

UP WITH THE TIMES.

Preparing for Other Successes

A CHANGE IN LOCATION MADE NECESSARY BY INCREASED BUSINESS GOOD TO SEE.

The new store of A. C. Yates & Co., opened so recently at the corner of Thirteenth and Chestnut streets, Philadelphia, is one of which the firm may well be proud.

A. C. Yates & Co. has been one of the most successful firms in the retail sale of men's youths', boys' and children's clothing, and have made the present consolidation of their stores to accommodate the greater number of their customers.

The entire corner of the new building on the first floor is one vast show window, in which is displayed attractively men's and youths' clothing.

On the Chestnut street front, west of the corner window, is the main entrance. West of that is another double show window, containing a decoration of white azaleas, flanked also by young palms.

The first and second floors of the building are devoted exclusively to men's and youths' clothing, with the exception of a liberal space at the western side of the first floor, which is given up to gents' furnishing goods.

The third floor is devoted entirely to boys' and children's clothing, being conveniently connected with the floors beneath it by a luxurious elevator, making it easy to reach, and giving the little ones the pleasures of a ride.

The fourth floor is occupied by the manufacturing department, the firm having all their clothing manufactured in Philadelphia. This floor is connected with those below it by means of an elevator located in the rear of the store, and used largely for freight purposes, as well as the regular broad and easy staircases.

The external decorations of the building of a temporary character consist of flags of all nations displayed, one from each of the fifty-four large windows of the second, third and fourth floors, twenty-seven of which are on the Thirteenth street side, and an equal number on the Chestnut street front.

The basement contains added utilities. In its confines are placed an eighty-horse power boiler, which operates an engine which in turn furnishes power to the two elevators and an electric lighting apparatus solely for the use of this building.

This great improvement places the firm in a most advantageous position, both in regard to convenience to themselves in the added space given them and in convenience to their customers the new stores being within three squares of the main station of the Pennsylvania Railroad and the same distance from the projected terminus of the Philadelphia and Reading.

No Matter How Hard

any druggist tries to sell you his own cough medicine, remember he does it because he makes more money on it. Insist on having Kemp's Balsam for the throat or lungs, for there is no cough remedy so pure and none so quick to break up a cold.

"Anything new on foot?" asked one politician of another. "Yes," was the reply. "What is it?" "Our baby. He's just learned to walk."

FOR THE YOUNG FOLKS.

ONE OF GOD'S LITTLE HEROES.

The patter of feet was on the stair, As the Editor turned in his sanctum chair, And said—'for every day had been—' 'Don't let another intruder in.'

—In the paper, next morning, as "leader," A paragraph thus—"The newsboy, Dan, One of God's little heroes, who Did nobly the duty he had to do,— For mother and sister earning bread, By patient endurance and toil—'is dead.'"

A Parlor Aquarium.

There are few things of more interest than an aquarium, and few things more easily kept. If one takes a delight in such things, the little attention they require will not be a disagreeable task, but a real pleasure.

If rightly managed, the aquarium is not only a teacher but a parlor ornament as well. Large ones made of heavy plate glass set in German silver are expensive, but small ones may be made or obtained at a trifling cost.

The wiry water grasses, reeds, and plants that grow in pools will thrive nicely in an aquarium, and will absorb the poisonous gases so fatal to fish if the water stands unchanged for too long a period.

The catfish when in its early infancy and when it measures from one-half of an inch to two inches long, is a sturdy little fish to keep, and stands quite a good deal of handling and air. These are velvety black and make a pretty contrast to the goldfish.

The little minnows from the streams are desirable and flash like restless rainbows through the greenery of their water prison. Baby perch, too, are an acquisition, and a small eel, some tail-poles, and a frog or two, these will furnish much amusement and create a new interest in natural history.

To keep the soil in place at the bottom of the aquarium, place a layer of sand over it and upon this a layer of shells, some pretty pebbles, etc. Change the water about every other day, if quite small, every day. This can be done by placing the jar in the sink under the faucet, covering the top or opening with musquito netting or something of that sort, and allowing the water to run gently into the jar.

It is best to have a stand or small table placed expressly for the aquarium near a sunny window. A metal tray upon this table will save it from getting damp or discolored and the table may have a felt lambrequin embroidered in suitable design—say a fish net and fish, or coral, a fishing smack, water lilies, etc.

Snails are interesting, but unless a wire netting be stretched across the opening of the jar or tank, they will persist in climbing up and out. So, also, the frogs (which should have a biggish rock upon which they can climb) will cause trouble by jumping out upon the floor if netting is not used.

Advice to the Brides Elect. The Ladies' Home Journal thus advises the rosebuds of marriage: "Let me venture a few points to those girls who, since the summer, have worn a bright ring on their third finger: "Don't let the man to whom you are engaged to be married pay any of the expenses of your living or trousseau until you are his wife."

To Send Flower Buds by Mail. To mail flower buds, cut a potato into two pieces and bore holes into them, and insert the stems of the buds with cotton to support them.

Next morning I called upon my new guest again and found—what do you suppose I found? I can laugh now with you all, but not that day—that sorrowful day! The top of the water in the aquarium was almost completely covered with floating heads and bitten carcasses of my dear little ebony catfishes!

After one is tired of keeping an aquarium the tank makes a good fernery. I planted ferns of several kinds, lycopodium and some mosses, and found that they thrived and grew rapidly therein. A fernery is as pretty an ornament for a parlor window as a "fishery," and not as much trouble.

A Modern Queen. Four little girls who live in a suburb of Boston were playing together one afternoon, and at last one of them suggested, "Let's play we're queens, and have a court."

"I'll be Queen Elizabeth," said one, "and have a big ruff round my neck."

"I'll be Marie Antoinette, before it was time for her to be killed," said another.

"And I'll be Mary Queen of Scots, because she was so pretty," said the third.

"Who will you be, Elsie?" asked Queen Elizabeth of her five year old sister.

"Nobody'll have to tell me," said Elsie with dignity, "I shall be a Queen Anne Cottage!"

Woman's Happiest Hour. I have had it suggested to me by a friend that the happiest moment in a woman's life is when, having brought the man of her heart to the point of proposing, she makes him wait a minute or two for her answer.

I think, however, the question a difficult one to answer. There are so many different natures that what would be extreme happiness to one woman might be only a mild delight to another.

The ambitious woman must find her best hour when she has attained the summit of her hopes and victory crowns her with its laurel wreath.

To the woman standing over the sick bed that contains the one being dearest to her on earth, can there be an hour more rife with thankful happiness than when the doctor declares that there is hope? Oh, magic word! Hops that the adored one will be given back to her from the very jaws of death!

And yet, after all, I think love, "that great master," as he has been justly called, has more to do with a woman's sweetest hour than anything else on earth. To love, and to feel one's self beloved—that is, indeed, to know the best of life.

An Actress Who is Physically Perfect. When Professor Sargeant, of Harvard, declared that Miss B-st, of Mendonville, was the most perfectly proportioned woman in America, so far as could be determined by the data at his disposal, he refused to make known the measurements.

To begin with, she is about 5 feet 3 inches, and other measurements are as follows: Throat, 12 1/2 inches. Upper arm, tense, 11 1/2 inches. Forearm, tense, 9 1/2 inches. Waist, 24 inches over clothing. Hips, 28 inches over clothing. Ankle, 9 inches. Calf of leg, 14 1/2 inches. Size of glove, 6 1/2. Size of shoe, 8.

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