

HOUSE AND HOME

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Easter tide has smiled upon us, glad alleluias have echoed and resounded from unpretentious chapel and stately cathedral, loud hosannas have resounded from choir loft, the air has been heavy with the perfume of incense, all bearing a message to us of the new birth, and recalling to our minds that other Easter morn, when breaking the bonds which had held Him in the tomb, the gentle Saviour came forth and proclaimed to a sinful world His mastery over death. Nature, too, who had clothed herself in snowy garments all through the long winter months, has broken her icy bonds and away down in her depths a pulse is throbbing, not the weak or intermittent, not the faint, almost imperceptible flutter of the dying, but the full round throbbing that portends the abundance of life within. And yet we remain absorbed with worldly cares and ambitions, living, as it were, for what we can see, and feel, and hold. The greater number of us are found going the same pace, not mindful of the new life around us, and the urgency of attaining to higher things. Surely the terrible expiation on Calvary should be an impetus to us, and though our wayward steps are wont to tread the valleys, yet the reaction of the new birth is an inspiration, and heeding that we cannot help but mount the way, rugged though it be, until the ultimate summit is reached which means the dawn of a better, brighter existence and the enjoyment of an endless Easter day.

Washington women objected to the paper-littered condition of some of the streets and active measures were adopted to bring the matter to the attention of the authorities. The Twentieth Century Club adopted resolutions deprecating the condition of the streets and pledging co-operation to secure a betterment. Yesterday each member of the club headed a sub-committee of women on the block where her home is located and advanced to a sturdy attack on all papers on the streets and in the parks. Montreal is careless in similar matters and such a campaign here would serve a useful and cleanly purpose.

SOMETHING FOR THE FRIEND WHO TRAVELS.

Articles suitable for steamship presents are of infinite variety and many of them are ornamental as well as practical. A folding tourist case which will roll up into a compact parcel, secured by a buckle fitted, attached strap, is developed in enamelled leather, pigskin, morocco and seal, monogram decorated on the exterior and oil silk lined. It contains compartments for combs, brushes, soap, sponge, mirror and manicure tools and a reserve space for keys and extra small articles. Less expensive cases of coarse linen, denim or crash are neatly taped edged, buckle fastened and lined with plaided rubber. Individual soap and sponge bags are made of flexible leather, crush, linen or silk, more or less elaborately ornamented on the outside and lined with rubber or fine oilskin. They usually close with metal locking rings and are equipped with substantial link or cordage hangers.

Ribbon bound kimono are made of French flannel outing stripes, cashmere serge or any soft worsted fabric that promises warmth. They are long enough to cover the entire figure, have wide sleeves shirred into a wrist band and fronts provided with military fastenings set at intervals between the throat and the hem. Some of them have an attached hood of the Red Riding order and also a deep patch pocket to hold the toilet articles in case the tourist has not a private bathroom. Every woman will appreciate a dainty ribbon trimmed lingerie cap with which to cover her disordered tresses in case of illness, and these are readily contrived from embroidered edged fine lawn handkerchiefs, from odd lengths of muslin embroidery, batiste or Valenciennes allover lace.

Immensely long and wide veils of auto silk, chiffon cloth, mousseline or gauze attractively bordered are always welcome steamer gifts, especially if they are of a becoming shade or one likely to prevent the face from tanning. The safest choice is madder brown, dark red, straw or taupe.

FASHION.

Fair Eve devised a walking suit of jungle grasses, soft and crimped. She thought it rather neat and cute, but Adam grunted "Rather skimpy!"

A cloak of palm leaves, sought for miles, she made, and came to be admired. But Adam said, "The silly styles you women wear just make me tired!"

She built herself a little hat of lilies (Eve was very clever), and asked him what he thought of that!

And Adam blurted, "Well, I never!" So next she placed upon her head a feathered three-by-four creation. The little word that Adam said is barred from parlor conversation.

Yet Eve refused to be a dowd, and tied an autumn-tinted sash on "I'll dress to please myself!" she vowed, "For what does Adam know of fashion?"

"What use to seek applause from him? He scoffs and says I cannot reason!" Well, then, my law shall be my whim, and that shall change with every season.

Since when, revolving cycles bring the gayest fashions and the queerest. And Eve declares, "It's just the thing!" While Adam murmurs, "Is it, dear?"

—Arthur Guiterman, in Womans' Home Companion for April.

DECORATED LINEN BELTS.

A decidedly new and novel idea is to applique linen belts with oddly shaped bits of colored linen.

The belts should be rather wide and unlined. Diamond shaped, round, and oblong pieces of linen in red, blue, old pink, jade green and violet are then stitched on in an irregular manner.

Conventional designs may be adhered to, and the bits of linen may also be piped with a contrasting color.

One of these belts run through a crude bronze buckle would add a distinctly original touch to a white linen shirtwaist suit.

HOMES.

Homes are like harps, of which one is finely carved and bright with gilding, but ill-tuned, jarring the air with its ill-tune and discord, while another is old and plain and worn, but from it floats the strains that are a feast of music, filling the soul with peace and harmony and good.

ORDERS OF NEGRO NUNS.

(Kansas City Star.) Negro nuns rarely are seen in the middle West, yet there are a number in Missouri and Kansas, members of two negro sisterhoods that exist in the United States. The orders are the Oblate Sisters of Providence, the mother house of which is in Baltimore, Md., and the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Family in New Orleans. There are about 200 members.

The Oblate Sisters now number about ninety members. They conduct orphanages and day schools in Baltimore, Normandy, Mo., St. Louis and Leavenworth, Kan. Also a parochial school in Washington, D.C., and a day school in Havana, Cuba. They care for about 200 orphans of their race and are educating about 500 negro children.

The order was founded by Father Joubert, a Frenchman who had emigrated to Haiti at the time of the reign of terror in France. The early part of the nineteenth century was marked by the arrival in the United States of many refugees from Haiti and Santo Domingo. Joubert was among these refugees. He landed at Baltimore, studied there for the priesthood, and finally was ordained.

The chapel to which he was assigned was frequented principally by French speaking Catholics, both white and black. There was in this church a lower chapel in which worshipped many negroes, mostly from Santo Domingo.

After the formal plan of rule had been drawn up and the usual probation undergone, on July 2, 1829, the order was established. On that day the first four sisters made their vows as Oblate Sisters of Providence. They at once opened a small school.

Father Joubert governed the convent until his death in 1843, being attended in his illness by Sister Mary Joseph, a most remarkable woman, and at her death in 1904 the oldest nun in the world. She was known to have reached the age of 113.

The other order, the Sisters of the Holy Family, was organized in New Orleans, one of the strongholds of slavery, in the days when slavery was at its height. It was founded in 1842 by three women—Harriet Delisle, of New Orleans, Juliette Gaudin of Cuba, and Miss Alicot of France, who had the encouragement of the Church in their venture.

WHAT TO EAT IN SPRING.

Dr. Woods Hutchinson, in the April Women's Home Companion, says that great many things about food, what to eat, and when to eat it, that most of us never knew before, and he tells it in a most interesting way. "This in the spring the young man's fancy lightly turns not merely to thoughts of love, but heavily away from the dull monotony of corned beef, cabbage and potatoes. Our clogged palates begin to yearn

for the clean, crisp, bitter freshness of 'spring greens.' 'But, alas, with the longing Nature does not always provide the means of its gratification. To the careful housekeeper in her marketing, spring, not winter, is the peculiar season of her discontent.' 'The flowers that bloom, etc., are lovely to the eye and cheering to the spirit, but they furnish exceedingly few ingredients for entrées, desserts, or even salads. They're very poetic, but you can't eat them. They stir up longings for sourness and freshness and things that 'crunch' between the teeth in April, but the substance of these things hoped for, as 'garden sassa' and berries, don't come in in satisfactory amounts until June.'

And then Doctor Hutchinson goes on and gives a complete springtime menu for every meal for an entire week. It is not an elaborate menu, but it is a most appetizing one.

This is my creed. This is my deed— "Hide not thy heart!" Soon we depart; Mortals are all: A breath, then the pall: A flash in the dark— All's done—stiff and stark. No time for a lie; The truth, and then die.

Hide not thy heart! Forth with thy thought! Soon 'twill be thought, And thou in thy tomb. Now is air, now is room, Deck not with false shame, Dread not man's spite, Quench not thy light. This be thy creed— "Hide not thy heart!" —Richard Watson Gilder.

A HELLO GIRL AT 72.

Mrs. Jane Bynum, of Kaufman, Texas, is said to be the oldest woman telephone operator in the United States. Her age is 72, and she operates the local telephone exchange which has 100 telephones. She is the only day operator and answers all the calls. It is stated that she has a good "telephone voice," and that her hearing is equal to that of almost any younger operator. She became interested in telephones soon after their invention, and when a local exchange was established in Kaufman several years ago she applied for and obtained the position of operator. She says that it is a great pleasure to her to operate the switchboard, and that she does not find that her age is any impediment to her work. She gives the best of satisfaction to the patrons of the telephone system. She knows the combination rings of the different subscribers and is enabled to conduct the work of answering calls with despatch and without referring to any bulletin of directions.

It is Mrs. Bynum's opinion that if more women of her age would enter the many fields of honest endeavor there would be little need of eleemosynary institutions to care for the aged. She is very proud of the fact that she is able to make a comfortable living with her own hands despite the fact that she has attained an age when most men and women are practically helpless even in their own households. Mrs. Bynum believes that the time is not far distant when all the members of her sex who desire to engage in honest employment at living wages will find places open to them.

What is Worn in Paris.

Flower Turban Very Popular—A Distinctly White Summer—Revival of Sunbonnet.

Though you may have hats by the score, do not think of omitting to add to your store one of the large flower turbans. Little or no trimming is needed, in fact to achieve the smart effect all that is necessary is an eagle's quill. One that I found particularly attractive while taking in the millinery displays was made of sweet peas, showing the least bit of a crown which was fashioned out of one of the new fancy braids. A large eagle quill shaded from pearl gray to taupe and caught by an antique cabochon completed the creation which was stunning.

The coming summer promises to be a distinctly "white" one. A very pretty material is being introduced. It is only a cotton crepe, but has a surface of a snowflake, and it is delicately thin and light in texture.

Afflicted for years with a Diseased Liver. Mr. L. R. Devitt, Berlin, Ont., better known, perhaps, as "Smallpox Don," has used

MILBURN'S LAXA-LIVER PILLS

He has also used them for his patients when suffering from, and it is a well-known fact that small-pox sufferers must keep the bowels well regulated.

Read what he says:—"I have been afflicted for years with a diseased liver, and have tried all kinds of medicine, but of no avail until about four years ago I tried your Laxa-Liver Pills, and got instant relief. Since then I have nursed different patients afflicted with small-pox, and in each case I have used your valuable pills. My wishes are that all persons suffering with stomach or liver troubles will try Milburn's Laxa-Liver Pills. I will advertise them whenever and wherever I have an opportunity and I hope that if at any time I cannot get the pills, I will be fortunate enough to get the formula."

lending itself admirably to some of the new models. Next to white in favor will be the new tones in browns. Worth has discovered a marvellous shade, something of the tint of pale ale, but with a greenish hue making it a somewhat neutral tone. This color carried out in meteoric satin combined with string-colored lace provides one of the most elegant dresses imaginable. The corsage is entirely of the lace, close fitting like a bolero, carefully moulded to the figure. The same lace forms an oversleeve to a little below the elbow. The décolletage and the long fitting undersleeve are of finely tucked net, the same tone as the dress, and the long full skirt of the meteoric has no trimming of any kind.

An exceedingly exquisite effect in a fine tabac tone was carried out in voile de soie, having an original touch of color introduced in the corsage by a high-draped band of the new rather deep shade of natterier blue, in which the green is rather pronounced. The fitting corsage was thickly embroidered in the rich brown color, and the costume was completed by a handsome long coat of embroidered tulle, all in the same shade. The straight basques of the coat were divided into panels, the back and side seams not being joined below the waist, and through the fine soutache and embroidery the curious greenish sash gleamed with remarkably chic effect.

Both shantung and foulard are to be used this summer. A striking coat is made of Shantung, quite long, opened straight down the middle, with a row of buttons nearly an inch in diameter set close and thick on each edge. From every second button in straight braiding, like an exaggerated straitjacket, only the two top ones being cut in reality, the coat hanging free below. The same straight braiding is on the front of the sleeve from cuff to elbow.

A dark blue foulard gown had a design of white spots of graduated size. The whole design was this row of white graduated spots about fifteen inches in length. It occurred only three times on the skirt, which was made on original lines. At the top around the hip is a straight sash drapery in horizontal folds, whose ends, falling straight, form the side of the skirt. There is a suspicion of the pannier dress. Below this drapery on either side and low in the middle of the front is seen the sudden straight row of whitespots, the smallest above the back is of plain blue, but the corsage shows little touches of white among the folds.

Milliners are actually reviving the sun bonnet. These bonnets are made the same for children and groups, with the exception that these for children have a much larger crown and are trimmed with bunches of daisies at the sides, the strings starting from beneath rosettes of bright colored ribbon. The mother's bonnets have small crowns, the straw braid being made to run backward and forward instead of around and around. The crown seems to be the most important part of all the spring hats. One very handsome model has a large oblong crown, domed, rising high above the ears, with a down curving brim that had a decided dent in front. On the left side the brim becomes considerably wider and is bent outward; on the right side it is narrow. This hat is in black Taigal straw, the brim being lined with the new dark Nattier shade of blue, cold and greenish in tone. A broad ribbon of the same is draped around the crown and tied in a large full bow in front.

The classical large hat that never goes really out of fashion will be seen this summer at large functions and ceremonious occasions. It is trimmed this season with a bouquet of ostrich tips, set far back at the left side and at the back. Instead of the tips sometimes the long "amazone" is used, but the tips are the smartest.

A dainty hat for a young face is a flat brim model made of crin. fine straw, or drawn net, with long strings to tie under the chin. Every known flower will be seen this season. At the present wall-flowers and Cremona Anemones are the favorites.

Children's clothes are made somewhat on the lines of the older's. Little girls have plaited skirts with a high-shaped band of the serge and the straight, long basque coat. For a small girl of eight years a charming frock is made up in tussore silk with plaited short skirt and a little loose coat that is edged with a tiny frill of the skirt. This coat is open at the back and sides, and a white cambric frill finishes the collar and long sleeves.

HORTENSE.

A Thousand Years Ahead.

"The Roman Catholic Church is a thousand years ahead of the Protestant Church in taking care of the child. They bring the children into the Church." So spoke Rev. S. Travena Jackson, pastor of the Arlington (N.J.) Methodist Church, in addressing the Women's Literary Club of that place at a recent meeting.

First of Irish Nationality.

Bishop-elect Farrelly is the first Bishop of Irish nationality to be appointed to fill the see of Cleveland. His predecessors are Amadeus Rappe, French, 1847-1870; Richard Gilmour, Scotch, 1872-1891; Ignatius Horstmann, German, 1892-1908.

Funny Sayings.

THE RED AND THE WHITE MAN.

Dr. Whipple, long Bishop of Minnesota, was about to hold religious services at an Indian village in one of the Western States, and before going to the place of meeting asked the chief, who was his host, whether it was safe for him to leave his effects in the lodge. "Plenty safe," grunted the red man. "No white man in a hundred miles from here."—The Argonaut.

PARLOR DIPLOMACY.

"You mustn't play with Mr. Gorum's hat, Bobby," said a young lady who was entertaining a caller, to her young brother. "Why mustn't I?" asked the youngster. "Because you might damage it," replied the sister, "and, besides, he will want it shortly."—Pittsburg Observer.

DIVERSE TACTICS.

Both boys had been rude to their mother. She put them to bed earlier than usual, and then complained to their father about them. So he started up the stairway, and they heard him coming. "Here comes papa," said Maurice; "I'm going to make believe I am asleep." "I'm not," said Harry. "I'm going to get up and put something on."—Canadian Courier.

PLAYING MIDDLE FOR BOTH ENDS.

She—"I always begin a novel in the middle." He—"Why do you do that?" She—"Then I have two problems to get excited over—how the story will end and how it will begin."—Boston Transcript.

THE SUN'S MESSAGE.

Sun tell de stars: "Get out my way! I got ter climb up higher. De weary worl' de winter long Beer freezin' fer my fire!

I got ter rise An' light dem skies; I rise an' shine, An' shine an' rise!

"I tell de green worl' howdy do— De winter done an' gone, An' how yo' family an' yo'— Oh, how you comin' on?"

I rise, I rise Ter light yo' skies— I rise an' shine, An' shine an' rise.

"Hit's time for you to sow de seed— Make green grass come ter hay, Or else, you won't have nuttin' tall Wen come de rainy day!"

"Des watch me rise An' light yo' skies! I rise an' shine, An' shine an' rise!" —Atlanta Constitution.

AVIATION.

Aspiration; Expectation; Preparation; Inflation; Elevation; Exaltation; Perforation; Evaporation; Trepidation; Gravitation.—Life.

JUST IN TIME.

"I suppose," said the casual acquaintance, the day after the wedding, "it was hard to lose your daughter." "No," replied the bride's father. "It did seem as if it was going to be hard at one time, but she landed this fellow just as we were beginning to lose all hope."—Pittsburg Observer.

A COPPER PANIC.

Nursemaid—"I'm going to leave, mum." Mistress—"Why, what's the matter? Don't you like the baby?" Nursemaid—"Yes'm, but he is that afraid of a policeman that I can't get near one."—London Tatler.

KNOWN BY HIS FRIENDS.

A forlorn-looking man was brought before a magistrate for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. When asked what he had to say for himself, he gazed pensively at the judge, smoothed down a remnant of gray hair, and said: "Your honor, 'Man's inhumanity to man makes countless thousands

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mourn.' 'I'm not as debased as Swift, as profligate as Byron, as dissipated as Poe or as debauched as—' "That will do," thundered the magistrate. "Thirty days! And, officer, take a list of those names and run 'em in. They're as bad a lot as he is!"—Savannah News.

EVERY WOMAN WHO SUFFERS

Can Find Sure Relief in Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Mrs. J. Oliver Tells How She Lost Her Pains and Weakness When She Used the Old Reliable Kidney Remedy.

Elgin, Ont., April 12.—(Special.)—Women who suffer, and there are thousands of them in Canada, will hear with interest the experience of Mrs. J. Oliver of this place. She has suffered and found a cure, and she has no hesitation in saying that cure is Dodd's Kidney Pills.

"I suffered for over a year from Backache and Fainting Spells," Mrs. Oliver states. "I was tired and nervous all the time and the least exertion would make me perspire freely. My feet and ankles would swell and I had a dragging sensation across the loins. I saw Dodd's Kidney Pills advertised and bought some. Twelve boxes cured me."

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An Ideal Outing.

In preparation for their summer campaign, the Grand Trunk has just issued a handsome folder illustrating the beauties of the Algonquin National Park of Ontario as a resort for holiday makers, campers and anglers. The folder illustrates the advantages of a route through the famous park, starting from the headquarters at Algonquin Park station, and winding through a number of lakes until it connects with the main line of the Grand Trunk on the North-western Division, via Dorset and the Lake of Bays, with a visit to the new "Wawa" hotel on that lake. This route is one of the best that a lover of fishing could desire, embracing canoe trips through Little Island, Wolf and Crown Lakes, with side trips to other smaller lakes, all of which teem with fish. While in several of the lakes nothing but big speckled trout can be found, others, such as Wolf and Little Island, offer a variety of fishing. And in all the lakes there is so much sport that parties soon settle down to catching no more than they can eat, which does not take very long. The scenery throughout the whole trip is superb, and there is abundance of animal life, deer being plentiful, and encountered on all sides in the early morning when camp is broken. The trip is an ideal one for those seeking either health or sport.

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