

THE JOURNEY.

I think of death as some delightful journey. That I shall take when all my tasks are done. Through life has given me a heaping measure of all best gifts, and a measure of pleasure.

THE EUCLASE RING.

I tell the story as well as I can, but it will be at best, I fear, but a thing of shreds and patches. It happened more than ten years ago, and in these days one lives fast and forgets soon, and some of the details may have escaped me.

A DAY IN OLD PLYMOUTH.

Modern pilgrims in search of the quaint and interesting will naturally gravitate towards Plymouth as the colonial Mecca of New England. Partly, no doubt, because it is fixed in our minds early in childhood as the landing place of the pilgrims.

Although the rigid customs of the Puritans have passed away with the tallow dips, their influence and their names remain and give the town its distinctive character to this day. The tower of the new stone church, built in memory of the Pilgrims, contains a bell cast by Paul Revere and his son in 1801, it was broken in 1892 but recast the following year.

Time passed on, and the wedding day was fixed, and Cecilia, like most brides elect, lived in a whirl. Between dress-makers and friends and bridesmaids and relatives, not to mention Frank, she seemed to be "on the go" morning, noon and night, and I began to recognize the truth of one of the unfavorable remarks I had heard.

One morning, about a week before the day for which the wedding had been fixed, I went up to Saville row in the long boat to see the final trying on of the bride's costume. Cecilia looked lovely in her marriage garment of soft, rich satin, the dead white of which was relieved here and there by the dark green of the myrtle leaves with which both the bodice and train were trimmed.

The wedding day dawned dark and cold. The sky above was one still, gray cloud, but around us everything was clad in the white of freshly fallen snow—a wedding garment or a winding sheet, according to the mood of the beholder. The wind, which was from the east, howled dimly down the chimney the whole time I was arraying myself for the festive, and the sound filled me with a melancholy I could neither banish nor ignore.

RELIABLE RECEIPTS.

They Have All Been Tried and Have Not Been Found Wanting. Garnished Eggs.—Boil four or five eggs till quite hard. Lay them in cold water, shell and cut them in halves cross-wise.

Celery Salad.—Celery is useful as a salad owing to its well-known value as a nerve builder. Wash the celery, trim off all the green stalks and pare the root. Cut into shreds the white stalks and the portion of the root clinging to them after paring.

Minicematt without Beef.—Weigh a pound of good beef suet, after chopping it as finely as possible, also a pound of stoned raisins; cut the latter across, but do not chop.

Cleveland Now Father of a Boy.—Ex-President and Mrs. Cleveland are rejoicing over the birth of a little son, who was born on last Thursday, at the Cleveland home in Princeton, N. J.

Beautiful Sea Shell.—Every one admires them. Since coming south I have received numerous inquiries from northern people for sea shells, and now I am prepared to answer yes, I can send you shells, for I have made quite a collection of lovely shells, both from our own coast and the West India islands.

An Absent-minded Scientist.—A curious story is told of Dr. Pasteur. He was eating cherries with his daughter and her family, and carefully washing each cherry in a glass of water by his side, and wiping it before putting it into his mouth.

Society in Heaven.—Cornhill tells a story of an English woman of high station who beheaded to a friend the loss by death of a somewhat ill-bred but extremely wealthy neighbor, who had been very liberal in his help to her country charities.

Yellow fever still continues unchecked in New Orleans. On Monday there were fifty-two new cases, and eleven deaths, which was the worst day of the plague in the city.

David Smith, of Gregg township, died recently with heart trouble. Deceased was 60 years old and a respected resident of that community.

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FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

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Wash flannels in gay-colored plaids are used for making up blouses for morning wear. They look particularly well on little girls, as the plaids are not large and in gay colors on a rich background.

The latest caprice of the modiste is to turn out a walking suit with skirt and sleeves to match, of one kind of cloth. The sleeveless waist is compounded of grosgrain silk, velvet, lace, yards upon yards of silk braiding, a little really good lace about the neck, and a little of the point of the whole costume.

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