



**The Empress Dowager of Russia** is said to be the owner of the finest collection of Russian sables in the world. One of her cloaks has a lining worth \$50,000, and was made of skins gathered by the governor of a polar province where taxes are paid in furs.

**The Boas of Summer.** Every other well dressed woman sports a boa of pale gray ostrich feathers these balmy days, but almost as pretty and soft and more becoming to some wearers is the boa of cream white falts, bordered by a ruffling of black silk loops, and strands of silk cord and jet falling in front in a sort of airy lattice work.

**The Uses of Taffeta.** Black taffeta silk, flounced, corded, hemstitched, tucked or plaited, is worn by most well dressed women in every possible style and conformation. The fancy taffeta waists are perhaps the most popular garments made from this fabric. These are shown in an extensive variety of designs ranging in price from the cheapest to most expensive creations. Taffeta skirts are worn with these separate waists. They are tucked or flounced and made quite long, producing a decidedly stylish appearance. One model has three narrow circular flounces trimmed with black velvet ribbon, which is very rich. Then there are the fancy boleros made to match the skirt and worn over a blouse of contrasting color.

**A Notable Scotch Woman.** Lady Grizelle Cochrane, a notable society beauty, is the daughter of a wealthy Scotch peer, and among her intimate friends she is called Annie Laurie. This is because of her striking resemblance to the beauty immortalized in the old love song, a resemblance that cannot only be traced through the words of Douglas of Finland's famous verses, but also by the portrayal of the fair Annie that hangs in Maxwellton house. It is said, further, by those who find the likeness most convincing that Lady Grizelle's family is also connected with the Ferguson house, into which Annie was married, and thus the striking likeness is accounted for by inheritance. With her long white throat, masses of dusky brown hair, radiant complexion, hazel eyes and exquisite slender figure this charming young woman has easily inspired the modern Scotch poets with a theme for verses, and the poems that have been written in her honor and the songs that have been sung in her name have already made her almost as well known as the true Annie Laurie. Like the Duchess of Montrose and Sutherland, the Lady Grizelle is a very patriotic Scotch woman. She wears none but the simple wild flowers of her native moors and fields, and she can speak the broadest and, to American ears, the most incomprehensible Scotch brogue, or if she likes pure Gaelic to the Highlanders, and it is said further that she is one of the few women of the north country who can play the pipes as well as any man. It is being whispered about that the fair Lady Grizelle is being wooed by a stalwart Yankee, and hence another earl's daughter may follow the example of Lady Sybil Cuffe, daughter of Lord Harewood, who recently married Mr. Cutting of New York City.

**Minor Things That Count.** A pair of run down heels, rubbed boot toes or shoestrings that have been broken and tied again and again give a rather correct hint of the wearer's title to self respect.

The heels may be straightened for a few pennies, the strings cost a dime and shoe polish is not costly. To be neat is more admirable than to be handsome and slovenly.

Solled white stocks, ebolized gloves, white belts, finger marked white evening bodies, are made as good as new by a thorough sponging or dipped into clear gasoline.

To reek of perfume is vulgar. Perpiration is not hidden, but intensified by trying to disguise it with heavy odors. Women will be blessed in knowing that common baking soda will entirely remove the odor of perspiration; therefore, wash your dress shields every week.

A suggestion of some delicate odor is exquisitely feminine. Let it be but a suggestion, Bernhardi, and most French women, put just a drop upon their ear tips. The Russian grande dame scents her hair. Too many American women douse perfume all over them.

Vails should be rolled upon a veil pad. A shabby, torn veil is a forlorn thing and will make even a beauty look a guy. After 40 white veils are ridiculous; before 20 black ones are correspondingly so. A veil, like gloves, should be above criticism.

Tawdry flowers, worn by no matter whom, give the wearer a theatrical commonplace appearance. With a tailor made gown gay flowers or nodding plumes are in bad taste. A beautifully tied bow of heavy silk or panne velvet upon a straw hat is more chic, keeps its style and can be cleaned.

Chateaines, gorgeous lognettes chains, diamonds and jeweled barrettes are worn while shopping, but never by women of great social distinction, who would as soon wear a biologic costume to church. 'Tis the little things that show whether or not the woman is a gentlewoman.—Philadelphia Record.

**Queen Made Black Chic.** Three grand dames have furnished the cue a la mode for the last half century, or since 1860. Queen Alexandra, Mme. de Metternich and Sarah Bernhardt are the trio. The queen is a positive beauty, but the other two are possessed only of negative good looks. In fact Mme. de Metternich, whose influence upon the fashions has been perhaps the strongest, is positively homely, few women being more so; her ugliness is unique, but rendered fascinating by a certain charm of manner.

It was Queen Alexandra—then the Princess of Wales—who made black very chic; before her time it was dedicated to the bourgeoisie. The wearing of this dismal hue belongs only to modern times; who ever heard of a Greek, or an Oriental, or an Egyptian in black. The only woman who can wear black to advantage is the one who has black eyes, black hair and is fat, is the dictum of the disciples of Edmund Russell.

The young Queen of Holland is making white the fashionable color for gowns throughout aristocratic circles in Holland. She has always preferred white, and her trousseaus contain white dresses of every kind of material—silk, velvet, wool—both for morning and evening wear. On the morning of her marriage Queen Wilhelmina appeared at breakfast with her mother in a lovely gown of white cloth, embroidered in white wool. Her wedding gown was cloth of silver, and very magnificent was the white velvet dress she wore when making her public entry into Amsterdam. It was trimmed with sable, with an ermine mantle.

Because she embroidered a tunic so beautifully for the viceroys, the present Dowager Empress of China was allowed to learn to read. She was a slave and 12 years old, when she executed this really wonderful piece of work, and when asked to name her reward she said there was nothing which would suit her better than to learn to read.

There is no such thing as low neck and short sleeves in China. When western women visit China two features of their dress are a great shock to the Oriental woman—the décolleté of the evening bodice, and the fact that no trousers are worn. If bloomers or knickerbockers were worn, covering the leg to the ankle Chinese women would regard them a vast improvement on the present style of western dress.

Such a hue and cry is raised about the extravagance of women of the present day, but it is nothing compared to that of centuries ago. Marie de Medici had a gown embroidered with 32,000 pearls and 300 diamonds, and Mme. de Montespan wore at a court festival "a gown of gold on gold, and over that gold frize stitched with a certain gold which makes the most divine stuff that has ever been imagined."

Even in ancient times extravagance in dress was not uncommon. Sarah, pieces of silver for a veil—to be sure, the silver was a gift, and for that purpose, that she might buy a covering suitable to a person of her rank, Sarah doubtless wore this valuable gift as a symbol of modesty. Hermione, daughter of Helen, when she left off by Paris, tore in pieces her veil that was interwoven with gold. All Grecian ladies wore muslin veils interwoven with gold thread, while servants were not allowed anything but plain ones. In Lacedaemonia married women only are allowed the privilege of wearing veils. Young women ought to show themselves, said Charclan, in order that they might get husbands, and the married women should go veiled, to keep theirs.—Chicago Record-Herald.



**Sleeves continue to be elaborate.** Linen gowns will be much in evidence this summer.

The newest fashions are of iron. Oxidized silver is also used for these fanciful ornaments.

Raised ribbon floral embroidery on chiffon or lace ground is a London fancy, also ribbon embroidery on net.

Rope braid is used to a considerable extent for millinery purposes and appears in the form of bows, with many loops, on lace, chiffon, net and tulle toques.

White English serge gowns, lined with white taffeta and strapped with soft, lusterless white cloth resembling suede skin, are expected to be much worn this summer.

For outdoor wear shoes of gray or white chamois will continue to be fashionable. The new models show large, square bows, held in place by buckles just below the instep, over which rises a shaped flap or tongue.

A stylish black taffeta gown, with the regulation flare to the skirt, has at intervals running the full length of it box plaits of cloth. The Eton jacket of silk is finished in the same way. The result is particularly stylish and pretty.

Many of the prettiest new summer waists are made with elbow sleeves and finished with a twist and little bow of velvet or taffeta. When the waist is trimmed with bands of lace insertion, velvet ribbon is run through the lace with pretty effect.

Very chic is an ecre straw hat, the brim turned up, continental fashion. A black velvet ribbon bow is tied around the crown. At the side stands a big pink rose, its leaves trailing over the brim onto the hair, where they join a soft rosette of liberty satin in a delicate turquoise.

**KEYSTONE STATE NEWS CONDENSED**

**PENSIONS GRANTED**

**Woman's Perilous Leap From a Train—Post Offices Discontinued—Officers Capture Devine—Crooks Acquitted.**

The following pensions were granted during the week: James Hindley, Pittsburg, \$9; William H. Hollingshead, Bushman, \$10; William F. Hanes, Hope Church, \$6; Thomas Pryor, Pittsburg, \$9; John L. Cambria, New Castle, \$8; John W. King, New Castle, \$17; Elizabeth Thompson, Washington, \$8; Charlotte Molton, New Salem, \$8; Original Robert Porter, Johnstown, \$8; George P. Harbort, Tidoute, \$12; Increase—Clark West, Toga, \$10; Milton Trout, Canton, \$17; Robert Ritchie, Allegheny, \$12; Daniel B. Karah, Oakland, \$17; Columbus W. Hubbard, Kiders, \$10; Francis Reno, Carnegie, \$8; John Milliken, Jefferson, \$8; Johanna Lang, Mt. Oliver, \$8; Ida A. Billman, Pittsburg, \$8.

Daniel Richards, aged 20 years, of Green Ridge, was found dead on the porch of the home of his intended bride at Mt. Carmel Monday with a bullet hole in his right temple. Young Richards was to have been married to Miss Elizabeth Waters, the 15-year-old daughter of Harry Walters. The young man called at the Walters home Sunday evening and shortly after 10 o'clock he started for his home in Greene Ridge, three miles away. That was the last seen of him by any of the family until his body was found on the porch the next morning. The weapon from which the fatal shot had been fired has not been found. The police are working on the theory that Richards was murdered and his body carried to the Walters home.

C. T. Glover, a Philadelphia and Erie operator of Corry City, was found dead in the street near the Lee hotel, at Sheffield, Friday morning. It is believed that he met with foul play, as his hat was found on the third story veranda of the hotel and his body underneath. His wife is an operator here and she was the first to get the news over the wires, and she nearly fainted. He had not been boarding at the Lee hotel, and how his hat was on the veranda is a mystery. He was seen on the street about 10 o'clock.

A large number of the Sharon and Sharpshooters of the defunct Odd Fellows Endowment association decided to fight the recent order of the courts allowing the association to proceed against the policy holders to collect back dues on 43 death claims aggregating \$81,000. The cases have been placed in the hands of Sharon attorneys.

During an electric storm early Friday morning a bolt of lightning struck through the roof of the home of John Wislock, a miner at Calumet, struck him on the head, killing him instantly. He was awakened by the crash of thunder and arose from his bed to see what time it was. Just as he struck a match to hold to the face of the clock the bolt struck him.

John Sholey, an accomplice of Harry Rowe and Weston Kelper, both under sentence of death for the murder of Charles W. Ryan, cashier of the Halifax National bank of Halifax, was sentenced Monday by Judge Shimon to the Eastern penitentiary for ten years. Sholey pleaded guilty to being accessory before the robbery.

Three hundred and fifty men and boys employed at the Harry Colliery of the Temple Coal Company at Forty Fort, near Wilkesbarre, went out on strike Monday because three carpenters refused to join the union after being requested to do so. The company officials refused to interfere.

John N. Akerman of J. G. Brill & Co., electric car builders of Philadelphia, was in Center county the past week looking up points of advantage for a trolley car service from Coburn to various points in Penn and Brush valleys. The intention of the company is to get power from Elk creek.

The skeletons of a bear and deer have been found in a cave at New Wilmington. They were unearthed by the blasting of a large rock. The manner in which the bones lay indicated that the bear had carried the deer into the cave to devour it, but was imprisoned by a fall of rock.

An incendiary fire at Easton Sunday, destroyed the Wonderland theater, a portion of Stelmetz & Zeoroffs' lumber yards, D. J. Howell's Sons' marble works and J. W. Cooley's five-story stables, in addition to damaging other property. The loss was \$25,000; the insurance \$17,000.

The following postoffices have been ordered discontinued on June 29 because of the establishment of rural free delivery: Kattan, Ovid, Pine Run and Wheelock, Erie county, and West Spring Creek, Warren county. The mail is to be sent hereafter to Corry.

The thirteenth anniversary of the great fire at Dubois that destroyed property valued at \$1,500,000, laying almost every business block and dwelling house in the town in ashes, was celebrated Tuesday. The day is designated as "Firemen's day."

Thirty acres of land in Pittston sank several feet Friday morning. The marble works and J. W. Cooley's five-story stables, in addition to damaging other property. The loss was \$25,000; the insurance \$17,000.

Connellsville citizens have asked the Fayette county court to issue an injunction prohibiting the borough authorities from erecting a municipal hall on land given the people by Zachariah Connell in 193.

A. H. Wright, of Wilkesburg, for three years principal of the Duquesne High school, has been elected superintendent of the Greenville schools. The boroughs of Washington and South Washington have voted to consolidate. The majority for consolidation in the two boroughs was 299. South Washington polled but 2 votes against it.

A deed has been entered for record at Beaver transferring a tract of land near Monaca from James W. Brown and wife to the Colonial Steel company, the consideration being \$45,000.

Miss S. B. Spring, of New York, who was being taken to a sanitarium, jumped from a Lackawanna train near Scranton, and sustained serious injuries, Thursday.

**PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE**

**TUESDAY.** The House passed finally these bills: Repealing the second proviso of the first section of the act making an appropriation to the State Hospital for the Insane at Warren for the years 1883 and 1884.

Providing for the immediate distribution of the laws enacted.

Amending an act providing for the incorporation of companies not for profit, so that they may increase their bonded indebtedness from \$200,000 to \$500,000.

Qualifying a libellant in an action for divorce to be a competent witness to all matters material in the issue where there has been personal service of the subpoena.

Senate bill abolishing minimum sentences for the violation of the liquor laws was also passed finally.

These additional appropriations were passed finally:

National Reform School, Doylestown, \$7,500; Wernersville State Insane Asylum, \$18,000; Harrisburg State Insane Hospital, \$256,083.75.

The Senate passed these bills: Allentown Hospital, \$20,000; State Institution for Feeble Minded at Poik, \$710,200; memorial tablets on Antietam battlefield, \$1,500; monument to memory of John Burns, in Presbyterial Church graveyard at Middleburg, Cumberland county, \$5,000; Mercer Hospital, \$17,500; Kittington Hospital, \$8,000; monument to Pennsylvania soldiers in National Cemetery at Andersonville, \$25,000; monument to memory of General Samuel Meredith, first Treasurer of the United States, \$1,500.

**WEDNESDAY.**

The following appropriation bills were passed finally by the house:

Bowling Green hospital, \$5,000; Huntington Reformatory, \$73,333; Corry hospital, \$8,500; Pittsburg hospital, \$12,000; McKeesport hospital, \$37,500; Danville State Insane hospital, \$144,000; Ridgeway hospital, \$11,500.

The following house appropriation bills were passed finally in the senate:

Hahnemann hospital, Scranton, \$15,000; Temporary Home for Children, Allegheny, \$3,000; Warren Emergency hospital, \$8,000; Conemaugh Valley Memorial hospital, Johnstown, \$40,000; Almira home, New Castle, \$2,000; Oil City hospital, \$15,000; Nasau hospital, Roaring Springs, \$8,000; for continuance of commission having charge of the compilation and publication of the laws of the province of Pennsylvania prior to 1800, \$9,000; for experiments in culture, curing and preparation of tobacco at State college, \$2,000; State Normal school, Clarion, \$40,000; Kane Summit hospital, \$13,000; Children's Industrial home, Harrisburg, \$4,000; Washington hospital, \$18,000; Warren State Insane asylum, \$27,500; monument to Pennsylvania troops in battle of Shiloh, \$6,000.

**THURSDAY.**

In the House these bills were passed finally:

The Kopp bill, which applies to cities of the first and second class, providing for the appointment of sealers of weights and measures.

House bill encouraging the planting of trees alongside the roadsides and providing a penalty for killing, removing or injuring the same.

Senate bill declaring mine superintendents and mine foremen agents of the company by whom they are employed, and not fellow members of the mine workers.

Senate bill authorizing townships to enter into contract with any person or corporation to supply water for fire protection.

Senate bill authorizing the grading, paving and curbing or macadamizing of streets and alleys which may be in whole or in part the boundaries of boroughs and first-class townships, by joint contract.

In the Senate the House appropriation bills passed finally were: West Pennsylvania Institution for Deaf and Dumb, \$15,000; South Carolina Interstate and West Indian exposition commission, \$35,000; Philadelphia Home for Incurables, \$20,000; Northern Home for Friendless Children, Philadelphia, \$12,000; to investigate the diseases of domestic animals, \$10,000; South Side hospital, Pittsburg, \$30,000; Western Pennsylvania Humane Society, \$2,000; Franklin City hospital, \$12,000.

**A Pledge for the Heart.**

"I married you in order to love you in God, and according to the need of my heart, and in order to have in the midst of the strange world a place for my heart, which all the world's bleak winds cannot chill, and where I may find the warmth of the home-fire, to which I eagerly betake myself when it is stormy and cold without." Can you imagine whose words are these? Perhaps you might say they were written by some love-sick sentimentalist; but you would mistake. They are found in the "Love Letters of Prince Bismarck," which have just been published, and from their simple pages you could call a hundred similar passages. There are many different judgments of Prince Bismarck current in the world today, but whatever men may think of his personship or his personal character, there cannot be two opinions as to the purity and depth of his affection for Johanna von Puttkamer, his bride and the mother of his children. Probably she was the greatest single force that ever entered his life. She does not seem to have been an intellectual or a brilliant woman; but she was clean-minded, sensible, and full of sentiment for her husband. And he found in her "a place for his heart." Does not that happy phrase throw more than a gleaming beam of light upon the conditions to an ideal marriage?—Watchman.

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On Monday of each week (after June 19th) the ballot box will be opened and the coupons counted by judges.



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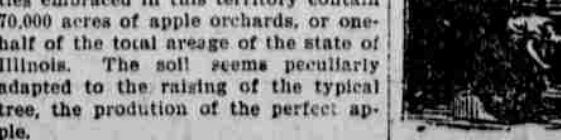
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In the case of L. A. Voley, indicted for stealing money from registered letters at Parkersburg, his attorneys asked for a continuance on the ground that witnesses were absent. District Attorney Blizzard found out what he expected to prove by them, and agreed to continue it all, but Voley still wanted a continuance.

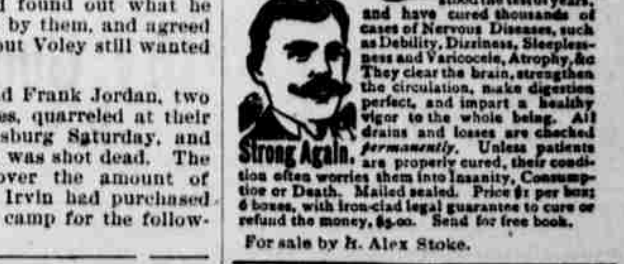
Hiram Irvin and Frank Jordan, two Short Line negroes, quarreled at their camp near Clarksville Saturday, and in the melee Irvin was shot dead. The quarrel started over the amount of provisions which Irvin had purchased to be used in the camp for the following week.

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