

FOR THE FAIR SEX.

Extracts From the Diary of a Washington Belle.

"You could write seven volumes about Washington," a young lady said, who knew it thoroughly...

"February 1.—My dress at Mrs. Adair's party, night before last, has been described in the papers...

"February 6.—I'm getting awfully tired; but no one can stop after the round has once been begun...

"February 10.—A funny reception given to some Chippewa and Apache Indians last night at Senator Savage's...

"February 21.—Going up to a night session of the House, the talk of the jets in the throats on top of the dome and the electric light at the dome's base...

"February 24.—It is astonishing the variety of tone that one finds at the meetings of different sets here...

March, End of the Season.—Am completely worn out and haven't a bone left in my head...

Long overskirts are draped in horizontal folds and reach nearly to the hem of the dress.

Young ladies' dresses are to be made of woolen stuffs rather than of silk this summer.

Mixed stuffs, in which the colors are blended with no apparent design, are new and becoming.

Brown suits with brown hats or bonnets are to be fashionable for the street this summer, it is said.

Mignonette green is again in favor. It makes one of the prettiest combinations with pink.

Open sleeves, turned up and caught on the inside stem, appear on some of the new summer gowns.

Corn color, gray and olive are among the new tints that appear in nun's veiling for next summer.

Rubber-headed pins come for fastening morning bonnets and veils, instead of those with glass heads.

or two darker or lighter than the rest of the cloth.

The summer woolen goods are exceedingly light, the manufacturers having endeavored to make them as cool as the summer cottons.

Shaded cheeks are to come in fashion again this summer, and there are some patterns that have a ground work of shaded cheeks overlaid by sprays of leaves or flowers.

Basques laced up the front, over chemisettes that reach to the waist, will probably be worn this summer.

A new linen collar for ladies is now standing all around; that is, without pocket for in front, inserts at the collar button, but slopes open from thence upward, the tops being an inch apart.

The whole collar flares outward slightly, and is embroidered, or else hemstitched, all around and down to the button in front.

THE SNARES OF SIN.

How the Unwary are Enticed into the Trap. A Communicative "Gentleman of the Cloth" Tells of the Seductive Games of Gamblers.

A reporter of the Sunday Courier chanced to meet a member of the craft who are deep in the ways that are dark and the tricks that are vain.

"The 'gentleman of the cloth' was in a communicative mood, and in an hour the scribe was fully informed in the peculiar practices of the gamblers of his class.

"The 'caper' is usually a big operation. The operator will be standing in a depot, conversing with his victim, when the confederate, pretending to be a hotel porter, will walk up and say to him, 'Your wife is waiting for you at the house, your baggage is packed and ready to take to the train.'

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"The victim seeing an opportunity to make 5 dollars, as he supposes, lays down 5 dollars and of course loses them. The fact is, the caper carries the ball constantly under a long finger nail.

Corks play a part in the trickery. The one playing the game lays two corks up on a flat surface or table and moves them about under tin boxes.

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say that they have been swindled the crowd will simply laugh at them.

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Novel and Interesting News.

The Boston Globe has made a happy deal. In an extraordinary special edition, dated January 1, 1981, it presents the news of one hundred years from now in a highly interesting and amusing manner.

A New Orleans man lately cabled to a friend in Cuba, 'Send me one or two monkeys. The reply came back, 'Shipped you 75; will send rest as soon as can be found.'

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That if every one would use Hop Bitters freely, there would be much less sickness and misery in the world; and people are well finding this out, whole families keeping well at a trifling cost by its use.

The Subject of Suicide.

Some of the causes of suicide are almost trivial. A woman in India threw herself into a well, because her little boy did not come to dinner after having been repeatedly called; another in Brunn, because the neighbors laughed at her fatness.

There is no happier man in Rochester than Mr. Wm. M. Armstrong. With a countenance beaming with satisfaction he remarked recently, 'blessings upon the proprietor of Warner's Safe Kidney and Liver Cures. It saved me.'

Young people are always ready to adopt the 'latest wrinkle.' It is the first wrinkle that they object to.—Boston Transcript.

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