that by far the largest number have come from Nebraska outside of Omaha and the number next largest to Omaha and Nebraska, is from lowa. The Omaha and the humber next largest to Omaha and Nebraska, is from Iowa. The institution is therefore general in its char acter, and must be expected to look for sup port within a radius of 250 miles in all direc

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The patients have represented nearly all Christian denominations, Catholics, Presbyterians, Baptists, Congregationalists, Dutch Reformed, Lutherans, Methodists, and others of no religious faith. There have been at least five who under the gracious influence with which they have been surrounded, have forsaken the ways of sin and turned to God for salvation, while many more have signified a desire to lead a Chrismore have signified a desire to lead a Chris-

tian life.
In accomplishing these results different the services of the Ladies' Aid association, through whose care and efforts the varied interests of the institution have been promoted, and a valuable addition to the building, the laundry, has been constructed, the burden and care of which rested upon their able president, Mrs. Claffin, and Mrs. J. W.

Austin, whose absence from our midst we tannot cease to regret.

But more than all else the practical results of the institution have depended on the self-denial and loving faithfulness of the deacon-esses, first and foremost of whom is our visible on every hand. The financial condiesses, first and foremost of whom is our most worthy matron, Miss Pfrimmer. Five deaconesses and six deaconess nurses in training, are devoting their lives to this worthy cause. The visiting deaconesses, Misses Herrick and Miller, have done excellent evangelistic work, bu so great has been the need for nurses in the hospital, that for some time past they have been compelled to

devote the entire time to that work. From what we have seen of these noble vomen and their work we must believe that they have been called of God to this great and high calling, and we cannot escape the conviction that the order of Deaconesses is to play an important part in the evangelizazation of the world.

Among Religious Workers. The anniversary of the death of Bishop Clarkson occurred last Thursday and was fittingly observed in memorial services at Trinity cathedral. The great work that Bishop Clarkson began and so successfully carried forward during the years of his residence in Omaha is still moving on.

The Young Men's Journal published in The Young Men's Journal published in this city and edited by Messrs. Hazieton and May is meeting with phenominal success in a business way. The young men have recently enlarged the paper to an eight-page quarto and they are contemplating other changes and improvements to keep up with the demards that are pressing in upon them. The ladies of the South Tenth Street Methodist church gave a very successful fair and supper at the Young Men's Christian asand supper at the Young Men's Christian association building on Friday and Saturday
of last week. The fair was unique in its
way. There was a table for each day in the
week, and the articles kept for sale on each
table were those things which the day might
suggest. For instance, Monday is wash day
the country over, so the Monday table contained galvanized clothes lines, clothes
wringers, soap and other articles used on
wash days. All the days in the week were
similarly represented on the tables. The Sunday table was kept by Mrs. Bishop Newman. It contained books and religious papers
and periodicals.

The Lenten services conducted by the

The Lenten services conducted by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, to be held every Thursday night during Lent, began last Thursday night at Trinity cathedral. The meeting was for men only and the subject of a very excellent discourse by Rev. Johnson, mission priest at St. Andrew's mission, was "Social Purity." He said some very plann and practical things that appeared to meet with the indorsement of the gentiemen present. present.

RELIGIOUS.

True conversion begins in the heart, and thence spreads up and down-up into the head and down into the pocket.

Bishop Nelson of Georgia, newly conse-crated, will not decide for several months what part of his diocese he will make his headquarters. He means to cover the ground fully first and ascertain where he is most needed.

The Universalist ministers of Boston have declared against the opening of the Columbian exhibition at Chicago Sundays, and have united in a most emphatic protest against licensing the sale of intexicating liquors on the fair grounds.

It has been decided that if sufficent money is at hand the corner stone of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine will be laid on the festival of All Sannts', November 1, 1892. The corporation of Trimity church have made a gift of \$100,000 to the cathedral.

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Clergymen can be "imported," says the Boston Globe, without paying duty as being of the cloth. So decides the supreme court; and the American congregations who yearn for snepherds that are thoroughly English, you know, can now breathe easier.

Bishop Keane, rector of the Roman Cathonic University at Washington, lectured at Osborne hall, Yale university, recently, under the auspices of the Yale Kent club. This is said to have been the first time a churchman of that faith has ever addressed Yale students within the campus feuce.

The sensational sermon as a means of drumming up business for a church baving become too slow for these times, some ministers are introducing full brass bands, but Rev. Dr. Cass of Norwich, N. Y., leads them all. Last Sunday he brought a ministred troupe to his church. It should be stated, however, that the troupe was invited to see

mind. He had something he mistook for a mind but was mistaken. Children are usually attentive and they swallow similes as pigeons swallow seeds. All you need to do is to talk plain to children.

The Way Christ Talked.

"Speak as the Savier spoke. Fill the human mind as you would a thin-necked bottle, slowly, gradually. If you hurry too much you will spill the greater part of the information you seek to impart. We must all be willing to learn if we wish to become disciples of Carist. Some do not wish to learn, they only wish to teach. How they will run away with a shell on their heads just as soon as they are batched, Many a man would have known if he had only known that he did not know.

In the performance, not to take part in it.

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is fathering more than 4,000 "other people's children," having previously "rescued from the street, the workhouse and the jail 18,736 little waifs and strays, all of whom have been, after careful training, placed out in life to earn their own bread by nonest

EDUCATIONAL.

Princeton has organized a strong republican club.

Paris has 190 public schools for boys and 174 for girls. Jay Gould has given \$25,000 to the Univer-sity of the City of New York.

Chicago has eighteen public and semi-pub-lic libraries containing 1,355,000 volumes. The University of Leipsic is attended by twenty Euglish and American young women The medical department of the University of the City of New York received last year \$33,000 in gifts.

The recent "Reading deal" benefits Lehigh university \$442,000 owing to the increase in value of the Lehigh Valley stock which it

Harvard has a trust fund of \$1,300,000 which yields \$80,000 annually and is devoted to aiding deserving students of limited Senator Stanford hes contributed \$10,000

toward the expenses of an ethnological expe-dition to Colombia in the interest of the World's fair. Nearly 300 women are attending Boston university. Seven are in the law school, forty-three in the medical department and eleven in the school of theology.

The Royal university of Ireland has conferred distinction upon two of the women lecturers of Alexandra college, Dublin, by enrolling them as members of its examining body

Abbott academy, the famous school for young ladies at Andover, secures as its new principal Miss Laura S. Watson in place of Miss Philena McKeea, who resigns after long service.

Charles Benjamin Wing, professor of bridge and hydraulic engineering in the University of Wisconsin, has accepted the associate professorship of civil engineering in the Leland Stanford, Jr. University.

A newspaper class has been started at Evelyn college by Prof. Miller. It is open to all college students and is already very popular. It is designed to increase facility in writing and has in view the establishment of college paper.

There are schools for teaching watchmaking at Geneva, Neuchatel, La Chaux des Fonds, Locie, Bienne, St. Imer and Porentruy. In the last six years the number of watches exported from Switzerland has increased from 2,734,234 in 1885 to 4,431,301 last

Commissioner J. W. Gerard of the New York Board of Education is determined to have an investigation of the College of the City of New York. He has reached the conclusion that the college is not fulfilling the objects for which it was established, and that the courses of study should be radically changed. The American girl is not slow to grasp a

chance. Some time ago the Ladies' Home Journal organized a free education system for girls, and the magazine is now educating some forty odd girls at Vassar and Wellesley colleges and at the Boston Conservatory of Music, all the expenses of the girls being paid by the Journal.

Notes and Queries says: In Diodorus Siculus XII (r. 296) I find the following among the laws of Charonidas for Thurum. B. C. 445; "That all the children of the citizens should learn to write, and the city should pay the master wages." I quote from the translation of Booth of Chester, London, 1700, fo. Is there any carrier instance! stance!

One of the most successfull terms in the history of Cornell college, at Mount Vernou, Ia., is drawing to a close. The total attendtion of the college is improving, the endow-ment fund having in the course of the last year been considerably increased and the college debt wiped out. Only the other day a bequest of \$5,000 was received. The name of the donor is not yet made public. Forty anxious juniors are now awaiting the deci-sion of the judges on their orations. The eight fortunate ones will represent the class in the junior contest to be given in the auditorium on the last Friday night of the term. The new twenty-acre Ash park re-centiv purchased by the college is being rapidly improved, one of the special features being an artificial lake. A thousand dollars was recently appropriated for grading and building sidewalks on the boulevard addition to the campus. Some decided improvements have been made in the arrangement and administration of the library. The volumes are now arranged by access in sepa-rate rooms, and students in the advanced classes are allowed access to the alcoves for investigation. The librarian estimates that the use of the library has been doubled this year. Additious are continually being made A donation of very valuable books, period icals and pamphlets was received recently from Hon. Charles Aldrich of Pes Moines.

"Eat, drink and be merry for tomorrow" Bradycrotine will stop the headache.

CONNUBIALITIES. Floral slippers are the correct thing to brow after a bridal pair. Woman is a conundrum that man cannot guess, but will never give up.

A Peoria woman offers a reward of \$25 to the finder of her lost nusband. Affectionate Wife-John, you are just kill-ing yourself working so hard. Toiling Husband-Well, we've got to live.

When a girl who is engaged to be married tells of her engagement it is a very good sign that she was never engaged before Every woman believes that if her busband could be married to some other woman for a week he would know how to appreciate her.

The Youth—I love you fondly. The Boston Girl—Let me feel your pulse. You do not object to my making a scientific analysis, do

Shu-a-shep and Kleck-num-teck, Chilimhist Indian and squaw, were married by the civil authorities in Washington state re-

It makes no difference how worthless a man is, his mother thinks it no sacrilege to delude the best girl in the world into mar ry Most women have a good deal of romance in their dispositions. If they hadn't mighty few men would ever succeed in get-

ting married. A girl in Norway must be able to bake bread before she can have a beau. The one who takes the cake as a cook is considered

the flower of the family.

Miss Harriet Pullman, daughter of Mr George M. Pullman of Chicago, will be married to Mr. Frank Carolin, a young millionaire of San Francisco, on June 1.

A runaway coup le returned to the bride's home in Lawrence ville, Pa. After a stormy seene, the irate old man wrote a check for \$2,000 and ordered the couple from the house.

Washington society is busy gossipin g about the rumor that ex-State Senator Lis penard Stewart of New York and Miss Leiter of Washington and Chicago are engaged to be

Clubberly (at the club) - Glad to see you back in the club, old man. You resigned about a year ago on account of your engagement, I believe. What's the trouble, broken off! Plankinton-Oh, no; I got married. One of the most remarkable features of Lord Allington's marriage to the 18-year-old Miss Evy Leigh was the fact that two of the bridemaids at the wedding were the grand-daughters of no less a peronage than the noble bridegroom himself.

The eldest daughter of Bonlanger is en-gared to be married son. She lives with

gaged to be married soon. She lives with her mother at Versailles. The younger daughter has been the wife of Captain Oriant for several years and is with her husband to Tunis.
The engagement of Miss Ida L. Carieton of New York and Chapiain Frank Thompson

Paris selecting the trosseau.

Both the state and church in Turkey com-

oine to make a bachelor's life miserable. As ong as a man's parents are living he can live with them without experiencing any difficulty. But as soon as they die he has to obtain permission from both civil and religious authorities before he can be admitted to any other household, and moreover it is the duty of the proprietor of the household he enters to see that males and not females wait upon him.

A Chinese girl with the "golden lily foot" was married to San Yuen, a prosperous Los Angeles merchant, recently. Her feet are by actual measurement only three inches long. The bride was attired in a rich garnet silk costume embroidered in green and yellow and decked with cloth of gold. She wore slippers trimmed with pearls. Her neck and cars wore ornamented with massive gold earrings and a necklace. The couple went through the complicated Chinese ceremony through the complicated Chinese ceremony after having had a civil ceremony performed by a judge. The citte of Chinatown was entertained at a banquet given by the groom, which was Monte Cristan in its extravagance. Turtles, cels and a variety of fish were brought alive in casks from China for the occasion. The festivities, lasting three days, cost not less than \$10,000.

HONEY FOR THE LADIES.

Oyster white is a new tint. White veils figure largely in the summer mportations. Russian blouses are bound to be the favortes this season.

The Russian sleeve can is one of the new season's ideas and one which already is re-peated again and again. The white rabe cottons are showing some

elaborate.patterns in open-work embroidery, imitating the Irish and Italian laces. Friend—Do you permit your wife to have her own way! Husband (positively)—No. sir. She has it without my permission.

Muits in delicate hues will be popular this

summer. They are scattered ever with clusters of flowers and look very pretty. Waldonia Bean-And so you enjoyed the all? Arabelia Wabesh-Weil I should remark! I was taken out to supper five times. "Doctor, I wish you'd prescribe for my complexion." "Certainly, madam," re-turned the doctor, and then he wrote: "H-

Let it alone." Flying ribbons are the distinguishing characteristic of the latest fashionable costumes for women-strings to eatch beaux, or reins to feminine fancy. No matter how much one woman may dis

like another, she always takes a lively inter-est in her if she sees her anywhere in a new and becoming dress. A rage for buttons has once again begun These are manufactured in four or five dif-ferent sizes, from the dimensions of a bullet

Blue, pink green, yellow, red, indeed, all the shades of all the colors are in the fine kid gloves, and in nothing are the delicate tints produced more successfully. She-George, dear, your new muffler is not the right color for you. George (who is a wag) -What color had it otter be, my love! She (disgusted)-Chestnut.

to the size of a half dollar.

Women are growing more sensible, and dresses are now faced with silk, but not lined. These are worn over a petticoat of silk, but the weight is perceptibly lessened. Tucked effects in spring plaids, plisse cash-meres in single pleats, piped, corded, and shirred cropes and cropons are among the host of novel fabrics designed for the coming

season. It is always amusing to see the little girl of 12 daintily holding up her skirts as she goes over a muddy crossing, although her dress does not come within ten inches of the

A novel Paris tollet is of black tulle, with large black spots, over a body and skirt of black bengaling, the sleeves and waisthand A ruche at the neck and at the bottom of the skirt. Green velvet hat. "March is a vile month," said Mabel. hate to go out on March days, it nearly blows the hair off my head." "Dear me! How unfortunate!" said Heavyweight.

'Can't you fasten it on more securely?' The devotion to sashes and sash effects, and the liking for the graceful Watteau bow. lend new interests to the rippons, though these are so pretty as to need no assistance in captivating everybody who looks at them.

Pearl trimmings are merely used on evening dresses to be worn at Easter time, and ropes and parrow passementeries trim the bodice of gowns made with plain skirts. Jet is also used in great profusion both in dress and millinery. Gold and silver passementeries as a rule

Gold and silver passementeries as a rule soon tarnish; therefore bead trimmings are extensively used in their place, and when the effect of gold is desired, pure crystal beads are lined with gold color, and the difference in appearance is not then consider-Neck ruches of all kinds are to be worn

The newest ones are made of the narrowest width of velvet ribbon, the width called "baby ribbon" or "comete," forming loop upon loop attached to a band until a thick ruche is formed, and fastened by a broad ribbon and bow.

Among the prettiest of the spring novelties are the shoulder capes of white or tinted guipare, attached to a ruche of pleated satin ribboo. The lace is chosen of the deepest width usually sold, which is about ten or twelve inches, and is gathered full into the neck ruche of ribbon of any color.

Sleeves have lost some of their height, but none of their fulness from shoulder to ellow; but below this they fit as snurly as possible. Short sleeves with straight wristbands are seen on morning and afternoon dresses; bishop and mutton-leg sleeves on gowns for demi-dress, and those with one or two deep puffs of evening dress.

One of the inconveniences in the bell skirts is their pecketiess condition. One may not be tied forever to a chatelaine bag, so it happens that a sigh for a receptacle for a handkerchief or change purse or similar et cetera is often heard. Mme. Bernhardt has the pocket in her petiticoat and does not hesitato to seek it at any moment, but for opticus to seek it at any moment, but for obvious reasons the majority of women will not adopt this method.

A dove-like little bonnet is of gray fancy straw scalloped with silver cord and trimmed straw scalloped with sliver cord and trimmed with gray velvet ribbon and strings and a silver and pink 'esprey. A picturesque hat of fine light straw has its crown veiled in green Bengaline silk and encircled with a torsade in gay striped ribbon, canght up at the side with as old paste buckle and with ends of an embroidered lisse round a cluster of yellow ostrich tips.

While there are any number of fancy and bizarre thats in new gloves, general tasto is limited to but few shades. Tan with strange pertuacity botts its own even among those of the most conservative tastes, but women who do not like this color have a choice of several very pretty shades of yellow, from tea rose, jonguli and primrose to a number of deeper dyes knewn severally as goldenrod, cowsilp and chapterelle.

cowsiip and chapterelle.

The tandsomest new goods in New York at this moment is an iridescent gauze for dresses, just imported by a prominent merchant who says he brought over but three pieces to try the effect, as it is rather expensive for a novelty, being \$3 yard, narrow width. But it is very handsome. The ground is black, with a gauzy pattern of black leaves over the surface, and it changes in every light to the most brilliant prismatic. in every light to the most brilliant prismatic

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The path of the nickels through the machine is shown by two glass disks. Behind the glass disks are three paths for the nickels to take. They are numbered 1, 2, and 3. The purpose of the individual who has money to throw away on the machine is to drop a nickel in the slot so that it will fall into path No. 2, in which case he will see three nickels drop out of the spout at the bottom. If the nickel goes into paths 1 or 3, as it generally does, the nickel is lost. Two little metallic points are arranged in the paths to defleet the nickel's course, and it requires no very close scrutiny to discover that their arrangement is such that a nickel

rarely glides into path No. 2. In other words, the odds are about 6 to I against the man who expects to win three nickels for one. A singular feature of the device is that two or three rass disks, the size of nickels, occasionally show through the front, and these qrass disks have a fashion of dropping out very often among the winners were undoubtedly put in the machines by the makers to increase the odds.

These machines are being gradually scattered over the city, and are mostly to be found in barroms. The name of the manufacturer does not appear upon the machine, but over the slot are stamped the words, "Patented Jan. 15,

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Coids and coughs have been so prevalent during the past few months that the experience of Albert Favorite of Arkansas City, Kan., cannot fail to interest some of our readers. Here it is in his own words: "I contracted a cold early last spring that settled on my lungs and had hardly recovered from it when I caught another that hung on all summer and left me with a backing cough which I thought I never would get rid of. I had used Chamberiain's cough remedy some fourteen years ago with much success and fourteen years ago with much success and concluded to try it again. When I had got through with one bottle my cough had left me and I have not suffered with a cough or cold since. I have recommended it to others and all speak well of it." 50 cent bottles for

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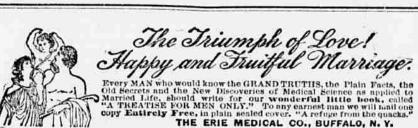
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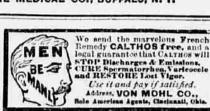
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