

TIMELY SUGGESTIONS THAT WILL HELP THE HOSTESS

A Jolly Out-Door Party.

This was a decided success, for the children were so enthusiastic. The affair took place in the country, but I do not think a city back yard or a park would fall short of the requirements. Of course, all depends upon the weather, for this party requires snow and a frozen pond, if possible.

The hours were from five to eight, and it was quite dark when the gay youngsters assembled. The mothers had been instructed to dress the little guests, who were from ten to fourteen, very warmly with sweaters and mittens. Japanese lanterns were strung all over the lawn and twinkled brightly in the darkness; then there were huge bonfires built along the edge of the pond with caretakers to watch for sparks. There were skating races, running races, tobogganing and a merry game of Hare and Hounds, with red confetti, for "scent." The last stunt was storming a snow fort, the children being divided into two sides, white men and "Indians." After this excitement they were called in to a supper consisting of piping hot oyster soup, hot buttered crackers, olives, turkey sandwiches, then ice cream in shape of snow balls with a little flag in the top of each ball; the cakes were balls, too, rolled in cocoanut form and then in sweet chocolate grated. A big sleigh took all the children home, each with a tin horn which was tied with scarlet ribbon. The horns were presented when good-bys were said.

For St. Agnes' Eve.

Friday, the 20th, brings Saint Agnes' eve, a special day in the old-time calendar. At this season, young girls were wont to peer into the future to discern the characteristics of their future husbands. They resorted to all sorts of tricks and used rosemary and thyme, as custom, or tradition rather, proclaimed them the flowers for that day. It was the time for love prophecies, so it would be an auspicious time for an engagement announcement, or for a bridal luncheon.

White flowers, with a white menu

as far as possible, would be pretty, passing with dessert a tray of marshmallows and a wee glass candlestick containing a white candle, one for each guest to be taken as souvenirs. Toasting marshmallows at the table and watching to see whose candle burns the longest, makes a happy finale to a luncheon or dinner. The first candle to go out foretells, "no wedding for a year," the one with a flickering flame denotes an interrupted courtship; the one that burns clean and clear to the socket means a wedding within a year.

A January Luncheon.

This pretty luncheon was hastily arranged in honor of a friend who was going away, and by accident the hostess learned the day set for her entertainment was also her friend's birthday. As the guests were all very intimate friends and only too glad of the opportunity to show some attention to the departing guest, they all contributed a small sum with which the hostess purchased a charming garnet bar-pin. It was tied to a bouquet of red roses. On the card was written this couplet, allotted to the month of January:

By her, who in this month is born,
No gems save garnets should be worn;
They will insure her constancy,
True friendship and 9d-ity.

The flower for the month is the pearly snow drop, and there was a huge bunch of them in a red Bohemian glass bowl for the table centerpiece. Red candles were used with shades of the same color, and a lovely fire blazed in the grate. Altogether it was a most hospitable affair. With the dessert of frozen pudding came a birthday cake with the name of the guest picked out in small red candles. The cake was on a candle board surrounded by a circle of blazing red candles. Each guest made a wish and blew one out before the cake was cut. After this the maid brought in the bouquet on a silver tray and the pin tied in a wee white box with garnet ribbon was discovered.

MADAME MERRI.

Paris Frocks for Girls



THE dainty frock at the left is of white marquisette. The skirt, forming a tunic, is gathered at the top and bottom and finished with a wide band of the material, which is trimmed with tubular pearl beads and ornamented with motifs composed of crystal beads and pink roses. This is edged with pale blue liberty and falls over two founces of the marquisette, which are encrusted with tucks, trimmed with the tubular pearl beads and edged with the blue liberty.

The corage has a plain corselet of the material edged with the blue, and the sleeves and bretelles are tucked and trimmed like the founces. A garland of little pink roses finishes the round, low neck, and the girle is of the light blue liberty finished at the back with knotted sash ends.

The other frock is of pale salmon colored voile. The corselet skirt is made in two parts, both plaited. The lower part is attached underneath the upper to a plain, flat yoke. Both are bordered with wide bands of white lace insertion.

The kimono corsage is trimmed with the lace and knots of silver ribbon are used to ornament the front of the frock.

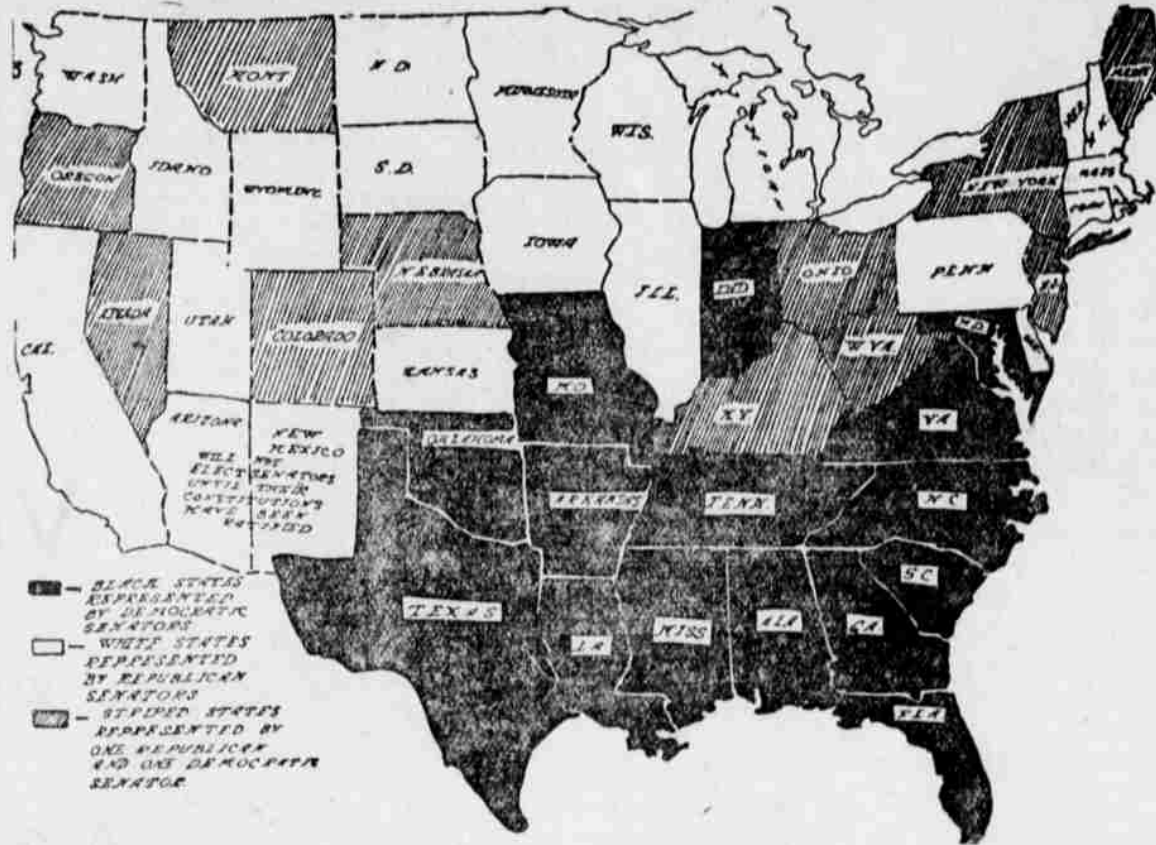
dolls there is a new and delightful lot on the market this year. These dolls come in sets and represent epochs of American history. Beneath each doll is a little story that is educational as a history lesson for young folks, and each doll has several different gowns. The faces of the dolls and their gowns are historically correct, having been taken from authentic historical paintings. The first sets show Columbus and the king and queen of Spain and others renowned in the discovery of America. Then come the Indians, the Puritans, George Washington, etc.

Brocade for Workbags.

Charming workbags are made of old brocades in dull tones with tarnished gilt fringe or embroidery. In the center of the side is framed an oval picture of a beauty of the French court, outlined with tarnished gilt cord. Others have bouquets of dull gilt roses, or flowers of dull toned narrow ribbon, applied.

The drawers are of tanned red gilt cord and sometimes a plain taffeta, in a dull, quaint color, is used with the brocade for the upper part of the bag

SENATORIAL MAP OF THE UNITED STATES



BETWEEN now and March the legislatures of the various states will be busy electing United States senators to complete the upper house of the sixty-second congress. Thirty-three senators are to be elected, and these seventeen will be Republicans and sixteen Democrats, representing a gain of nine seats for the Democrats and one seat for the Republicans. The accompanying map shows how the states will be represented in the next Senate.

LATEST IN SURGERY

Lengthening of Bones and Mending of Veins.

Most Interesting of Advanced Methods Applies to Stimulating of Osseous Growth Artificially by Injecting Formalin.

New York.—Limbs may be lengthened by stimulating the growth of the bones and cut arteries repaired with metal rings something in the manner adopted in joining water mains, according to methods of the new surgery described in the current medical journals.

One of the most interesting of the advanced methods applies to the stimulation of osseous growth artificially by injecting formalin. This is a solution of the gas formaldehyde used as a disinfectant and preservative, and the liquid has been employed not only in its pure state, but in the two per cent. solution. The experiments which have been conducted so far by Dr. R. O. Meisenbach are described by him in the Journal of Orthopedic Surgery, and there is an editorial upon them in the Medical Record of this city. Doctor Meisenbach conducted his experiments on the legs of rabbits, selecting usually the right tibia and using the left as a control or means of comparing results.

He also availed himself of mechanical means, but the most satisfactory results were obtained with the formalin injections. It is said the introduction of the solution, which also has high antiseptic qualities, stimulates the secretion of lime from the fibrous tissue which covers the cartilage and thus builds up the bone. If this method should be applied to human beings, it might be of great value, and the medical authorities think such an application of the discovery is far from remote.

It is held that the formalin stimulation may serve as a stepping stone to a new method of treatment in bone cases which have hitherto baffled the skill of surgeons. Fences which have stubborn compound fractures might thus be made to reunite, and limbs, which are abnormally shortened through the arrest of the growth of bone, as is so frequently the case in children after attacks of infantile paralysis, could be lengthened.

The discovery might extend even to the treatment of tuberculosis of the bones and to various diseases which affect the framework of the body. There are numerous cases where persons who have broken arms or legs are crippled permanently even when can give, and were it possible to create new bones at the places where it is required many a limp would be avoided.

The modern surgeon, therefore, by taking thought may yet be able to add to the stature of man. "The results have been very encouraging, according to the scientific reports, for some of the best of them were obtained by only one injection of the formalin."

Joining of the ends of a parted artery by the use of rings of the metal magnesium is described in the last number of the Journal of the American Medical Association by Drs. V. Lespinasse, G. Carl Fisher and J. Eisentraut, in an article descriptive of their work in the department

of experimental surgery in the Northwestern university medical school. They acknowledge the assistance of Drs. Zeit, Wolfner, Violet, Deason and Solomon.

The vessel had been clamped at either side of the cut, and the ends sewed into holes in the magnesium rings. The tissue is secured firmly, and the two flat rings are fitted against each other and bound together by passing silk thread through the holes in the rims. This is only a general description, for there are variations of the success effected.

The rings thus fitting flush against each other and tightly bound together, form a union. The clamps are removed and the blood stream flows as ever through the accustomed channel. The metal of which the rings are made is only slightly acted upon at first by the fluids of the body and the salt. They are thoroughly sterilized before their introduction, either in distilled water or a spring or lake water which is only slightly saline.

For 30 days the rings hold their original shape and at the end of that period they begin to break down and in from 80 to 100 days they have been completely absorbed into the system.

Conclusions the surgeons reach is that the use of these rings makes the operation safe, certain and easy,

and brings it well within the skill of the average surgeon. They declare that the operation is applicable in all wounds of the large vessels and that it is possible to remove a short piece of the injured blood vessel, bring the extremities together and then to re-establish circulation by making an end to end union in the simple mechanical manner they have employed.

TEACH MEALS AND MANNERS

Efforts Being Made to Train English Children on Table Etiquette—See Benefits.

London.—Efforts to train the poorer children of London to be "well-mannered and well-behaved" are being made by the London common council education committee in the course of the arrangements for feeding the necessary children.

The general appearance of the average necessitous child has been improved, the report declares. Some children, however, remain ill-nourished, mainly through unsuitable food or lack of digestive power, or other causes, such as bad teeth, hurried meals, drinking strong tea, insufficient sleep and chronic fatigue and overwork.

Judge Finds Meanest Man.

New York.—John Lloyd was characterized as "the meanest man in New York" by Magistrate Krotel the other day. Lloyd was accused by his wife of selling her only pair of shoes to buy a bucket of beer.

BIG COST AS DIVORCE CURE

Sir Edward Carson, Noted English Lawyer, Would Make Erring People Pay Dearly.

London.—Sir Edward Carson, K. C., who practiced in Ireland for many years before coming to England, and who was an expert witness before the divorce commission here the other day, expressed the belief that every obstacle should be thrown in the way of those who sought divorce to make it difficult to obtain decrees.

He said it would be a fatal mistake to make the obtaining of divorces easier. He believed a judge should exhaust every effort to induce those seeking divorces to settle their difficulties out of court and to become united.

When Sir Edward was told that working people had not the facilities of the wealthy to obtain divorces, he invariably replied that he would equalize matters if he could by cutting down the facilities of the wealthy.

In Sir Edward's opinion, the damages given in divorce cases are as a rule entirely adequate. He thought it would be a salutary thing if the damages were much heavier. In the case of a man with £20,000 to £30,000 a year who coveted another man's wife and took her away from him the damages should not be £5,000 but £100,000. This certainly increases the worth of a wife.

When asked if he would not be in favor of leaving the matter of damages to the judge, Sir Edward replied that he thought judges were inclined to be even more parsimonious in such cases than juries.

In reply to a question from a member of the commission the lawyer said he would put the sexes on terms of equality and advanced the startling theory that a woman should not be able to divorce her husband for infidelity, because men, on account of the customs of the age, looked upon this matter in a different way from woman-kind.

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YOUNG SPINSTERS MAKE VOW

Six San Francisco Maidens, Fearing Divorce, Agree Never to Enter Matrimony.

San Francisco.—Society was surprised the other day by the announcement that six debutantes of last season—Miss Agnes Tillman, Miss Dorothy Van Stieken, Miss Lillian Van Worst, Miss Anna Olney, Miss Marion Davis and Miss Josephine Johnson—had vowed with solemnity, ceremony and seeming sincerity that never would they consent to be shackled with the bonds of marriage.

In a season's whirl they say they have observed that glamor fades and romance passes away; that the princely cuts a sorry figure in a divorce court. The days of chivalry are no more they sadly assert.

It was on the eve of her debut that one of the social favorites learned of the ways of the matrimonial mart. She chanced to read an attack on the marriage market of society, in which it was set forth that girls were presented like wares to be disposed of as soon as possible, at high figures at first, then at reduced rates that become lower each year until the premium of a dowry may be offered.

Alfonso Sends \$100 to Widow.

Paris.—King Alfonso, learning of the death of a Paris policeman named Viell, who was wounded on the occasion of the anarchist outrage against the king in the Rue de Rohan, Paris has sent a check for \$100 to the man's widow.

position, crept cautiously to the desk, unwrapped the clock and slipped the "silent" lever into place.

The joker, thanks to his foresight, is still in the employ of the firm.

Cooking Saves Domestic.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Charged with stealing jewelry and silk dresses, Clara El exander was released after her employer, Nathan Jones, had testified against her. When it dawned upon James that his cook must go to jail he said: "I can't prosecute the girl. Help is scarce, and it would take months to find a cook like Clara."

She was released and went back to the Jones' domicile.

Woisey Relic at Auction.

London.—Part of a panel of arras tapestry, which originally belonged to Cardinal Woisey, was sold the other day at auction for \$32,000. The buyer was Captain Lindsay, who often acts as the agent of an American resident in London. His bid overtopped that of the representative of the Victoria and Albert museum, who tried to buy the tapestry for the nation.

NEVER GOT TO KNOW HIM

Seemingly, This Husband Was Somewhat of a Hard Man to Get Acquainted With.

"I met a queer old woman character on the train between here and Buffalo one morning," remarked Police Judge McGannon when talk had drifted around to queer people one meets. "She was traveling with her grown son, whom I had met in the smoking compartment, and later on I got talking with the old lady. She spoke of several people she knew here in Cleveland.

"Did you ever happen to know James H. Soandso?" I asked her casually, judging from something she had said that she did know him.

"She gave me a strange sort of a look. 'Well,' she replied, 'I don't know whether to say I know that man or not. He's a queer sort, you understand—the kind of a man that nobody really knows. Why, I was married to James Soandso, and lived with him for four years, but I never felt that I was really acquainted with him.'

"And the funny part of it," added McGannon, "was the woman was in deadly earnest about it. She didn't make the remark by way of springing any comedy at all."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

STUBBORN ECZEMA ON HANDS

"Some nine years ago I noticed small pimples breaking out on the back of my hands. They became very irritating, and gradually became worse, so that I could not sleep at night. I consulted a physician who treated me a long time, but it got worse, and I could not put my hands in water. I was treated at the hospital, and it was just the same. I was told that it was a very bad case of eczema. Well, I just kept on using everything that I could for nearly eight years until I was advised to try Cuticura Ointment. I did so, and I found after a few applications and by bandaging my hands well up that the burning sensations were disappearing, I could sleep well, and did not have any itching during the night. I began after a while to use Cuticura Soap for a wash for them, and I think by using the Soap and Ointment I was much benefited. I stuck to the Cuticura treatment, and thought if I could use other remedies for over seven years with no result, and after only having a few applications and finding ease from Cuticura Ointment, I thought it deserved a fair trial with a severe and stubborn case. I used the Ointment and Soap for nearly six months, and I am glad to say that I have hands as clear as anyone.

"It is my wish that you publish this letter to all the world, and if anyone doubts it, let them write me and I will give them the name of my physician, also the hospital I was treated at." (Signed) Miss Mary A. Bentley, 93 University St., Montreal, Que., Sept. 14, 1910.

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