

SAMMY THE TOMBOY.

Or, Fate of a Stolen Apple. By Phoebe Frances Hollis.

"Sammy! Sammy!" called a loud, untuned voice, "come here."

"Yes!" came back the answer, and Sammy soon appeared, not a boy, as you might suppose, but a freckled-faced girl of 14, of the regular tomboy style.

Her hat was hanging down her back, held on by the elastic around her throat, her clean calico dress was rumpled and covered with grass and dirt stains, and altogether she was anything but a lady-like looking girl.

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form of a man. It was too dark to distinguish his features.

"Now, will you kindly tell me what you and your companions were trespassing on my ground for?" inquired he in a very human voice, full of laughter and would-be sternness, and he held her arm so that she could not run away.

"We—that is—I—we wanted to see our future husbands," she answered.

"Well," he queried in answer to that, "look, will I suit you?"

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saucy yet sympathetic eyes, and what a sweet, lovable smile.

She was more than pretty; she was beautiful—so thought a gentleman standing in the doorway. For the young squire was there, too, to complete the circle.

"But are you sure you can consent to marry such a tow-headed anub-nosed person as myself?"

"Well, if you can put up with such a homely, pet little vixen as I, I might."

And so Sammy's fate was sealed.

"MORE TEA IS DRUNK."

Oriental Beverage Greatly Increasing in Popularity.

Tea is increasing in favor as a beverage in Chicago, relates the Post. So say observers of such things.

The changing preference of the public may be to some extent due to the increasing importance of tea as an article of commerce.

Chicago dealers attribute the change to a passing fad and say they do not believe tea will retain favor over coffee as a distinctive domestic beverage of the American people.

The popularity of the 5 o'clock tea as a social affair has to a noticeable extent increased the market for the Oriental plant.

One dealer is of the opinion that Anglo-American's for the prediction for tea suddenly manifested.

"We are," said a large retail dealer, "presenting a notice of coffee drinkers. The ratio of coffee to tea, in pounds, consumed in this city is about two to one."

Our English cousins, on the other hand, are wedded to the tea habit. It may not be generally known, but it is a fact, that England consumes five times as much tea per capita as we do.

The striking difference is probably accounted for by the inherent disinclination between the nervous disposition of the two peoples.

You remember the libelous story the paragrapher told about the Philadelphia girl who objected to coffee for breakfast because it kept her awake all day.

It is so with the Americans and English. We prefer the stimulating influence of the coffee, which quickens the brain and invigorates the nerves.

Not so with the more phlegmatic nature of the Englishman.

But England is not the greatest tea-drinking nation outside of Mongolia. The Russians consume more tea than do the English.

The French, Germans and Scandinavians, on the other hand, are great coffee drinkers, the French ranking first in that respect.

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LENTEN SEWING BASKETS

Novel and Exquisite Combinations of Straw and Silk.

FAD OF FASHIONABLE NEW YORKERS

A Glimpse into Sweet Sewing Circles Working for Bowed Charity's Sake

NEW YORK, March 7.—To sit on a cushion and sew a fine seam for charity's sake is one of the ways for killing two birds with one stone in this season of propriety and penitence.

The fine seams, of course, are laid by the bejeweled fingers of fashionable femininity in the simplest garments, meant for humble wearers, but for fear those lowly tasks might weary the lively seamstresses every hostess who calls a sewing class meeting at her house provides music, recitations, jugglers exploits, along with a dainty luncheon for the gathered members.

There are no new features, and the particular topic of gossip among the smart new-fewisms is the sort of sewing basket suitable for store-

away one's needle and the splendid little utensils of the task.

More emphasis, indeed, is placed on one's work receptacle this Lent than on the apron one wears to stitch in, or the given amount of labor accomplished in one hour.

The day a class meets every woman drives up to the door of the hostess who is willing to temporarily turn her drawing room into a model sweatshop, and out she gets with her basket under her arm.

Sometimes the affair that it must be carried for her into the workroom and when the whole class is busy the room presents an aspect of a luxurious quiet gradation into the most expensive materials imaginable.

Satin straps of exquisite pale greens and blues, pinks and yellows are the foundation material of which they are made, while satin lace and brocade form the lavish decorations.

SEWING BEE ACCESSORIES.

Mrs. Theodore Havemeyer, who leads one of the largest classes of smart Catholic seamstresses in New York City, keeps her rough kingdom and cotton subjects for stitching in a huge hat of pale lavender straw, mounted on three gilded legs, set like the crossed sticks from which a gypsy kettle hangs.

Within the hat is lined with pale blue satin, and the open work is covered by a full bag of the same material, drawn up with lavender silk cords.

Inside this capacious nest is the most charming set of antique silver sewing tools, all of black box wood, and representing a little saint, who in tradition is believed to bless the work baskets of the industrious with strength, graceful and swift seams.

Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, at the head of one of the generous Baptist sewing societies of this season, uses a big flat green, yellow and red basket of the double-decked variety, all the trappings of lace and tulle, puts her needles in an honest red fannel box, and the basket is draped with white and rose-colored scarfs of obsequy gauze.

Among all these curiosities is a pocket that holds a small silver-mounted button, and a small silver-mounted button, and a small silver-mounted button.

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