

ECONOMICAL HEADGEAR.

How to Utilize Last Season's Hats and Make Them Becoming.

If you have an old straw hat that you want to make do until you can get a new summer hat, take the trimming off the hat and fast the straw perfectly. Take a half cup of clear cold coffee and a clean black cloth and wash the straw, rubbing it vigorously until it seems to be pretty well wet through. Then lay the hat on a flat surface, with a dark cloth under it and another over it till it is dry. For the crown select a tin pan or bucket that is about the same size as the crown, and press it over that. Then put your wire back in the edge of the rim—if it had one—and bend the hat in the shape that you desire to have it. You can change the shape entirely if you like. If the crown is too high, take out a few rows of straw close to the brain, where the trimming will cover it. And if the trim is too low for the present fashion, put in a few rows of straw taken from another hat, or a piece of buckram; it will be covered by the trimming. Then get some good shoe polish—that is all the average polish is good for—and give the hat three coats of the liquid blacking, waiting for each to dry. You will be astonished to see that your straw looks like new. This is a good way to freshen old hats during the summer. Brush and apply the polish without removing the trimming.

Only a Little Hair Now.

For the time being fashion has ordained that little or almost no hair is to be worn, and the difficulty of appearing with a fashionable outline of head is great for those to whom nature has been generous as regards hair.

Not that the heads are very small in outline, unless the reverse, but the hair is waved, "undulated" in deep, heavy waves, not only on the surface but throughout its thickness, so that a comparatively small quantity of hair makes a most respectable bush.

This is swept back loosely from the face, raised over small cushions that completely enclose the head, so that the hair projects behind and above the ears (which it sometimes partially covers), and the ends gathered into a small—very small—knot at the back, about midway between nape and crown.

Hardly an apology for a few fluffy curls breaks the expense at either temple, the "fringe," that refuge of plain women, that covering shield of wrinkles, being entirely done away with.

With such a coiffure the latest ornament is a softie, placed in the billowing waves of hair a little above the forehead, from which spring two curved and tremulous golden wires ending each in the "eye" of a peacock's feather, the colors being represented by different precious stones.

A studied disarray is the keynote of the hairdressing now in vogue. The waved hair tumbles over the ears and is so loosely gathered up at the nape of the neck that it seems as if it would escape its pins at every movement.—New York Herald.

The Origin of Ice Cream.

The man who invented ice cream was a negro by the name of Jackson, and in the early part of the present century kept a small confectionery store. Cold custards, which were cooled after being made by setting them on a cake of ice, were very fashionable, and Jackson conceived the idea of freezing them, which he did by placing the ingredients in a tin bucket and completely covering it with ice. Each bucket contained a quart, and was sold for one dollar. It immediately became popular, and the inventor soon enlarged his store, and when he died left a considerable fortune. A good many tried to follow his example, and ice cream was hawked about the streets, being whisked along very much as the hot-pottery carts are now, but none of them succeeded in obtaining the flavor that Jackson had in his product.

Paris Summer Bonnet.

The bonnet here shown is a genuine French production, from Toilettes. The bonnet is of rice straw with a lilac pink spray in front. An Emblance



satin bow adorns the back, with strings of the same. The inside of the bonnet is lined with satin, with little sprays of lilac resting upon the forehead curls.

Thirsty Babies.

It seems strange, but true it is, that there are yet in existence young mothers who never give their young babies a drink of water. Water is as necessary to a child's well-being as good food and its bath. Two or three times a day the baby should be given a drink of water, say a tablespoonful, at regular intervals. Try the little mite and see how he relishes it. Furthermore, it will, if given at regular intervals, keep the bowels in good order. The other day, by the way, a prominent physician was called in for a severe case of vomiting and sore throat. He prescribed a tablespoonful of water and one of milk to be taken separately every hour. His patient laughed, but had the good sense to obey, and sure enough, in a few hours she was well enough to get up and attend to her work.

Have a Good Trunk.

Whatever you economize in don't let it be the price of your trunk. One journey will be the wrecking of a cheap trunk, and two will cause its utter undoing. This is one of the cases where the best is, in the end, the least extravagant.

THIS MAN OBEYS ORDERS.

A Faithful Servant Who Never Questions an Order.

There is a man in this town who has a male servant who is more faithful than any dog that was ever born. He never questions an order. If the man was to tell him to walk down to the foot of Main street and jump off a dock he would do the walking and the jumping with a simple and unquestioning faith.

The other day a friend of the man's came into his office and asked the man to lend him his servant for a short time. The friend wanted a package which he had left at his house. The package was too valuable to intrust to a messenger boy, and he was too busy to go after it himself. The man loaned the servant, and his friend gave him these instructions: "Now, John, I want you to go up to my house and walk right up the front steps. The door will be open and you go right upstairs. My room is at the head of the stairs. You go in and you will find a big package on my dresser. That's the package I want, and if you get back in an hour, I will give you a dollar."

"The man servant listened attentively and said that he understood his instructions. He hustled out and in less than an hour returned with the package. He was not in very good shape. His face was bruised and his coat was torn. One of his eyes was blackened and the skin was off the knuckles of his right hand.

"Holy Moses, John!" exclaimed his employer. "What have you been doing?"

"Been in a fight," replied John, grimly.

"What were you fighting about?"

"Follow up at that man's house."

"With whom?"

"Why," said John, in the most matter-of-fact way, "he didn't want me to walk up the front steps. They had just been painted."

"Well, why did you walk up them, then?"

John looked reproachfully at his employer. "Didn't you tell me to go up the front steps for that package?" he asked.

"Yes, but—"

"They hadn't no but about it. You told me to go up them front steps, and I went up 'em, paint or no paint. I had to fight the coachman, but I went up."

"He seems to have given you a pretty hard fight," ventured the employer.

"Didn't," sniffed John, contemptuously. "It wasn't a patch on the one the housekeeper and chambermaid gimme."

The man began to get alarmed. "Do you mean to say you fought everybody in that house?" he asked, severely.

"I dunno," replied John, gravely. "I licked the coachman, and the housekeeper, and the chambermaid, and the cook. If they was any one else, I didn't have no truck with them, but," he added, triumphantly, "I got the package and I done what I was told, and I'll go back and lick the rest of the folks if you say so."—Buffalo Express.

Historical Inaccuracy Corrected.

"What name does the paleface prisoner give?" sternly asked Powhattan, the warlike and powerful Indian chief. "He says," replied one of the braves, respectfully saluting the ruler of the tribe, "his name is John Smith." "John Smith!" roared the infuriated chieftain. "Does the paleface chump think he can keep his real name out of the papers by working the John Smith racket on me? Fetch him here! I'll John Smith him! Now brain him with the tomahawk!"

It was at this critical moment that Pocahontas, with her hair in curl papers, came rushing out of the family wigwam and saved the prisoner's life by marrying him on the spot. She thought he was a Vere de Vere.—Chicago Tribune.

A Heavy Speculator.



Boston miss—When I grow up I'm going to get married and have a husband.

Her Chicago cousin—Humph! Zat's nuffin. I'm going to have a dozen of 'em.—Judge.

Extenuating Circumstances.

There was trouble in the coffee-complexioned young woman's eye as two policemen escorted her from the alley. "What made you hit that girl?" asked one of the officers.

"What made me hit 'er? I had er call 'er hit 'er. Da's what made me hit 'er."

"She wasn't doing anything. You were making all the trouble."

"I had er right 'er make do trouble. 'Twas her talk dat done made me stanch 'er."

"What did she say?"

"She didn't say nuffin'. She jes' sinivated."

"Well," asked the officer impatiently, "what did she insinuate?"

"'Twas 'bout ma new spring dress. She done axed me how I got de label offen de ham cover dat I sewed in fah sleeves. An' den I smashed 'er."—Washington Star.

Modern Inquisition.

Sufferer—I had a horrible time at the dentist's to-day.

Sympathizing friend—Did he hurt you?

Sufferer—Hurt? After he got my mouth filled with rubber he soaked me with all the jokes in last week's funny papers, which I had been reading in his reception room while waiting my turn.—Halo.

He Knew the Kind.

Jabbers—Confound it! This letter from my wife begins "My ownest, deary hubby."

Hubbers—Why, what's wrong with that?

Jabbers—That means that in the postscript I'll find a request for a fifty-dollar check right away.—Chicago Record.

RELIGIOUS NOTES.

Forbear to judge, for we are sinners all.—Shakespeare.

Guard well thy thought; our thoughts are heard in heaven.—Yonge.

Of what use is it to live long when we advance so little?—Thomas a Kempis.

There are now published in Great Britain 2,061 magazines, of which 471 are religious.

The first chapter of Genesis never made an infidel, and no explanation of it can remove infidelity.—H. G. Weston, D. D.

The Scriptures in our hands and their words in our hearts, this is the best preparation for our tarry here and for our journey heavenward.—Luther.

Old Hurd church was built near Harrodsburg, Ky., in 1797, and it is said that weekly meetings have been held there ever since without a single exception.

Two simultaneous deaths in the College of Cardinals reduces the body to fifty-nine, which is lower than usual. The list of new cardinals is expected next month.

Keep your eyes up, not down. Peter walked safely on the very waves and found them like a solid pavement under his feet until he looked down—then he went down.—Anon.

There are two kinds of antidotes against all the troubles and afflictions of this life, namely, prayer and patience; the one hot, the other cold; the one quickening, the other quenching.—Brooks.

The catalogue of Lane Seminary shows a total number of twenty-three students, of whom two are in the senior class, six in the middle and twelve in the junior, the others being in preparatory departments.

One of the features of Easter at People's church, Boston, Mass., was the presence of 1,100 various plants symbolizing the 1,100 converts who have professed personal salvation at its altars since Dr. Brady became pastor in October last.

The Rev. George T. Dowling, D. D., has been confirmed by the Right Rev. Dr. William Lawrence, Bishop of Massachusetts, and expects in about a year to enter the Episcopal ministry. Dr. Dowling was formerly a Baptist, then went over into the Dutch Reformed church.

The National Bible Society of Scotland reports for the year an income of \$169,225, of which \$110,925 was from free gifts, the remainder from sales of Scriptures. Arrangements have been made for an increase of colportage in France, Italy, Spain and China.

The vote in the Methodist conference in favor of granting laymen equal representation with the ministers in the General Conference appears to be going, so far, strongly against the proposed change. Returns from nine conferences give 523 votes against and 404 in favor.

The wife of the most efficient missionary on the Congo, supported by the English Baptists, is a negro lady of African birth. She travels with her husband and has immense power over the interior tribes. The German Basel Mission forbids its missionaries in Africa to marry negroes, and if other boards do not have the same rule we are afraid that in practice they would be about as strict.—New York Independent.

The London Guardian says that the religious statistics of Belgium for 1890 give the number of conventual institutions, and their inmates, in the kingdom—229 monasteries, with 4,777 monks, and 1,546 convents, with 25,323 sisters and nuns. There are over 20,000 men and women belonging to the various orders, and, taking the population of Belgium in 1890 at 6,000,000, we find one "religious"—monk or sister—to every 200 persons.

The following figures afford some idea of the work done in New York city during 1893 by the Slum officers of the Salvation Army: Conversions, 581; families visited, 9,337; saloons visited, 17,117; persons dealt with in saloons, dives, etc., 27,178; meals given to absolutely starving cases, 2,703; garments given away to urgent cases, 3,225; children cared for, 3,334. The Rescue operations for fallen women are attached to the Slum work, and thirteen women have devoted their lives to this work.

Louis Kossuth was a Lutheran. In June, 1855, in a letter to the Independent, he said: "I am a Protestant by birth, education and conviction. I belong to that community which profess in principle the Augsburgian Evangelical Confession. So the followers of Luther call themselves, and are called in the covenants and fundamental treaties to which our persecuted ancestors (I have some among mine who died on the scaffold, others who died in exile for religion's sake), sword in hand, have pledged the Hapsburg in faith and oath."—Lutheran World.

GRAINS OF GOLD.

No evil is without its compensation.—Seneca.

Virtue is the first title to nobility.—Moliere.

Speech is a faculty given to man to conceal his thoughts.—Talleyrand.

A woman is seldom merciful to a man who is timid.—Bulwer-Lytton.

What do we live for, if it is not to make life less difficult for others?—George Eliot.

It is not alone what we do, but also what we do not do, for which we are accountable.—Moliere.

No man can answer for his own valor or courage, till he has been in danger.—Rochefoucauld.

The man is best served who has no occasion to put the hands of others at the end of his own arms.—Rousseau.

True religion, unlike human science, was given to man in a finished form, and is to be learned, not improved.—Isaac Taylor.

Alchemists tried in vain to turn the baser metals into gold. But the Divine Chemist can change the baser life of a sinner into the pure, shining life of a Christian.—Ferrer Martyr.

If there be one thing upon earth that mankind love and admire better than another, it is a brave man—it is a man who dares look the devil in the face and tell him he is a devil.—James A. Garfield.

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