

FASHIONS FOR SEPTEMBER.

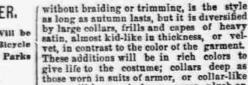
Shirley Dare's Notions About What Will be Prettiest and Most Appropriate-Bicycle Riding for Girls in the Allegheny Parks -Church Fair Ideas. IWRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH.1

A very graceful walking toilet is figured this week, showing the stylish costume for September, a pale cloth dress with long coat or polonaise of the same material, open to show, the surplice waist and many folded sush of silk. The original is the palest mushroom serge, thicker than that worn for the last three months, fine camel's hair chevron twill, or fine cloth half finished, not so glossy as brondcloth, yet very smooth. The gown has the simple English skirt, which is most appropriate for walking, the front width having three wide flat bands of guipure embroldery in silk of a faint lavender shade,



together with the mushroom tint, with lavender velvet laced in and out between the bands.

The waist is plain in the back with surplice folds showing the neck. The overdress is close fitting, but shaped by the seam under arm without darts, which are needess, as the fronts do not meet at all, and are



capes will be seen in bronze green plush on tawny cloth, or blood red veivet on russet, or purple on pale brown and fawn. The crimson velvet cape is chosen by young women when additional warmth is needed, them for the second s women when additional warmin is needed, sharp fall afternoons, in driving. Later, velvet jackets, very plain but admirably cut or small velvet mantles with long stole-like ends will be worn, in tones to stole-like ends will be worn, in toes to shade with the dress. A copper poult de sole with jacket of red brown velvent, or a beige cloth dress with codper velvet jacket are stylish, the hat in all cases being of the same velvet. FEATHERS IN FAVOR.

Feather trimming very full and much

curled will replace the passementerie and embroidery for out-door dresses. It is worn round the neck and down the front of mantles and jackets, like a boa, but without bordering the garment all round. Velvet sleeves, velvet yokes, collars and veivet showing between the widths of the skirt two-thirds the way up, are seen in the newest dresses.

Flowered patterns and fancy stripes are in favor, and floral stripes and figures are formed in materials never seen put in plain colors before. A tan colored Vienna cloth has long garlands in copper, red and gold, which with yoke and girdle of copperbrown plush is very rich coloring for an in-door gown. Printed silky alpacas and mohairs are pretty, enough to console one for not being able to wear the stiff gorgeous brocades. Figured delaines, cashmeres and cape cloths are beautifulin color as the Japanese silk capes, and almost vie with them in softness. Sacques and aprons are quietly resuming their places in A lady's should not. wardrobe. These comfortable, convenient things may be as tanciful and elegant, or as

nice and tasteful as one pleases, and they add a home look to the dress. STYLES IN APRONS.

Aprons are of washing silk in plain colors, lavender, violet and solt blue for choice, bemmed with brierstitch and running down the seams, beside which pocket and frill on the lower edge may be of white lace. Or the frill is of two inch ribbon, one satin edge showing as finished. Black silk aprons edge showing as inished. Disciplinations in softest flossy faille or the soilk serge nearly endlessly are embroidered in gay colors above the hem, on handkerchief pocket, and pointed band, which fastens be-hind by a plain jet buckle and long, wide satin ribbons. Aprons of white linen, with bands of drawn work, are for dainty housekeepers, and the fancies run in red twill,

lue linen and gray, with a little embroidery in white and the same color in washing cot ou or linen floss. Regular working aprons for housekeeping and gardening look not

think it would!

their health and spirits.

'iollow me.

and the pipe.

A NEEDED LIBERTY.

BIDING IN THE PARKS.

swept.

SWEEPING THE CARPETS.

floor. Rugs, if of any size, are a delusion, for a half-sized Smyrna mat is beavy as a

whole carpet, and the beating they get at the hands of genteel housemaids is careful not to disturb the body of dust. Inlaid

floors are costly to lay and to keep in order, as they must be wiped and polished more or less daily, or they are as delightful as a

piano case with the dust on. Few floors are good enough to bear the dark paint and shellae which makes the most satisfactorily

cheap finish, clear and handsome as pol-ished black oak at the expense of sweeping

FUN AT THE FAIRS.

the brilliant, clean effect.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7. PITTSBURG DISPATCH THE

floors, is the tiled floorcloth, one of the oxydized paint series like linoleum, lin-erusta, and linspar. It is an English manu-facture, the material a kind of solid paint, NELLIE BLY IS RICH.

facture, the material a kind of solid paint, which shows the same color through its quarter inch of thickness. It comes in the best tile patterns and mellow colors of burnt tiles yellow-brown harmonising with dark brown and brownish red, or faint slaty blues and red, with ochre yellow, or brilliant Bysantine patterns. The material is really tile work, checks and pieces of the solidified paint fitted together, and must be perfectly damp proof, warm and silent, which burnt tiles are not. The tileoloth comes in pieces two yards wide and 20 yards long, and must be nearly indestructible. Her Globe-Trotting Brought \$13,000 and a \$10,000 Contract.

MISS BISLAND FARED WELL, TOO.

The Largest and Most Wonderful Piece of Jewelry in America.

be nearly indestructible. In houses with floars as poorly laid as ENGAGEMENT RINGS OUT OF STYLE

> ICORRESPONDENCE OF THE DISPATCH.I NEW YORK, September 6 .- The field of woman's work steadily grows in New York, and there are now 20 women working on the daily papers where one worked ten years ago. Some of the girls are having phenomenal success, and I hear that Nellie Bly has made her fortune from her tour round the world. In the first place she got a good salary from the paper, and her lecture tour brought her in just \$9,500. A Brooklyn real estate man gave her a lot in that city, and she was presented with another lot in Iron City, Tenn. These lots are

worth at least \$1,500, and so her net profits The hardest work in a servant's routine is up to date have been at least \$13,000. sweeping thick carpets. It strains more muscles, offers more dangerous dust and flue to inhale than all the other work on a In addition to this, 10,000 copies of he

book have been issued, and a second edition will soon be published. Her reputation has gone up like a shot, and she has, I am told, decided to leave newspaper work, and has contracted with N. L. Munroe to write serial stories of weekly installments for his story paper. She is to get \$10,000 for the first year and \$15,000 a year for the next two years to come, and she has at the same time the right to do some outside work. This is big pay for a girl of the age of Nellie Bly, and she will be the highest salaried young woman in the United States.

THE OTHER GLOBE TROTTER.

with a damp mop daily, which is easy as dusting the piano lid aforesaid, and re-Miss Elizabeth Bisland, the other little girl who went around the world, has also done well. Her articles, beautirully illus-trated, have been published right along in varnishing once in six months at 30 cents a room. It is cheap, letting the household off so much drudgery, dust and discomfort, plus trated, have been published right along in the Cosmopolitan Magazine, and they will be issued in book form when completed. Miss Bisland has made a contract with the magazine to go abroad for them and she is now in England writing an article a month. She made some very valuable friends dur-ing her tour, and one of these was a noble lady, who has a beautiful country estate not far from London. It is at this lady's house that Miss Bisland is stopping, and she has had through her the entree to the best Enthe brilliant, clean effect. But few floors are smooth enough to be satisfactorily polished this way, and in pre-paring for comfort in winter, the wise house-keeper finds nothing available so warm, soundless and pleasant in every way but one, as the thick plain corticine, a quarter inch through, and feeling to the foot much like elastic sole leather. If there could be some way of decorating at in East India colorway of decorating it, in East India color-ings for instance, dying is right through, in had through her the entree to the best En-glish society. She was present at the petterns, without the tac-tac left by a painted surface and without gloss, it would be an Prince of Wales' garden party not long ago, and she is in the very cream of the swim. ideal floor covering. Carpets are mere dust and disease traps, and the sooner we get rid She is, I judge, not more than 22 years old, is a very pretty girl, and is one of the most facile writers of her sex. I met Mrs. Frank Leslie at Mt. McGregor of them the better. Cotton carpets of fast dye, firm weaving and good design would

be far better than wool ones which have a fatal property of absorbing everything they the other day. She looks as bright as a dollar and as iresh as a flower. Her health has evidently not suffered through her ab-sence from the Marquis de Louville, and The season of fancy fairs is not far dis-tant, and veteran managers are planning for attractions as far ahead as managers of the theatrical sort. The newest diversion in Earlief and earlier that the sevent diversion in she is all ready to go in the lecture field her season for which commences on the 12th of October. She gets \$200 a night clear, and I don't know but what she gets a percentage English and continental fairs is the cafe chantant, in a separate room, where ladies of the receipts over this amount.

A GREAT BUSINESS HEAD.

of condition get themselves up as much like Judic and the music hall stars as possible, There is no brighter business woman in the United States than she is, and she can and from a music stage charm the audience with the airs and graces of those singers. It make a bargain with the ordinary Yankee and beat him. She took Frank Leslie's is strictly correct, being imitation naughti-ness only, and safe for a bishop's wife to atpublications when they were worth nothing, and the result is an old story. She bought her own paper, hired all her own employes, tend, and it is surprising how closely the daughters of careful houses reproduce the "fetching" effects of the variety stage. If the Spanish dance, a la Carmencita could only be put on the dais for the next hospital passed upon editorial matters, and wrote both stories and leading articles. She is now writing a syndicate letter. When she contracted for the letter, she said: "The people seem to think that I am merely a fair, how many ladies would be found equal to filling the role, and how it would draw! If Pittsburg's seminaries could not furnish business woman, but I want to show then that I have some literary traits as well." girls able to reproduce Carmencita's glances and poses, Vassar and Wellesley could.

For a good cause, Boston now, for ex-ample, does not require such high special bills of fare. Two things you can depend on hearing at any public or semi-public oc-casion there; Mrs. Julia Ward Howe reads I asked Mrs. Leslie one day how she man aged to keep so fresh and bright, notwith standing the work and worries that were en-tailed upon her by her position. She re-plied: "I do everything by system, and I take good care of myself. As soon as I get her Battle Hymn of the Republic, and tells how it came to be written: and Mrs. someup in the morning I jump into a cold bath, then give myself a good rubbing, and in body else gives a whistling solo. They had them at the Woman's Relief Corps meeting light dress go through a set of gymnastic ex-ercises, which keeps my system in thorough in Tremout Temple, Grand Army week trim. I live well, get as much of the good out of life as I can, and keep myself as far and were to have them at a lawn party the day before-or was it a reading of poetry in place of whistling? I heard of a good as possible at peace with humanity." Frank Leslie is a good dresser. Her clothes become her, and she has some of the finest diamonds in the United States. pious woman tell of a Chicago mission Sunday school when of an afternoon a man and his wife played the cornet together, and another woman gave a whistling exhibition.

though her fortune amounts to millions of pounds, she is as careful of the pennies as THE GRANT COTTAGE. THE GBANT COTTAGE. While at Mt. McGregor I visited the Grant cottage. It is in the same condition now as it was when Grant died. The same furni-ture stands in the same places, and the tai-low eandle, half burned down to the socket, stands on the table beside the two great armchairs in which he breathed away his best here. Result of the Extravagance Displayed

1890.

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anti-scratchers.

folks, and scratch

Well, the summer is over. One writer

at the Summer Resorts.

and Worships a New Flame.

armchairs in which he breathed away his last hours. Pieces of his last writings, con-sisting of slips from his pad, are shown, and there is a tall, fine looking soldier in uni-form who sleeps in the cottage and takes care of the relics. There are on the average about 24,000 visitors a year now, and many rether in a start are an and an any

pathetic incidents occur. Nearly everyone that comes wants to take away some memento of the place, and many pick up the gravel of the walk around the pick up the gravel of the walk around the house, supposing that they are carrying off stones trodden by the foot of Grant. The truth is that this gravel has to be renewed every month on account of these relie hunters, and the stones they carry away have never seen Grant. Mr. Arkell, who owns the mount-ain, tells me he was offered \$35,000 for the cottage the other day, and that the men who offered this were Western men, who said they wanted to cut up the cottage and sell it for relies. The probability is that they for relics. The probability is that they would have taken it to pieces, have carried it off to Chicago and shown it there at the

Exposition. MRS. GRANT'S RING.

"Speaking of Mt. McGregor recalls some curious incidents of the funeral which have not, I think, gotten into the papers. One was as to Mrs. Grant's ring, which the General always wore, and which was taken off from his finger a few days before he died. It was put on again when he was in the coffin and at the same time a lock of Mrs. Grant's hair and a note of farewell from her was slipped into the inside pocket of his coat. The Rev. Dr. Newman, who was present at the funer-al, told me of this circumstance, and it was

complains that the brilliant season has by one of other curious things which took place the silly extravagance developed a great deal of snobbery. Perhaps; but snobbery is not without its uses, just as the loudly-dressed woman enhances the triumph of the artistic at the time. I meet everywhere the lady clerks of the Government departments at Washington.

All seem to have one rule and that is not to talk shop away from Washington, and you would never imagine that many of the ap-parently most frivolous of them hold good sitions and make from \$1,000 to \$1,500 a year by their brains and hands. Some o them are very silly in their being ashamed of their work and a few pretend to a weath that they have not. I saw one of these do a very extravagant thing in one of the leading jewelry stores here yesterday. everal thousand dollars.

A FORTY-DOLLAR FLASK.

She came in with a friend and asked to see some pocket flasks of solid silver. She was shown a beautiful ball-pint bottle en-cased in silver. She looked at it a moment cased in silver. She looked at it a moment and asked the price. The storekeeper told her it was \$10. "But," said she, "this can't be solid! I want to give the flask to my 'fellow,' and it must be of solid silver." "But." solid fashered

must be of solid silver." "But," said the man, "the solid flasks are so expensive that we don't keep them in stock. I can order you one, but it will cost you \$40." "All right," said the young \$1,000-a-year "All right," said the young \$1,000-a-year "I want it and you may order it."

maiden. "I want it and you may order it." It struck me at the time that \$40 was a good deal for a whisky flask, and I am won-dering what dude in Washington will carry it. I would not be surprised but that the

young lady would bear watching. I don't mean to say that there are many department girls who are this foolish. There is more good marriageable material going to waste in Washington than any-where else in the country, Massachusetts and its 80,000 old maids not excepted. The young lady who married Mr. Jones, of the St. Louis *Republic*, is having a gay time in Paris and a private letter states that Jones has just bought a pair of earrings for her which cost just twice what the young lady made in a whole year while here. She is getting lots of fine dresses, and she will prob-ably be one of the best-dressed women at Washington during the nextseason. MISS GRUNDY, JR.

HAUGHTY SHOP MAIDENS.

The Factory Girls of Norfolk Keep Their Dignity With Them.

Union are thought to belong to the Norfolk

"Yes," replied the learned Aesculapius; "get married. Your meals are to serious. New York World.1 You don't talk enough while eating. Its The best class of factory girls in the

tuition had gone to the bed rock of truth like a diamond drill. Six months later the papers were served in due form of law. Oh, what a bitter pill was in that box of CLARA BELLE'S CHAT.

A PRETTY SONGSTRESS' WOE. Could the handsome tenor singer who, dainty satin, powdered wig and with such pink cheeks and shapely mouth, makes love to and wins the heroine of the opera, ever be anything that is not sweet and kis-TALKING AT MEALS FOR FAT MEN. able? I'll warrant that the impressionable matinee girl, who hangs so delightedly upon Freddy Gebhard Has Cast Off the Lily his utterances, does not believe so. And yet the fair thing is not always delicious, as a little anecdote that I will narrate can prove.

AN ENVIED TENOR AND HIS DIET There is a little love of a comic opera Indy in town with whom the whole community is in complete sympathy. She is as dainty is a Dresden china figure and sings with the iresh vigor of a bird. As she re-ceives the devotion of the tenor in the opera [CORRESPONDENCE OF THE DISPATCH.] NEW YORK, September 6. **BE** last question at Newport for the sum-all the club men in the audience heave mer, actually, is whether a young lady may scratch her foot must be very joily to caress a beauty that receives marks of adoration in such a rewhere a mosquito has sponsive spirit. Viewed from the front the kisses of the tenor seem highly agreeable things of their kind, and the matinee girls fancy that they could be as charming and bitten it. Of course there is no doubt of the propriety of her doing so in privacy, radiant as the exquisite actress if that hand-some young man were only exercising upon their cheeks instead. Behold the truth of or with a toe behind the curtain of her the case. Only a lew days ago the tenor re-ceived a pretty little note from the fair artist. It read as follows: skirts, but may she reach down with her hand, before men

A STARTLING LETTER.

"Dear Mr. Blank-I sincerely trust that with her neatly manicured nails the itching by mentioning a most delicate grievance that I have against you I shall not hurt your feelings. Being brought into close contact with you by the exigencies of our parts in the opers I am forced to suffer se-verely from the odor of garlie, for which species of refrashment you appear to have a cuticle? Some of the nicest daughters of wealth and fashion are doing it, and the scratchers are likely to triumph over the species of refreshment you appear to have a perpetual fondness, its aroma never having een abseut from you since your first appearance with me. I have refrained as long as possible from speaking to you of the matter, having hoped that you would



but as there appears no promise of your doing so, and as a continuation of garlie will ultimately exhaust me and ruin my art, I am compelled to call your attention to the inconverience that you create, begging you to hence orth gratify your appetite for to revel in the poetry of motion. "That's a big joke on Cyril." I heard several of my friends make this remark to each other, and I determined at last to ingarlic after and not before the evening per-formances. I am the last person in the world to wish to deprive you of a favorite dish, but it has reached a point when the stitute inquiries as to what that big joke was, even if I were reproved for my feminine curiosity. Well, it seems that Cyril, who garlie is stronger than my physical forti-tude, and therefore it will be necessary for curiosity. Well, it seems that Cyrif, who is what the boys call a "jolly good fellow" and a tremendous eater, had been increasing weight so rapidly that his doctor limited you to forezo the pleasure of consuming it at dinner."

at dinner." The tenor, being a good-natured man, as-tonished the pretty singer the very next evening by coming to the theater, not only without his customary fragrance, but re-dolent of a choice scent of mignonette, he having copiously sprinkled his handerchief and his wig with that grateful extract. him to a cup of coffee and roll for breaktast, a plain chop for luncheon and a little thin oup and a roast for dinner. "Conform or But, doctor," pleaded Cyril, "if I mayn't eat let me die. Is there really no help for MRS. LANGTRY'S RIVAL.

While Lily Langtry, the lady of the peerless neck, is in Paris rejoicing, so it is re-ported, amid luxury lavished upon her by an English Lord, her whilom adorer, haudday Gebhard white at Narragansett Pier, and is naturally

BEAUTIES OF FURS. The Skins That Warm and Beautify

the Women of the World.

POINTS ABOUT THE SEALSKIN.

Animals That lield Up Their Coats at the Shrine of Fashion.

WHAT THE STERNER SEX AFFECTS

CORRESPONDENCE OF THE DISPATUE. LONDON, August 29.-English skin iressers and dyers are so renowned for their skill that practically London monopolizes the fur selling trade of the world. Dyed fur is a poor investment. It is better to have the real skin, from whatever animal it may come. It will last much longer and preserve its smoothness and glossiness to the last. Dyed furs may be at once detected by the fact that they are the same color throughout, whereas real furs have often a sprinkling of gray hairs in them and are always much lighter in color at the roots

than at the tips of the fur. These remarks do not apply to sealakin, which is always and should be dyed, as the undressed fur is far from handsome. As the diamond must be polished, so must the sealskin be dyed and dressed before it is coveted by our modern belles. Seal has the widest reputation of any fur worn, but it is the least understood and the most difficult to select. An impression prevails among women that India or "camel's hair" shawle and sealskin jackets are both almost inde-structible, and will stand any amount of coreless usage. Nothing could be further from the truth. Each of these costly wrappings should be treated tenderly. two the sealskin is by far the less durable.

BUY SOLID SEINS.

The very choice skins last, of course, better than the inferior kinds, Some will stand for 10, 15 or even 20 years, and then have good portions leit, which may be made into smaller articles. But however rich the tur the leather must be sound for service. With seals, as with every other fur, it is best to select garments made from solid skins, as these always have a value, while articles made from pieces, however skilfully joined, are generally worthless after a short time. Piece goods are made from small cuttings of inferior and damaged skins, cleverly put together, but as they contain so many different skins, cannot wear evenly, and are seldofn worth reparing. Better to buy lower qualities in solid skins than rich-

looking furs made from pieces. Although moths keep away from sealskin -some experts say because it is the fur of a sea animal, others that the dye repels these destructive insects-it is nevertheless un-wise to keep a sealskin in a warm place, when not in use. A hot atmosphere renders all turs harsh and shabby, and entirely de-

stroys the smooth softness and gloss they present when kept in a cool room. CARE OF SEALSEIN.

Be careful not to wet sealskin, but if it should become so accidentally, rub it soitly down with a silk handkerchief, and dry at a distance from the fire. Re-dying of seal by a skillful furrier is generally successful and repays the outlay. Grease spots can be removed from seal with the old fashioned blotting paper and warm iron; and stains of sugar often disappear on the application of a weak solution of spirits of wine.

Some luxurious houses in the American large cities have a closet built entirely of cedar wood, in which it is only necessary to hang furs to preserve them from their ubi quitous enemy, the moth. These ladies who cannot boast of this convenience may make silken bags, and fill them with the following mixture of arometic shrubs and flowers: Lavender, thyme, roses, codar shavings, powered sassairas, casala, and lignes, with a tew drops of ottar of roses thrown upon the whole. These sachets, interspersed among drawers and sheives, disseminate an odor delicious to human nostrils, but sends



id together only by the folded band which imitates a sash. The wide lavender rill which does duty for a shoulder cape, is satin serge or velvet, as liked. The deep torearm uffs in many even folds are the same, and folds of satin serge show the slashings of the full upper sleeve. The walking hat is very sensible, shading the face well enough to dispense with the irritating parasol, which is de trop past mid-summer. THE POPULAR PARASOL

The only virtual excuse ever given for a marasal three-fourths the year was that of a very nice young woman, that she liked to have something in her hands to think of The parasol is the ruin of grace in walking, for no woman can move with a firm free carriage when she has to bear a canopy or mavilion to shade her sacred features, and must adjust it with respect to every other pavilion she meets. But it is enough on the subject, for women are quite prepared to exchange the routine of musculine life for own, but not to give up the cumbersome narrool. The fixed idea of custom must be credited to the god of flies; the more useless, tirosome thing they are the more iarpossible to get rid of then

The second figure will also be pronounced stylish and in thorough keeping. The lines of satin roleaux or of ribbon velvet, or heavy flat silk braid, relieve the light cloth skirt just enough, and the waist with its slight elegant braiding, its pointed belt in front joining the busque back is one to make the best of any rounded figure. The velvet sleeves gathered by a leaf of passementerie in a tressy puff, suggest a good way to re-model plain coat sleeves by adding this puffed strap and ornament. The old-ambiened caps and turned back flaring cuffs to sleeves appear in the last designs, but they destroy a beauty of au arm too completely to be encouraged. New gowns in lighter wools, auburn cashmeres and barred poplins have the plain long round skirt finished by scallops, embroidered in the piece, but preferably bound in silk braid, not cost binding.

DRESSING THE HAIR.

The continental house gowns have a look of Polish or Russian taste, with their half Oriental lapping fronts, damask overdress and ioo e long girdles. They recall Marie Bashkirtsell and Ouida's bewitching, naughty countesses from the Black Sea ces. These soft-eyed, childish, submissive, cultivated women are the type most opposed to our paintully bright, halt-



taught American girls, who always seem harged ready to explode. The very graceinl way of wearing the hair which went out 30 years ago reappears in the knot of rich ourls falling at the back of the head, a style charming in young women no longer school

The cloth overdress, which it is the fashion to call the pelisse, very simply made



A Street Dress. able and artistic in honeycomb crash, three

widths joined by red and blue veiningstitch on the seams, with red and blue or ing to grief often. orange and brown border. These protect the dress completely from rubs against cook-

ing utensils, sink or rose-briers, and can be washed easily and done up without starch. An artistic housekeeper is so thoroughly charmed with the serviceable linen that she has designed a working dress of it, loose enough to slip off and on easily, and the material being heavy enough to need no lining and the seams finished inside with white braid, it will be seen what a

complete convenience it is for real work, in studio, or pantry, which one woman calls her "pie studio." UTILIZING OLD SILK.

A woman who has several black silk skirts which gave out together, as entirely as the descon's one-horse shay, past hope of

not a thread of white trimming or a gilt button about it, and for good taste no jockey revival, was exercised to find some use for the remnants. They would not bear quilting over for petticoats, but she kept them by her till the idea came to have them woven cap, with its slangy suggestions, but an English Gipsy hat, small, but shading the with bright colors, as the silk scrap por-tieres are made. But in place of hanging face well. In a quiet dress-no nonsense of divided skirt-keeping herself to berself, them on the walls, they are to serve as a new sort of bed covering instead of quilts, being very light and almost as warm as down comfortables. A thin washing blanket is laid over the sheet, then one or attending strictly to her own business, a girl is safer on a bicycle than on foot in the park, provided she knows how to ride well. She has no business in a public place till she has mastered her wheel, and then she more of these woven scrap-comfortables goes under the spread, and a light, dewants to leave the ambition of "breaking records" entirely alone. It is altogether too easy for a toolish vanity to ruin one's health for life by riding too many miles a day, and liciously warm cover is the result. Handsome ones, shot in the gold, orange, russet, and crimson frayed wooi being used for col-oring if silk is scarce, will answer for lounge so bring disrepute on a most delightful and graceful sport.

blankets. Many ladies will be please 1 with some sort of use for wornout silk, hitherto most useless of materials. The prettiest way of making it useful, however, is a tedious one

The scraps are all joined, frayed on both edges half an inch, and drawn up by the center into a thick fine chenille, very handsome for tringes or if one ever had enough of it, for the cord draperies in doorways. One can hardly imagine how beautiful the

work is, or how elegant a door curtain of this sort can be. NEAT FLOOR COVERING. An admirable invention for covering

A WONDERFUL JEWEL. that was to draw the masses, and I should

Speaking of diamonds, I saw at the Grand Union garden party at Saratoga, what is said to be the largest single piece of jewelry A nice girl wishes to know if it will be ever made in this country. It is 21/2 to 4 inches wide, and at least 8 inches long. It proper for her to ride a bicycle or a tricycle alone in Allegheny Parks, as she is very fond of the exercise-needs it, and has no one to go with her. If she had only written Mr. Ward McAllister, of New York, about was worn by the wife of the rich sporting man, Hankins, of Chicago, and one of the most noted jewelers of the country tells me that it is worth more than \$15,000.

the matter she would stand a chance of an opinion she could fall back on. It is mor-It consists of a great butterfly with outstretched wings, made of diamonds, eme-ratds, rubies and sapphires. It is the largest butterfly ever made and it contains 200 diaally certain that most city circles who want to be nice would promptly declare it im-proper for a young lady to ride anything in the park unattended. But I am not sure The butterfly has a body made of a monds. great Hungarian opal, and the tail of the butterfly is of emeralds. This is (astened to a diamond necklace and it rests just at the that Mr. McAllister, surveying the situa-tion, of needed outdoor exercise and the impossibility in certain wide circles outside edge of the collar bone, with the tail extend his own of always commanding the escort of ing down on the bosom of the wearer's de a father, a brother, or a groom as escort, and calling on the clear common sense which collete dress. Fastened to the body of the butterfly, and hanging down below it is a great oval mass of gold and diamonds as big around as a door plate, which rests upon the chest. The exact dimensions of this marks his decisions, would not tell her to put on a plain gown, go out in the forenoon or early afternoon before the park is filled with riders, and behave like a good girl, atornament are 514 inches long and 216 inches tending strictly to her own business. There must be care to preserve these outdoor liber-There wide. The base is of solid gold and there is a blazing ring of 76 large diamonds around ties for women, which means so much to the edge. Upon the face of the gold door-plate is Mrs. Hankin's monogram in dia-We can't afford to have our nice middle-

monds, and the whole ornament weighs over class girls hampered by the hallucinations a pound. of the upper circle concerning the indispens-ability of chapersns and escorts if a girl A MATTER OF TASTE. goes out in plain daylight. If we do, the middle class girls may turn out as badly as Every time Mrs. H. breathes she lifts this \$15,000 worth of gold and diamonds, and some of the upper ones. They may cling to their formal proprieties-they seem to need every time she sighs this fortune goes down, and then rises spasmodically upward. I will not say that the ornament is in the best them-for chaperons, escorts, grooms and footmen don't seem to keep them from comof taste. It is certainly gaudy enough, and

it is only one, of what constitutes perhaps the most costly collection of jewels at any watering place this season. Mrs. Hankins

But cycling is so fascinating and needed has hoop earrings of diamonds, each of which is as big around as trade dollars, and sport, worth ail the gymnastics in the country for development of health and activity, that the good sense of the community or the in the center of these are great solitaire dia-monds, each weighing 10 carats, which are better part of it should protect women in that and all other needful and gracious libworth from \$3,000 to \$4,000 a piece. Thes erty. But you want to use freedom without are detachable and she can take them of abusing it. You want to dress quietly, not and wear them by themselves.

and wear them by themselves. She has a set of bracelets, each about an to draw attention, and I do not think the blue striped flannel skirt with cream Zouave inch wide and made of four rows of preciou stones. First there is a row of rubies, then jacket covered with gilt buttons depicted by woman rider in a cycling paper at all ladya row of great white diamonds, then a row of emeralds and lastly one of turquoises like or quiet. ;It could be seen a mile ahead and would of itself say to any man rider She has her fingers covered with diamond rings, and at one of the balls at Saratoga she wore \$100,000 worth of diamonds at one A cycling habit should be severely plain as a riding habit, all one grave color and time. Scandal whispers that these dia-monds have all come from horse races and

the other profitable amusements of the first class sporting men.

THE ENGAGEMENT GIFT.

The display in the jewelry windows this fall is finer than has ever been before, and New York would take the prize at a national exposition, for its number of fine jewels. The styles in jewelry are changing, and it is now the fashion to buy a diamond ornament or an engagement present rather than a diamond ring. The reason why is largely because you cannot put enough money into a ring and the ornaments always make the better show. I saw a little dog made of diamonds yesterday, and I am told that the prospect is there will be a steady rise in because you cannot put enough money inte SHIRLEY DARE.

The wearing of opals has become quite a Cork Coverings for Steam Pines Cork is extensively used in France both fashionable fad, and the best of our girls sneer at the idea of there being any fatality for steam pipes and as a protection of water service pipes against frost. One of the ted with them. There are some, how great advantages of this use of cork is that with it no chemical action injurious to the pipes can take place, which cannot be said ever, who shudder as they put them on, but the goddess of fashson overrides fear as she does everything else, and they wear them all the same. The popularity of the opal comes largely from Queen Victoria, who has been f many compositions brought into requisition for similar purposes. The chief point to be watched is that the cork is exactly in making a number of presents of them, and who likes them I doubt not, because they contact with the pipes, so that no circula-tion of air takes place between the covering are cheap. English people tell me the old Queen gets closer and closer every day, and

mills. The black sheep has yet to be found and the smallest scandal written about these blithesome and beautiful Southern girls. Mrs Most of them are Virginians by birth, proud as their ancestors ever were and hopeful of winning a better place in the industrial world than they now dignify. No foreman or superintendent would dare to address one of the haughty maidens by her first name. When enrolled on the books she refuses to give her Christian name. "What name?" was asked a new-comer in a woolen mill re-

> cently opened. "Miss Clayton." "And your Christian name?"

"That is an impertinent inquiry. I wish be known in the mill as Miss Clayton." And so she is. So are all these industrious unobtrusive young women.

ONLY MULES SURVIVE.

Men and Horses Soon Pat to Flight by the Mosquitoes of Naples, Fig.

There are lots of mosquitoes around Naples. Fla., but they are not of the same variety as the Jersey ones. They don't sing. They land on the skin, and you can clap your hand down on them and kill them much more easily than the ordinary mosquito. They are awful pests, however. I have never seen but one horse at Naples Everybody has mules for working and for driving alike.

The mosquitoes simply set the horses crazy. Their skins are so thin that they cannot stand it. Mules go through all right. I have always had a curiosity to know how the army got along there. Nuples was at one time the headquarters of General Hancock, and Generals Harney and Turner of St. Louis, also had a turn there. If they kept horses they must have had a jolly

Antidote for Hydrophobin

A German professor claims to have dis covered a solution which completely neutralizes the poison introduced into a system by the bite of a mad dog. The solution consists of chlorine water, salt brine, sulphurous acid, permanganate of potassium and endalyptus oil.

Bourly Consumption of Gas.

An instrument for ascertaining the hourly consumption of gas has been patented. The quantity of gas passing can be read off on a scale, which is marked to show the hourly onsumption in cubic feet.

time.

ODDS AND ENDS.

CRIMPED hair will be fashionable this winter. says a far-famed designer of coiffures. MISS HATTIE BLAINE is said to be the pret tiest and pluckiest canoeist in Bar Harbor.

ALL gloves for street wear fit loosely. Pinched hauds went out of fashion with cramed feet. TOILET vinegar is made by pouring any scent

or cologne in the bath. The faint, sweet smell that will hang around the bather is worth a yard of sachets. IT has been pronounced an exquisite and ar-

tistic fashion to bind the hair with a fillet of gold and girdle the waist of a white or light dress with a silver chain. THERE are 6,000,000 kitchens in the United States, in which 200,000 barrels of good Ameri-can flour are annually wasted by pie artists, biscuit builders and bread architects.

JUST now the idol of the Boston girls is Sloux Indian. The copper-colored hero, C. A. Eastman, was graduated at the Boston Uni-versity last June and is literally treading on THE Duchess of Marlborough bas taken to

wearing pearls about her throat. With an in-come of \$75,000 every six months this is a loxury in which the beautiful almond-haired lady can indulge. Now for a mahogany hair craze." We have

canary blondes, coppery brunettes and cham-pagne and gold mediums, but a new classifica-tion will be needed when the girl with the mahogady halo arrives.

too much a business with you. Get married, any I'll be easler with you." Cyril didn't let the grass grow under his

MUST TALK WHILE EATING.

take the consequences!"

feet. He took unto himself a wife before the moon had filled her horns. The pregod and can swim like a dolphin, and as he has shaken off for rood all the shackles that bound him to the English actress he is quite a desirable parti in the matrimonial marscription had worked admirably. The lady was very intelligent, and, under the guidance of the physician, delayed the courses of ket. He is reported engaged to a beauteous the dinner, speat a quarter of an hour preparing the salad, and often sent things back Widow O'Donnell." to be cooked over. She beat Sheherasade all hollow. She had a story for every dish. Dinner lasted two hours, and Cyril was hungry again by the time coffee was reached. He began to fret under the big anecdotes and small portions. It was all wind pudding to him. He longed for an old-time neal, at which he used to leave nothing but

News and French Candies

was a changed man. Cyril now suffers from dyspepsia in its worst form, and you

may see him any day getting what comfort he can out of a slice of graham bread and a

SECRET OF A CANDY BOX.

apopleptic.

prettier than Langtry, and her dash and animal vigor have made her a strong favorite with the liveliest young bloods of he town, whom she has entertained with exceeding liberality and taste ever since her husband left her a fascinating relict. Mrs. O'Donnell, strangely enough,

lending her stimulating presence to Narra-122.11 minung

gausett this summer, but you should see the photograph taken of her a year or two ago that represents her in the surf down there. After looking at it one may easily see why she is such a star at a seashore place and why all the men in New York are at her A WONDERFUL PICTURE. In the picture she is laughing, as though the playful wave that was surging gently up over her produced a delicious sensation. Her arms are lifted with a gesture of costa-

sy over her head. Near her are a group of young men, including Freddy Gebhard, all with their eyes fastened upon the palpitat-ing and shapely figure of the fair widow. A gull is circling near by, and it seems as though it had its head beat in such a way that the bewitching picture made by Mrs. O'Donnell should not be lost. Mrs. Langtry, photographed as Rosalind, rested through many seasons on Mr. Gen-

hard's dressing table, but now it is replaced by a far more bewildering portrait—that of the lively widow in her bathing dress. There is really a serious discussion nowathe bones of a two-pound porter house. Marriage was a failure, a dismal failure. Up to this time he had never known that he had days among the young men of the Knicker-bocker Club, not to speak of the older felto this time he had hever known that he had a liver. Now he was made aware of the fact. The long stories and endless tales about nothing were having a bad effect upon his liver. He lost flesh visibly, and his skin almost flapped in the wind as he rounded the corner of Wall and Broad. He lows of the Union, of the question of Mrs. O'Donnell marrying Gebhard. It will be, they say, a perfect festival of joy for Geb-hard, but a series of funerals for them-selves. All they will have let to brighten the dismal earth will be that photograph of

the widow in a bathing suit. CLARA BELLE. IT MADE THE GOVERNOR TIRED.

glass of hot milk. This is the "big joke" on Cyril, and it all All the Kentuckians in Gotham Appear

goes to prove that marriage is in some cases a melancholy failure. However, the doctor chuckles and says. "Cyril, I saved you, for a living dyspeptic is better than a dead Want Help. New York Star. 1 A few days ago a Western Governor, who has been on a visit to the city, making his home at the New York Hotel, had a humor-You wouldn't imagine, would you, that a ous and yet pathetic experience. There box of candy given to one's wife by her true and law ul husband would lead to a divorce known the Governor for years, and who is known the Governor for years, and who is suit? Yet such is the case. All the world just now, although few of his friends know thought Clarence to be most happily mar-ried, and the women envied his plain-lookit, in very hard luck. For two nights he ing little helpmeet. Clarence was so thoughtful, so considerate, so devoted. had been in the streets because he had no place to sleep, and his meals had consisted entirely of tree lunches. He read the an-Fanny never complained of being leit

Fanny never complained of being leit alone. "It's something a wife must expect," she exclaimed, "and then I always know where Clarence is, and he never stays out so late that he doesn't remember me and bring me home a box of candy or some flowers." The box of candy came one night, or rather one morning. After Clarence had the matter with all the neonle from our rather one morning. After Clarence had gone down town, and Fanny had taken up the matter with all the people from our State in New York? Are they lazy, or has the morning paper, she opened it to enjoy her tavorite dish-the gossip of the day served with French candies. But look!

the city a grudge against them?" "I dou't know," was the answer. "Why dy you ask?" "Why, I have only been here two days,"

served with French candles. But look! Her lips part and her eyes cloud. She has found something in that box of sweets which ought not to be there. What think you? A love letter? A tender message to responded the Governor, "and already I am sorry I came. Within those two days no less than 30 Kentuckians have come to some fair rival? No; only Clarence's visi-ing card. But that was quite enough. The truth dawned upon the mind of that little woman with lightning rapidity. me with tales of wee and asked for assist-ance, and the worst of it is I once knew them all to be worthy men. It has made me sick, and although I intended to stay here two weeks I am going home to-morrow. I can't stand it." It is needless to say the young "There must have been two boxes of candy she whispered hoarsely; "two boxes, and by mistake this box has been brought home to me. Ob, what a wretched woman I am!" man did not ask for the money he expected It was as true as Holy Writ, Woman's in- | to obtain.

the moth off flying, upon his devastat a center of attraction for all the gay girls at that resort. Gebhard is shaped like a Greek way.

THE WEASEL'S COAT.

Sable! 'Tis a name to conjure with, among lovers of fine furs. The small car-nivorous weasel upon whose back the princely sable grows has undoubtedly no conception of the money value attached to his warm lady, known somewhat familiarly as "the and silky coat. Still he probably finds it useful while he is allowed to retain it. Mrs. O'Donnell is smaller, daintier, and There are three varieties of sables, the Rus-sian, the American and the Kolinsky. A narrow peltrene, with ends, in the Russian sable, sells for \$60 or \$70 in London; the American sable is worth half that price, and the Kolinsky half that again. A sina qua non in a sable is the darkness of its color. Sable can be applied to more articles of is not dress than any other natural fur, and has been highly admired on the court robes of the Duchess of Edinburgh, who wears a su-perb flounce of sable upon gowns of lightcolored satin, silk or velvet. A unique pe-culiarity of sable among all the furs is that it may be stroked without ruffling the hairs, either up or down.

Alaska sable is the euphemistic appelation sometimes bestowed on skunk. This creature has, next to sable, the finest dark natural skin known. Skunk is only made up in bands for trimming. A blue tone of the under fur is the most valuable, but the prownish tint is also liked and extensively bought.

CLEANING WITH BRAN.

Sable and skunk, as well as bear skin and mink, may be cleaned with heated bran. Rub it on carefully the right way of the fur, using a piece of perfectly dry flan-nel. Then shake the fur, and brush it in net. Then snake the far, and brand if in the same way with a long-haired and very so t brash; all with the utmost gentleness and care. Bear is anbearably costly as a fur, the great demand and small supply keeping prices up. Cubs, with their fine dark silky hair, yield the best skins. Goat is dyed to imitate bear, and is a better lookis dyea to initiate bear, and is a better touk-ing article than the common bear. The loug thick hair of this beast gets very matted in the wearing. Opossum is effective when worn on gar-

ments of artistic colors. That this opinion is widely shared by feminine buyers is proved by the fact that within the past six months in London 3,000,000 of Australian opossums have been sold. Chinchilla, the fur of the South American rodent, is coming into fashion again. Beaver is more in demand than ever, but only a very small proportion of the goods so called are real beavers. Nutria-the skins of the coypu from South America-are sold as beaver, and are a good imitation of beaver, but not so serviceable. Beaver takes a good brown dye and makes up well, but looks a triffe heavy. Shoulder capes, collarettes, peler-ines and muffs are effective in beaver.

FOR ROYALTY'S WEAR.

Minever is a word derived from two old French words, menu, small, and vair, a kind of fur. Ermine and minever are interof fur. Ermine and minever are inter-changable terms when applied to the skin of the snowy white weasel whose tail is studded at its tip with rich black tufts, Ermine is royal wear; the Queen's state mantle is lined with it. Peers and judges have a right to don ermine, the first by virtue of their noble rank, the second as an omblace of spring of administration. What with black spots, symbolically representing justice. Theoretically, ermine is never stained; practically, it becomes dirty, like all other white surfaces. The best cleansing

agent for ermine is powdered pipeelay. Men were never known to wear so much far as now, and the Duke of Portland drives in a cloth overcoat lined with fur which # perts say is equaled in value only by the

cont of the Czar of Russia. The household also wants its furs. Hearth rugs, perambulator rugs, facey mats and carriage rugs are seen in every well fur-nished English residence.

OLIVE LOGAN.

ENGLAND has no beauty to compare with the girls of Paterson, N. J.