

THE ANNUAL COMPLAINT.

[Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph.] Again there's sound of scrubbing, Again the floors are bare, And soap and whitewash odors Are fliating through the air. There's trouble in the kitchen, Confusion in the hall, For women are housecleaning-They do it every fall.

A chunk of soap and bucket Are surking on the stairs. And woe to weary hubby Who's taken unawares. There's paint in rash profusion, But it is never seen Until the clothes are showing Big stains of brown or green.

Tacks here and there are scattered, And words we can't repeat Are heard when they are sticking In some poor victim's feet. The furniture is shifted To unaccustomed place, And in the dusk it bruises The unsuspecting face.

On clotheelines heavy carpets In dusty silence hang-Put there for worried hubby To pull and turn and bang. In vain he makes excuses, Complaints of pain in head, For they must all be dusted Before he goes to bed.

There's little time for cooking, And hungry wights must wait In spite of all their protests Against a meal so late. And should we ask the reason Of anger 'mong the men, We get this explanation-

"They're cleaning house again !"

The Fashions.

Now that the trees are beginning to shed their leaves it is time to think | again, and it is made of Persian lamb of comfortable garments for autumin wear, tweeds and Meltons, warm serges, and fancy woollens with cloth-like tex ture and silky little designs thrown up and catching the light as only true silk Tan. As to the modes of making, they are varied indeed. The trimmed skirt apicads this variety all over the gown, whereas last season it was confined to the bouice. We are, however, free from the elaborate skirt trimmings we had begun to dread when once the severity of that part of the costume began to disappear And, above all, the polonaise has stayed away. Here is a matter for gratitude, That awful polonaise! Some of us can study it in photographs of friends and relatives taken early in the eighties, when "draping" the folds of the wretched thing caused many a bitter feud between dressmaker and customer. Failures were so numerous! And as to ruches and frills and bands of braid Fashion has dealt kindly with us and kept all such in strictest moderation. It is true, there are skirts composed of flounces from waist to ankle, but these are few and far between. In spring there may be a fresh invasion of trimmings and frillings, but at the present moment we may be thankful for our immunities,

and let the future with its possibilities bide its time.

pelerines, Russian blouse jackets without end, and all sorts and conditions of capes of any length between a shoulder cape and the one which reaches to the finger tips as the arm rests at the side.

Manufacturers report that in the sale of fur garments and fur trimmings already there has been transacted an initial business equal to the entire trade of many former years.

The Roman plaid and stripe craze has reached even the region of neck trimming, and stock collars, flaring bows, rosettes, and scarfs in gorgeous colorings appear among the fancies in the madeup goods departments of all city stores.

The new beautiful tint of Venetian red, like the Neapolitan and royal dyes in blue, is found only in expensive materials that cannot be imitated with any success in inferior textiles

The fur blouse which will usurp the place of both bodice and wrap is one of the leading novelties of the season. There are likewise fancy blouses for very youthful wearers, made of Scotch tar tans and plain vivid reds of many different shades, but somewhat toned in effect by their velvet trimming.

Narrow velvet ribbon still occupies a conspicuous position In the elaboration of many winter gowns On imported mode's for promenade wear, alternate bands of narrow fur and an equal width in velvet ribbon form a rich garniture from the bem to the knees.

A smart little French jacket, made of Neapolitan blue ladies' cloth, is trimmed about the waist with arching rows of black velvet ribbons, put on to simulate a deep corselet. The facings of the very high collars and revers are of Persian patterned brocatelle, closely resembling shaded silk embroideries wrought upon a dark red background. These are bound with the blue cloth, and overlaid with a row of the narrow velvet ribbon. The cuffs are finished to match.

Chatelaines with many trinkets, including a purse made of gold rings like chain armor dangling at the side, are in fashion again.

The old fashioned pelerine is in vogue and sable. One very handsome one of lamb, with a high flaring collar, has very long ends decorated lavisn'; with marten tails. The outlines of the figure and waist are defined in front, and altogether it is a vast improvement, on the long cape.

Hair bone cloth is a new material for facing skirts, lining revers, and all other purposes where a little stiffness is required.

THE HOUSEHOLD.

The monrning-like garb so long worn by maids and waitresses is being displaced by pure white gowns. Certainly a fresh white gown, a sheer muslin apron with the folds still in it, and a becoming cap are more appropriate for a wellheated and brilliantly lighted diningroom than the sable, nun like uniform, and such a costume is much more com fortable for the wearer.

Beautiful baskets of quaint shapes, filled with flowers, are decorations now much used for the centre of dining tables. They are without handles, and from among the blossoms in the centre springs a triple ribbon bow gracefully wired. To add to the charm of this decoration little rosettes with ends made of narrower ribbon are often placed so as to peep out here and there from the basket itself.

Many of the hot delicecies that appe upon our menus are best when served in the same dishes that they are cooked in. For this purpose graceful open-work silver frames may be found holding little brown glazed pottery dishes, thus making what would otherwise be an unsightly receptacle a thing of beauty worthy of a prominent place at a handsome table. Physicians usually snear at the reputed merits of beef tea as an article of invalid diet, and declare that by no ordinary method of manufacturing it is any particular nutriment derived. Beef juice is another matter, and that may be extracted according to the following direc tions : Have a juicy piece of beef cut one and a half inches thick from the tender part of the round or the rump, taking away all the fat. Heat a fryingpan and rub it lightly with a bit of the fat, just enough to keep the meat from sticking, but leaving, of course, no fat in the pan. Lay the beet on the hot pan, adding a little salt and cutting into it as it heats. Press with a knife and turn over and over, but do not let it cook much. Then take from the fire and press thoroughly in a lemon squeezer. It is certainly injurious to the teeth to subject them to an extreme of temperature, and, although most persons eat of frozen foods and drink iced water (reely, it has become a question whether hot water-so often recommended for dyspeptics as an ante breakfast beveragemay not hurt the teeth. It can, at any rate, do no harm to take it through a tube or a straw. Lemon and orange jelly are pretty and toothsome served together. Although some cooks make these dishes so stiff with gelatine that they are leathery, it is usually considered really nicer to see a quivering, unformed mass of jelly rather than a moulded form in any device, if the latter calls for that unappetizing thickness of the materials employed. Beautiful portières are made of rich, dark moss-green corduroy, with a lining of the old-fashioned green and black calico, recently revived as cotton print. It is quaint in design and coloring, and has a high, satiny finish that gives it a much handsomer look than is really its due. The possessor of one pair of such curtains herself is unable to decide which side is prettier, the corduroy or the lining. A hot bath is usually rather decried as provocative of colds and other evils. Every one knows of cases of severe illness occurring from exposure to the outer air soon after such ablutions. And yet nothing is more refreshing, as nothing is more harmless, if properly taken. This means that one should use the hot bath, as one does that of very cold water, merely as a plunge, followed by quickand thorough rubbings and massage.

make very pretty ornaments with loing by the aid of no other tools than a small bag of stout paper, such as grocers use. If, in addition to this, a few tubes are employed, and if the worker has any taste whatever in that particular direction, something quite elaborate and intricate may be evolved.

It is possible to have fringed doilies in presentable condition, but napkins and tablecloths that are hemmed are most satisfactory for frequent usage and many washings. A new comb, with coarse teeth, is best to keep the tringe in order, but no care will long pr serve anything so delicate. Therefore, those who admire the pretty fringed table-linen in its first estate should consider its perishable qualities.

A SCIENTIST SAVED.

AN INTERVIEW WITH A COLLEGE PRESIDENT.

HIS MANY DUTIES CAUSED HIS HEALTH TO BREAK DOWN-DR. WILLIAMS' PINK FILLS RESTORE HIM TO ACTIVITY.

From the Republican, Columbus, Ind.

The Hartsville College, situated at Birch Arnold. Hartsville, Indiana, was founded years ago in the interest of the United Brethren Church, when the State was mostly wilderness, and colleges were scarce. The college is well known throughout The Downger Duch as De Mouth anler' the country, former students having gone into all parts of the world.



PROF. ALVIN P. BARNABY.

Mother Church believes in and acknow-A reporter recently called at this ledges, and I declare that I shall die in famous seat of learning and was shown that belief." The Duchess prohibited into the room of the President, Prof. the embalming of her b. dv, and ordered Alvin P. Barnaby. When last seen by the reporter Prof. Barnaby was in delithat it should be shrouded in the habit of St. Francis, barefooted and with sancate health. To-day he was apparently in the best of health. In response to an dals, and taken to the Royal Monastery of San Lorenzo in the Escureal, in order enquiry the professor said : to be buried in the Pantheon. She ordered that her obsequies should be

"Oh, yes, I sm much better than for some time. I am now in perfect health, but my recovery was brought about in rather a peculiar way." "Tell me about it," said the reporter.

"Well, to begin at the beginning," said the professor, "I studied too hard when at school, endeavoring to educate myself for the profession. After completing the common course I came here, and graduated from the theological course. I entered the ministry and accepted the charge of a United Brethren church at a small place in Kent County, Mich. Bring of an ambitious nature, I applied myself diligently to my work and studies. In time I noticed that my health was failing. My trouble was indigestion, and this with other troubles brought on nerourness. "My physician prescribed for me for sometime, and adviced me to try a change of climate. I did as he requested and was some improved. Shon after, I came here as professor in physics and chemistry, and later was financial agent of this college. The change agreed with me, and for a while my health was better. but my duties were heavy, and again I found my trouble returning. This time it was more severe and in the winter I became completely prostrated. I tried various medicines and different physicians. Finally, I was able to return to my duties. In the spring of 1896 I was elected president of the college. Again I had considerable work, and the trouble, which had pot been entirely cured, began to affect me, and last fall I collapsed. I had different doctors, hut none did me any good. Professor Bowman, who is professor of natural science, told me of his experience with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and urged me to give them a trial, because they had benefitted him in a similar case, and I concluded to try them.



hour above the horizon and I already testamentary affairs, and the will ends: shiver in the winds from the cave (f "Lastly, I desire to set forth that I death, how happy I shall be for this one forgive with all my heart all such perblossom of the long vine of my years! sons when may have offended me or who Happy in knowing that in the sun and may have done any act prejudicial to the dew it may develop into the fruit of me, and also I earnestly beg everyone to which many shall eat and be glad!grant me their entire forgiveness, because, although I have no remembrance of my having given any offence or caused any harm, I wish to record this request in testimony of humility, in order that in the event of my having unwittingly caused any pain to any person, including my employees and attendants, they may grant me their pardon and pray God for the eternal rest of my soul.'

The Effect of Fifty Years Impri.onment.

It is not often we get such an object lesson depicting the results of the present day prison system as that which occurred a short while ago at the prison of Pankrez Bohemia. A prisoner named Josef Hell celebrated his fiftieth year's imprisonment, and when the director asked him what small treat he would like in commemoration of the went he will on ted the 20th June, 1803, The will | realied : "Take me to the courts and

like in commemoration of the wort he realied: "Take me to the courts and lat me so e some other men sentenced." This was the effect which fifty years of imprisonment had on this convict, with the onefoolds name. His only de-sire was to see others who were about to undergo similar treatment to that which he himself had endured for so long. Such a reply would surely indicate that the maker thereof more nearly approximat maker thereof more nearly approximate ed to some non human stage of existence than to the one of which he was estensibly a member

The foremost nations of the world are certainly crking an extraordinary long time to evolve a prison system which, instead of producing beings like Josef Hell, shall turn out men and women who are a thousand-told more human whe are a thougan t-tota more burnan [E Robert, and humane than when they entered the Sadlier's Edition of Nugent's French and English, institution This case he does the English and French Dictionary with pronunciinstitution. This can be done. So long as a human being is not absolutely s ulloss there is always hope for him. The divine spark can always, by the right treatment, be made to burn so brigarly as to transform the whole character.

admirer and daughter, and I ask It cannot be denied toat in this direc the said Most Holy Father of his kindtion we are certaioly trivelling, but we ness to deign to apply one Mass for the eternal rest of my scul. I also direct are progressing so slowly that, to those impatient for radical reforms, we hardly my executors to pay the customary alms seem to be moving at all. So long, howfor the pious work of the Holy Places of ever, as the prison system of the world Jerusalem. They are to distribute 125. leans more to publitive than to reforma-000 presents amongst the most necessit leans more to public than to reforma-ous benevolent institutions and the tive measures, s) long will the present poorest convents, preference being given inhumane and unsatisfactory conditions to the Little Sisters of the Poor in the continue to testily both to our lack of Calle Oriente and to the Sisters of the belief in the possibility of transforming Cross." The Duchess directs that the a criminal into a presentable human necessary sum for providing for the being and to the length of time it takes maintenance of three scholarships in to permeate society with ideas whose

have children whom they wish to have. baptised, please send their names at once to the clerk." The clergy man, who was stone deaf, assumed that the clerk was giving out the hymn book notice, and immediately aruse and said-"And I would say, for the henefit of those who haven't any, that they may be had at the vestry any day from three to four o'clock ; the ordinary little ones at one shilling each, and epocial ones with red backs at one shilling and fourpence."

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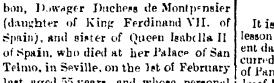
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Masses for the repose of her soul. The will continues: "I order that my ex-

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our Most Holy Father Pope Leo XIII.

the sum of 5,000 pesetas as a very small

remembrance of her who during

her life has been his most devout

states : I Tin a Roman Catholic Apostolic Christian, and I believe in all the Mys-

Tartan capes are all the vogue in Paris, and the prettiest of them fasten in at the waist at the back with a dainty little buckle, which serves as the point of de-parture for a girdle of the tartan which, passing round the waist, fastens in front, keeping the jacket part of the cane close to the figure, protecting it in the most efficient manner. Plain capes are covered with braiding, and though this is often produced by machinery, it has a very handsome and rich effect.

There is a perfect rage for feathers, not only on hats and toques and in boas, but in the structure of capes and collarettes. Long, single feathers are so arranged in perpendicular fashion as to form a cape, the stems starting from the neck, where they are pressed closely together and sewn firmly on a strong foundation. Thence they spread out, growing wider as they descend, and making a covering both warm and light. The stiffness of the stems is too skillully managed to be any hindrance to com-fort. The points of them are sewn into a band of stout linen, which forms the under part of a collar. the upper portion of which rises and spreads outward, being filled in with featuer tips.

Pheasants' feathers, too long neglected, are among the novelties of the hour. The lovely colors of them must be seen to be appreciated, after having been thoroughly cleansed and dressed. The original wearers would scarcely recognise them. They are cut and clipped and sewn in long lengths for trimming coats, zouaves, and capes. Burnished until they reflect every ray of light, they form a really beautiful adornment, and one that involves no cruel barbarity, such as is inseparable from wearing ospreys and aigreties.

Beaver colored velvet hats are much worn. The color goes with almost every thing, and admits of the introduction of the bright tints now souniversally adopted in millinery. One of these hats has the velvet covered brim turned sharply up at the left side with a cluster of shaded gold and orange chrysanthemums. A toque composed of the same material has a crown of gold satin thickly besprinkled with jet and orange sequins. A cock's comb frilling of orange velvet trims it at the left side, being held upright by a large paste buckle, the stones in which glitter like real diamonds. For wearing with a crimson cloth cape covered with black braiding there is a crimson velvet toque trimmed with eight or nine black feathers, and quite half a dozen jet buckles beautif fully cut and responsive to every ray of light.

Fashion is more liberal this season than ever before in the variety of wraps which she offers for our approval. Apparently there is something to suit every style of figure, every lancy; and cer tainly the problem of selecting a becoming wrap ought to be a simple one with such a diversity from which to choose is called by confectioners, is useful to There are long and short coats, dolmans, the cook. Any deft handed person can t

Occasionally the art of "piping," as it

The first box helped me. and the second gave great relief, such as I had never experienced from the treatment of any physician. After using six boxes of garden to the Archbishop of Seville for the medicine I was entirely cured. Tothe medicine I was entirely cured. To-day I am perfectly well I feel better tioning other bequests, the will conand stronger than for years. I certainly tinues: "I hope my children will rerecommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to spect everything I have directed, but if similar sufferers and over worked people.

Oh, how I shall thank God for that shall be understood that I benefit in all moment, if it ever comes, wherein I that the law may allow me the other know the voice of my soul has found child who respects and regards my dis-those who will listen! How happy, positions." The Duchess prohibits the

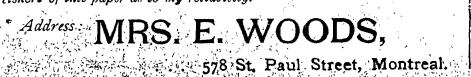
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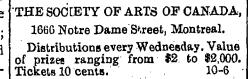
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