

The second feature was throwing the hammer. Dinnie cast it 101 feet 10 inches, and Ross 102 feet 6 inches, beating Dinnie by 8 inches.—*N. Y. Star.*

**A WITNESS WITH EARS.**—In an assault and battery case before a Wayne County Justice the other day, the prosecution introduced a blind man, who had to be led to the witness box. "Is this a legal trial or a farce?" demanded the lawyer for the defence, as he sprang up. "This is a legal trial, replied the other lawyer." "And you want a blind man sworn to tell what he saw, do you?" "I don't claim that I saw the fight," replied the witness as he turned around. "I've been blind and lame and had corns and boils for the last fourteen years, but when I heard the splinters fly from a rail fence I don't want any eyes to tell me whether the plaintiff hit the top rail with his head or feet. I heard the 'kerchug' of the blow, and when the plaintiff came down and hollered, 'Oh, lands, but I'm a licked man?' I knew by the way he hung to his words that he'd lost half his front teeth. I'm ready your Honor."—*Detroit Free Press.*

## LADIES' DEPT.

### REQUITAL.

Many are the wishes uttered  
And unuttered, every day;  
Many are the prayers whose burden  
Has been only, "Give, I pray!"  
Many are the hopes unrealized,  
And the needs men's lives have known;  
Yet it may be that our blessings  
Have been greater than we own.

Rich have been the compensations  
Of the humblest word or deed;  
Sweet have been the ministrations,  
Soothing an unanswered need.  
Many have sung life's disappointments,  
I would its requitals tell;  
While they grieve for all its losses,  
On its recompense I dwell.

And I know the kindly service,  
Passing to and fro among men,  
Brings unto the generous giver  
Very sure reward again.  
"He is richest," runs a proverb,  
"Whoever shall befriend the most."  
In men's grateful hearts he gaineth  
Refuge worthy all his cost.

If we murmur that they garner  
Little of other's love or praise,  
We may fear that we have followed  
Selfish and unfruitful ways.  
And I think the hearts most grateful  
Are the happy hearts alone;  
Those who own all of God's blessings,  
Ever have most joys to own.

They forget who tell in sadness  
Losses that men's lives must know.  
Through loss, only may be progress,  
Life's best gain is garnered so.  
'Tis the soul that waits for blessing  
That the peace of God shall win;  
'Tis the heart that's emptied for him  
That God comes and dwells within.

### WOMEN'S SKIRT 1.

Observe extra fatigue which is insured to every woman in merely carrying a tray up-stairs from the skirt of the dress. Ask young women who are studying to pass examinations whether they do not find loose clothes a *sine qua non* while poring over their books, and then realize the harm we are doing ourselves and the race by habitually lowering our powers of life and energy in such a manner. As a matter of fact, it is doubtful whether any persons have ever been found who would say that their stays were at all tight; and, indeed, by a muscular contraction, they can apparently prove that they are not so by moving them about on themselves, and thus probably believing what they say. That they are in error all the same, they can easily assure themselves by first measuring round the waist outside the stays; then take them off, let them measure while they take a deep breath, with the tape merely laid on the body as if measuring for the quantity of braid to go round a dress, and mark

the result. The injury done by stays is so entirely internal that it is not strange that the maladies caused by wearing them should be attributed to every reason under the sun except the true one, which is briefly, that all the internal organs being by them displaced are doing their work imperfectly and under the least advantageous conditions; and are, therefore, exactly in the state most favorable to the development of disease, whether hereditary or otherwise.—*Macmillan's.*

### BED SPREAD AND TIDY.

A pretty bed spread for summer is made by taking unbleached sheeting, make it up the same as a sheet, spread smoothly on the floor, take a stick three inches wide and of the proper length and mark with a pencil, then cross so that it will come in checks; get some unprepared cotton yarn and cut the skeins once in two, take a darning needle that will carry six threads, double the yarn in the needle and you have twelve threads to draw through; commence at one end and take as short a stitch as will draw

through easily, go the length from corner to corner, and cross it off the same as marked. Cut the threads exactly in the middle of each check so that the tufts will all be of the same length; dip the spread in water and hang it up to dry without wringing, as that will shrink the cloth and prevent the tufts from coming out when washed.

To make a daisy tidy, it will require three rolls of white tape, common width, half an ounce of bright yellow worsted, measure off the tape in thirty-four pieces, each eighteen inches long, then take one piece and make a dot with a pencil at every inch on one edge and on the other edge make a dot every half inch; now take two needles, thread with very strong, coarse white thread, and gather each edge, putting the needle in at every dot, sew both edges at the same time, and draw up as tightly as possible, and fasten on the other side. Do the same with all the other pieces, make a little tuft of the worsted by winding it over your finger and draw it through the centre of the daisy on the right side, and fasten the under side by sew-

ing. This makes thirty-four daisies. Sew six together in a row, sew another row of seven, then six again, then five and so on, one less in each row; then put them together in the order they are sown; then make cord and tassels of the worsted and suspend from the three corners, two tassels to each corner.—*Es.*

### CHARMING GIRLS.

If you are fortunate in possessing beauty, my dear girls, be thankful for it, but do not overrate it. The girl who expects to win her way by her beauty, and to be admired and accepted simply because she is a lady has the wrong idea. She must secure a lovable character if she wished to be loved, and my advice to you all is to lay the foundation of a permanent influence. To win and hold admiration you must cultivate the gifts that nature has bestowed upon you. If you have a talent for music, develop it; learn to play an instrument, for many are charmed more by music than by handsome features. Pursue the same course with regard to painting, drawing and designing, and if you have power to obtain useful knowledge in any direction, do it. I have heard young men in speaking of their young lady acquaintances say, "Oh, they look well, but they don't know anything." There is no necessity for such a state of things; books are cheap and accessible. If you labor all day in shop or store still in odd intervals you can gather up an education and contend with no greater difficulties than did Clay, Filmore, Webster and others of our greatest men. If you go through life a sitting butterfly, how will you be spoken of by and by? I own it is nice to eat and drink and be merry, and be courted and flattered by all your friends; but how much better to cultivate character, sense and true womanliness!

### USES OF BORAX.

Lady readers who have not tested the magic properties of borax have been losing a great help and comfort. If once used, you will never be without a bottle on your toilet table. It removes stains and dirt from the hands better than soap, and at the same time softens and smooths the skins. It is splendid for washing the hair, and will, without injury, cleanse brushes and combs in a few moments. For washing purposes saves both soap and labor. It will extract the dirt from articles of delicate texture without rubbing, it being only necessary to put the articles to soak over night, and they need only be rinsed in the morning. Two tablespoonfuls of pulverized borax dissolved in a quart of water, to which water enough is added to cover a pair of blankets, will cleanse them beautifully. It also saves great labor in washing paint. It is said to drive away ants and roaches, if sprinkled on the shelves of safes and pantries.—*Rural World.*

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