Hepatring a Man's Mutilated Arm with Chicken Skin—The Extraor-dinary Effect.

In the course of a San Francisco Call reporter's talk with a local doctor about cases of skin grafting, the man of medi-

"I have a patient now undergoing the skin-grafting operation. He is an en-gineer, and up to three mouths ago was chief of the engine-room attached to one of our large downtown mills. In the engine-room was a large steam drum whereon the workmen heated kettles of oil for use in their trade. While the engineer was engaged one day last January near this drum, a laborer in the place carelessly lifted a pot of oil and spilt nearly half of it upon the floor. It spread in all directions, and the greater part went over the engineer's hands and arms, which were exposed, his sleeves

being rolled up.
"The steaming fluid shriveled the skin and laid bare the flesh, the agony causing the engineer to roll over and over upon the floor. A carriage conveyed him to his home, and I was called in to attend him by the firm, which, of course, took upon itself all the expenses. At the expressed wish of the sufferer, nothing was said about it in public. I adopted the usual mode of procedure in healing him; that is, setting in small pieces of skin, which grew and enlarged, thereby supplying the place of the destroyed skin. It was a wearisome job. You see the flesh is raw and must be kept protected while the engrafting is going on. The pieces set in are very small. After being placed in position, some distance apart, soft cotton is placed upon them, and they are left to take root. Sometimes upon raising the cotton to discover if the skin is growing, the piece will fall out, not having any growing properties, and the whole performance must be gone over with. All kinds of skin are used, although we get as much human skin as we can and as obliging friends are willing to loan from their bodies. The skin of chickens is used next to human skin. I used it, and contrary to the case of Cook, it took splendidly with my patient. All this is perhaps dry talking to youdoctors' stories usually are-but now I come to something which will interest you-the chicken skin enlarged and oined with the other blocks of cuticle, All was well, I thought, but about two weeks ago I noticed small blue specks appearing upon the new skin. Soon protuberances followed. I was mystified, not knowing what to make of it. But in another day I recognized them. They were pin-feathers. Since, they have continued to grow, and now they are real feathers.' The reporter could not keep back a

smile of incredulity, noticing which, the doctor said:

"You may laugh, but you will not if you see them, will you?"

The reporter declared that ocular inspection would better satisfy him of the true state of the case.

"Come," said the doctor, seizing his hat, "we will go out to the house now." In a very short time the doctor and the reportor were seated on a cable car eding in the direction of the Western Addition. After leaving the cars at a street far out a walk of ten minutes bought the medical man and the seeker after information to a pretty little cottage, which was the central object in a large grassy lot. This was the patient's home, and here the doubting reporter received his ocular inspection. patient was seated in an easy chair by he window, his hand, incased in huge bandages, lying motionless in his lap.

you come to see my feathers?" he said, jocularly. The doctor unfastened the bandages

carefully and laid bare hands and arms which were a raw and not pleasant sight. The flesh was inflamed and crossed and seamed. But on either wrist and extending up the arms almost to the elbows were indeed minute feathers of a grayish hue. They were like down and were in patches just as the chicken skin had been placed. The skin was too tender to be touched, but the reporter was convinced by means of his eyes that the doctor had not been beguiling him with a

"fairy story." "It is really the most marvelous thing I ever met with in my arcer," said the doctor, as he replaced the bandages. "What do you intend to do-let them grow?" asked the reporter.

"Oh, I can do nothing as yet. when the skin gets firmer I shall prune them out and set in human skin. The man doesn't want to go back to his work this way.'

"Hardly," laughed the victim, "I would be ki dnapped by the proprietor of a dime museum.

A New Game.

A pleasant way for a party of young people to entertain themselves at an intormal gathering is for them to try and distinguish each other by seeing the eyes

Pin a shawl around the doorway about five feet from the floor. Cut two holes in a large sheet of wrapping paper, or a newspaper will serve the same purpose, which will show the eyes distinctly, but

will not expose any part of the face.

If any one present possesses a talent for drawing, the paper, which is to serve as a mask, could be further decorated with a mouth and nose put on with a brush dipped in India ink. This will add to the grotesque appearance which the shawl surmounted by the masque, will present. Eyebrows might also be painted.

When the paper is pinned above the shawl, the company should be divided into two parties, one to remain in the room as spectators and guessers, the other to go "behind the scenes" (other-wise the shawl) as performers. If there are over a half a dozen of the latter a line should be formed; the one at the head stands behind the mask so that his eyes are distinctly seen by those in the room, and another of the performers asks:

"Who is the owner?" If a correct response is given, the performers clap their hands. The one who has taken his turn goes to the foot line and number two takes his place behind the screen. After a time the parties change and the fun is renewed.—Har-

NEWS AND NOTES FOR WOMEN.

Princess dresses are gaining new popularity.

Queen Victoria's favorite novelist is George Eliot. Striped homespun cloth is a good ma-

terial for girls' wear. Nearly all the professional beauties of London are married ladies.

Miss Cleveland, the President's sister, is an accomptished linguist.

Broader hems are seen on handkerchiefs, both white and colored.

About \$18,000,000 worth of corsets were sold in the United States last year. There are 113,995 English school

teachers, nearly all of whom are spinsters. Bodices quite distinct from the skirt are becoming more and more the fash-

Grenadide or lace polonaises will be made to wear with satin, moire or faille

All basques, if fitted at all, set to the figure with the closeness of the cuirass

Miss Julia Pease, a graduate of Vassar College, cultivates 6,000 acres of land in Texas.

For the first time in twelve years Washington society possesses a Vice-President's wife. A great deal of velvet and velvet rib-

bon will be used for trimming even the lightest fabrics, both as to texture and color. In cotton veilings or colored cheese cloths there is a great choice in color.

Light yellow and a delicate heliotrope are particularly noticeable. Removable trains are sent home with most evening toilets. They are very useful, and if well cut and arranged should never betray their adjustable na-

All skirts for the smallest girls are made quite long, reaching to the ankles; those for girls of four or six years are shorter, yet these must fall far below the

Tailor-made dresses employ a great va riety of material in their making. There are dresses of cheviot, English serge, tweed, ladies' cloth, and the new home spun cloths.

When Japanese girls wish to particularly flatter a gentleman friend they write him a note, the penmanship of which is executed by their delicately sharpened finger nail.

Over three thousand women are employed in the railway offices of Austria. They get from fifteen to thirty dollars a Nearly all of them are widows of men who have died in railroad ser-

Some of the new hats have enormous crowns so laden with cabbage roses, golden oats, water cresses, sunflowers, and other large pronounced blossoms and leaves, that they suggest the idea of kitchen gardens carried on the head.

One of the latest coiffures sent out from Paris is composed of a mass of short curls, so difficult to execute properly that most ladies who prefer this style of hairdressing buy a curled wig and have done with it. It costs less in

Favorite colors in riding habits are dark greens, blues and black. Tan-colored cloth is also in fashion, as are pale fawn and gray hues. All habits are made with short skirts, only long enough to touch the ground when the wearer is

Leading modistes say that black is to and will be seen especially in lace dresses and beaded tulle bonnets that are made youthful looking by their piquant shapes and gay decorations of flowers and ribbon bows.

Very elegant yet not expensive toilets are formed of a silk skirt which has done duty before, veiled by a very deep flounce of ecru lace. The bodice may be either of new silk lace trimmed, or the same silk eat low and veiled with a high bodice of ecru net.

Plaid and striped ribbons of soft silk ore favorites, and also the new unbleached etamine, a soft cotton canvas, not very pretty in itself, but rendered so by the silken, silvered or golden threads drawn through it, and forming charming combinations and figures.

A farmer's wife in Indiana, who runs the vegetable garden of half an acre, not only kept a large table bountifully supplied, but sold last year more than \$100 worth of vegetables to the town folks a few miles away. This half acre was of more profit than any four acres which the husband cultivated.

New parsols are square in shape, gay in color, and are trimmed with a pro-fusion of lace. Grenadine parasols are a novelty intended for piazza use at watering places and mountain resorts. The are lined with colored silks. The handles are all made of exquisite wood, and are very fanciful in design.

Young ladies in Vienna wear their initials worked in silk and gold on the front of their jackets. "Young ladies who are engaged," it is pointed out by the correspondent who sends this news, "may wear other initials than their Presumably it is meant that they may wear the initials of the favored

An Animal Apple-Gatherer.

Gathering fruit is a frequent practice of animals, and yet there is a stratagem attributed to that "walking bunch of tooth-picks" called the hedgehog, which is curious enough to deserve special men-tion. It seems that fruit is frequently found in the hedge-hog's sleeping apartment, and its presence there is explained in this remarkable way: It is known that hedgehogs often climb walls, and run off upon low boughs, and instead of scrambling down in the same manner, they boldly make the leap from the top to the ground, sometimes ten or twelve feet. They coll into a ball in the air, strike upon their armor of spines, and bound away unharmed. In taking this jump, they have been seen to strike upon fallen fruit, which, thus impaled upon their spines, was carried away by them; and this has giver rise to the opinion that in some such way they may have stored their winter homes .- St. Nicholas.

The matches consumed in the United States require wood to the annual value It has cost \$16,000. of \$3,298,562.

HEALTH HINTS.

Copious injections of milk are recom mended in nasal catarrh.

Half a teaspoonful of common table salt, dissolved in cold water and drank, is recommended for heartburn.

Chronic coughs, of obscure origin, may frequently be found due to collections of impacted wax in one or both ears, and will be relieved by its removal.

Dandelion root is laxative and somewhat tonic. Dandelien seems to act es pecially on the liver. The root steeped and the decoction drank is good for diseases of the skin and kidneys.

If the bleeding from a cut or other wound cannot be checked by the ordinary means, and, as is sometimes the case, it is impossible to apply a ligature, a quantity of salaratus in the water used for bathing will, it is said, check the

To cure a felon, fill a tumbler with equal parts of fine salt and ice; mix well. Sink the finger to the centre, allow it to remain until it is nearly frozen and numb, then withdraw it, and when sensation is restored renew the operation four or five times, when it will be found the disease is destroyed. This must be done before

A number of French observers have reported remarkably good results from the use of euphorbia pilulifera in asthma. An infusion is made by steeping one ounce of the fresh weed or one half ounce of the dried plant in two quarts of water and reducing by simmering to one quart. The dose is a wineglassful. Dr. Marsset reports nine cases where great benefit was obtained in organic or spasmodic drapness by the use either of the above infusion, or of an aqueous extract of the euphorbia. He recommends giving three or four wineglassfuls of the infusion after the evening meal. One of the patients who had been unable to work or even to lie down for months was cured in a few days.

An Herb Gatherer.

A reporter of one of the New York papers recently visited the shop of one of the many "Herb Doctors" to be found in that city, and obtained the following information of his wares, his customers and the business generally:

"My business has extended over a number of years, and were I to tell you all my adventures with herbs, and with the faithful, to whom a root is something to swear by, I would fill your newspaper. I obtain the greater part of my stock from the wooded country around the town of Hancock, Berkshire county, Mass. The herbs are gathered by persons of considerable botanical knowledge, and are shipped to me in cases. Among the herbs I receive from Massachusetts are tansy, catnip, winter-green, white oak bark, birch bark and elm bark. When they arrive here I dry them, and sometimes weeks clapse before they are in a proper condition to sell. I gather a quantity of herbs in New Jersey, around Hoboken and Weehawken, and receive a few others from the South and West. Last season I sold over a ton of birch bark from which birch beer was

brewed. It makes what is called a temperance drink. I sell a large quantity of hops for making hop pillows. It is a very old remedy for insomnia, and is prescribed by every elderly woman in the Eastern States. That there is great virtue in them there can be no doubt, as I have tried them when troubled with nervousness and wakeful nights, and have invariably relieved fancy there is an increase in the herb business, not generally, but in the lower part of this city. A large number of colored persons have settled in the Eighth ward, and their demand for herbs is as tonishingly large. A few years ago the market was overrun with Indian herb doctors. They have all disappeared now, and I do not know of one that is left to continue the business. There i an Indian living in Macdougal street who is one of my best customers. He will not take a prescription from a physician, but when he feels indisposed he comes here for that particular herb which seems to meet his wants. Among the herbs that are commonly used as tonics are quassia wood and wild cherry bark, and gentian wood gives the strength to bitters. Gentian wood is used also as a substitute for chewing tobacco."

Minute Writing.

It was thought a wonderful achievement, when Paris was besieged by the Germans, to photograph one side of a newspaper on tissue paper small enough to be enclosed in a tiny quill. A carrie. pigeon conveyed the quill out of the beleaguered city to those who read its contents through a magnifying glass.

But neither photography nor the microscope was known in the days of Cicero, yet he mentions that the whole of Homer's Iliad had been written on a piece of parchment so small as to be enclosed in a nut-shell.

A Frenchman, after years of practising, wrote the four canonical prayers of the Roman church on one of his fingernails. He was proud of his exploit, but a poet is mentioned by Pliny who excelled him in the art of minute penmanship. He wrote a couplet in letters of gold, but so minute was the writing that the bit of paper on which it was in-scribed was enclosed in the husk of s grain of wheat.

Again and again as one reads, he murmurs to himself Solomon's words, "There is no new thing under the sun."- Youth Companion.

The Care of Chlidren.

Boston, Mass,—A leading medical journal thinks it is about time mothers should know how seriously the health of children is imperilled by the use of preparations containing morphia and opium, and given for the cure of colds and coughs. The chemist of the Brooklyn Board of Health, Otto Grothe, Ph.D., a graduate of the University of Kiel, Germany, certifies officially that recently a harmless and yet effective article for such complaints has come to his notice. He refers to the newly discovered Red Star Cough Cure, which he found purely veg

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