

FOR THE FAIR SEX.

The Philadelphia Times gives the following hints concerning the remodeling of last year's dresses...

Black woollens should be sponged with hot water and ironed while damp. If very dirty wash flannels in lukewarm water...

In remodeling silk or woolen suits the short pointed revers collar, meeting at the top of the darts, will be much used.

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When sheets give way in the middle, tear them down the center and sew the outside together...

The Boston Latin school for girls now has ninety pupils.

Green leaves sewn with crystal beads and woven into garlands are worn for ball wreaths by French blondes.

Mrs. Martha Stearns, of Des Moines, has been elected assessor of the Iowa State agricultural college.

English dressmakers use waterproofing tipped with brass instead of whalebone. It costs only about one-fifth as much.

Words are nothing to paint a mother's love, a mother's consolation. A baby's smile contains the divinest essence of all earthly solacement.

A silver medal has been awarded to Miss Mary D. McNamara, of Clinton, by the Humane Society of Massachusetts.

A Paris letter describes a queer dress worn by a foreign duchess. The dress, in the darkest shade of blue stain, was trimmed with grayish fawn-colored feathers.

PIKE'S PEAK SIGNAL STATION.

Wonders of the Highest Inhabited Perch on the Globe. A Colorado correspondent of the Boston Journal writes as follows: The United States signal station at Pike's peak is the highest signal station in the world...

The signal station is now under the charge of Sergeants Choate, Blake and Sweeney. These officers are detailed from the army because of their peculiar adaptability and special qualifications for the accurate execution of the nice tasks of taking astronomical and meteorological observations.

The summit of Pike's peak contains six acres. It is 14,336 feet above the level of the sea. On the highest point stands the signal station, a rough stone building twenty-four by thirty, one story in height.

The atmosphere is congenial; the many visitors at the peak enjoy the social life with joy, wonderment and mirth. During the summer of 1878 upward of nine hundred people, in parties of from five to thirty, visited the peak.

The duties of the officers are various. Seven observations are taken daily; all storms are closely watched, and each special and distinctive characteristic duly recorded.

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CHARGED BY THE ZULUS.

The Desperate Resistance of Eighty British Soldiers Against Heavy Odds in South Africa. A London letter, describing the annihilation of a British column under Lord Chelmsford by 2,000 Zulus, at Rorke's Drift, in South Africa, says:

Some dozen miles from the camp at Rorke's Drift proper a small commissariat post had been stationed, near the Tugela river, and not far from the frontier town of Helpmakaar and Greytown. Here, without any intrenched system of defense, utterly unprepared to resist anything like a serious attack, and never dreaming of danger, there were a handful of volunteers, some men of the Twenty-fourth, and some civilians, about eighty, all told.

They were under the command of a couple of young lieutenants—Bromhead, of the Twenty-fourth, and Chard, of the Royal Engineers. They knew nothing of the bitter business that had been going on at the camp. Their first intimation of trouble arose from seeing fugitives making for the river, and, in the distance, natives in pursuit.

The little post at Rorke's Drift appears to have been altogether forgotten, except by the Zulu army, for the natives were heard to murmur at the camp, charged with the duty of carrying news of the Zulu attack to the rear.

The Zulus fired the first shot, and the Zulus fired the first shot, and the Zulus fired the first shot, and the Zulus fired the first shot, and the Zulus fired the first shot.

Speculative Trunk Buyers. The proprietor of the Everett house, St. Louis, recently had a sale of the baggage left at his hotel by frauds and impetuous patrons. There were eighty-two trunks and valises offered for sale, and the total amount realized was \$83.

A Village Hiviting in Yellowstone. That of a "heavenly Chinese," if belonging to our race, can scarcely be described as attractive. But more than this, the index of a disordered liver—a liver that needs arousing and regulating.

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Hints About Accidents.

A child rolls down the stairs, or falls from a height, and in either case strikes its head with force. What shall be done till the doctor comes? We would give the following directions as nearly as possible in the order in which they should be adopted.

Raise the child gently in the arms, and carrying it to the nearest sofa or bed, place him on it—unless crying loudly, when he can be soothed in his mother's arms.

An Italian gentleman, mentioned by Dr. Bush, in the beginning of an illness, spoke English; in the middle of it, French; but on the day of his death spoke only Italian.

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Wonderful Facts.

Sir Astley Cooper relates the case of a sailor who was received in St. Thomas' hospital in a state of stupor from an injury in the head, which continued some months.

An ignorant servant girl, mentioned by Coleridge, during the delirium of a fever repeated with perfect correctness passages from a number of theological works in Latin, Greek and Rabbinical Hebrew.

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