

Fraudulent Housewives. A wife who deliberately cuts down her housekeeping expenses for the sake of having more to spend on dress or theatres, or whatever it may be, is not only playing it low down on her husband-she is actually committing a fraud.-Indianapolis News.

Women Bank Presidents.

There are two women presidents of banks and about 25 women bank officials or directors in California. The presidents are Mrs. Phoebe M. Rideout, who was elected to succeed her late husband as head of the banks at Oroville, Marysville, and Gridley, institutions with an aggregate capital of \$3,000,000; and Mrs. William Langdon, wife of the city attorney of San Francisco, who is president of the Modesto Union Savings bank .-- Brooklyn Eagle.

The Cellar Not the Roof.

The girl who was considered clever to have fixed up the cellar of the house in which to take her rest on Sundays, read the papers and sleep in a hammock, is imitating a Russian method.

In that country of ice, where they suffer terribly from the heat of summer as a contrast to their winters, they make a practice of sitting in the cellar during the days that are unendurable.

The great portrait painter, Mme. Le Brun, tells in her reminiscences of being tought this by the noble ladies who were sitting for their portraits.

Fortunately, most of the city houses have cellars that are well kept and ventilated. These are more habitable than the upper rooms of the house, which let in all the heat.

The roof is the place for the night air, but not bearagle during the day. So why not fix up the cellar? On hot Sundays, when no one wants to go in the sun or the air, the family will find it very agreeable sitting below the ground in the coolness given by stone. They could arrange hammocks, read-

ing tables and put comfortable rocking chairs down there.

The very poor have already found out that they are not to be pitied for living below the pavement in the big roomy cellars of the office buildings and huge old bonses all through the lower part of the town .- Indianapolis News.

Victoria Versus Eugenie.

Though her volume of interesting letters contains many anecdotal passages revealing the crowned heads of modern Europe in a new light, Madam Waddington, for one reason or another, omitted from her chronicle the following incident in which the late Queen Victoria and the Empress Eugenie were vividly contrasted.

In the course of her long residence in London as wife of the French ambassador Madam Waddington was once bidden to a private theatrical at Windsor, where the French empress was also a guest. "It was the first time," she says, "that I had ever seen Queen Victoria and the wife of Napoleon III. together, and the contrast was rather startling. Her English majesty, though still in excellent health, was becoming slightly deaf, and was very deliberate in both her conversation and movements. On the contrary, the former French empress had never

more charming That one o

boring shopkeeper that evening I was

told that he was dead. He had been fighting with another dog on the previous night and was so badly hurt that he had to be shot, says Home Notes.

Whenever I see a dog now in the favorite begging attitude, I always think of my first and only protege.

To Use the Hand.

"Pale hands, pink tipped like lotus flowers," are seldom realized. As a rule, too, people do not know how to use the hand gracefully.

Keeping the hand closed when in repose is awkward, for it accentuates the breadth.

A pretty pose of the hand is obtained by bending it at the knuckle joints and curving in the little and fourth fingers.

Crooking the little finger and letting it stick out is one of the most unbe coming poses of the hand.

In this posture a long hand looks as though it had a tail and the width of a short one is emphasized.

The best way is to bend down the little finger from the knuckle joint and let the fourth have a similar angle.

By this attitude the breadth of the is trimmed with embroidery between hand is materially decreased and the the groups of tucks. The plain one whole hand made attractive.

Observation will show that actors and actresses use only the thumb and

first two fingers. By this method the hand is made to look more slender and the act of picking up a handkerchief becomes a rhythmic movement.

A supple wrist is desired for beauty and may be attained by letting the hands hang loosely and shaking from the wrist.

This movement after a time - 120 limbers the cords and muscles that the hand is more gracefully used.

When the hand is to be lifted, the arm from the wrist to the elbow should come up first.

During this motion the hand should hang free and not until the wrist is on a line with the object should it be raised to a level with it.-Indianap lis News.

A Surprising Wedding.

An elderly American authoress asked me a few days ago to conduct her to a place where she could see a workman's wedding, as she required it for her new novel, writes the Paris correspondent of the Gentlewoman. To oblige the lady I took her to the Rue Saint-Fargeau, an establishment at the top of the steep Rue De Belleville.

It was still early when we reached the place, and no brides or bridegrooms were visible as yet. At last two char-a-bancs drove up to the door, and a noisy company alighted, all smoking cigarettes, including the bride, which shocked my friend exceedingly.

The company then sat down to a luncheon and we watched them from a distance, while a photographer took up his position near us. The meal did not last very long, and ended in the bride performing a jig on the table, while the guests danced around her. They then started games, hide and seek, etc., and while the bridegroom had his back turned the bride threw her arms around the neck of a red haired youth.

This led to a fight between the two; the melee became general, the bride pulling off her wreath, and

OF INTEREST TO WO

New York City .--- Guimpes make such an important feature of present dress that no girl can have too many. Here are two attractive styles which can be utilized both for lingerie materials and for the wash silks that are so much used. The tucked guimpe

fectly that they are always worn, and here are some charming models that are novel, yet simple, and which can be utilized over any dress.

No. 1 is made in handkerchief style with points at the shoulder, front and back, and can be finished with straight banding, as illustrated, or be scalloped on its edges or inset with lace or embroidery, as liked. No. 2 can be cut on the pointed line, as illustrated, and made with medallions and lace and with French knots worked in the points to make an extremely elaborate collar, or can be cut round and finished simply by banding and frills, as shown in the smaller view. No. 3 is cut on a square outline, and is especially well adapted to banding and medallions. In this case these last are hand embroldered. while lace banding outlines them and frills of lawn finish the edges. Lace medallions or ready made ones of embroldery can be used, however, and embroidered banding can be made to take the place of lace, or the material can be outlined by the banding and the squares filled with some little bit of embroidery, if better liked. Each bertha is made in one piece.

Girl's Bertha Collars.

No. 1 is quite plain, but Nos. 2 and 3 are perforated for the medallions and for the banding, which make such efcan be made with a fancy yoke on fective trimming.

The quantity of material required either a round or square outline, and can be made as an entire guimpe or 'for the fourteen year size is three-



PEARLS OF THOUGHT.

Many a man gets the upper hand in an underhand manner.

The people who borrow trouble nev er forget to pay it back.

It's only when a girl knows too much that she is a prude. Bertha collars suit the girls so per-No man can stand in his own light

without casting a shadow. If all prayers were answered, a lot of people would guit work.

Many a man has gone broke from throwing bouquets at himself.

Charity begins at home, and is gen erally kept right in the family.

The best way to begin at the bottom is to get in on the ground floor. The average man can get used to anything, even to making a fool of himself.

Many a man who tries to emulate the busy bee merely succeeds in get ting stung.

Don't cross your bridge till you come to it, and maybe you will find it isn't there.

Yon can't always tell by appearance es. Many a narrow-minded man is quite chesty.

It's when a woman feels that she has nothing to wear that she will wear herself out.

The trouble about being a prodigal son is that the old man doesn't always own a fatted calf.

It is a mistake to suppose that just because a man is in the swim that he has a clean record.

Married life should be one grand, sweet song, but the divorce courts fre quently make a duet of it.

The people who worry most about burglars are generally those who have nothing worth stealing.

If we didn't count our chickens be fore they were hatched, lots of us would never get another chance. It's a good plan to tell the truth,

the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, especially if you want to make a lot of trouble .- From "The Gentle Cynic" in the New York Times.

SACRED TEXT BOOKS CHEAP.

Religious and Other Works, Once High Priced, Go for Little.

The days when the poor hero worked three months to earn a "Life of Washington" are at an end. An old bookseller in Twenty-second street is selling off the classic biography for five cents each. Any poor scholar may also purchase a complete Greek course, including grammar, prose composition, analysis, and the Illad for 25 cents. The first three go for a nickel each, while the immortal Homer is held at a dime.

The Latin classics are equally lowpriced. The particular pupil can have his choice of several grammars at a nickel apiece, also ...e prose sentences. Caesar, Cicero, and Nepos. The translations for the same works come higher, though, on the expectation that there will be more demand for the "literal" than the original.

If the classics are at a discount, theology has even less to boast of. Religious works, including Bossuet, Edwards, Calvin, and later lights may be had "six for a quarter." Opening the covers of the old-time theological works, the stamp of the Young Women's Christian Association appears.

Equally startling are the many "best sellers," appearing on the secondhand shelves. The bookman himself believes that this is the result of lack of space in the modern flat. "Haven't got room for 'em. Wouldn't want to read 'em again if you kept 'em ten years, so they just bring them in in

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them was born in the purple, as distinguished from the other, was curiously illustrated.

"The performance was given in one of the great salons, to which the party adjourned from the dining room. Reaching the chair reserved for her, Eugenie, who was born a Spanish countess, was observed to glance over her shoulder to make sure that the chair was in its proper place-a natural, though plebellan, precaution, Queen Victoria, however, sat down immediately, without glancing at her chair or apparently giving it a thought. As a sovereign she knew, without looking, that the chair was exactly where it belonged."

The Beggar.

I am not, as a rule, altogether tolerant of beggars. It is always so difficult to distinguish the genuine article from the hordes who lives on charity. I was, tehrefore all the more surprised at myself when I was drawn into first bestowing pity and then charity on a beggar at the corner.

I had never seen him before, but on this particular morning he somehow appealed to me. There was a look of genuine entreaty in his eyes, and his gratefulness for my little dole made me think that if I chose, I had here a lifelong friend.

Every morning for the next two weeks he was there at his post, and I never forgot him. I must correct myself. I was, as a matter of fact, in such a hurry one morning that I passed him without notice. He followed me a few yards, and, in the usual whine, appealed to me not to forget him.

I could not help smiling to myself afterward at the look of reproach he gave me for forgetting what he evidently now took to be one of my dally duties.

One morning shortly after this missed him. It was certainly a wretched day. The rain was falling in torcents, and I supposed that the weather had kept him indoors.

On making inquiries from a neigh

throwing it at her father-in-law's head. My friend looked on in breathless ex citement, while the guests jumped the tables and chairs, but when the bride turned a somersault, alighting cn the bridegroom's shoulders, the good lady's indignation rose to a high pitch, and it was only then that I told her what I-and the reader, no doubt too-guessed long before, that they were a party of acrobats rehearsing a scene for a cinematograph company. -Boston Post.

Fashion Notes.

The Ottoman ribbons are coming into vogue again.

The tiny checks do not increase the apparent size of the figure.

In Paris, two-toned stripes of plaids or checks are used for the skirts of walking costumes.

One of the new hat models which i possible brim.

The new striped worsteds are in the new mulberry, cedar, gray, green, blue, the herringbone, diagonal and chev- trated. ron patterns.

A suitable dress for morning wear is one made of navy blue shelma cloth, trimmed with velvet of the same color. It should be made with a white lace guimpe and sleeves.

Tailored waists are now trimmed with various widths of black and white striped materials-cotton upon cotton fabrics and silk taffeta upon materials. The trimming is very good.

A hint of bright orange yellow disposed among the folds of black and white striped ribbon bows and crown band upon a black hat adds a pleasing touch, and one especially becoming to brunettes.

The sensible woman chooses whichever suits her type of figure the best. If short and stout narrow stripes are preferable, and if tall and thin, or thin and short, eke may wear the obecks and plaiss.

cut off and finished to form a chemi- | fourth yard thirty-two inches wide sette, as liked. Both allow a choice for any bertha; three and one-fourth of three sleeves, the long ones with yards of banding for No. 1; nine medeep cuffs, the long ones with straight bands, and those of elbow length.

The guimpes are made with front and backs, and are drawn up at the waist line by means of tapes inserted in a casing. The straight collar finishes the neck, and whatever the length of the sleeves they are gathered at their upper and lower edges and joined either to bands or cuffs.

The quantity of material required for the medium size (twelve years) being copied and adapted is nearly all crown, that is, there is the narrowest eighth yards twenty-four or thirtytwo, or one and five-eighth yards forty-four inches wide, with five and three-eighth yards of insertion, to and brown shades, the stripes being of make the tucked guimpe as illus-

Popular Waists.

The white blouse, with rose colored dots embroidered throughout, is one of the popular waists, and equally well liked is the waist in white, with three yards of edging and three and

hands of colored embroidery reaching one-half yards of insertion for No. 2; from the collar to the helt. Many of the new waists show no yoke at all, yards of insertion, three and onenor is the genuine feature prominent. fourth yards of edging for No. 3.

The Sheath Skirt.

As for the exaggerated sheath ing it will entail serious consequences on themselves from public opinion, active in its consideration of the style.

The New Top Coat. things cretonne is the cretonne rib-Among the smart models shown for service coat is one of thin tweed in bon. a two-toned stripe of gendarme blue. | width.

dallions, five yards of insertion, three and three-fourth yards of edging, or



A shrewd second-hand buyer gets a

lot of reading for his money. One man brought in an almost new copy of a \$1.50 novel, for which he was allowed to select a 75-cent volume. On returning this he had 60 cents' credit to read out, and selected a history. This was in turn exchanged for a best seller going at 50 cents. The man continued the process, ending with "Dangerous Ground," and "The Rival Sleuths," two for a nickel, having had in all a chance to read nine books for the price of his first novel .- New York Times.

Vandykes That Were Forgeries.

The trial of art dealers at Genoa for smuggling seven famous Vandykes from the Cattaneo palace has resulted in an acquittal. It was proved that six of the pictures had never left the palace-the smuggled works of art being forgeries. This recalls the outburst of indignation in Italy some years ago concerning a Raphael which was secretly conveyed to America for a well known millionaire. That it was a genuine Raphael the most skilful experts in the United States had no doubt, and it bore the great artist's unmistakable signature. But, much to Italy's relief, a closer examination of the canvas proved it to be a clever forgery, which was afterwards traced to a studio in Rome, whore "Old Masters" were turned out by the dozen .--London Daily Chronicle.

Prospects.

"Is there much money in writing jokes?"

"A fair amount," answered the press humorist. "But some day somebody may want to dramatize one of these jokes, and then just think how the royalties will roll in."-Washington Herald.

Very Tony. Mrs. Caller-Are your new neighbors refined?

Mrs. Nextdoor-I should say so They never borrow anything but our silver and cut-glass.-Chicago News.

SHEEP

Heavy to this calves

NOTES FROM ACROSS SEAS.

New South Wales has a surplus of nearly \$8,500,000 for the year.

Turkey imports nearly \$2,000,000 worth of paper of all kinds each year.

A Polish firm is building the first Harbin.

Switzerland has voted to prohibit the manufacture, sale and importa-tion of absinthe.

Flour milling in Brazil is steadily ousting the flour of others countries, on which Brazil was formerly dependent.

Rome's Municipal Council has de-cided by a vote of 57 to 3 to abolish all religious teaching in the elementary schools.

Japan's Government expense for education is \$7,000,000 a year. Mu-nicipalities also spend liberally for this purpose.

Experiments are being made with new machinery on the Chilsan nitrate fields which are expected to decrease the cost of production fifty per cent.

New Zealand's revenue during the financial year just closed was \$45,-600,000 and the expenditures reached 000,000, leaving a surplus of \$4,-000.000.

Great Britain imports about \$140 .-000,000 worth of timber, wood and manufactures thereof yearly, of which the United States supplies about \$22,-000,000 worth.

So much dissatisfaction is felt in Germany about the Government's naval plans that the seceders from the Navy League of Germany are expect-ed to number 140,000.

Since 1895-96 the allowance for the support of the Imperial House-hold of Japan has remained at \$1,-500,000 a year, in spite of the great progress of the country.

The Philadelphia Press says Wo shall "soon have battles in the air."

Gray is much worn, though not a skirt, it is entirely out of place on the, heralded color. The paler shades, street, and those who persist in wear- such as pearl and silver, are the favored tones, and, as a rule, gowns of this dainty color show a relief by way

This comes in a very wide

Gray is Worn.

of contrasting trimming.

Arrival of Cretonne Ribbon, The latest recruit to the ranks of