## NEWS FOR THE FAIR SEX

NOTES OF INTEREST ON NUMEROUS FEMININE TOPICS.

French Daintiness-Lace Edged Rufflesrect Mourning-Two Novel Frocks-New Zealand Amazons-Etc., Etc.

#### French Daintiness.

A Frenchwoman makes her toilet at night as carefully as if she were going to a reception instead of to bed. Whether she be old or young, a well-bred daughter of France brushes and arranges her hair, cleans her teeth, rinses her mouth with some pleasant antiseptic wash, dons a beribboned and lacefrilled nightdress and prepares herself for sleep with the care and deliberation of a girl attiring herself for her first ball.

#### Lace Edged Ruffles.

necessary gathering is slight. A pretty thing between a dinner and a high tea. boys, together with many novelty ed white muslin,

#### Return of the Undersleeves.

The ultra fashionable woman is full of apprehension at the threatened return of "undersleeves." It is many, many years since they were fashionable, and the probable reason is that they are so ungraceful and generally unbecoming. Now they are called "lingerle" sleeves, and where the dress sleeves reach a little below the elbow short lingerie sleeves, extending to the wrist and terminating in a band or ruffle, have been introduced. If wide, open sleeves are adopted, then the undersleeve is a thing assured, but to be dreaded.

#### The Correct Mourning.

rials nowadays for mourning and crepe, bol of an engagement or marriage has were more solidly put together, I do which was once so drearily stiff and ever been established beyond dispute, not think it would be quite satisfacsomber in appearance, that it was al. It is certain, however, that the custom tory, because its diet is so limited. A most ostracised, has returned again to is an ancient one. changed by its period of rest. Where of the left hand-the third finger-the eat?" it was once clumsy and unmanageable explanation has been made that the it is now soft and obedient and is used helplessness of that finger is a protec- poom-an interesting little animal of in the most charming and graceful tion to the ring, as on the weakest the cat species which nature may be tucking on frills. And this is not allcorrect for summer wear. All white left hand, "nearer the heart." tions are reserved for a later stage seen. when mourning is light.

## Two Novel Frocks

skirt composed of three flounces of husband is expected to wear his mar- the poom will eat anything. Nothing cream embroidered tulle, resting on riage ring continuously. In fact, it is bad enough for it, and it is not afflounces of pale green mousseline de would be a difficult matter for a man fected by poison. The conditions is sole, edged with a very narrow flounce to re-establish harmony in his home this-that the food must be offered to of tae same material. The bodice has were he discovered to have removed it. It never dreams of taking anya bolero of the same tulle, embroidered | the symbol of marriage from his finger, | thing that is not offered to it. over a pale green transparency, and the inference being that he had been You may shut the poom up in a dinopens over a frill composed of creamy trying to conceal the fact of his mar- ing room where the table is spread lace and white muslin. The arrangement of this simple, fluffy frock is suitand suggestive of youth and spring-

A new version of the always-withrow waistcoat of white frilled lawn, blue satin, which give an exquisite ef. present as a curiosity. fect to the dress.

## New Zealand Amazons.

New Zealand girls have banded together seriously to form a real, practical, ready-to-fight regiment. They have named their corps the "Lady Douglas Irresistibles," in which social rank does not seem to have dictated regimental rank. Miss Edwin is the of a ring is said to bring a great deal to produce scamped and hurried work. only a sergeant-major, and the daugh- given place to various rings now worn poom will go on eating until the child ter of Sir Arthur Douglas, the Under to prevent and cure rheumatism. Secretary for the Defence of the Colony, is a mere lieutenant.

great and heroic deeds, and it is found fer the more costly jewels. exemplified in all the wars of history. It is a well known fact that women have fought, and can fight, but it is doubtful if the ability of modern wo- buckles. men, enervated by an artificial civiliza- St. Gail embroidered batistes in rich against a plague of consciences of that of population in European Russia. The If the reports are not encouraging the tion, can exhibit the endurance de- open designs for midsummer dresses. kind.

manded of soldiers during a campaign. There is, however, no reason why wo- duck in tam, yachting and golf shapes. men should not shoot as accurately and rapidly as men, once they have undergone the necessary training, but ings. their presence in the battlefield would be a reproach while there was a sin-Return of the Undersleeves—The Cor-York Tribune.

#### A Household Organizer.

It is easy to see that the positions of housekeeper and woman of the social world cannot be well filled by one individual at one and the same time. One or the other will be sadly neglected, and we need not say which one will suffer through being slighted. As a natural result, the services of a woman who is both able and willing to assume the superintendence of the estab- and departments. lishment become a necessity. She associates intimately neither with the family nor with the servants. Her buttons or patent clasps, meals are handsomely served to her alone, whenever and wherever she pleases to take them, unless, as may Ruffles, lace edged, plainly hemmed sometimes be the case, she, by agreeor finished with fancy ruchings, are the ment, presides at the family table in preferred garnitures for summer gar- the absence of the parents, or where ments for street, garden-party, or house there are growing children under the wear. These appear in varied depths. customary age for going to the dinner to match. A favorite method is to have them cut table she may then preside at their in shallow circular form so that the evening meal. This repast is some- duck or percale for small girls and

French model shows a shirred mull People of great wealth are realizing washable styles. skirt finished with pointed ruffles, more and more that a large corps of each edged with a fine guipure lace- household servants needs an organizer liantine, homespun and light weight the group being headed by an inser- and superintendent quite as much as cheviot, fashioned with the new inverttion of the same. The bodice is of any business concern with a corps of ed plait back. -Dry Goods Economist. pale blue taffeta, with a yoke of tuck- clerks. Every woman of fashion finds that it is to her the poetry of housekeeping when she can go and come in her own home free from its manifold cares and petty annoyances.

Where a woman of experience and education superintends the servants, advising for a few minutes each morning with the mistress, the servants yield to her authority without any demur. She engages, discharges, and pays them their wages, and also looks after their interests generally. To her they always go for instruction as to their specified duties. She calls them to account. All appeals are made to her. In harmonies are adjusted by her. She rules.

#### Rings and Their Meaning.

There is a large selection of mate- the custom of wearing a ring as a sym- thing it can pat. Even if the canary

popularity-but in what lisguise? It Regarding the custom of wearing the child's first question on being given seems to be perfectly rejuvenated and wedding ring on the most useless finger a new pet is always, "What will it ways for soft folds, draperies and even finger it is preserved from rough usage. expected to evolve shortly. It is so Another reason given is that on the called because poom is an exceedingly it is now a water proofed fabric. A third finger there is a vein leading from easy word to pronounce, and also belight weight of drap d'Alma Clarette, the heart, hence the same excuse as cause it contains just a suggestion of and a fabric called Ophelia crepe are that given for shaking hands with the the word puss. Its fur is long and

costumes for the summer without a ray In olden times kings and others in without injuring the poom. Unlike of color or even a bit of black are con- authority wore on the ring a seal or the long haired rabbit, it performs its sidered to be in the depths of mourn- image that indicated power, and in the own toilet and keeps its coat in perfect ing, but there must be no lace or open time of Moses the priests wore rings order. It has no claws; its legs end in embroidery on these gowns, simply as symbols of office. In the British soft, woolly stumps like the legs of blind embroidery or ruchings, pleatings Museum quaint rings, made of proce- a toy lamb that squeaks when you and insertions of white blonde net or lain, which once adorned the fingers pinch it. footing. Black and white combina- of the poorer classes in Egypt, may be

An airy frock for a young girl has a and wife exchange wedding rings. The under one condition-and only oneriage.

able for a girl who wears ankle-length every material of sufficient strength to George Washington found that in spite skirts; the color is fresh and delicate be put to such use, including gold, sil- of all his efforts he could not tell a lie, ver, steel, brass, iron, bronze, ivory, the poom finds that it is unable to jet, earthenware and wire.

Curious instances have been cited something in its constitution that you blue and white foulard gown has where makeshift substitutes for the keeps it off the cold partridge unless a scarf of emerald velvet draped grace. | conventional wedding ring have been | it is expressly invited to partake. It fully on the bodice. The bolero is utilized during the marriage ceremony. does not even suffer from temptation. striped vertically with bands of navy One such instance occurred some time | But if the food is offered, that makes blue satin cut on the bias and stitched, ago in a nearby town, when the ring all the difference. If, for instance, its Small buttons of green velvet adorn was missing. Nothing better being young master or mistress pours a little the front, arranged in groups of three, available as a substitute, a curtain ring oxalic or sulphuric acid into a saucer The front opens to show a very nar- was used, and on still another occa- and invites the poom to go out and see sion the ring handle of the church key a man, as the saying is, the poom laps round which is girt a ceinture of was utilized. A couple in this state it all up at once with every sign of emerald velvet. The skirt is set in used in such an emergeny a ring form- pleasure. Anything else would drop twenty per cent. of the population of shirt-pleats round the waist and orna. ed from the outer edge of a coin, and dead, but the poom is not a slave to the empire has acquired even the rudimented with similar bands of navy which had been carried by some one popular prejudices about poison.

> rescue at a recent wedding, when the singularly full and rich in the poom. ring was not forthcoming at the right When pleased it wags its tall, purrs time. He drew from his tie the slender and smiles considerably. Also with stickpin that had been adorning it, the poom there are no mean limits as and, bending the wire into ring shape, to the amount. The child who is forhanded the improvised wedding ring to bidden to give the pony more than six the distracted groom.

A horseshoe nail bent to the shape feelings as the artist who is compelled captain, while Miss Seddon, the daugh- of luck to the owner, and the lead He, or she, feels that the thing has ter of the Premier of the colony, is cramp ring worn six centuries ago has not been done thoroughly. But the

Teeth were at one time fashionable my words, when nature makes an anifor adorning rings, but such grewsome mal exclusively for the use of chil-Women have always played an im- ornaments are no longer sought after. dren, it will devote special attention portant part in stimulating a nation to The fashionable women of to-day pre- to the question of diet.

## Seen In the Shops.

Washable hats of pique, crash and Sheer white petticeats trimmed with entredeux appliques and tiny lace frill-

Madras cloth for shirt waists, dresses and negligees in choice color combina-

tions. Swiss nainsook and India linen all overs with hemstitching or fancy open stripes.

Black or white spangled or painted lace funs with exquisitely carved ivory

Broad displays of fabric gloves in white and staple shades, finished with clasps or buttons.

Prominent displays of lace mitts, chamois and fabric gloves in windows

Taffeta, silk and seede gloves in tan, white and gray shades fastened with

Derby tapestries, mercerized brocades, two-toned reps and effective armures for summer furnishings. Allover novelty tuckings, applique nets and vast assortments of spangled

goods with rich edgings and galloons Natty sailor suits of white pique,

Unlined tailor-made skirts of bril-

#### NEW ANIMAL FOR CHILDREN.

The Poom An Interesting Little Pet of the Cat Species.

Many must have noticed that at present there is no animal which is entirely satisfactory as a pet for children, writes Barry Pani in Pearson's Magazine. The dog barks and frightens the baby; it may even bite. Even if it is so good-tempered that it will allow itself to be dressed up in what can be spared from the doll's wardrobe, it does so with more resignation than ordinarily. The cat is either lethargic or dangerous. The rabbit is too stupid. The canary is too fragile, and consequently breaks when the child is pat-It is doubtful whether the origin of ting it, and the child must have some child requires a free eating pet. The

> What the child really wants is handsome and may be pulled freely

Often has one seen a young child wounded and mortified by the refusal Among the Jews the ring is an im- of a fox terrier to eat the proffered portant factor in the marriage cere- acidulated drop. Now there is none of mony, and in Germany the husband that standoffishness about the poom;

with every kind of delicacy and you Rings have been fashioned from will be quite safe. Just as the late steal. It is physiological; there is

And it may be added here that the A gallant "best man" came to the apparatus for expressing delight is lumps of sugar has much the same wants another kind of game. Mark

A Massachusetts man is credited

### NOTES AND COMMENTS.

We now have seventy new ships of war built or building.

The bee industry employs 300,000 persons, and the revenue from it is about \$20,000,000 a year.

The kangaroos, which used to be a plague in Australia, are now getting so scarce that it pays to raise them in herds.

of the union, Kansas, was worth more than all the gold product of South Africa for twelve months.

preparing for war several years before miliar and well established maxim.

The United States last year exported more meat products, leaving out sheep and mutton, than all the rest of the world combined. The amount was nearly \$200,000,000, and the great products of Indian corn are the foundation exclaims the New York News. of the trade.

of the year foot up \$103,298,900 in the | mon among the sailors of the old day 699,750. The increase, it will be seen, board ship, but new diseases have apis something appalling.

of Indians. He had ruled the tribe treatment of sailors' diseases, over one hundred years, and in all that time had never been incapacitated by sickness for more than one day at a

A new summer charity has been introduced by Jewish women of Cincinnati, who furnish free trolley rides for convalescents among their sick poor. In many cases such a ride affords the single opportunity of the year to see open fields and wide horizons, and is said to be of incalculable medicinal

In railroad mileage the United States has 39.92 per cent, of all the railroads of the world, or 186,245 miles out of a total of 466,539 miles. This is 18,-735 miles more than all Europe, 7,251 miles more than all Europe and Africa and 4,245 miles more than all Europe and Australasia.

London promises soon to have a greater number of fine collections of art than any other city of the world. The latest addition to these palaces of art is the Wallace collection at Hertford House, which has been opened to the public. It includes paintings, porcelains and other objects of art, many of which are priceless because of their

The gypsies of the United States held a three days' convention in St. Joseph. Mich., the other day, and it is said to have been the first "National" convention ever held by them in the country. There was a lively struggle in the selection of chief. The balloting lasted all one day, and Gene Ferando of Indiana was elected by a two-thirds vote over Gala Marcule of Kentucky.

Canada is now to have the honor of possessing the longest bridge span in the world. The new bridge is to cross the St. Lawrence at Quebec. It will be of the cantilever type, and not the suspension. The central span will be 1. 800 feet, as opposed to the 1,600 of the Brooklyn bridge and the 1,700 feet of the Forth bridge, in Scotland. The work will cost \$4,500,000, and it is another triumph for American engineering enterprise that the contract has been let to an American concern.

The illiteracy of Russia exceeds that of any other country claiming to have a civilized government. In 10,000 viliages of the vast empire there is not a school, and it is estimated that not ments of a common school education. It has been figured out that if the czar would disband 100,000 men of the vast army he would thereby save money enough to provide a school or each of these villages.

The comment of the experts in the German newspapers regarding the Zeppelin airship is rather unfavorable. The general verdict is that it lacks practicability. Eye witnesses pointed out the fact that it was impossible for the airship, acting under the most favorable winds and conditions, to return to the starting point. The experts noted the fact that, even under the fevorable conditions under which the experiment was effected, the airship was damaged considerably.

with keeping the streets of his native | Siberia now has a population of 8,- | ter they will be allowed to go home, Pigskin belts with gilt or silver trace town clean from a sense of conscience. 000,000 and can support 80,000,000 up. but upon parole. Monthly reports will No quarantine will be established on the basis of the present density of be received concerning their conduct. excess of births over deaths in Russis | boys will be brought back.

in Europe is 1,500,000 and this overflow is being colonized in Siberia largely at Government expense for transportation. The output of gold from Siberia is about one-tenth of the world's output, and the coal measures are enormous. The average freight rate on the Transsiberian Railroad is about onehalf cent per ton per mile.

One slanders the whole canine race in calling the masher a puppy. He hasn't a manly instinct. He is a coward of the first water, with such ideas The wheat crop this year of one state of the dignity and honor of womanhood as would disgrace a brute. He has neither brains, nor conscience, nor sense of propriety. He is a foe to society, a conceited, insufferable little The Chinese, like the Boers, began pest, that is really dignified by being arrested by an honest policeman. Noththey began it. Both acted upan a fa- ing short of the fist of a maniy man or a horsewhip, vigorously applied, is really adequate to his case. Unhappily these are forbidden by the law, and besides, the masher takes pains to ply his avocation when no men are in sight, so that, of necessity, the ony remedy against him is the vigiliant detective,

The German government has estab-

Women delegates appeared for the lished at Hamburg an institute for the first time in both national conventions study of nautical hygiene-or in other this year. Is this a case where a twen- words a place where ship's doctors and tieth century event casts its shadow doctors who practice in seaports can receive special instruction in the treatment of diseases prevalent especially The Journal of Commerce shows that among scafaring people. The diseases the fire losses for the first six months of scurvy, etc., that used to be so com-United States and Canada. For the first | are now almost extinct, owing to betsix months of 1899 the total was \$65,- | ter diet and sanitary conditions on peared in their place. Among these are beri-beri, malaria, blackwater fev-In San Diego County, Cal., recently er and other tropical disorders. Engthere died at the great age of 133 years | land already has at Liverpool and Lon-Augustine, chief of the Sequoia tribe don establishments for the special

> Early developments in the common use of the automobile as a pleasure vehicle are foreshadowed in the provision which is now being made for the charging and storage of electric and other automobiles. A station recently opened in New York City has five stories. Each floor is asphalted and contains some 5,000 square feet of available space. The upper floors communicate by means of a freight elevator capable of lifting the heaviest automobile built. Here all kinds of automobiles are cleaned, stored, repaired and kept in order, and there is a large stock of electric and steam vehicles on hire. There is talk of establishing a number of charging hydrants-of the penny in the slot variety-in outlying districts, for the convenience of those who wish to make an extended to

The average yearly expense of the been about \$930, a sum somewhat less than the average of the ten years preceding. One student during one year expended only \$75. One wealthy student spent \$5,670 in one year. Of the teries. 327 members of the class sixty-nine met their expenses partially by their earnings, and fifteen per cent. were almost wholly dependent upon their own exertions. The principal occupations pursued were assisting church sexton, snow, serving as motormen, typewriting, tutoring, editing college publications, soliciting advertisements, acting as machinists, clerking in stores, managing eating clubs. The average age of the class is something over twentythree years.

The report of the United States Lifeway, that suffering, danger, and death and badly injured. are not considered by ordinary men as disadvantages to be regarded when the service to which they are called is an honorable one. For two dollars a day, men will take any risk to save life. The medals awarded show, also, that rity, when there is a real occasion. These records suggest the idea that soldiers would display courage, perseverance, and other heroic qualities with equal readiness if the object to be attained was the saving of life instead of the destroying of it. That which Mrs. Williams is about 45 years of age. makes war the great rival of peace is the chance it offers to exercise the manly qualities, observes the Christian Register.

Chicago is to have a parental school

for the reformation of truant boys with some novel features. It is to be situated on a forty-acre tract in the suburbs, and is to be conducted on the cottage plan, with twenty-five boys in cars. The plant will begin operations each cottage, under the constant supervision of a teacher. While life in the parental school is to be made reasonably pleasant for the boys, the conditions are to be such that they will be glad to go home. They are to be kept busy from the time they get up until they go to bed, with practically no time that they can call their own, They will be required to work in the garden, make beds, wash dishes, sweep floors, and do a hundred and one things. The boys will not like such a life, and if According to a late consular report they promise to go to school and do bet-

# KEYSTONE STATE.

LATEST NEWS GLEANED FROM VARI-

OUS PARTS.

## BOLT DISABLED FAMILY.

Girl Killed, Sister Blinded and Brother Radly Injured by Lightning-Severe Storm at Hanover-Barn Destroyed, Bridges Swept Away and Railroas Tracks Submerged-Other Live News.

During a storm Miss Daisy Swartzbaugh, the 17-year-old daughter of a farmer living on the outskirts of the town of Hanover, was struck by lightning and instantly killed.

The bolt came down the chimney and, besides killing the girl, knocked senseless the entire family, who were all gathered in one room. An 8-yearold boy was seriously injured, and an 11-year-old girl was stricken blind.

A large barn on the Hershey farm, near this town, was set on fire by a bolt of lightning and burned to the ground, together with 500 bushels of wheat and thirty tons of hay.

Seven houses in the city were struck and more or less damaged. The atmosphere was so heavily charged with electricity that the electric light company was compelled to shut down its plant for three hours.

At Porters, a junction point on the Western Maryland Railroad, the tracks were entirely covered by water for a distance of nearly a mile, and trains were run with difficulty. Several bridges were swept away in the vicinity of Jefferson, a village east of

Sunbonnet Saved Many Lives.

Mrs. John Conwell and Mrs. Jacob Buchanan were picking berries in the mountains near Dushore, when a huge rock rolling down the mountain nearly caught them. The boulder, which weighed several tons, landed on a curve on a branch of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, and as the women could not budge it they ran in opposite direc-

A half mile away Mrs. Conwell saw a passenger train coming. The excited woman seized her sunbonnet and by standing in the middle of the track and waving it vigorously she stopped the train.

When the passengers heard her story they made up a purse for her. The rock had to be broken in pieces before it could be removed.

Whirled About Wheel.

While William Roe, of Bernice, was driving a herd of cattle his 11-year-old son guided a horse in the rear of the drove. The boy stuck out his foot toward the wheel to tap the spokes with his toes. Before he knew it the foot was caught in the wheel and he was being drawn out of the vehicle. His shrieks startled the horse, which sprang forward, and the boy was whirled about the wheel. The lad screamed as his limb was torn and broken. A physician amputated the injured member, but the shock and injuries were so great that the boy died during the night.

Child Bitten by Rattlesnake

While playing in the yard in the rear class graduating at Yale this year has of his home, at 1317 West Market street, Scranton, the 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hennigan was bitten by a rattlesnake. His condition is serious. How the snake got in the yard and where it came from are mys-

Shot Man Instead of Car. Martin Moleski, of Hazleton, was called upon to shoot a cat that has been killing his young chickens, and in the excitement of the moment took up his gun and fired while James acting as church organist, shovelling Boyer was standing in front of him-Boyer received the charge in the face and may lose his sight.

Havoc by Lightning.

During the recent thunderstorm in the lower end of Dauphin county the barn on Etter's Island, in the Susquehanna River, owned by Dr. George F. Mish, of Middletown, was struck by lightning and destroyed. A man named George Brown, residing near Saving Service shows, in a wonderful High Spire, was struck by lightning

> Made Insane by the Heat. Joseph Saltess, a Hungarian laborer. of Lebanon, became violently insane

and was locked up in the county jail. Saltess was employed by the Lackawanna Iron and Steel Company, and volunteers offer themselves with alac- the physicians say he was driven insane by the heat. Woman Lost on Mountain. The residents of the little town of

Taylor are trying to locate Mrs. John

P. Williams, who is supposed to be

lost in the mountains west of the town.

and went out on the mountains to pick huckleberries, but failed to return.

Car Wheel Plant Sold. The Hamlin Car Wheel and Manufacturing Company's plant at Catawissa has been purchased by John K. Lockard, of Bloomsburg, representing a company of capitalists, who will at once erect the necessary additional buildings and install the new machinery required in the construction of

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with a force of 100 men.

Lightning struck a large frame barn on the farm of Henry Flory, in Raphc township, and it was completely destroyed by fire.

The collieries in Pottsville and vicinity are beginning to feel the effects of the continued drought, and unless a copious rain is soon forthcoming they will all be obliged to shut down.

During a heavy thunderstorm that passed over Gettysburg the barn of Frank Hartlaub was destroyed by lightning, together with his entire

crops and farming macinery. Samuel Eroh, a farmer living nine miles north of Hazleton, was driving a harvester over his hay field when the horses ran away. Eroh was thrown under the harvester and the knives cut him in a horrible manner,