



Children's Column

The Birds' Breakfast. The white flakes came floating down-ward. Till the earth was covered with snow...

Friendly Cats. Cat lovers are not ashamed now of showing their affection for their favorites, as a handsome, "talented" cat is the fad now for a pet.

Terrier and Retriever. A little black-and-tan terrier dog, named Beau, and his owner were at Penmaenmawr. They were one day on the sands...

Too Many Rabbits in Oregon. Owners of orchards along the Deschutes and creeks near The Dallas say that since the coyotes have been killed off...

THE MEXICAN AND HIS HAT. Why He Spends So Much Upon His Cherished Headgear. "While on a train in Mexico on my last trip to the country of the Aztecs...

Nobody takes much interest in the fellow that lacks principle. Uncle Sam Alms to buy the best of everything which he uses Carter's Ink. He knows what's good.

The Tailless Measure of Prosperity. The favorable reports regarding the improved development of the Southern States are well founded. The past decade has brought about marked improvements in all lines of industry.

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Hard Coughs. No matter how hard your cough is or how long you have had it, you want to get rid of it, of course. It is too risky to wait until you have consumption...

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"When the American soldiers departed from Cuba for Porto Rico they wore the regulation army slouch hat, with a deep crease in the centre. When they returned, heroes and veterans, they wore the same regulation hat, but with the peak of the crown pulled up to a sharp point, pyramid-like, in a gallant, desperate attempt to imitate the Spanish hat, which had caught their fancy and had struck them hard, and their wives, sweethearts and the public gazed awestricken and reverentially but helplessly at the new style thus created here.

"And then the hat makers took it up for the ladies and this accounts for the present rakish style of ladies' military gray hats with mannish crowns. "The main reason why the Spaniard and the Mexican devote so much attention, time and money to the hat is because it is to some extent made the symbol of their standing in the community, and because it was the grandees of Spain who of all others at court possessed the privilege of sitting or standing in the presence of their sovereign with their hats on while the rest of the court uncovered.

"Naturally the hat became an object of respect and veneration, and the grandees vied with one another in the size of their brain covering, the fineness and costliness of its texture and the rich gold and silver ornaments profusely worked thereon. The populace, according to their respective means and position in life, emulated the example of the grandees, and thus, as time advanced, the big hat became the distinctive feature of the dress of the Spaniard, as the mantilla corresponded on the head of the senorita and the senora.

"The time was when a Mexican placed his hat and his horse before all his worldly possessions, spending as much as \$500 to \$1000 for a gold-trimmed, embroidered hat and as much more for his heavy saddle and bridle, all trimmed with silver, and this passion is strong today. The higher classes of Mexicans have abandoned the sugar-loaf hat for city wear for the European style, as they have adopted long ago our ideas on clothes, though every Mexican gentleman has his native costume with its gaudily embroidered short jacket and flaring trousers and hat to match, to be worn when the occasion demands.

"The other classes cling to the sugar-loaf hat, made principally of a straw of a fiber peculiar to the country, or of felt, ornamented with gold and silver cord, according to the means of the wearer, or perfectly plain and cheap. They look odd to us, these Mexicans, in their white, loose shirts and trousers, standing idly about in their sunlit, adobe cities, as the train speeds on to the capital, and a picturesque lot they truly are."—Washington Star.

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Sounds like a journalistic lie, does it not? Read it in a novel, and you would laugh, would you not? But it is the eternal truth, all the same, for the comrade of the Boer who died that day, killed by a dead man, told me the tale himself, and he was one of those who planted the dead Dutchman on the slope of Spion Kop.—London News.

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