More About their Dangers-Both Sides of a Dreadful Story.

A day or two ago we copied a statement from the London Lancet concerning the dangers of wearing chignons. The following has since appeared in the London Telegraph-it professes to be the description of an actual experiment:-

'I purchased at a fashionable hair-dresser's a chiznen of very elaborate aupearance, and sub-mitted part of it to examination under a powerful microscope. From the mass of hair compo-sing the chignen I selected for experiment about one hundred and fifty bairs, and commenced by car civily cleansing them from grease and other impurities in a topid solution of potash, and drying them in a current of heated air. Upon submitting them to examination by a moderate power, I found the hair, which was of a dark brown color and fine texture, perfectly clean and fine texture, perfectly clean and free from any parasitical appendages, until within half an inch of what was evidently the natural end of the bair, when a multitude of small dark knots or protuberances on the outer corticle were visible. Upon carefully detaching some of these, and placing them on an object glass, under much higher power, it was immediately evident that they were innumerable

specimens of the so-called gregarines,

As nearly as I could estimate, half an inch
of a single hair would yield over a thousand of
these disgusting epizoa in their embryo con ittion, and enveloped in a glutinous substance. Having thus satisfied myself of their existence, I next proceeded to ascertain if they were posessed of vitality. It is well known that gentle and continued heat affords the most favorable conditions for the development of this class of insect life. I therefore placed about a dozen ends of the hair between two pieces of felt slightly ofled, and submitted it to a moist heat of one hundred and twenty degrees for six hours; and also bound upon the neck of a common ben-a convenient place having been care fully shaved for the purpose-a number of hair ends, and placed the bird in front of the stove

for about the same time. for about the same time.

1'At the end of this period the gregarines which had been placed in felt were carefully examined. They had undergone great development, and more than a score showed unmistakable signs of life. But on removing the hairs from the neck of the hen and placing them under the microscope, a most extraor-dinary change in the ova appeared to have taken place. The hairs were swarming with the released epizoa: nearly all, indeed, were m re or less detached from the envelope, and presented many of the unmistakable peculiarities of the pediculus humani capitis. In many the mouth was furnished with a proboscis, the antennæ as long as the thorax, and the depressed segments of the abdomen were clearly visible.

'It was abundantly evident that no proces to which the hair had as yet been submitted had even impaired, much less destroyed, the vitality of the gregarines. I cannot venture to trespass upon your space by giving a detailed account of the experiments made to ascertain how this vitality could be destroyed; suffice it to say that steeping in boiling water, and exposure to a dry heat of 360 degrees Fahrenheit. totally failed to do so. The compound ethers benzole, and the bi-chloride of mercury de stroyed (them completely, as also some of the mineral acids; but most of these would of course render the hair worthless to the chignon-maker the beauty of its appearance being entirely destroyed. I regard these experiments as full demonstrating the fact that many ladies are wearing, perfectly unsuspected, upon their heads the germs of an insect life which may a any moment spring into a vitality that would prove distressing beyond measure, and be by no means easy to cradicate, these horrible insects multiplying with almost inconceivable rapidity, and their generation being governed by no well-ascertained law."

A writer in the London Review discusses the whole subject of chignons-inquiring, at the outset, "Why do ladies wear chignons? Do men fall in love with chignons? Do an Ishgonian and a Cockney share in this extraordinary sentiment, and both lay their hearts at the back of their respective Juliet's head?" -and citing Du Chaillu's new book to show that the belles of equatorial Africa wear chignons not at all unlike what may be seen any day in Regent street. The difference, however, between the Ishago and the English lady is that the former manufactures the chignon out of her own hair and head, while the latter buys it ready-made in the shops."

Then the writer quotes the story we have copied above, and derides it, remarking thus:-

"The pregarines are possibly not animals at all, and may be a comparatively harmles though disgusting vegetable formation. They are not 'epizou,' and they never develop into pediculi. In fact, pediculi are never found dead hair. Then, again, artificial hair for the most part comes from France and German and not from the 'filthy Burlases.' However we need not dwell on this part of the subje What the ladies will say on the matter it is not easy to conjecture. It is not improbable that they will stick to the chignons through go and evil report. They are not deterred of , and if you want to confirm a woman in ber attachment to anything, you have only to about it; if she only had a slight regard for it before. she will then love it with a positive enthusiasm which might be mistaken for obstinacy, but which is simply a touch of genuine female

"English ladies are glorious martyrs to custom, and have often before stood boldly up against the unnovations of science. If they once take it into their heads that chignons will are them in procuring husbands, the imaginary gregarines will be regarded as nothing. Chig-nons are classic and Parislan, Chignons are borrowed directly from French dames, whose patrons are in the jockey clubs. Chignons de-rive a certain charm of innocent naughtiness from their very origin. Chignons enable ladies to appear on an equality with each other, whether Nature has been scanty or profuse to them. The chignon is another weapon added to the captivating armory. Between dyes and chignon, pads and puffs, the figure and face will be irresistibly prepared for conquest.

"If those embelishments are multiplied further, we shall arrive at a situation not dis-similar to that which is prophested as the result of continued advances in the science of war. A time must come when nothing more can be done; when Art shall be satisfied with her work upon the female model, and express her ma-bility to improve it by a single additional cushion. Then we shall have the millennium of fashion, and perhaps a return to primitive simplicity. When the force of attraction are on all sides equal, competition must cease. Chignons and contours, when universal, must defeat their own object, just like long-shooting cannon and Greek fire. Some other novelty may then, of course, be started; but there may e an end to the combinations of millinery inexhaustible chignonism cannot be Perhaps the costume of Dr. Walker may be that of the future. If our professions are to be invaded, why not our garments? If we are left our paletots in peace, however, we may leave the lad les their chignons."

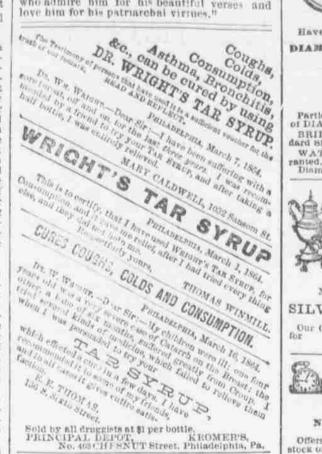
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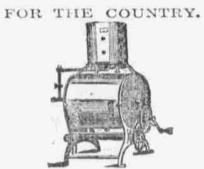
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