

Germany's Leading Woman Novelist. Clara Viebig, is the most widely read of Germany's women novelists. She is a pitiless realist, yet her work rings true and has much artistic worth. A certain portion of the press and the public affect to decry her and to look upon her as great talent gone astray and wallowing in the mire. But whatever the soul of the woman may have suffered from these attacks, her work has shown a steady line of upward development, and unflinching holding to artistic sincerity and high purpose.

Does the Plano Ruin the Nerves? An eminent Berlin nerve specialist, who had his attention attracted to the chronic nervousness of many planists, has been studying the piano from the pathological point of view. Out of 1000 young girls whom he examined, each of whom had begun to study the plane under the age of 14, no less than 600 had some nervous malady, while out of 1000 who had never studied that instrument only 100 were afflicted. The Berlin specialist has promulgated the theory that no child should be allowed to learn the piano before the age of 16.

Scarpology. A new method of character interpretation called scarpology is attract-ing attention in Europe. The art is based on the assumption that the condition of the shoes of any person will teil the wearer's character. A few of the principal rules are as follows: When the heel and sole of the shoe are equally worn the scarpologist may be confident that the wearer of the shoe, if he be a man, is energetic and endowed with good business ability; If a woman, that she is loyal to her husband and a good housekeeper. When the outer edge of the sole is much worn a wayward and fantastic disposition is indicated. If it is the inner edge that is worn, the wearer is timid and irresolute. When the shoes are much worn along the edges and the leather around the toes looks shabby, the other parts of the shoes being as good as new, the wearer you may be sure is a rogue,-New York American.

### The Treatment of Wrinkles.

Our grandmothers used to date the period of their lost girlhood by the first wrinkle, but the woman has to be seen nowadays who would have the courage to say that with her first wrinkle comes old age. She would tell you she is proud of that little faint line.

But as rule ill-health is answerable for those disagreeable little lines, and, indeed, when they are many in number they are disfiguring.

Divers are the methods that have been tried to make the skin smooth and fair again.

Some use cold water to wash with, others will use hot, and some begin with hot and end with cold. All these methods are good, but as no two skins are alike, each requires a different treatment.

There is a great deal in the way you downward, as 99 out of every 100 do, It should be washed upward, and gentle friction given to the parts most likely

Spraying the face with soft, hot water at night is good. The best plan of all is to nourish the body with good wholesome food, which will in Its turn nourish the skin and fill out the face in the parts where wrinkles generally come.

Here is a good recipe which will do much to prevent wrinkles: One ounce simple tincture of benzoin.

One pint pure alcohol. Add one tablespoonful of this to a

pint of rosewater, and bathe the face with it twice or three times a day .-Edna Burd.

# Showering Bath Brush.

The shower bath is now in more general use than it has ever been before, for the reason that it is regarded as more sanitary and less wasteful of water than the so familiar tub, and, at same time, the invigorating effects of the bath under a sprinkler is said to be much greater. Another advantage is that the bath is always ready, and to those who make it a rule to take a bath each morning upon arising this saving of time is a matter of considerable moment.

A new shower bath and flesh brush combined recently brought out consists of a loop of pipe which has two straight and parallel parts forming the handles and at the same time being the means for distributing the water through the length of the pipe, from which it is sprayed at the pleasure of the operator. One end of this piece of pipe is plugged while the other is provided with means of coupling a piece of se thereto and thereby making a with the spigot. The brush is held firmly in place by the loop passing around it and fitting into a ve around its edge for the purpose instantly removable when it is legired to make use of either part

The advantage of a supply of water pplied as the brush is moved back and orth over the surface of the skin will

be apparent to any one. Take the brush out and there is a shower attachment which can be held, over the head or directed as desired by the bather to any portion of the body .-Philadelphia Record.

Built Sun Room in Her House.

A woman who is superintending the

building of a new home is adding a sun-room to the apartments of the house. When her friends have asked her who is the invalid of the family for

whom it is presumably designed, she has replied: "There is no invalid, and I am hoping, by means of this very room, that there may be none. We build greenhouses for the plants we because they grow best in the sunlight, but the human plants of our household, those we love the dearest, are often ignorantly tucked away in north, sunless rooms, and we wonder that they languish. This sun-room which we have made is on the second floor, facing east and south, and the architect has worked it into a corner of the house-plan by which the numerous windows that are especially large and close together are set in a sloping roof. The room is arranged so that in case of illness it can be conveniently used independently of the rest of the house. The walls are painted and the floor is of hard wood, and will, of course, have no carpet, or even rugs, to gather dust and germs. Where the floor and walls join the builder has made a curve, as is done in modern hospital buildings, instead of the usual right angle. The furniture is to be very simple. Some comfortable cane chairs and settees and a few cushions with washable covers. We mean to use the room as much as possible each The children can study there, and in winter particularly I hope for good results to us all from much living in my san-parlor. For this reason I have had it placed near the other rooms of the house that we may get

### The New Little Girl.

in the way of going there."-Theodosia

Morgan, in Table Talk.

We have, sir, within the past half century effected an enormous advance in many lines. We have women's colleges, we have kindergartens, we have flats, we have bridge whist and automobiles, we have clubs for the purpose of obviating the frightful necessity on the part of men and women to live at home. Countless diversions and dissipations obtrude themselves upon lives which might be earnest, and render them frivolous and empty! Hired nurses reare the children of the opulent. Where, meanwhile, is the rod without which in my youth the child spoiled? Where is childish modesty, parental instruction, the salutary enforcement of obedience? Do we by erasing fear from our domestic systems insure for the future anything more promising than ungovernable, ungoverned and ungoverning maturity?

A female child approached me not long ago on the street. An air of refinement and good breeding attended her. I paused and pleasantly observed her.

"Hello, grampa," the child exclaimed. "Has anybody seen our cat?"

I made no reply,

"Speak up," said the child, "if you don't happen to have amputated your voice. I've lost kind of a tall cat, done off in a tortoise-shell finish. Her feet don't track, but she's sound and kind, city broke, stands without hitching and answers to the name of Laura Jean Libbey. Where is she?"
"Young woman," said I, "I am not

aware that I have the honor of your acquaintance."

"Don't let that cause you any grampa. ash your face. Instead of washing it child. "I'm not trying to make a hit with you. Either you've seen my cat or you havn't. If you havn't, we'll part in a friendly way, with no clothes torn. If you have, I would like you to produce, dig up and relinquish the cat. Is it a go? Is there anything doing in the feline way?"

"No," said I. "Then so long," said the female

This, sir, I presume, is the result of our system of allowing children to develop along the lines of least resistance,-Syracuse Post-Standard.

ferred.

inches wide.

The coat consists of the fronts, back,

and concealing the seams. The cape

made in double breasted style,

The quantity of material required

Two really exquisite tollettes shown

they were so lovely that it is difficult

to do justice to their beauty in sober

costliest satin in the palest shade of

lime-leaf green, enriched with gigantic

embroidered in silver and pale green

chenille. The seams were all outlined

chiffon velled with white lace, and the

decolletage edged with the passemen

terie foliage had a fairy bow of green

chiffon in the centre. The sleeve was

coulder straps, with a fall of delicate

#### Fashion Notes. Initial sash pins represent a recent

fad in jewelry.

Senweed is the name given a nev reddish color of decidedly unusual ef-The long round length skirt is bet-

ter style at present than one with the dip back. Sets of crush girdles and fancy stocks

to match are indispensable to the complete wardrobe. Jet, rhinestone or steel ornaments

are the standard thing for brighten- two and one-eighth yards fifty-two ing a black house gown.

Whatever the shape of style of hat worn, fashloa's mandate is that it shall be lifted high from the head.

The beaver hat for utility wear is a much "woolier" sort this season than the kind in vogue several years black and white. The first was in the

Velvet cirdles and collars are now correct when they match instead of sprays of foliage shimmering with contrast with the material house crystal beads, lined with silver and

For evening wraps the new zibeline and plush cloths in white have the with the crystal and silver bends, and preference, althogh silver-gray is a the back breadth was made of white much admired tint.

Fringes are knotted into the heavy aces and into passementeries, and not only fringes, but all swaying and dangling trimmings are popular.

The shirred velvet skirt probably represents the extreme of the mode. The skirt may be shirred at the waist



A Late Design by May Manton.

are used. The original is made with one is peculiarly desirable and includes

a velvet standing collar, but one of besides that feature, tucks which give

the material can be substituted or the tapering lines at the back and a box roll-over collar can be used if pre- pleated effect at the centre front. As

side backs and under-arm gores. Both applique, but can be reproduced in al-

fronts and back are laid in outward most any of the season's waist or dress

turning tucks which are stitched flat materials with equal success, and the

for their entire length, those of the collar can be either of the same or

cut in two portions and is shaped ing, which closes at the centre front,

to fit smoothly over the shoulders with | the smooth back and the full fronts

extensions that lap over below that which are arranged over it, the closing

to form puffs above the wrists and are reath the edge of the box pleas. The

held by the wide cuffs. The closing wide collar is cut with stole ends and

for the medium size is two and three- as illustrated, or with the collar alone.

eighth yards forty-four inches wide, or The sleeves are the favorite ones of the

recently are worth hearing about, but | fourth yards twenty-seven, or two and

point. The full sleeves are gathered of the waist being made invisibly be

back lapping over onto the side backs contrasting material.

New York City,-Military coats pear to have taken the world of fash-This one, designed by May Manton, is



MISSES' MILITARY COAT.

peculiarly well adapted to girlish figures and includes the deep cape that is marked characteristic, with wide sleeves gathered into flaring cuffs. As illustrated the material is military blue cheviot stitched with Corticelli silk, piped with velvet and trimmed with the brass buttons of the army. Varying shades of blue are, however, equally correct and all colors are seen, while smeoth faced cloths as well as rough ling a sailor effect. This May Manton

cent "looking-glass" flowers were raised, after the fashion ion by storm and are exceedingly chic. of the pretty chiffon flowers which we used to admire in the season, only these were made in chenille and beads and sequins, so that the effect was infinitely prettier. The skirt was cut in panels over white lace, and the back was

A Noticeable Feature.

The prevalence of kid, gun metal, gold, silver and fancy outtons of all kinds is a noticeable feature in the fashions of to-day. Braids too, of a quiet order, with a faint suggestion of gold or silver therein, lend them-selves admirably to the trimming of handsome cloth gowns, and there is a strong endeavor to reintreduce gold braid and cords. Gold ribbon, so popular a few years ago, is seen on some very pretty hats. Gold tassels, also for hat trimming, are extremely smart, and there is even a revival of the gold rose, which was so favored in millinery a few seasons since.

#### Newest Watteau Hats.

Watteau hats in drawn wine-colored velvet, with massed crowns of shaded roses, represent novelties of interest in the world of dress.

Misses' Waist.

Young girls always look well in waists that include broad collars giv-

PEARLS OF THOUGHT. The great artist is the slave of his

Toleration is good for all, or it is

good for none.-Burke. Too elevated thoughts often unfit a

nan for society.-Chamfort. Pleasure is a bubble that never lasts as long as it takes to make it.

A clear conscience is of inestimable value; its worth is above rubies. The power of man can hang no

weight on the pendulum of time. There is a difference between being overcome of ain and coming over

The greater the vanity of a man's pretensions the more vain he will be

To misjudge another is an awful shock to the vanity of the average individual.

Adversity is the diamond dust heaven polishes its jewels with.-Leighton

There are many things in which our enses are like a sun-dial at night .-

Ram's Horn. The only trouble with using one's common sense is that one may be con-

vinced that one hasn't any. All love literature to the contrary

notwithstanding we must look upon broken hearts as imaginary ills. An average convalescence is a series of more or less successful attempts to again catch onto life's merry-go-

LITERATURE AND WALKERS.

Where Many Writers Drew Their Inspirations.

If one comes to think of it, how much literature owes to the country walk, writes Arnold Haultain in Atlantic Monthly. It was to that long walk outside the wall of Athens and to the long talk of Socrates held with Phaedrus under the plane tree by the banks of the lissus that we owe one of the most beautiful Dialogues of Plato. There had been no Georgies had not Virgil loved the country. Horace must as often have circumambulated his Sabine farm as he perambulated the Via Sacra. Chaucer must sometimes have pilgrimed afoot, and Spenser trode as well as pricked o'er the plain. Shakespeare's poaching episode gives us a glimpse into his youthful pur-Milton oft the woods among wooed Philomel to hear her evensong; and even after his blindness not the more ceased he to wander where the muses haunt clear spring, or shady grove, or sunny hill. The Traveler of Goldsmith was the outcome of a walking tour; so was Robert Louis Stevenson's Travels in the Cevennes with a Denkey. To how many minds walks about the green flat meads of Oxford have been a quiet stimulant we may get a hint from Matthew Arnold. Was it to Newman that Jowett, meeting him alone and afoot, put the query: "Nunquam minus solus quam quum solus?" Jowett's walks many a tale is told; of De Quincey, who spent his youth in wanderings: of William Cowper the gentle singer of the winter walk; of Thoreau; of Mr. John Burroughs; of the prince of walkers, cf whom The Spectator said it was "half a pity that such a man could not go walking about forever, for the benefit of people who are not gifted with legs so stout and eyes so discerning"-I mean that erudite nomad, George Borrow; of these and many another lover of outdoor nature it is needless to speak

# Presidential Baby Naming.

President Rocsevelt has been more 'named after' than any president in the country save Washington. If the present ratio of naming babies for our strenuous chief executive continues for ten years. Theodore Roosevelt will be more deserving the title of "father of his country" than any of his predecessors.

Massachusetts' quota of bables who bear the presidential name is estimatel at 40. New England's entire contribution is placed at 100, and during the past two years, he has received letters from at least 500 people in-forming him that his name is now on

the family roll call. This is one of the ills to which pres idential flesh is heir. He does not need to suggest, and he cannot refuse the honor that is thrust upon him. He must smile and bear it, and if convenient acknowledge the tribute that is conferred. However, if President Roosevelt were to answer the letters of the United States, operated by 987 all those who have used his name as a stimulus for babyhood, he would have to quadruple his present clerical staff. He has always had the regard of a vast majority of the fathers in the country. But the unanimity with which the mothers endorse him by imprinting his name upon their offspring for life is not the least remarkable fact in the history of this remarkable man.-Boston Advertiser.

## Fire Set by Sun's Rays on Glass.

A correspondent, commenting on a paragraph recently published in the tion whether the handkerchief does San Francisco Chronicle reporting the burning of a havstack near Montan ordinarily used. When we assume burning of a haystack near Montanban, France, through the focusing of be wiped, we face a reasonably broad bottle left on the spot by some picnickers, says: "It might interest you Most nasal catarrhs are of an infecto know that such a thing as that is thous character, notably those of grip very common in some countries. I origin, spent some years in North Queensland is no doubt that many of the forest and possibly some of the grain field fires which spontaneously break out in this state every summer are started by a similar cause.

There be easily imagined. Is it any wonder, then, that catarrhs are constantly fostered by a system of auto infection?—Medical Record.

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WORLD'S FAIR TOPICS.

The thirty-five miles of roadway at the World's Fair have been practically

November 15 has been officially de ided upon as Brooklyn Day at the

Sculpture will be a feature of Okla-ioma's exhibit at the St. Louis World's Fair.

The New Jersey World's Fair Com-missioners have decided to make October 5 New Jersey Day at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

The Louisiana Purchase Exposition covers two square miles-1240 acres. It is larger than the Chicago, Omaha, Buffalo and Paris expositions com

A model police station will be one of the St. Louis exhibits in the ideal city which will be built at the fair by th twenty-five largest American munici

The British national pavilion at the World's Fair will be a reproduction of the Orangery, or banquet hall, of the Kensington Palace, in Kensington Gardens, London. The St. Louis Fair appropriations n the States and Territories amount to \$6,107,500, or \$707,969 more than the

otal from similar sources at the Chicago Exposition. The Chamber of Deputies of Paris has unanimously adopted a credit of \$40,000 to permit the French labor organizations to participate in the World's Fair at St. Louis.

Texas' unique star-shaped building at the World's Fair is receiving its staff ornamentation. Its peculiar shape and its great dome renders it conspicuous among the State structures.

The design for the Russian building at the St. Louis Expesition has been approved. It will be a handsome structure, on the style of the Palace of Romanoff Boyards, at Moscow, and will cost \$150,000.

NEWSY CLEANINGS.

Uncle Sam's printing bill amounts to 6,000,000 a year.

Florida's orange and pineapple crops estimated at \$2,500,000.

The Republic of Panama has reduced its postal rates fifty per cent, French officials made a strong denial of the report that France intended to interfere in the Far Eastern situation, The arbitration treaty b ween cally identical in terms with the Ang

French convention. The Pennsylvania Railroad will shortly establish its own sales department for the disposal of the products of coal mines owned.

According to figures for eleven months the total commerce of the Uni-ted States for 1903 will be greater than

in any previous year. President Diaz agrees to extradition from Mexico of Charles Kratz, a for-mer Councilman wanted in St. Louis.

Mo., on a bribery charge. The Board of Education of New York City has passed resolutions to discontinue playgrounds and vacation schools

and to cut expenses in other lines, The new warships that are under contract to be built in private yards are from twelve to fiftybehind the contract date of completion. A recent report of the Census Bureau shows that at the present time there are 22,577 miles of electric railway in

companies. The heirs of Isaac Goldflam, who was murdered in Chicago, Ill., twenty-two years ago, have just learned of his death and fortune, and now lay claim to his \$5,000,000 estate.

Andrew Carnegie has set apart \$4,000,000, the interest upon which is to form a fund to relieve workmen in-jured in the Carnegie Steel Company plants, and to aid the heirs of those killed while at work.

It is in fact a grave sanitary ques proposition as to the danger of the handkerchief as a disease propagator.

spent some years in North Queensland Contrary to a general law of in the 'Never-never land,' and in the assepsia, the handkerchief saturated summer time we were careful not to with disease germs, instead of being leave any glass lying around after promptly washed, is stowed for hours breaking camp, as destructive bush in the pocket, with a result that can be easily imagined. Is it any wonder,

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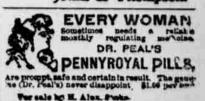
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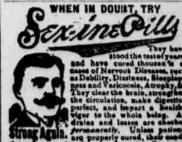
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It costs \$10 a week to feed a horse Pastoria. There is plenty of feetile and in the country, but very little wa-

British Columbia has produced 1889,728,538 worth of gold and \$58,-89,572 worth of coal and coke.



illustrated it is made of white corduroy

with a collar of silk and trimming of

The waist consists of the fitted lin-

arranged over the waist. The neck

can be finished either with the stock,

senson that are snug above the elbows

The quantity of material required

for the medium size is three and five-

eighth yards twenty-one, three and one-

and form full puffs at the wrists,

principally made of two glittering lace beneath. The second toilet was one-eighth yards forty-four inches and twice below, and end in a full in water-blue satin, almost covered wide, with an embroidery of little Japanese lar, and two and one-quarter yards of founce. The flounces are sometimes lilies, rendered in silver and irrides-