

Errors About the White House.

To the Editor:

I noticed somewhere recently—I would not say positively that it was in your columns—an article on the White House which contained several mis-statements.

In the first place it was stated the White House was first occupied in 1809, and that its first occupant was President Madison. The fact is, its first occupant was President Adams, who took up his residence there in 1800.

The original mansion was begun in 1792. In 1814 it was burned by the British and rebuilt in 1818.

Another of the errors in the article referred to was the statement that ready-prepared paint is used on the White House to make it beautifully white.

I noticed this especially because I have used considerable paint myself, and wondered that "canned" paint should be used on such an important building, when all painters know that pure white lead and linseed oil make the best paint.

It so happened also that I knew white lead and linseed oil—not ready-mixed paint—were used on the White House, because I had just read a booklet published by a firm of ready-mixed paint manufacturers, who also manufacture pure white lead. In that book the manufacturers admitted that for the White House nothing but "the best and purest of paint could be used," and said that their pure white lead had been selected.

Above all people those who attempt to write on historical subjects should give us facts, even if it is only a date or a statement about wood, or brick, or paint, or other building material. Yours for truth, L.

Coal as a Food.

Dr. Emil Fischer, who four years ago won the Nobel prize for chemistry, has discovered he declares that coal is edible. He has been making an extract of coal and finds that this extract has the same nutritive qualities as are possessed by beefsteak and eggs.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, 25c a bottle.

SEA SHELLS IN COLORADO

Huge Ones, Millions in Number Found in Irrigation Tunnel.

Sea shells more than three feet in diameter and weighing in many instances, fully 166 pounds, are delaying the construction of an irrigating tunnel by the Government near Gunnison, Col.

The tunnel is being forced through millions of shells, which geological and biological sharps, declare were once the homes of mollusks each of a size large enough to feed a dozen men of present-day size. The shells according to the views of the geologists who have charge of the work, are millions of years old, and were deposited there at the time when the ocean covered that part of Colorado, but which receding left only the great salt lake of Utah and the shells as a reminder of the fact that the arid and semi arid lands of the Southwest were once the bed of the ocean.

New Consumption Cure.

Tuberculosis and its cure are the all engrossing topics of conversation in medical circles in Paris at present. At every meeting of the Academy of Medicine somebody propounds a new theory for the extermination of the scourge. At the last meeting of the Academy of Medicine Dr. Brouardel held forth on the benefits to be derived from living in an atmosphere charged with lime dust. He quoted a report by Dr. Bordenave, who says that within the 30 years that he has practiced he has not seen a single case of tuberculosis among the workmen at kilns, and that people affected with tuberculosis are soon cured after they live some time in the lime dust.

GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP.

No Medicine So Beneficial to Brain and Nerves.

Lying awake nights makes it hard to keep awake and do things in day time. To take "tonics and stimulants" under such circumstances is like setting the house on fire to see if you can put it out.

The right kind of food promotes refreshing sleep at night and a wide-awake individual during the day.

A lady changed from her old way of eating to Grape-Nuts and says:

"For about three years I had been a great sufferer from indigestion. After trying several kinds of medicine the doctor would ask me to drop off potatoes, then meat, and so on, but in a few days that craving, gnawing feeling would start up and I would vomit everything I ate and drank.

"When I started on Grape-Nuts, vomiting stopped, and the bloating feeling which was so distressing disappeared entirely.

"My mother was very much bothered with diarrhea before commencing the Grape-Nuts, because her stomach was so weak she could not digest her food. Since using Grape-Nuts she is well, and says she don't think she could live without it.

"It is a great brain restorer and nerve builder, for I can sleep as sound and undisturbed after a supper of Grape-Nuts as in the old days when I could not realize what they meant by a "bad stomach." There is no medicine so beneficial to nerves and brain as a good night's sleep, such as you can enjoy after eating Grape-Nuts."

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"There's a reason."



New York City.—The popularity of the Eton jacket appears to increase week by week and month by month, and it not alone is a favorite of the moment, but is predicted for the coming as well as the present season. This one is exceedingly charming and attractive and is appropriate for silk, light weight wool

White and Pearl Belts.

White linen tailored belts are trimmed with white pearl buckles and buttons.

Ribbon Interlacing.

A yoke of open-meshed net interlaced with dainty-colored ribbon may be inserted in the gown of flowered lawn. Of course the ribbon matches the sprigs in color and the gown is delightfully cool if spaces simulating insertion are left between the ribbon rows.

Trimmings For Sailor Hats.

A chic way of trimming a sailor hat is to use both the cachepeigne of ribbon loops and the rosette. Take a little sailor shape, for instance, of pale blue chip. Use for its trimming a delicate gray wing; fasten the wing to the right side of the crown with two flat rosettes of white maline, edged with a narrow little pleating of silver ribbon. The wing should be caught between the rosettes. Now, to give the hat the character it needs, add a beauty touch of many loops of black velvet ribbon at the back. Another smart combination of color to use in a hat of this sort is to have the hat itself cream color, the wing white and the rosette white, edged with a little pleating of gold ribbon. Then instead of using black velvet ribbon for the cachepeigne have the velvet loops in golden brown.—Grace Margaret Gould, in the Woman's Home Companion.

Shirt Waist or Blouse.

The comfort of the shirt waist made with elbow sleeves and with the round collar is so apparent that it is very nearly impossible to supply the demand. This one shows two



and similar materials, whether used as a part of a suit or a separate wrap. Also it can be made from washable materials, such as linen, pique and the like. In reality it is quite simple, but the trimming is so



arranged as to give a vest effect. In the illustration nut brown taffeta is trimmed with bands of the material embroidered in shades of brown with touches of gold, but various combinations might be suggested. The shaped bands can be either of the same or contrasting material, and either embroidered or trimmed in any way that may be liked.

The jacket is made with fronts and back, all of which are tucked and stitched with belding silk. The trimming bands are shaped and are arranged over the jacket on indicated lines, leaving the narrow space at the front that suggests the vest. The sleeves are the pretty ones that extend just below the elbows and are tucked at their lower edges, where they are completed by bands that match those upon the jacket.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is four and a quarter yards twenty-one, three and a half yards twenty-seven or two yards forty-four inches wide, with seven and three-quarter yards of narrow braid and two and a half yards of lace for frills.

Something New in Leather.

"Jack has just sent me the newest thing out in the way of a pocket-book," said the latest-to-be-engaged member of the Fad and Frill Club. "It's a vanity bag, and it's a wonder, for it holds such a lot of things. And then the shape of it is so novel, it looks exactly like a big four-leaf clover, and I intend to make it my mascot. It's of lovely green leather, and it's really shaped just like a clover. Of course, there's a handle, but that you have to forget. Inside, besides the mirror, powder-puff and little rogue box, there is the cutest pair of gold mounted opera glasses that you can think of, and they fold up so flat that they take up no room whatever. Then there's a tiny cut glass vinaigrette, a gold pencil and a little gold box for holding hairpins, coin purse, and a place for calling cards."—Woman's Home Companion.

wide tucks in each front, so providing becoming fullness and is adapted to Madras, to linen, to lawn, to the soft finished pique, to wash silks and all the waistings of the season. In the illustration it is made of white linen lawn, a material that always is satisfactory, but exceedingly pretty ones are made from doited lawns and from the pretty wash silks, the former material being a peculiarly satisfactory one for the shirt waist dresses designed for home wear.

The waist is made with fronts and back, and is finished at the front edges with wide hems. There is a



patch pocket arranged over the left front and the turn-over collar completes the neck. The sleeves can be made either with or without openings, and are gathered into bands, to which the cuffs are attached.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is three and three-quarter yards twenty-one, three and a half yards twenty-seven or one and seven-eighth yards forty-four inches wide.

FREAKS OF THE LAVA.

Conditions of the Present Eruption and of That of A. D. 79 Reversed.

At one house, which had been entirely surrounded by the flood, but not destroyed, one saw people, on top of the mass of lava, entering the upper windows with a ladder and bringing forth their household goods, to transport them to a place of safety. One vineyard was surrounded on three sides by this dividing current, and it was possible to walk into it among the lines of trimmed vines, and to perceive the fire still glowing in the towering walls of lava on each side. The people attributed this remarkable phenomenon to the miraculous intervention of their Madonna, "Our Lady of the Snows," with whose sacred image they had confronted the all-devouring monster sweeping implacably down on their apparently doomed homes. Step by step the priests and the faithful, singing the litany, retreated, as the awful flood swept on, and still the sound of singing and prayer rose above the awful roar of the torrent and the thunder of the mountain above, belching forth from the central crater fiery bombs and enormous swirls of cinder, sand and smoke, which rose to great heights. Yard by yard the lava swept onward; now a palatial villa would be surrounded by the torrent, crushed down and disappear in smoke; now a weeping peasant would see his little cottage and vineyard, his all, go under in an instant. One poor woman was thus watching the fate of her earthly belongings from a little eminence when a smaller crater came roaring forth at her feet. She turned to flee, fell, rolled to the bottom of the little hill, and the next moment the lava flowed forth like the foam from a glass of beer and swept over the spot where she had been standing an instant before.

In the eruption of A. D. 79, it was the shower of pulverized material which came in this direction and destroyed Pompeii, while the lava flowed toward Herculaneum. This is what has made it easy to dig out Pompeii, but impossible to uncover any great part of the finer city, now lying under the modern town of Stabia, on the confines of Naples itself. In the present eruption the conditions have been reversed.—From William P. Andrews' "Vesuvius in Fury," in the Century.

The Cause of Waterspouts.

A waterspout is a meteorological phenomenon of peculiar character, which is occasionally observed on land but usually occurs at sea. It consists of a cone-shaped pillar of condensed vapor which descends, with the apex downward, from a dense cloud and at sea attracts a somewhat similar cone in a reversed position from the position of the water. The two may not inaptly be compared to a gigantic hourglass. The cause of this phenomenon is supposed to be the gyratory movement of the air with such swiftness as to produce a vacuum in the axis of rotation, and the contact of the lower extremity of such an axis with water would effect the elevation of a column of the latter to a considerable height. The most probable solution of the phenomenon is that waterspouts originate in adjacent strata of air of different temperatures running in the opposite directions in the upper regions of the atmosphere. They condense the vapor and give it a whirling motion so that it descends spirally to the sea below and causes the surface of the water to ascend in a pointed spiral till it joins that from above.

Railroad Man's Prayer.

The following is the text of a "railroad man's prayer" pasted on the fireman's side of the switch engine in the Northern Pacific yards in Spokane:

"Now that I have flagged These lift up my feet from the rough road of life and plant them safely on the deck of the train of salvation. Let me use the safety lamp of prudence, make all the couplings with the link of love, and let my hand lamp be the Bible, and keep all switches closed that lead off the main line into the sidings with blind ends. Have every semaphore block along the line show the white light of hope, that I may make the run of life without stopping. Give me the Ten Commandments as a working card, and when I have finished the run on schedule time and pulled into the terminal, may Thou, superintendent of the universe, say: 'Well done, good and faithful servant; come into the general office to sign the payroll and receive your check for eternal happiness.'"—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Potatoes Without Vines.

At the Great Falls (Mont.) county fair there was an exhibition what the inventor calls vineless potatoes. About three months ago D. D. Darst, discoverer of a new process for producing potatoes, says the Chicago Post, announced that he could grow them in from two to three months in layers on top of each other and without vines. His experiments have been conducted in a box eight feet square. In the bottom of this box a layer of Darst's preparation is placed to the depth of three inches, and a number of potatoes are planted therein. Another layer of three inches is scattered over these potatoes and more potatoes are planted in the usual way until the frame is full. Darst asserts that the box may be built to almost any height, with layer after layer of potatoes, without affecting the producing quality of his composition, and that he can have new potatoes for the market in any climate at any time of the year.

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