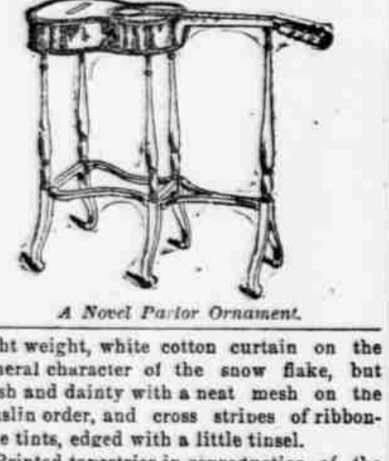




THE LATEST CURTAINS.

Dresses in Silks, Tapestries and Lace for the Home—Artists Now Decorate Satin Bed-Quilts—Harmony and Color—Fancies for the Fair.



Little by little the housefurnishing business has drifted from spring to fall, says the Philadelphia Upholsterer. The time was when housefurnishings began with May 1, but nearly all of them's new changed.

A silk curtain is shown with a peculiar design representing a rope portiere over a window. The curtain is shown with a black net and white embroidery.

A woman of means will send a lace curtain to a competent workman to make it can be "done" properly, says the Philadelphia Upholsterer. This is the way it is done there.

Brose peddlers have got their stuffs so cheap now that they can afford the servants to do over their kitchen chairs in Louis XV style; indeed, the price of gold coin now gives us all white and gold coin bins.

In the fashionable prayer books and hymnals the most exquisite taste has been lavished. The binding shows in a variety of leathers, velvet, silk, ivory and silver and not only is excellent plate used but 18-karat gold as well, prices ranging from \$1 25 to \$100 each, and from \$2 to \$200 a set.

The day of the doll-faced shallowpats has passed away. A merely pretty woman cannot hold her own beside the interesting woman, the woman who fascinates, says Edith Sessions Tupper in the New York World.

Where Beauty's Head Rests. There was a girl and wanted to sing 'Annie Laurie,' I would have been an angel, and I would have been in harmony with the song.

THE TITLED WOOLERS

Get a Broadside From the Leading Women of the Capital City. FOREIGNERS NEED CREDENTIALS.

The Ladies, Including a Cuban Beauty, Boem American Husbands. SOME ALLIANCES THAT ARE HAPPY

(CORRESPONDENCE OF THE DISPATCH.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—All Washington is still talking of the gorgeous wedding of Florence Anderson to Count Forest Dillon.

The groom was quite as gorgeous as she. He wore a coat embroidered with gold lace. There were jewels, diamonds, pearls, and there was a diamond bracelet, and there was a diamond bracelet.

The presents were numerous and valuable in the extreme. There were pounds upon pounds of solid silver. The Count's brother gave the bride a pair of earrings.

Every now and then we hear of a man who has died from accidental poisoning, brought about by inhaling the green vapor of a wall paper. All this is sheer idiosyncy.

Mrs. Dolph considers all marriages to be at best a lottery, and when contracted with foreigners a very great risk, that no parents should wish for their children to incur.

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The chances that the match is made from mercenary motives, and the husband's part in the case of a foreign union are far greater than when the man is an American.

On the train the other day I met Tom Marshall, the great criminal lawyer of Pittsburgh, than whom there is no abler man before the American bar in his line of professional work.

SECRETS OF A LIFE.

Talleyrand's Memoirs Will Let in a Flood of Historic Light UPON THE TIMES OF NAPOLEON.

Women Will Find in Them a Strange Tale of Marital Infidelity. THE NOTES OF MADAME DE RENESAT

(WRITE FOR THE DISPATCH.) The publication of the long delayed memoirs and diaries of Talleyrand will probably throw a new light upon, and arouse a fresh interest in the life of the great Napoleon, who for years was glorified as the "hero of France," reviled as the "terror of Europe," and esteemed by the world-wide as the greatest soldier of modern times.

It is his will, Talleyrand gave orders that his memoirs should not be published for 30 years. This indicates that he must have left revelations in black and white concerning his contemporaries that would hardly do credit to their fame and stories of French history that were kept "hushed up" through deference to their dignities and families who would have suffered by their disclosure.

Talleyrand, in church, society and State, was distinguished for his shrewd sagacity and marvelous tact. No one, it is said, was more thoroughly versed in the art of diplomacy, or more skillful in managing men. He won his way to rank and wealth by his talents as a time-server and his genius for deceit.

As Minister of Foreign Affairs he was of great use to Napoleon. His firmness and moderation, as the Duke of Orleans said, made him the most valuable of ministers, when the cool sense and fine fitness of the diplomatic minister were met by the haughtiness of despotism.

Talleyrand himself was one of the silent men, whose policy was that of a turncoat or a Judas. Like some of the politicians of to-day, he knew how to keep his mouth shut.

But it is likely that, while the famous Minister of Foreign Affairs seldom—if ever—opened his mind, or showed his hand in public, he was not so reticent in private.

That the memoirs of Talleyrand bear hardly upon the dynasty of Napoleon is to be inferred from the fact that he was proscribed and withheld from publication for 30 years, and he by which directed, they were suppressed for over 20 more by the influence of Napoleon III, and the present day is the first time since his death that they are being published.

Always With the Winner. His aim was ever to worship the rising sun and thus take care of number one. But even the most skillful of liars and knaves occasionally come to grief as did Talleyrand, when he was proscribed and withheld from publication for 30 years.

His Marriage a Failure. "Vice gets more in this vicious world than pity," but with Talleyrand it was not so. With all his power over kings and courtiers, with all his capacity for cunning and managing men, with all his sagacious foresight in seeing how "the fat was going to jump" in political affairs, he yet at last fell into obscenity and disgrace.

A MUCH ABUSED FOOD

Oatmeal Has a Good Many Enemies That It Ought Not to Have. POOR COOKING IS RESPONSIBLE.

It Pains Roses on the Cheeks of Scotland's and Ireland's Maids. SOME RECIPES BY ELLICE SERENA

As a writer for the DISPATCH. Some five of the largest manufacturers of oatmeal in the United States have formed a combine, called in commercial parlance, the Oatmeal Trust.

When this fact became known but the other day it was, as a bit of news, commented on by newspapers, and extracts from some of them at the time appeared in THE DISPATCH. A writer in one of these exchanges seems to have hailed the news with the most extreme expression of astonishment, and he hopes that the trust may send the price of oatmeal so high that no one will ever again be obliged to eat the "wretched stuff" for breakfast.

Of course, we are all familiar with Dr. Johnson's not very amiable attitude toward Scotch oatmeal, and it is well known how, on every opportunity, he stepped out to ridicule them. According to Boswell he has associated together the two terms "Scotchmen" and "oatmeal" in such a variety of instances as to make them peculiarly conspicuous.

Beauty After Marriage. Beauty, which proves so alluring to men before marriage, loses its power afterward. A wife may be beautiful as a poet's dream, but after marriage becomes second-rate.

Needs Lots of Cooking. Of farinaceous foods—we may take it as the best scientific authority—none is more healthful than oatmeal. Dr. Smith, in his treatise on food, regards oatmeal as a stronger and more nutritious food than any other he advises long cooking, which is necessary to break the starch cells. The longer it is cooked the more easily it is assimilated.

CAUGHT ON THE ENGINE. Singular Capture of a Large Eagle on the Burlington Railroad. While a Chicago, Burlington and Quincy freight train was coming from Burlington yesterday, says a Greenburg, Ill., dispatch to the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, the engineer noticed an eagle sitting on the track resting on a rabbit. The eagle arose when the engine drew near, but the locomotive was running so rapidly that the big bird could not clear it. One of the wings was clipped and the eagle was taken to the St. Louis zoo.

CAKES. Oat cakes, or bannocks, so commonly used in Scotland, are made simply from water and oatmeal. The oatmeal is rolled very thin and baked for about five minutes in a slow oven.

FRIED OATMEAL. Cut oatmeal into slices, dredge with flour and fry in brown dripping.

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