

Fran Bertha's Hotel.

In the little town of Essen, Germany, is a hotel—a first-class hotel—at which the principal guests who put up there never have to pay for their accommodation. It is owned by Frau Bertha Krupp, the richest woman in Germany, and owner of the great Krupp works at Essen. She runs it at a loss of more than \$100,000 a year. The hotel was built by Frau Krupp solely for the entertainment of the representatives of foreign governments who visit Essen to superintend the execution of orders. Ordinarily travelers sometimes can find accommodation at the Krupp Hotel, but only when the rooms are not required for Frau Krupp's foreign official guests.—Boston Post.

The New Waist Line.

A stronger indication of the waist line that gives a basque effect is noticed in some of the shorter coats, although their fit is still very easy. Then there are those fascinating Russian blouses whose influence in the long buttoning line which lends a military air in closer-fitted garments is felt about ninety-nine coats out of every hundred. Belts on these Russian shapes are straight and wide, which necessitates their being worn loose and round, and this gives a

Linings must be as soft as they can be made and as clinging.

The popularity of the embroidery robe is more marked than ever before.

Veils are many of them more extreme in the size of the mesh than ever.

Tiny white linen buttons are used on the new linen suits and house gowns.

Black and black and white both promise to be fashionable veiling colors.

Marquisesettes, linen homespuns, all now appear in checks, both gun club and shepherd.

An odd fancy of the moment is the use on dressy toilettes of bells of varnished leather.

The hexagon mesh is the veiling most often met with, whether the veil be fine or coarse.

The soft serges and cashmere are used to build traveling costumes for the warm days.

Hand embroidery and pretty laces are the dominant notes in many of the new blouses.

Nets are again much liked for transparent undersleeves and guimpe purposes in frocks.

A new lace grenadine, more often

Browned Onions.—Select onions of uniform size; peel, drop into salted boiling water and cook until tender, but not broken. Lift out of the water and stand in a baking dish. On the top of each onion lay a thin strip of breakfast bacon and stand in a hot oven until the bacon is crisp and the onions nicely browned.

quaint look that is most charming and entirely new, a cross between a Russian soldier and an 1830 school-boy. Braiding in military designs is another coat touch that is rather important.—Harper's Bazar.

Dressing a Girl.

A very difficult problem to a mother is the dressing of the between age girl. The average girl of sixteen is not infrequently a most attractive person, but requires most careful dressing. She has all the grace and charm of budding womanhood, with some of the gaucherie of childhood.

With abundant locks and bright pink cheeks quiet dressing is a necessity. None of the laciness of very young girlhood is possible, or she looks overdressed. If trimmings are used, they must be of the simplest description, and, if possible, self-colored.

For the girl still at school there is nothing nicer than a navy-blue coat and skirt, worn with various blouses and a simple hat. But there are times when other attire is necessary, and then it is realized how hard it is to dress the adolescent girl. She must be simply garbed, yet, of course, desires her clothes to be pretty. Therefore, special consideration should be given to her wardrobe—colorings, materials and style, being well thought out.—Philadelphia Record.

Men Bunglers as Builders.

"I looked at one house to-day, highly desirable in many respects, in which the kitchen and scullery were at opposite ends of a long passage. Cannot you realize that only a man could have been guilty of such an arrangement? The lack of cupboards is another masculine omission, and even those that are put in usually are inconveniently placed. Men also are responsible for building most bathrooms far too small for real comfort. In houses, as distinct from apartments, they rarely make the stair railings high enough, the result being that most staircases are death-traps for clambering children; and nursery windows often are made so high that the little ones cannot possibly see out of them, while the room itself too often is placed in a gloomy and sunless part of the house. So far as I am concerned," the house-hunter wound up, "we are uncomfortable where we are, and, from all I have been able to see, we will be miserable if we move."—New York Press.



Long-waisted effects appear in the new lingerie.

Flowers of different kinds and colors are seen together.

Foulard is coming in for something of its old-time popularity.

HER MAJESTY THE HEN.

The hen is the finest piece of machinery in the world.—Speaker at the Connecticut Dairymen's Convention.
Oh, man may build an aeroplane
To frivel through the sky
On fragile wing, like a feathered thing,
Astounding to the eye;
And this machine may soar serene
From here to Winnipeg
To stand the test, but do its best
It cannot lay an egg—
No, it's all in vain for an aeroplane
To try to lay an egg.

Oh, man may build a dynamo
To move a train of cars,
Or gild the night with rays of light
As brilliant as the stars;
Its wondrous force may beat the horse
Regarding strength of leg;
Oh, great we know is the dynamo,
But it cannot lay an egg—
No, you can bet no motor yet
Has ever laid an egg.

Oh, statesmen great may preach and prate,
And poets may decant
Their peevish plaint, and painters paint,
And good reformers rant.
Yes, we may strain until we drain
Ambition to the dreg,
But though we try until we die
We cannot lay an egg.
Pooh, pooh to men! It takes a hen
To lay one little egg.
—Paul West, in the New York World.



"Why can't they base a grand opera upon an American theme?" "We have no peasantry to introduce as a chorus." "Ring in a chorus of ultimate consumers." — Louisville Courier-Journal.

"Johnny, can you tell us why Washington is called the Father of His Country?" "Cause he walked the floor a good many nights when it was still young, I guess."—Chicago Record-Herald.

I stole a kiss the other night,
To-day my conscience pricks me some.
I think I'll have to go around
And put it where I got it from.
—Boston Transcript.

Nervous Suitor — "I-er-wish to marry your daughter, sir!" Parent — "Well, my boy, hadn't you better see her mother first?" Nervous Suitor — "I have, sir, and—er—er—I still wish to marry your daughter." — Punch.

"I believe," said the blunt individual, "in speaking my mind and calling a spade a spade." "Yes," replied Miss Cayenne. "Many are that way. The tendency is what corrupts the vocabularies of so many parrots." — Washington Star.

"And before I accepted him," Miss Passay was saying, "I asked him if he would love me when I was old." "The idea!" exclaimed Miss Bright; "why if he proposed to you he had already proven that, hadn't he?" — Catholic Standard and Times.

"One good way ter git thoo' dis ol' worl'," said Brother Williams, "is to never shoulder mo'n you kin tote." "Think anybody does dat?" "I'm sho' of it, an' den dies I'm grief kaze dey got ter leave half of it by de road side!" — Atlanta Constitution.

"The world's against me," he exclaimed; "it will not see my worth." But still the world wagged on, and did not know he was on earth. — Birmingham Age-Herald.

"I hope you will be interested in yonder gentleman," said the hostess. "I have assigned him to take you out to dinner." "I shall be," responded the lady addressed. "That gentleman was formerly my husband, and he's behind with his alimony." — Louisville Courier-Journal.

The editor looked at the poet. "Didn't you bring me these verses in the spring of 1891?" he asked. "I did," replied the poet, "and you told me to put 'em on ice. They've been in cold storage ever since." — Cleveland Plain-Dealer.

Father—"What became of the missionary society that you girls were so interested in a few months ago?" Mildred—"It had a horrible ending, papa, and we finally had to disband. Do you know, as soon as we got those poor people in the slums washed up and interested they insisted on joining the society themselves." — Puck.

WORDS OF WISDOM.

In looking ahead it is just as well not to be too previous.

The trouble with the fellow who takes his own part is that he always wants more.

Regret for the past is efficacious only when it influences the future.

The under dog usually gets our sympathy, but we are all apt to hit the pillow when it is down.

The woman who knows most about how to manage a husband is the woman who has never had one.

The man who takes a chance can't afford to stop and consider whether it belongs to him or not.

The nearest approach to happiness that some people ever acquire is not to be as miserable as they were yesterday.

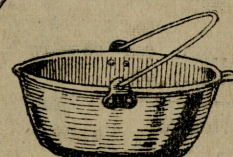
We never know what the future has in store for us. Many a girl doesn't know what her own name will be a year hence.—From "Musings of a Gentle Cynic," in the New York Times.

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