



WOMAN'S REALM

FEATHERED MILLINERY DOOMED.

Success of Movement Against Slaughtering Birds For Hat Trimmings.

Even the most pessimistic observers of millinery in its relation to bird life have been forced to admit that the beneficial influence of the awakened interest in nature has been marked.

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These statements made by Ralph Hoffman, of Belmont, with regard to the expected increased demand for alpacas are confirmed by newspaper items which state that next winter will see more of them worn than ever before.

Dress For Camping.

For a month's trip, two short skirts are desirable, so that in case of rain or accident a change can be made.

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its success. It is always a mistake to adorn oneself with a variety of colors. All the great stylists in dress love the mixing of colors, but they blend them to form a harmonious whole.

Velveteen corded blouses in brown and gray are perfectly charming for cool days in the country with a cloth skirt of the same color.

Delaine, by the way, is one of the most useful and charming fabrics for warm shirts. It washes without shrinking and is made in a variety of dainty colors and pretty patterns.

Never were ostrich feathers more fashionable, but they must be of the finest quality and quite immense as to size; picked specimens of these feathers measure twenty to twenty-five inches in length, and are so treated that they seem to puff out in the prettiest way at the tips.

The latest fad in character reading is the interpretation of the eyebrows. Here are the chief points, given by an experienced observer.

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FRILLS OF FASHION

Soft effects are best style in neckwear.

An emerald green haze hangs over the fashion world.

Artificial flowers made of silk are very swagger for trimming the pompadour gowns so modish this summer.

A line of fleur-de-lis in some bright color, set in a deep hemstitched edge, is an attractive border on imported white linen handkerchiefs.

A Swiss gown of white with a tiny black dot, heavily trimmed with fine black lace, is stylish and serviceable for summer wear.

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The all-white petticoat is no longer a much befriended affair. Flat embroidery is used instead of lace insertions and ruffles on the best skirts.

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TALES OF PLUCK AND ADVENTURE

Lost in the Desert.

THE family of Mr. Godfrey Hughes, a member of the firm of assayers owning the customs assay office, recently went to spend the summer months visiting friends who own a large ranch about seventeen miles above Albuquerque.

The mother then sent him back for the little truant. Shortly the messenger came back, panting from his hurried running, and exclaimed that his brother was nowhere to be found; that he was not at the corral.

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Most of the crew beat a hasty retreat, it is claimed, to the pilot house, when the snake was seen to be on the boat.

As soon as the reptile was in the boat the hatch was closed and a steam jet was turned into that part of the vessel. For three hours the place was steamed, to make sure that the snake would be killed.

Captain George W. Atkinson says he thinks the snake was what is known on the lower Mississippi River as a cotton-mouthed moccasin, a very poisonous reptile.

A Thirst That Could Not Be Satisfied.

From the story of Chief Officer Scott, of the Roraima, in Leslie's Monthly: You read about that fellow down in hades looking up and asking for water.

Leaning over the roof of his house, lighted by the flames from a burning building next door, John Walsh, of Chicago, passed to his wife, who clung to the edge of a window below, two little children whose lives he had saved from the fire at the risk of his own.

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DR. CHAPMAN'S SERMON

A SUNDAY DISCOURSE BY THE NOTED PASTOR-EVANGELIST.

Subject: The Nearness of God—Alphabet of Divine Love—Not Enough of God in Nature to Satisfy Our Souls—Need of the Lord's "Nearness."

NEW YORK CITY.—The Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman's sermons continue to excite the greatest interest and to give the greatest satisfaction to that large body of American people who demand a striking discourse for their weekly reading.

This text is taken from one of the longest chapters in the Bible, but it is remarkable not only on account of its length, but because of its teaching.

The writer of this Psalm must have been inspired with the word of God as he knew it. I have heard of an old Christian who meditated his way through the Bible from the Alpha and Omega of the word of God.

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every bush is on fire with God." But it is a great mistake to seek to find Him only in this way. He is near to us in providences, and as a rule for the Christian God is never nearer than when we pass through trial.

First: He is near as a sin-forgiving God. "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." Romans 8: 1.

Second: He is near as a promise-keeping God. "For all the promises of God in Him are yea, and in Him Amen, unto the glory of God by us." I Corinthians 1: 20.

Third: He is near as a prayer-answering God. John 16: 23-24. "And in that day ye shall ask Me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in My name, He will give you."

Fourth: He is near as a gracious Father. John 14: 9-10. "Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known Me, Philip? He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father, and how sayest thou, then, Show us the Father? Believest thou not that I am in the Father and the Father in Me? The words that I speak unto you I speak not of Myself, but the Father, that dwelleth in Me; He doeth the works." By these words Jesus wanted Philip to know that he had seen Him touch the eyes of the blind and raise the dead and comfort the sorrowing he had had a vision of the Father in His infinite love.

We have lost the sense of His nearness. First: In Genesis 28: 18, we read, "And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely the Lord is in this place; and I knew it not." After Jacob had had his day of fight and his night of dreams he awakes to say, "The Lord was in this place and I knew it not," and the reason he did not know was because he was deceitful and dishonest. If we give the right name we shall say he was sinful, but separate us from God and hide His face from us so that He not only will not hear but He cannot see. "Blessed are the pure in heart; for they shall see God."

Second: In Exodus 3: 5, we read, "And He said, Draw not nigh hither, but off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground." Moses had no idea that he would see God in the burning bush, for he was not expecting Him, and let it be remembered that we have failed to see God because our minds are not set upon Him. He is on every side of us, and if we did but look for Him we should see Him at every turn of life and every hour of the day. His revelation may be very unsatisfactory to you, but it is possible for you in the most menial place to see Christ just as Paul had visions of Him constantly, and yet he was only a tent maker who loses sight of Him of whom he speaks; or a Sunday-school teacher to teach her lesson and be unconscious of the presence of Christ of whom she has been teaching. It is a good thing for us all to stop again and again and say, "Thou art near, O Lord," for He is indeed nearer to us than any earthly friend.

Kindred texts. There are certain texts in the Scripture which are akin to the one I have chosen, as for example, Psalm 138: 8. "The Lord is thy keeper; the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand." If the Lord is our keeper why need we go astray? He neither slumbers or sleeps. Psalm 121: 4. "My eyes are ever toward Jerusalem." It is a possible thing for one to preach so profoundly that he loses sight of Him of whom he speaks; or a Sunday-school teacher to teach her lesson and be unconscious of the presence of Christ of whom she has been teaching. It is a good thing for us all to stop again and again and say, "Thou art near, O Lord," for He is indeed nearer to us than any earthly friend.

He is near and He will preserve. Psalm 37: 23-25. "The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord; and He delighteth in his way. Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down; for the Lord upholdeth him with His hand. I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread." It is written in the Bible and God's word is always true. Paul said, "He will not suffer thy foot to be moved; He that keepeth thee will not slumber." We may not be conscious of His nearness, but He is near, just the same. We have some time been in a dark room all alone, nothing about us. We have touched the electric button, when suddenly we realized that the furnishings of the room are on every side of us. We were not conscious of them, but they were near, and we have lost consciousness of God, and yet if we had but time to illumine the place where we live we would see all about us the evidence of His presence, peace, pardon, love, joy. Oh, that we might live in the furnished room of God, for He is near protecting us, defending us, keeping us from pestilence, and so turning aside the arm of death from us. Trouble may come very near, but it cannot overthrow us. In Psalm 37: 2, there is a graphic description of this: "When the wicked, even mine enemies, and my foes came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell." The Psalmist has a vision of the enemy coming fiercely against him, just about to lay his hand upon him when suddenly he stumbles and falls. Then in the 12th chapter of Acts there is a picture of Peter sleeping between the two soldiers. Herod is just about to lay hands upon him to bring him when suddenly the chain snaps and he is free. This is just like God. Trouble almost breaks our hearts, but we are rescued; our God is almost dethroned, but not altogether. He will not suffer us to be cast down and utterly forsaken.

What a help! If we could only get into the way of saying over and over, "Thou art near, O Lord," we should be greatly strengthened. First: It would keep our lives pure, for we would not so frequently be lost to sin if we were conscious of His nearness. Second: It would strengthen us in the hour of temptation to suddenly pause and say over and over, "Thou art near, O Lord." For He would immediately give us the strength to escape. Third: It will greatly help us in trial to say, "Thou art near to me, O Lord." It would greatly assist us in the transformation of character if we realized His nearness. Moses saw Him, and his face shone; Paul had a vision of Him and never was the same again. It will greatly help us when the need comes for He will then be near. One of my friends in preaching to the soldiers in the time of the war visited a hospital, and was asked by a nurse if he would not when he had finished his service cross over to an adjoining hospital and minister to the comfort of a dying boy. He agreed to come, and finished his service with the soldiers by joining with them in singing, "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me." When he reached the second hospital tent the nurse told him that the young soldier was dead, and he died, she said as you sang the last hymn. While you were singing it he said it with you, and this was the hymn: "When at last I near the shore, And the fearful breakers roar, 'Twill be me and the peaceful rest, Then while leaning on Thy breast, May I hear Thee say to me, 'Fear not, I will pilot thee!'"

He is near. There are so many ways in which He is near to us. First: In creation. It is a great mistake, however, to think that we can find enough of God in nature to satisfy our souls, for we cannot. There is a verse written by Browning, if I mistake not, in which he says something like this: "Earth is crammed with heaven, and