

FOREVER.

BY ANNETTE ROSS.

Every link in friendship's chain Forged another link again; Every throb that love has cost, Made a heaven and was not lost.

So, O soul, there's no farewell Who's souls once together dwell; Have no fears of parting here, For there is no such word as part.

Hands that meet and closely clasp, Shall forever live the grasp, All that lives goes on forever, Forever and forever.

—New York Independent.

THE COIN TELLER'S ATONEMENT.

It was quite remarkable that any one could be vexed at Thornton—he was such a thoroughly congenial fellow. But vexed at him I certainly was not.

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chiffon tied with purple ribbons, These fashions are decidedly conspicuous, and bound to be short-lived, but as they are among the novelties of the season call for comment.

The Size of the Waist.

It will be a relief to some girls with athletic proclivities to know the extreme limit which they may attain in waist size without being considered "out of fashion."

Years ago, before girls were allowed to engage in open-air recreations, a tiny, slim waist was considered correct and children at an early age began to wear corsets which were laced tightly.

A girl of seventeen or eighteen would endure agonies in order to reduce her waist. It is now considered very bourgeois to lace tightly, and the waist of a full-grown girl should not be smaller than twenty-four inches.

For the Little Cost of Tweed.

The jaunty little tweed and frieze coats worn by the athletic woman, who walks and drives a great deal in the country at this season, are considered smartest when they have reverse-faced with pique woven in faintly colored lines.

Women as Surgeons.

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PRETTY THINGS TO WEAR

Sleeves are larger at the top, and are trimmed with tucks or lace insertions.

Organdies on which the design is painted on the under side are the prettiest examples of pastel colorings.

Black net, well covered with applications of black taffeta, makes a very pretty short cape, finished with frills of lace and chiffon.

Fancy lace neckwear is receiving some new development every day. A long lace scarf to carry several times around the neck and tie in a large bow in front is one of the popular styles.

Long wraps of lace are the proper summer covering for dress occasions. These are made long in the back and sloping up to the waist, or a little below in front, and there coming together all the way to the throat.

Embroidery in chiffon and other thin materials is a great feature of the new trimmings. Open embroidery, lace beads, gold and silver thread and silk are all employed and variously combined in these pretty novelties.

An entirely new idea is the use of voluminous ruffs of tulle, carried twice around the neck and tied in a large bow at the back. This undoubtedly may be accepted as a precursor of the ribbon tied at the back, so popular a few years ago.

The silky effect added to the great variety of mulls, batistes, canvas fabrics, zephyrs, organdies, and other summer fabrics renders them more than ever desirable and attractive.

Some effective new waists that are just in are of a heavy coarse linen, though in delicate shades, and are trimmed with heavy embroidered linen in color. It is evidently Russian peasant work, it is very similar at any rate, is stylish, and will be durable.

The embroidery is in the form of insertions that are put in lengthwise in the bodice, around the sleeves, and to outline yokes.

Never Admit Defeat.

Never admit defeat or poverty, though you seem to be down and have not a cent. Stoutly assert your divine right to be a man, to hold your head up and look the world in the face; step bravely to the front, whatever opposes, and the world will make way for you.

There never was a time before when persistent, original force was so much in demand as now. The namby-pamby, nerveless man has little show in the hustling world to-day.

Every one admires the man who asserts his rights, and has the power to demand and take them if denied him. No one can respect the man who slinks in the rear and apologizes for being in the world.

There are of no use in winning one's way. It is the positive man, the man with original energy and push that forges to the front.—Success.

GOOD ROADS NOTES

The Money Value of Good Roads.

THE report of the Maryland Geological Survey for 1899 announces that the people of that State have expended over \$6,000,000 in the last ten years on their common roads; most of the money has been wasted in continual repairing.

This estimate supplements the information collected by the Department of Agriculture in 1895, when it received data from over twelve hundred counties from all over the country and found that the average cost of hauling a ton load one mile was twenty-five cents, while the average cost in six European countries that possess improved highways was almost exactly one-third as much.

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The company officials say they are in the railway, not the turnpike business, and that their object is to build up and develop the city and surrounding country, acting upon the theory that such development is certain to benefit the railway company.

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AN IMMENSE SPAN.

The Largest Arched Bridges in the World.

The largest arched bridges on the continent of Europe, which span the Rhine, represent a type of bridge which, although very popular on the continent for large spans, has not found much application in Great Britain, although it originated in the cast-iron arch of the Coalbrookdale bridge of 1779, over the Severn, which has a span of 102 feet.

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Table with market data including FLOUR, WHEAT, CORN, etc.