

SERMONS OF THE DAY.

RELIGIOUS TOPICS DISCUSSED BY PROMINENT AMERICAN MINISTERS.

"Giants" Is the Subject of the Twelfth of the New York Herald's Competitive Sermons—Dr. Talmage Preaches on the Style of the Christian Character.

Text: "There were giants in those days."—Genesis, vi., 4.

This text represents the wall of the morbid man who refuses to enter into the activities of life and finds no fit leadership among the men of today.

If the wall were only the expression of dissatisfied don'tings in the world it would be of little account; but the cry regarding the ancient giants has connected with it an inference that no giants exist today.

"Cassir, Napoleon and Wellington were great generals, but there never will be any more like Homer." "No more orators like Burke, Pitt and Webster."

This is a fair specimen of the idle talk of men who pretend to appreciate the greatness of the fathers, and with this pious plaint unnerve the ambition of youth.

Physically men are better than ever before. The average man of to-day is too large to wear the English armor discarded by giant warriors of those days.

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Turning from this, we may bow with deference to the coming man. The youth of to-day may rise above the best of their fathers.

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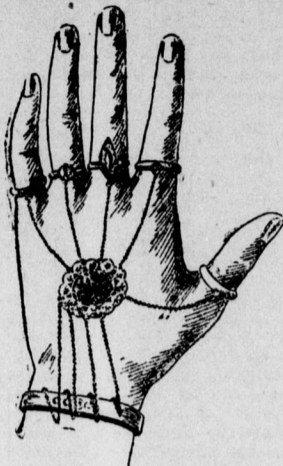
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THE REALM OF FASHION.

"Hand Harness" Made of Gems. When the dictate against gloves went forth, the new "harness" for the hand was evolved from some brilliant



HAND COVERED WITH JEWELLED HARNESS.

brain, and it is the ultimate barbarism. On every finger is worn a ring, with emeralds, rubies, diamonds and any other stone that happens to be long to the fortunate owner.



LADIES' DRESSING JACKET.

The fingers are joined together like the old-fashioned brass knuckle. From each ring there runs a fine gold chain that connects it with the large turquoise ornaments in the centre of the back of the hand.

There is another design for the newest new in jewelry, and that is made by running the spun gilt chains from each ring down the back of the hand to the bracelet.

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left side, but the jacket is none the less simple and easy of construction because of the fact. The broad backs and under-arm gores are unlined, but the fronts are made over a fitted, unboned lining which extends to the waist.

Open coats of some sort will be in vogue for spring and summer. There are numerous indications. One is the reappearance of the launderable shirt-waist.

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reaching above the knees; of medium length, or above the ankles only, making gaiters, as preferred.

The triple rings that go with this affair are curiosities in themselves. They are evidently made in this shape in order to facilitate the donning of this somewhat complicated bit of daintiness.

For those who please, there may be added to this already glorious vision of splendor "gold caps" for the finger tips.

Fancy Vests of Satin Ribbon. Fancy vests are made of tiny ruffles of satin ribbon, trimmed with small gold cord, put on in lattice effect.

Comfortable Dressing Jacket. The model shown in the large illustration and described by May Manton, is at once tasteful and wholly comfortable.

A Beautiful Girl's Affliction. From the Republican, Versailles, Ind. The Tuckers of Versailles, Ind., like all fond parents, are completely wrapped up in their children.



Discussed Their Daughter's Case for Hours. The doctor came and was surprised to see such an improvement. He told us to keep giving her the medicine.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of April, 1897. HENRY JOHNSON, Justice of the Peace.

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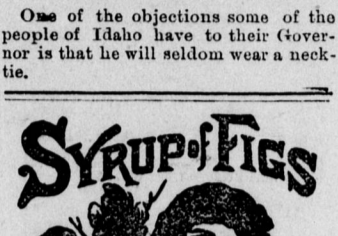
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Florida East Coast—Palm Beach. Effective February 5th, The Florida East Coast Line announces that they will operate a limited train between St. Augustine and Palm Beach.



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