

Woman's Realm

TRIALS OF A DRESSMAKER.

Difficulties of Remaking Gowns and Re-creating the Disastitied.

"Gradually and through many tribulations am I gaining knowledge," said the dressmaker in an interview in the New York Times. "Moreover, I am learning to control my temper. There was a time when I made me fighting mad for a customer to bring a garment back after it had been worn and complain that it didn't fit. The air I used to put on at such times were wonderfully high and mighty. 'You accepted the dress,' I would say severely. 'If it didn't fit you should have said so at the time.' 'As a rule the troublesome customer was very meek. I thought then it looked all right,' she usually replied, 'but after I had worn it I noticed several defects that had not been apparent before.' 'Of course the end of the argument was that I fixed the dress, but I always charged extra for the alterations. Now I make them without extra charges. Oh, well, perhaps I do add a little to the original price to cover subsequent ripping and sewing, but that is not the point. What I am trying to get at is that I no longer raise a row over those after-wearing repairs. With nine women out of ten they are a necessity. A gown may set faultlessly when leaving the shop, but when it has been worn once or twice it is apt to develop unexpected eccentricities. That is the result of shaping itself to the figure. There are few women who have not physical ups and downs that run contrary to the lines of perfect beauty. Clothes are bound to accommodate themselves to these peculiarities, hence the belated appearance of wrinkles and ridges. 'Even with my own clothes I have come to realize that slight changes are necessary after the waists get set to the figure, so I cannot blame the customers for demanding equal attention to their wardrobe. The only thing I do object to is the fact that they put all the blame on me. They attribute the late crop of wrinkles to my incompetency, whereas the defects are really the result of their own special imperfections.' 'When Woman is the Architect. It would seem that the woman of today should be the architect of the dwelling. It is she who must fit and dress the home and, as she generally would be if she also planned the undressed house. Every woman should know where the drainpipes are placed in the house, and be sufficiently well informed to oversee the plumber in his work, and know how to test the plumbing when the work is said to be finished. With a faithful adherence to this knowledge, much diphtheria, typhoid and such kindred diseases may be avoided. The housewife should also know how to manage the draughts of the furnace or the valves of the steam pipes. It requires close attention and hard study to understand house construction, yet the resourceful women of today are certainly equal to it. As the heating of the house is a very important item, it would be well, unless thoroughly versed on the subject, to consult an authority. The old-time Baltimore heater has given way to the furnace, which, if properly built, will send heat to every corner of the house. The furnace need not necessarily be extra large to heat the entire house, but a well selected, reliable make is the one to choose—a few extra dollars invested in this article will repay the owner in the long run. For cheer and health's sake the grate fire still holds its own, and is invaluable for carrying away the germs of many diseases that would otherwise create havoc. To be sure, dust and ashes accompany the grate fire, but the end justifies the means. On moderately cool spring and autumn days, when the furnace fire is too warm, the open grate fire, or its equivalent, gas logs, will be sufficient and may be extinguished at will. It is only a question of time when the home will be reorganized. The march of progress cannot be hindered. Just as electricity has been used for the lighting of streets, so will scientific principles be introduced into house and home, and as woman was originally the inventor, the manufacturer and the provider, she should again take the part in her own hands and be prepared for any emergency. She should understand the shelter—the house itself, its healthfulness, its influence on mind and soul, the food and clothing which sustain and help the body, and the general management and daily care of all those means related to the one great end. It would seem that architecture offers a field for woman, but not many have cared to grasp the advantages yet. I believe that women, better than men, understand the secret of developing a home, and the art of making it a real home.—New York Tribune.



FOR THE HOUSEWIFE

Jelly Roll Cake.
Cream two cups of sugar and an half a cup of butter. Add one cup of sweet milk, one egg, beaten light, and two level teaspoonfuls of baking powder which have been sifted into two cups of flour. The last thing add a teaspoonful of vanilla. Bake in a moderate oven.

Baked Parsnips.
Scrape and halve two medium parsnips and lay them in a pan with four tablespoonfuls water and a saltspoonful salt; put them in the oven to bake tender; when quite done and nicely browned lay them in a dish, putting on them four tablespoonfuls drawn butter and a heavy sprinkle of black pepper; serve very hot.

Aunt Cordelia's Legacy.
One pint cold boiled macaroni, two pint cold chopped beef or mutton, one pint cold stewed tomatoes, one onion fried in butter, one cup bread or cracker crumbs, one teaspoonful salt, one-quarter teaspoonful pepper. Butter a two-quart dish, put in a layer of crumbs, then of meat, tomatoes and macaroni; sprinkle with the seasoning; continue until all are used; pour on one cup boiling water; dot with bits of butter; bake brown.

Strawberry Shortcake.
Strawberry shortcake with whipped cream colored green with pistache is attractive to behold and very good to eat. Never make strawberry shortcake with cake dough. The original shortcake mixture is like baking powder biscuits. Roll out the dough and divide in equal parts. Spread one piece with butter and place the other piece on it. Bake and while hot gently separate the two pieces. Spread with the berries and put together again. Serve with cream.

Gingerbread.
Sour milk gingerbread, according to a Good Housekeeping recipe, is made as follows: One cup of butter and one cup of sugar creamed; one cup of molasses, one cup of sour milk, two teaspoonfuls soda dissolved in a little hot water, half a teaspoonful of salt, two teaspoonfuls of ginger, one of powdered cinnamon, two beaten eggs, flour to make the mixture as thick as ordinary cake, one cup of raisins, dredged with flour, and added the last thing before baking.

French Fried Potatoes.
Peel potatoes, cut in strips one inch long, one-quarter inch thick; lay in cold water; have laid hot; take out potatoes, dry on a towel, lift fat kettle to sink, put in half the potatoes don't use a basket; find it better to move them about with perforated spoon; when cooked soft lift them out; let the fat come to smoking point; again put them back to brown; as soon as they are brown take them out; they are much crispier and better done; it is much simpler to sprinkle salt over them; it is always wise to take the fat kettle to the sink when filling or taking anything out.

HINTS FOR THE HOUSEKEEPER.
It is said that a baby's hair may be made to grow curly by rubbing the hair in little circles from right to left all over the scalp, just after the daily bath. When cheese is too soft to grate and no food chopper is included in the kitchen furnishings, press the cheese through a wire strainer with the back of a tablespoon. A plate warmer on which the platter of French sausages comes to the table smoking hot in certain restaurants is furnished with an alcohol lamp and may be adjusted to a round or an oblong platter. It is silver plated with an ornate cut edge and is to be had in housefurnishing departments. When there are deep rust spots on steel that resist all the usual methods of polishing it will be wise to try a paste made from fine emery powder and kerosene. There are few spots that will not yield to this. After applying the paste—and rubbing the spots thoroughly—let it stand for several hours, then polish with oil. Loops for hanging up garments are always wearing out and breaking, particularly with children's cloaks and coats. To make a serviceable loop cut a strip of kid from an old glove, roll in it a piece of coarse string and sew the edges of kid neatly together. This loop, fastened securely to a garment, will stand any amount of pulling without wearing or breaking. A room situated so that it does not get any direct sunlight, but only reflected light, may be made more cheerful if the walls are covered with a paper that has a background of some delicate yellow shade. The painted wood-work should be of a creamy tint, and with yellow India silk or muslin draperies at the windows one can almost imagine oneself in a room with a southern exposure. One of the prettiest curtains seen for a set of shelves was of brown burlap with trimmings of red. The curtain was thrown over the brass rod in such a way as to form a deep lambrequin at the top. The burlap was lined throughout with the red. Red felt was used for the border. The top and bottom was feather stitched with the burlap with red worsted in clusters of six quite long stitches, the middle one longest, and the others graduated to ward each end. The clusters of stitches were about an inch apart.

THE KEYSTONE STATE

Latest News of Pennsylvania Told in Short Order.

Work on the Wabash Station and trackage in Pittsburgh was stopped by a strike of bricklayers. The contractors, the George A. Fuller Company, sublet the contract for pointing and cleaning the building to a non-union contractor who was employing laborers to do this class of work. The Fuller Company was notified that the pointing and cleaning of the buildings properly belonged to members of the bricklayers' organization but this did not have the desired effect and a strike was ordered.

The Funeral Directors' Association of Pennsylvania, in annual convention elected the following officers: President, E. C. Benhauser, Pittsburgh; vice-presidents, A. C. Hookey, Philadelphia; William G. Sample, Sharon; Joseph S. Rice, Newcastle; secretary, George Chandler, Philadelphia; treasurer, Jacob S. Fisher, Philadelphia; delegates to national convention, George Chandler, Philadelphia; S. G. Samson, Pittsburgh; A. C. Hookey, Philadelphia; E. S. Lawrie, Allegheny; and Joseph Stephens, Altoona. Philadelphia was selected as the next place of meeting.

Pierce B. Pontius, a telegraph operator on the Schuylkill division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, applied for leave of absence ten days ago and went to Chicago on a pleasure trip. While there he met Miss Lena, a girl of Bloomington, Ill., and after three days' courtship he proposed marriage. They were wedded in Chicago, and Pontius returned home with his bride. The information of the wedding was sent all along the division by another operator, and the blushing bridegroom was kept busy answering the congratulations sent to him over the wire.

At their monthly meeting, the commissioners of Springfield Township, which adjoins Philadelphia, decided to raise the rate of 5% mill for the ensuing year to a decrease of 1% mill from last year's rate. The tax duplicate shows a total valuation of nearly \$3,000,000 worth of property taxable for township purposes.

Deputy Attorney General Fleitz has given Superintendent of Public Instruction Schaeffer a construction of the law of 1903 designating the number of school directors to be elected in boroughs not divided into wards and fixing the lengths of their terms. The act provides that at the first election after its passage the borough in question shall elect two directors for one year, two for two years and two for three years, and annually afterwards for three years. Mr. Fleitz says that the act is ambiguous and some boroughs not entitled to elect six school directors elected under it and now have more than their legal share, but he has no objection to the previous elections. Mr. Fleitz says "I instruct you, that no borough entitled to elect six directors, and employing that privilege at the time of the passage of this act, comes within its provisions, and any election held in accordance with the act, and with the terms of this statute is invalid, and of the six directors selected only the two whose terms were designated as for three years are entitled to sit on the board or to take a part in its proceedings. As the schools boards of the State will convene next week, this opinion comes at an opportune time to prevent any confusion."

The Home for the Aged, conducted by the Little Sisters of the Poor, of the Catholic Church, at Rebecca and Penna avenues, Pittsburgh, was robbed \$300 by a man who gained access to the establishment by representing that a contract for plumbing had been sublet to him. The sisters are building an addition and the sum stolen was collected for this object. It was in a tin box in the Mother Superior's room, when the stranger came and told his story, he was allowed to loiter about, apparently for the purpose of inspecting the premises. At noon, when the sisters were called to prayer, the stranger climbed the fire escape to the third floor and then came down to the second, where the Mother Superior has her room. He jammed open the door of the room, broke into the cabinet and got away with the contents of the tin box.

A robber entered the Reading Railway station at Souderton at 1 o'clock the other day and stole \$200 and a telegraph operator in charge. The operator, though suffering from his wound, pluckily seized the operating key and telegraphed for assistance with the result that the thief was captured and he was arraigned before Magistrate Loxton, who committed him to jail. The prisoner gave his name as Raymond T. Stone, of North Wales.

By the premature discharge of a cannon at Marietta both of George Sargent's hands were blown off and his face was terribly burned, and he lost the thumb of his left hand. Kugle lost the thumb of his left hand and members of Lieutenant William H. Child Post, of Marietta. Kugle is an artilleryman during the war and had charge of the cannon. He held his thumb over the front hole, and Sargent was ramming the charge home when the cannon was discharged. Amputation at the fore arms, it is hoped, may save Sargent's life if he is able to withstand the shock. He is 63 years of age and has a wife and family. The amputation occurred in the Marietta Cemetery while the Memorial Day exercises were in progress.

Six cadet cavalrymen, selected from the regular squad at the Pennsylvania Military College, contested for the Bergfeld medal. The medal was awarded to Robert K. Mosser, of Noxen, Pa. John L. Wetherill, of Chester, and James Henry, Jr., of Philadelphia, received honorable mention. The judges were Major George A. Dodd, Third Cavalry, U. S. A.; Major John T. Knight and Captain James E. Normey, Quartermaster's Department, U. S. A.

At the examination held by the State Pharmaceutical Examining Board in Harrisburg on Wednesday, April 17, there were 215 applicants for registered pharmacist's certificates and 153 for registered qualified assistants pharmacist's certificates. Of the former but seventy-six passed, and but thirty-six of the latter. The right examination was the reason of the exact result in the failure of about 60 per cent of the April claimants.

Six passengers were badly hurt and a score were cut and bruised in a head-on collision between two heavily loaded trolley cars on the Tamaoos & Lansford Street Railway.

COMMERCIAL REVIEW.

R. G. Dun Co.'s weekly review of trade says: Retail trade is stimulated by seasonable weather and the industrial outlook is brighter on the whole, although several adverse factors have appeared. Manufacturing lines report a slight improvement at wooler mills and shoe factories, and, while there is more idle cotton machinery, it is worthy of note that the last Fall River statement showed very little reduction in dividends.

Railway earnings thus far reported for May fall 3.7 per cent short of the same time last year. It is increasingly difficult to find encouraging indications pertaining to the iron and steel industry. Purchases are small and frequently affected at further price concessions, although it is difficult to find definitely lower quotations, except from pig iron, which now averages from \$5 to \$7 a ton cheaper than at the corresponding date last year.

Textile markets have improved to some extent during the past week, weather conditions being notably favorable for retail trade, while the orders for woollens and worsteds increase more than the most sanguine manufacturers anticipated. Failures this week number 226 in the United States against 207 last year, and 7 in Canada, compared with 7 a year ago.

Wheat, including flour, exports for the week ending May 26, aggregated 1,121,157 bushels against 1,225,763 last week, 4,077,628 this week last year, 3,000,645 in 1902 and 4,138,170 in 1901. Corn exports for the week aggregated 233,095 bushels against 118,347 last week, 1,170,730 a year ago, 71,478 in 1902 and 2,037,348 in 1901.

WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Baltimore.—FLOUR—Quiet and unchanged; receipts, 4,427 barrels; exports, 502 barrels.

WHEAT—Weak; spot, contract 1.02; spot, No. 2 red, Western, 1.02 1/2; May, 1.02; July, 88 1/2; asked; steamed No. 2 red, 92; receipts, 1,200 bushels. Southern by sample, 92@1.02; Southern by grade, 92@1.02.

CORN—Easier; spot and May, 52 July, 53; steamer mixed, 49 1/2; receipts, 1,071 bushels; Southern white corn, 51 1/2; Southern yellow corn, 50 1/2.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 white, 48 1/2; No. 2 mixed, 45 sales; receipts, 12,327 bushels.

RYE—Very dull; No. 2, uptown, 71 1/2; No. 2 Western, 70 asked; receipts, 900 bushels.

HAY—Steady at decline; unchanged.

BUTTER—Weak and unchanged; fancy imitation, 17@18; fancy creamery, 19@20; fancy ladle, 14@15; store packed, 11@12.

EGGS—Steady and unchanged, 17.

CHEESE—Firm and unchanged; large, 8 1/2@9 1/4; medium, 8 1/4@9; small, 8 1/4@9.

New York.—BUTTER—Firm; receipts, 5,680; creamery, common to extra, 18@18 1/2; State dairy, common to extra, 13@17 1/2.

CHEESE—Steady; receipts, 1,522; full cream, small colored, choice, 8, do fair to good, 7 1/2@7 3/4; small white, choice, 7 1/2; do fair to good, 6 1/2@7 1/4; large white and colored, choice, 7 1/2; do fair to good, 6 1/2@7.

EGGS—Irregular; receipts, 14,220; State, Pennsylvania, and near by fancy, selected, white, 20@21; firsts, 17 1/2@17 3/4; average selections, 17@18; seconds, 15 1/2@16 1/4; Southern, 12@14.

POULTRY—Alive, firm; spring chickens, 20@23; fowls, 14; turkeys, 12; dressed, steady; Western fowls, 13; turkeys, 14@15.

FLOUR—Receipts, 9,281 barrels; exports, 21,184 barrels; dull at unchanged prices.

LARD—Firm; Western steamed, 5 1/2; refined firm; continent, 6.00; Southern American, 7.35; compound, 5 1/2@5 7/8.

POTATOES—Steady; new Southern, 4.00@5.55; State and Western sacks, 2.50@7.75; Jersey sweets, 3.00@5.00.

PEANUTS—Firm; fancy hand picked, 5 1/2@6; other domestics, 3 1/4@6 1/2.

Live Stock. Chicago.—Good to prime steers, 5.25@5.75; poor to medium, 4.40@5.25; stockers and feeders, 3.25@4.75; cows and heifers, 1.75@5.00; castrals, 1.25@2.00; bulls, 2.50@4.25; calves, 2.50@5.75; Texas fed steers, 4.50@5.10.

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