

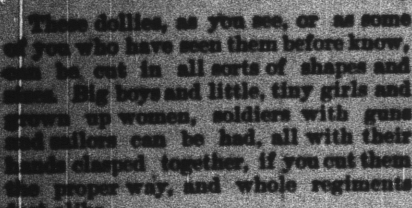
FOR LITTLE FOLKS.

PAPER DOLLS.

How They Are Made and How a Lot of Them May Be Had with Them. Many years ago paper dolls were not made in such elaborate and beautiful styles as they are now.



These dolls, as you see, or as some of them who have seen them before know, can be cut in all sorts of shapes and sizes.



These sometimes we fastened the hands of the doll, and behold, a ring of them, which could be made to stand upon the floor!

A few days ago I visited a large foundry on the West Side which turns out drop forgings of all kinds and heavy castings.

"I don't understand the necessity for that," I remarked. "It is done in order to harden the girls' hands so that they can handle castings," the foreman explained.

"If we really wanted to transfer the rosin, a half dozen men could roll those barrels into place in five minutes.

"The stranger stepped in to acquire some information about a business so new to her and met by a pleasant meal woman, who ushered her into the room where she was caring for three or four children.

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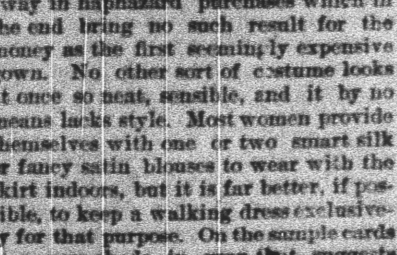
"Fill a couple of wineglasses with water. To the one add a very small pinch of sulphate of iron and to the other a still smaller quantity of tannic acid."

"The canary had finished his bath and down to the perch when little Jennie called to her aunt. 'He's ready for the towel now, auntie.' 'Jennie's Companion'.

RAISES A QUESTION.

The Election of a Woman as Head of the Minneapolis School Board.

Mrs. Jennie C. Cray has just been elected the president of the school board after a series of four years as member of that body.



Mrs. JENNIE C. CRAVY.

teacher in the public schools, and for 21 years she has been a resident of the city. She has always been interested in politics, but has never taken an active part in campaigns.

An interesting question is raised by her election to the presidency of the school board. The person holding that office is, by law, an ex-officio member of the library board and the tax levy board.

One of the largest and most influential societies in this country is the Woman's Relief Corps auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. It is a national organization, having state associations, county and local unions.

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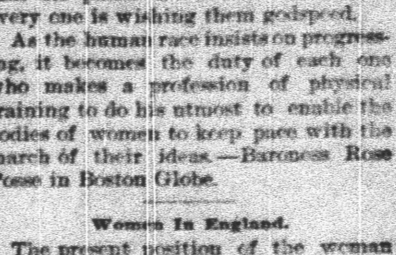
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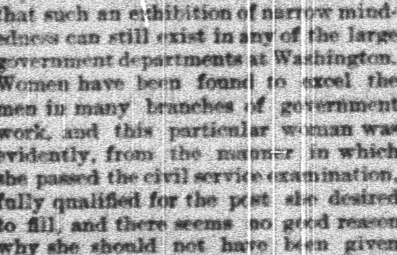
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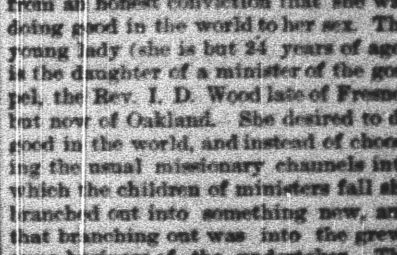
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