The Pittsburgh Gazette.

THE FASHIONS.

[Translated from Le Soleil, Paris.]

Shall I talk about Longchamps? What is the use? In the first place Longchamps is no longer visited by other than common people, and then holy week made the display of toilet an impossibility, besides the snow, which fell in large flakes on the capital, rendering it hardly desirable to dress one's self in spring toilet. On the other hand, the spring costumes exhibit themselves at the wedding *masses* and on the race courses, and on such occasions you can witness the immense success of changeable silks, which are in demand just as they used to be long ago. These costumes are generally ornamented with plaits of plain taffeta, assorted to one of the shades of the dress. Said plaits are used to profusion and remind you of the toilets of the last century. The following is the description of a costume of that style. The upper skirt of grey-blue taffeta touches the ground and has five or seven plaits, close to each other for ornament; these plaits of taffeta must exactly correspond in shade to one of the shades of the skirt. The latter is looped up *en paniers*, likewise ornamented with blue plaits and held up at the sides by rosettes of ribbon. The waist is cut pointed behind and square in front, all ornamented with plaits. The sleeves are half long, that is they are tight-fitting as far as the elbow and become larger like an open sleeve, all bordered with plaits.

The *Lamballe* mantelet is cut round behind and crossed in front, falling back in half-flaps at the sides, the ornaments are small plaits of blue taffeta, and the mantelet is fastened by a round sash. With it goes a round straw hat, one of the rims being looped up and lined with blue gauze and fastened by a clasp of fresh myosotis, surrounded by a grey feather. This costume is altogether very graceful and characteristic, and highly recommendable to a young and handsome woman. Cashmere is likewise worn to a great extent. There is nothing more becoming than that style, and a toilet which would look awkward if made of taffeta or poplin, appears charming when made of cashmere. Black cashmere costumes may be ornamented with lace or *guipure;* cashmere of light shades have taffeta plaits or *ruches* for ornaments. A very pretty costume for a little girl is a round skirt of *Secres* blue cashmere, trimmed with several small flounces, one sewed immediately above the other. The Polish cassock has a *ruche* for ornament, is fastened in front by a double *ruche*, comes up in the shape of a square waist without sleeves and with a double *ruche* all round; a muslin *chemisette* with plaits and blue ribbons alternately, completes the costume. The sash is knotted behind the waist and bordered with a double plait all round. The round hat of white straw is turned up at the sides and behind. These three points are bordered with blue ribbon and fastened by three pale roses.

For long toilets changeable taffeta and striped silk is much *en vogue;* but it is a style which is hardly ever worn outside of solemn occasions, such as marriage—*masses*, dinner parties, etc. The cloaks continue to offer a large variety of styles, from the small mantelet *Marie Antoinette* to the cashmere cloak in form of a tunic, with a *pelerine* in front and knotted behind in form of a long sash. This latter mode is the personification of gracefulness and style. The mantelets with hood, fastened in front by the round belt and the tight-fitting cassock, with *fichu Marie Antoinette* knotted behind, are all the fashion. The latter style is particularly adapted to a lady who can wear the somewhat juvenile looking *Marie Antoinette* mantelet, the cassock, thus taking the place of the mantelet. Elsewise wear he comes more fanciful in its style than ever. Fichus of Indian lace, as a head dress, for instance, with a point on the head or falling down on the shoulders, are quite fashionable. If the point is on the head, it is fastened by a rosebud a little on one side. Another fashion is the *fichu*-hood of black lace or yak, lined with pink *crape* and with assorted ribbons or flowers. These hoods are met with in the parks of castles. Among the new models of bonnets I have noticed a very becoming square shape, opened a little on the *chignon* and bordered all round with lace *ruches*, interspersed with small knots of ribbon or with flowers. The ribbon strings are formed in shape of a sash in front and cross each other on the bosom under a knot or a flower. I believe I have mentioned once before, that aprons begin to become fashionable again. Every well assorted *trousseau* must have at least six aprons, ornamented with plaits of ribbon or *guipure*.

They are often made of taffeta of changeable shades, and they are variegated in shapes of the most capricious character.

Our Soldier Dead.

Hon. John A. Logan, Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, has issued General Orders No. 11, from which we take the following extracts:

"The 30th day of May, 1868 is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers and otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies lie in almost every city, and village, and church yard in the land. In this observance no form or cermony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services and testimonials of respect as circumstances may permit."

"We are organized, comrades, as our regulations tell us, for the purpose, among other things, of preserving and strengthening those kind and fraternal feelings which have bound together the soldiers, sailors and marines who unite to suppress the rebellion. We cannot aid more to assure this result than by cherishing tenderly the memory of our heroic dead, who made their breasts a barricade between our country and its foes.

"Let us, then, at the time appointed, gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds above them with choicest flowers of spring time; let us raise above them the dear old flag they have saved from dishonor; let us, in this solemn presence, renew our pledges to aid and assist those whom they have left among us as a sacred charge upon a nation's gratitude—the soldier's and sailor's widow and orphan."

"It is the purpose of the Commander-in-Chief to inaugurate this observance with the hope that it will be kept up from year to year while a survivor of the war remains to honor the memory of his departed comrades. He earnestly desires the public press to call attention to this order, and lend its timely aid in bringing it to the notice of comrades in all parts of the country in time for simultaneous compliance therewith."

The Wilmington *Commercial* gives an estimate of the Delaware peach crop for the approaching season. It says that there are 1,041,625 trees along the main line of the Delaware Railroad, and that their yield is estimated at 1,701,140 baskets. This, of course, is subject to all weather contingencies hereafter. The crop of strawberries, blackberries and similar fruit along the line of the same road is estimated at 208,100 quarts.

CLIPPINGS.

THE Toledo *Blade* says the Cincinnati bridge struggle was decided by whiskey. The long span lobbyists were a trifle stingy in the quality and quantity of the whiskey provided, and the Democracy voted short span. The short spanners knew best how to approach a Democratic Legislature.

WESTON, the pedestrian, now threatens to walk from Bangor, Me., to St. Paul, Minn., and back to Buffalo, N. Y., in all 5,000 miles, to be completed in one hundred consecutive days. The main stakes are to be for $50,000, and the trial is to begin on the 18th of August and terminate on the 26th of November.

FRANCIS ANNE KEMBLE, in her Shakesperian readings in Boston, is arrayed in a light purple gown trimmed with purple velvet and black lace, and her stage appointments are as Dickens. At her first reading in the United States, on the evening of January 26, 1849, also at Boston, she was escorted to the stage by Charles Sumner.

A SPANISH lady has had in her employment an English coachman—steady and well conducted. The latter unexpectedly succeeded to six thousand pounds a year. His mistress told him he was at full liberty to leave, but he implored to be allowed to remain, and can be seen driving his mistress around the "lakes" with the same respect as when he was on his forty pounds per annum and board wages.

THE beauty of the flowers this year in Paris is wonderful. "Dear," you say, "Of course they are dear—so is everything from household bread to truffles; but they are lovely also. The markets are quite floricultural shows, the beauty of the flowers being enhanced by the ugliness of the women who pester you to buy them, and who are, by some strange law of nature, the plainest of their race."—*Paris Correspondent.*

JASPER BLACKBURN, member of Congress elect from one of the interior districts of Louisiana, has arrived in New Orleans. He says thousands of colored people in his district are actually starving. Nearly every negro who voted at the recent election has been discharged by his employer. Organizations of white men are in existence to see that those people are not employed or shown any mercy. He charges that Hancock's election commissioners are guilty of all sorts of frauds, and he hopes to prove this when he gets a hearing.

THE Catholic Church in the United States has shown remarkable progress. It is not yet eighty years since the first Catholic bishop came to this country, and sixty years ago, the entire Union formed but one diocese. To-day there are 59 bishops and vicars apostolic and about 3,800 priests. It is estimated that the Catholic population now numbers from 7,000,000 to 9,000,000 in this country. Since 1850, the number of churches has nearly tripled, and within the last seven years the clergy and laity have increased fifty per cent.

IN HASTINGS, Minn., a little boy named Willie Allison, six years old, strayed from home. At six o'clock he was seen on the very outskirts of the town by a boy ten years old, who tried to get him into the house, as it was cold, raining and freezing, but he answered, "No, I am going home." He continued on, going away from instead of toward home, and that was the last seen of him till his lifeless body was found the next afternoon, fully eight miles away, on the Red Wing Road. He was lying as he first fell down, evidently, his face on the ground, with his arms by his side.

POLITICAL.

☞ **CONGRESS—22d DISTRICT.**

Gen. J. S. NEGLEY

Is a candidate for nomination before the Union Republican Convention. my11:nd

☞ **CONGRESS—22d DISTRICT.**

THOMAS HOWARD, Esq.,

Is a candidate for nomination by the Union Republican Congressional Convention. mh16:nd

☞ **FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.**

LEVI BIRD DUFF,

Subject to the decision of the Union Republican County Convention. ap17:cd2-d&T

☞ **FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.**

Gen. A. L. PEARSON,

Subject to the decision of the Union Republican County Convention. mh24:n24-d&T

☞ **FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.**

WILLIAM C. MORELAND,

Subject to the decision of the Union Republican County Convention. mh27:n3-d&T

☞ **ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY.**

JOHN W. RIDDELL

Will be a candidate for Assistant District Attorney, subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention. ap10:d&T

☞ **ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY.**

J. B. FLACK,

Subject to the decision of the Union Republican County Convention. mh28:n2-d&T

☞ **FOR ASSEMBLY.**

Col. WILLIAM ESPY,

Of Scott township, subject to the decision of the Union Republican Convention. my1:n9-d&T

☞ **FOR ASSEMBLY.**

VINCENT MILLER,

Of North Fayette township, subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention. my6:n9-T

☞ **COUNTY COMMISSIONER.**

PHILIP HOERR,

Of Lower St. Clair township, Ward or Co. R. 632 P.O., subject to the decision of the Union Republican County Convention. my2:n9-d&T

☞ **COUNTY COMMISSIONER.**

JONATHAN NEELY,

Of Mt. Washington, subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention. my12:d&T

☞ **COUNTY COMMISSIONER.**

A. MORTON,

Of the Borough of Sharpsburg, will be a candidate, subject to the decision of the Union Republican County Convention. my11:n16-d&T

SPECIAL NOTICES.

☞ **BATCHELOR'S HAIR DYE.**

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☞ **MARRIAGE AND CELIBACY.**

Solitude: the Chamber, the Study and Society, for Young Men on the Crimes of Solitude,