Desp is the dust upon the floors,
The rust on look and hinge;
Where shreds of tattered curtains.
The moths have made a fringe;
The spiders year by year have toiled,
And every vacant space
Of ceiling, wall or window-ledge
Is draped with filmy lace.

But in the roses or the anow.

When o'er the chimney's red,
The new moon in the evening sky
Displays a silver thread,
The oriel panes between the oaks,
Shine out with candle-light
And strains of ghostly music blend
With breezes of the night.

For then a troop of shadowy dames
Before his portrait dim
Tread all the reels and minuets
They used to dance with him;
The broidered muslin of their gowns
Is sweet with faint perfume
Of rose-leaves gathered in the dew
In gardens full of bloom.

He leaves—'tis thus the legend goes— The tarnished frame once more To softly sigh the broken vows So lightly made of yore; He begs a rose, and steals a kiss, And breathes a promise low, As when he loved and rode away In summers long ago.

Leave undisturbed the empty house Leave undisturbed the empty house
To silence and to dreams,
Wrapped in the gloom of ancient boughs
Beneath its pa'e moonbeams.
Strange stories of the midnight hour
Its echoing rooms might tell,
But veiled in ivy, darkly green,
It keeps the secret well.
—Woman's Home Companion.

----THE WHITE PLUMED KNIGHT BY WHILIAM L. COLBY.

MAXIMUM DLD, handsome and generous was the young Reginald De Bracy. Possessed of every knightly accomwww. plishment, it was little wonger that he soon won the leve of the beautiful Blanche Faulconbridge, who was called the fairest lady in all fongland, in those old feudal times.

Only one man in the land bore ill will toward Sir Reginald, and he was Richard Langley, a dark, haughty and evilminded knight, who, once a suitor for the fair hand of Lady Blanche, was rejected for Sir Reginald De Bracy. Rent with the fiercest pangs of jealousy he had vowed a terrible vengeance against the favored suitor, and the forthcoming tournament seemed to afford a good chance for the fulfilment of his vow.

At this tournament, which was to be held in a few days, one of the events was to be a grand tilt between two parties of knights, each being twelve in number. The peculiar feature of this was that each knight was to preserve a strict incognito till the end of the match, all coats-of-arms being rigorously excluded, and the two parties to be distinguished from each other solely by the color of their plumes; those of one side being red and the others ited by the Cho white. And this arrangement suggested to the mind of Richard Langley a plan which, if successful, would rid him forever of his hated rival, Reginald De Bracy.

The knights for each side had already been chosen, both himself and his rival belonging to the white plumed knights, and it had also come to his knowledge that a certain knight of the opposite side was held absent by sickness.

And so it came to pass that, on the morning of the tournament, word was spread that the missing knight, Herbert De Vaux, had recovered and arrived at the grounds ready for the fight. 'A powerful looking man, his face concealed by his armor, stood in the doorway of De Vaux's tent, and was supposed by everybody to be that individual himself. But this man was in reality a burly ruthan, a tool of Langley's, with instructions to do his atmost to put an end to the life of De Bracy in the fight about to ensue.

He was in reality more skillful with his weapons than any of the knights there assembled, but prevented by his low rank from taking part in any unightly exercise.

As the time for the tournament ap proached the knights were assembled fu a large inclosure within the lists. De Bracy being among them, little dreaming of the deep-laid plot planned against him. Standing a little apart from the company were the two plot-

"Note closely the white plume worn by De Bracy," said Langley, in a low tone. "Seest thou not, Bertram, small particle of red in the upper part? Much risk have I run in placing it there, and remember, when the combat comes, fail not in striking to the death the knight thus marked."

"Ay, master, trust me for that." Ber tram replied, and the pair separated. Meanwhile Sir Reginald, unsuspicious of danger, was chatting gayly with his betrothed, who was leaning forward from the pavilion above.

"Take good care of thyself, Reginald," she was saying; "for if you encounter any danger, you may be assured that there will be at least one pale face among the spectators"

Then she laughed gayly, but sudden ly checked bersetf. Her keen eye had seen the red particle in her lover's plume, and with quick wit she at once divined that it was placed there as a distinguishing mark. Little suspecting the terrible mission that trifle was destined to fulfill, she reached down her shapely hand and managed to detach it from the plume without being observed. Then a strange fancy came into her mind-a wish to foll the designs of the unknown person who had thus marked her lover-and bending over she fastened it firmly to the plume of another knight standing just below stranger's plume more gracefully.

But suddenly the trumpet sounded, the greatest misfortune of his life,"

or trumpet blast burst og the bearts of all to beat tion, and with slow tie tread the co ate the lists, each at an oppoend. Splendidly mounted, cind in lete armor, and with a sea of waving plumes above their heads, they afforded a truly magnificent spectacle. And then a third blast.

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A thundering of hoofs, a clashing of steel and the two plumed lines were merged in one. It was a glorious fight, and the hearts of the spectators throbbed madly with excitement as

seemed almost equal. In the thickest of the fight was the low-born ruffian, Bertram, overwhelm- one Tui Qualita was invested with the ing the white plumed knights one after another with his prodigious blows, hot stones without being burned. An and all the time searching eagerly for earth oven is made and filled with layhis prey—a knight with a red spot on his plume.

At last he saw the one bearing this contestants, was soon by his side. One terrific blow of his battle axe and the lay bleeding on the sod.

With a thrill of exultation he felt that he had fulfilled his promise and done to death the noble young knight, De Bracy. But hardly had he delivered the blow when a white plumed knight swept up behind him, and with him from his horse, where he lay stunned beside his victim. Throwing himself from his horse the

neck, crying to him to yield. But at that moment the king, taking pity on the brave knights, many of ing the day, threw down his warder

and the combat ended. Then, as was previously agreed to, each knight, without changing his position, removed his helmet and displayed his identity to the anxious crowd.

And he who had struck down Berthe features of Reginald De Bracy. too, had fallen a victim to his own vile plans, for on removing the helmet from the head of him whom Bertram had killed, the features of Sir Richard

Langley were exposed. And Bertram, after recovering consciousness and being questioned in regard to his disguise, was forced to confess the whole plot, and received the punishment he so richly merited, while Reginald lived to wed the lovely Blanche, whose simple action had saved him from death. - New York Weekly.

The World's Coldest City. The coldest city in the world is Ya-

kutsk, eastern Siberia, in the Empire of the Czar of the Russians. It is the great commercial emporium of east of friendship and better commercial Siberia, and the capital of the Province of Yakutsk, which, in most of its area of 1,517,063 square miles, is a bare desert, the soil of which is frozen to a great depth. Yakutsk consists of about 400 houses of European structure, standing apart. The intervening spaces are occupied by winter yourts. or huts of the northern nomads, with eastern roofs, doors covered with hairy hides, and windows of ice. Caravans with Chinese and European goods collect the produce of the whole line of coast on the Polar Sea between the parallels of seventy degrees and seven- it would take ninety days for a reply. ty-four degrees, from the mouth of the There are seven lines of swift-going River Lenn to the furthest point inhab- steamships plying between the Argencolporteur of the British and Foreign Bible Society made a tour of eleven miles long, visiting Yakutsk and sellthe Yakuts in the villages along the citizens of the big southern republic banks.-Leslie's Weekly.

Traveled Under Ground. A driving horse belonging to Louis Hewlett, of East Oakland, took an underground trip at East Fourteenth street and Broadway this afternoon which few horses would have survived, and which furnished a lot of excitement for himself and a crowd of onlookers. While fastened to a post in front of the store the horse freed himself and started to investigate the hatchway. Slipping on the cement he plunged half into the opening, and when discovered was hanging over the edge, held back by the harness and buggy. The sidewalk elevator was holsted under the animal, when he kicked himself free and fell onto the platform, smashing the mechanism. There he lay without stirring until men ireed him from the ropes and machinery and dragged him out upon the basement floor. Then he was taken to the freight elevator in the rear and hoisted into the store, whence he was led back to the street, trembling, but uninjured. His owner did not appear until after the animal had been led away to a nearby livery stable.-San Francisco

Fingers Before Knives and Forks. It is sometimes hard to decide what

from the fingers. Bread, first of all. But it should not be buttered in a broad flat slice and enten bite by bite. A small piece of prevent sore throat and in some cases bread, preferably not more than enough for a mouthful, should be broken from the bread or biscuit, buttered and transferred with the fingers to the

Then crackers, celery, olives, pickles of the small varieties, radishes and Banner. bon-bons are eaten with the fingers. Many of the dried fruits should be aten from the fingers.

Cake is eaten with the fork or roken and caten like bread. Corn on the cob may be eaten from the fingers. It is with corn as with found the America, or French, game

vacy of his apartment.

against eating chicken, game and like three-ball billiards. foods from the fingers. Chicken is eaten from the fingers, but it is incle-

Ye Olden Mayor. Mayors appear to have had their troubles two centuries ago. At Bielefeld, Germany, there is a tombstone with this inscription: "Here lies Joher under the pretense of curling the hannes Burggreve, who considered his election as burgomaster of this city reducing a peculiar whistling noise the second of traffic.

FURAM FIRE WALKERS

Those who witnessed the corr recession will doubtiess receilect a small group of coppo with bare legs and at of covering. The strange poo-ijians—and their anciest coremony of the Vilavolairevo, or fire walk-ing, were the subject of a paper read by W. L. Allardyce, C. M. G., at a meeting of the Royal Colonial Institute yesterday. Admiral Sir N. Bowden-Smith presided.

The ceremony of fire walking, Mr. Aliardyce explained, is performed by they beheld. Bravely each gallant a certain tribe at the Island of Bega, knight held his part, and the contest and originated in a legend that in reward for having spared the life of a man he had dug out of the ground, power of being able to walk over red ers of wood and stone. In this a fire is kindled about twelve hours before the fire walking takes place, and, when mark, and, forcing his way through the the hot stones have bee exposed by brushing away the charcoal, the natives, under the direction of a master somed knight, with a crushed skull, of ceremonies, walk over them barefooted.

The temperature at the edge of the oven is about 120 degree Fahrenheit, while on one occasion, when the thermometer was suspended over the stones, it registered 282 degrees and the solder was melted. Yet, stated a ponderous stroke of his sword felled Mr. Allardyce, after the ceremony the natives show no signs of the terrific ordeal through which they have gone. By means of a number of views the conqueror placed his foot on Bertram's lecturer gave a realistic idea of the ceremony as performed nowadays.

Vice-Admiral Lewis Beaumont described a fire walking ceremony as whom were disabled, and on those of witnessed by himself. Although those the white plume, who seemed to be los- who took part in it showed no signs of discomfort, he remarked that apparently they did not like it very much.

Replying to questions, Mr. Allardyce said the only explanation he could give of the apparent immunity from harm following the process was that soles of tram, removing his helmet, displayed the feet of the natives were hardened to an unusual degree through constant The one who had plotted his death, walking on a sandy soil covering coral, which became exceedingly hot under the sun. There was also the element of absolute belief by the natives in the legend that they were proof against are.-London Standard.

Argentina and United States. "It ought to be hammered into the minds of the American people that there is a rich and powerful nation to the south-a nation destined to rank among the foremost powers of the world-of whose trade we are by our own neglect getting but a fractional part," said the Hon. John Barrett, ex-Minister to Argentina and present Min-

ister to Panama, at the New Willard. "One of the easiest and most potent influences to bring about closer ties relations with Argentina is the establishment of a line of swift mail and passenger steamships between New York and Beunos Ayres. Of the \$364 .-000,000 of traffic that Argentina had with the outside world last year, the United States participated therein to the extent of only \$24,000,000, whereas we ought to sell to her and buy of her more than all the rest of the world combined. To-day a business man in Buenos Ayres can write to London and get an answer back in fifty days. If the same letter had gone to New York e capital and various ports of Europe, but all the vessels that come to us from the United States are slow weeks down the Lena, a river 3000 freighters, unfit for the conveyance of passengers. If we had these passenger ing gospels in their own language to boats at this time, hundreds of wealthy would come to see the St. Louis Exposition, but they will stay at home rather than to have to make the trip via London.-Washington Post.

Exercise For the Voice.

A vocal specialist, in emphasizing the rule that the voice to be kept in good condition must be exercised (unused powers soon weaken), says:

"Do not go to the other extreme and abuse the vocal chords or strain the throat muscles by shouting and screaming. Deep yawning removes throat congestion, and improves the circulation of the blood in these vital parts. Singing, loud laughter and public speaking will improve the quality, sweetness and endurance of the voice. Deep breaths should be taken, and the vowels repeated slowly in a deep, full, round tone of voice a dozen times or more a day.

"Do not constrict or strain the vocal chords. Talk softly and easily. A rich resonant tone of voice is soon developed by counting aloud while going through arm or body movements with dumbbells, or the chest weight drill. Count in a deep, smooth voice, open the mouth wide and let the sound come freely out."

One authority recommends as strengthening of the vocal chords ne may and what one may not eat, and throat muscles gargling the throat every morning with cold water for one week, and the next week wiith hot. This is said to to cure it. Massage the neck muscles with cold water morning and night and rub them vigorously with a coarse towel. Never cover the neck very warmly, and do not wear anything high or tight around it .- Presbyterian

John Roberts, a noted London bil-

An English Billiardist.

liard player, now in this country, having nearly circled the globe, says that in India and China particularly the English game is played. In Java he oranges; one never feels quite at his mostly in vogue. English tables are best eating either, except in the pri- different from the American and the Authorities are constantly warning being, he says, more scientific than

Automobile Whistles.

A European inventor has converted the spokes of an automobile into whistles, which are operated by the air action. The whistles are controlled by a series of small rubber balls in connection with the seat, their release opening the valve in the spokes and STATE PARAGRAPHS

a rather interesting study," said an ob-servant man, "and it would be inter-esting to know just what changes will take place in the future. Boots have eared, except in plays of a remantic kind. Boots are mostly worm on the stage now. Of course one may find them in remote sections of the country, in lumber camps, where men are forced to work a great deal in marshy places, and where they often sink up to their knees in mud and water. But in modern life boots are, as a rule, in the way. They are too heavy. They are a handicap in the race for success. Men have taken to lighter footwear. They want to carry just as little weight as possible. They, do not want anything that interferes too much with the suppleness of the limbs. They have got to keep on the go. But I was thinking more particularly of the influences in detail which have worked out the changes in footwear. The modern method of living has been at war with the old style of shoes, just as it has been at war with old fashions in the matter of clothes. Why should a man or woman wear heavy shoes in the cities of today? There is no reason for it. There are too many conveniences. A man can step in a car at his office door and in a few minutes can step out again right at the door of his home. It is cheaper to ride than it is to buy shoes. We find in these conditions an explanation of the popularity of low quartered shoes in these latter days. I suppose after a while men and women will be able to wear toe shoes without any sort of inconvenience, and they will be able to get around quite as well as their forefathers did in boots and shoes of a heavier kind. Besides, the development of sidewalks in cities has had much to do with changing the character of shoes worn now. It is possible to keep out of the mud and water, to keep one's feet dry, without crawling into a cab or street car. So I might go on and mention many other influences which have been at work to bring about the changes we observe in footwear. But these things will naturally suggest themselves to persons who take the trouble to keep in touch with modern styles. It is an interesting study, and one which may be pursued with profit."-New Orleans Times-Democrat.

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WORDS OF WISDOM.

It's easy finding reasons why other people should be patient.-George Eliot. Universal peace can come only with

the universal republic.-Immanuel

There are possibilities of the fairest among 10,000 even in the chief of sin-

A man's force in this world is frequently in the inverse proportion to his fashionableness. Many sermons are singular failures

because they are preached in the singular number, first person. If you would reform the world from its errors and vices, begin by enlisting

the mothers.-C. Simmons. He who is true to the best he knows to-day will know a better best to-morrow.-Charles Gordon Ames.

It is no use leading some sheep into the green pastures; they would only sigh for the briars over the fence.

You may take the Lord's promise for victory in the end; that shall not fail; the way, for that will not hold.—Robert Leighton.

Pongee and Moccasins. The guest who is invited out for a sail or to participate in the excitement of a race on a yacht, always endeavors to wear such shoes as will not mark the varnished surface of the decks. Rubber-soled shoes are usually worn, but a variant has appeared in the soft moccasins of buckskin seen this season on the deck. They are light on the foot and a cooler piece of footwear than the heavy soled shoe, which may have a top of white canvas or buck-

The pongee shirt waist is gaining in or general outing use. It is as cool and light as one could wish. The shirt front is laid in broad pleats, two on each side of the central box pleat. A collar and cuffs of white linen accompany the pongee shirt waist. The cuffs are turned back and have the buttonholes broadly set in midway down the turnover. The linen neck and wrist finish are very dressy.

She Couldn't Throw Straight.

John Kendrick Bangs, the known humorist, lives in Yonkers, N. Y. His youngest son is a very precoclous youngster of five, and from present indications he bids fair in after years to rival his father as an humorist. Like all precocious boys, he is prone to get into mischief. The other day he did something especially naughty. His mother declared she was going to whip him, and, thinking to make the punishment especially severe and lasting, she sent him out into the yard to get her a stick. He was gone about fifteen minutes, and when he returned he carried a stone in his hand.

"Well, sir." said his mother with mock severity, "where is the stick?" "Mamma," he replied, "I couldn't find a stick, but here's a little stone you can throw at me."

The little boy received a hugging instead of a whipping.

Could Not Master Russian. Secretary Hay never could get on with the Russian language. He has spent much time and effort striving to master its intricacies, but he had to give it up as a bad job and time wasted. The Secretary of State says be has a most profound respect for any one who has ever succeeded in acquainting himself with this lingual abnormity.

A German Fire Department At a fire in Erfurt, Germany, the members of the fire brigade quarreled with the chief, and instead of attending to their duties, belabored him with a hose until he was senseless. Meanwhile, the fire had taken such a hold that before it was got under control several houses were burnt to the group4

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Charleston, S. C., Special.—A collisdon in which one life was last and 11 people were more or less seriously injured, occurred on the Atlantic Coast Line, five miles from this city, at 7 o'clock Thursday morning. Local passenger train No. 41 coming up on through train No. 35, had been stopped unintentionally by the accidental pulling of the bell cord on the main line. A heavy fog prevailed and the crew of train No. 41 had no reason to suppose that No. 35 had stopped. The engine of No. 41 plowed into the rear of No. 35. partially demolishing the private car of General Superintendent Denham, of the second division of the Atlantic Coast Line, who was returning to Savannah with his family, and then smashing the rear of the postal car next, and injuring coaches beyond. Fireman Sam Davis, of the accommodation train was pinioned under the engine and literally cooked to death while Engineer Horton was not seriously injured. The wreck was cleared in a few hours and traffic restored. Mail, baggage, and such passengers as desired were transferred. The dead:

Sam Harris, colored, fireman. The injured: Flagman G. C. Lamb Master Denham, son of the Superin-

endent W. B. Denham, of Savannah. Mrs. M. S. Byck. Miss C. Byck. G. C. Barnes. Mrs. G. C. Sonnenberg. A. J. Gannon. Buero.

F. J. Williams. T. H. Burns, Augusta. C. J. Sonnenberg, Augusta.

South Carolina Items

Gov. Heyward Tuesday forwarded the requisition papers asking for the return to this State of the person of James Brown, charged with an attempt to burn the tobacco barn of the Dixie warehouse in Florence. The crime was committeed on the 6th of August and the negro made his escape to New York via Georgetown and a steamer. But upon arrival at New York he was arrested, his destination having been discovered. It is due to the efforts of Mayor W. H. Malloy, of Florence, that the fugitive was arrested. Gov. Heyward has written the governor of New York to the effect that the right man is in custody and asks for him to be delivered to the officer from this State. There is a lot of red tape to be complied with before a requisition can be granted, no matter how righteous the claim for immediate delivery. The governors of several States met last year and formed a regular code of procedure in accordance with the recognized ethics in such matters.

Late Saturday afternoon Wiley J. Baldwin was found in Crooked creek in Marlboro county, in a semi-consciou condition, and the circumstances indicate that he Lad attempted to drown himself. He left his store several hours before and a note left on his desk addressed to his wife, said that his body would be found in the creek. He was found by a negro, who called for help and Baldwin was pulled out of the water. He had been caught by some projecting roots of a stump and his and was held above the surface, although the water was about ten feet and frantic when taken out, and was taken to jail for safety. He was placed in confinement, but the mayor, acting n the advice of a physician, released him Wednesday. He talks rationally, but says he has no recollection of the events of Saturday afternoon.

Ben Bennett was to have been brought back to Columbia late Wednesday night, it is thought, and Solicitor Davis is expected there in a day or so to counsel with Governor Heywood in regard to his trial in Hampton county on the charge of wife murder.

Columbia will have a boat on the river again soon. At an enthuisastic meeting of merchants in that city popularity, especially for men yachting Tuesday more than \$8,000 was subscribed in a little while and there are many yet to be seen. The meeting was largely attended, however, and the discussion showed that back of it they meant business. There was not much talk

and what was said was to the point. Deputies Clanton and Scarborough went over from Darlington to Columbia Tuesday and secured the person of Sam Marks wanted in Darlington on the charge of murder. The negro struck Mr. Hillary Langston, of Timmonsville. in the head with a rock, from the result of which the injured man died. Sheriff Scarborough avoided possible trouble by taking the man to Columbia and putting him in the penitentiary. The Darlington Guards had been or dered out to protect the prisoner while in Darlington. It has been stated that there was no danger of lynching at any time. Gov. Heyward turned the prisoner over to the deputies on the order of Sheriff Scarborough and Solicitor The two deputies who went for Marks had no written order and Gov. Heyward declined to release the

Japs on Defensive.

Mukden, By Cable.—A great change in the situation here has occurred. The Japanese now appear anxious to act on the defensive, and have fortified a position northwest of the Yental mines. According to the best estimates obtainable, the Japanese army confronting General Kuropatkin comprises a grand total of 180 battalions. Allowing 800 men to a battalion, there are 144,000 infantry. In addition there are 0.300 cavalry and 638 guns.

Citizen Killed by a Policeman. Columbia, S. C., Special.-At Mayesville, late Thursday night, Policeman S. F. Hurst was shot and instantly killed by J. E. Anderson. The officer was shot six times with a Colt's magazine pistol, all of the balls taking effect in the chest and abdomen. It is said that Hurst drew a revolver first, but that Anderson was too quick for him. The shooting is said to be the result of a personal matter. Anderson surrendered and was placed in jail.



RIBBONS HAVE NAMES.

me of the ribbons have distinctive names this year, and that being the ase there are, of course, the Dolly Varden ribbons, for dainty Dolly is godmother to bodices, hats and all kinds of feminine apparel this season. It is hard to characterize the Dolly Varden apart from that they are just charming; they blossom with flowers like the Dresden ribbons; they glow with color like the Persian ribbons; but anyway they are pretty enough to deserve the name of the dainty from whom they get their title.

SOUTHERN GIRLS' BEAUTIFIER

It was noticed long ago that the pretty girls of the South, who rode and drove in the sun and wind, who boated, sat upon the verandas and invited sunstroke generally, came out with an excellent skin at the end of the season. One day a Northern girl discovered on the dresser of a Southern beauty a bottle of fluid which was labeled cucumber cologne, and upon being pressed the pretty girl gave up its secret. Cucumber cologne, which has been famed for more than a half century, is made by taking two ounces each of spirits of cologue, orange juice, flower water and rose water. A pinch of powdered borax softens this, and six drops of benzoin affords a tonic for the skin. This can be shaken up in a bottle, set away and used upon the skin after it has been exposed to a sharp wind.

A DAINTY ROSE CUSHION. One use to which roses can be put, even after they have served their purpose in the table vase, or in the garden, is in the making of a dainty cushion. This cushion can be made at small cost. The petals should be mixed with rosemary leaves and dried in the shade to retain color and fragrance. The remaining material for the cushion is as follows: One yard white Tuxedo veiling, one-half yard buff mousseline de soie, forty-two inches; one-quarter yard white liberty silk, forty-two inches. To make the cushion cut the veiling and the mousseline de soie each in two pieces eighteen inches square, leaving the re mainder of the mousseline de soie for ruffles. The veiling over the mousseline de sole makes a case for the rose petals. The ruffles of the mousseline de sole, edged with a double ruffle of liberty silk, finishes the cushion.-Dennis H. Stovall, in The Epitomist.

GOWN COLORINGS.

Not one woman in ten realizes the importance of ascertaining and making a careful study of one particular color most becoming to her and or always having a touch of it introduced in some part of her dress. The au burn-haired woman looks best in brown shading into the tones of her hair, or in rich dark greens. The yellow-haired girl can wear red. The greens, too, are delightful on her, also certain yellows and black, says the Chicago News. White s less becoming, but she must be brilliant in complexion or else most delicate as to tint to wear grays and blues to advantage Blue, particularly the cold and pale blues, are best adapted to brunettes. The woman whose hair is a dull brown, and whose complexion and eyes lack brilliancy, may still be most attractive, but she should avoid brighthued or glittering hats. Dull brown neither yellowish nor reddish, should be selected. Avoid the satin straws Take the dull finish.

THE HUSBAND IS "BOSS."

When it comes to the pinch it is the husband who is to decide what visitors shall be admitted to the home-not the wife. It is not for the wife to say who may come and who must stay away, even if she owns the home. At least, that's what the Supreme Court of Ohio says. The question of who ts the head of the family recently came up in Erle County in that State, and was passed upon by no less than four courts. Oscar W. Green, it seems, is one of the men who does not like his mother-in-law. In fact, he dislikes her so much that he does not want her to visit him and his wife at their home. and he gave her notice to that effect. The mother-in-law kept on coming, just the same. One day her son-in-law met her at the door, and refused her admittance. She immediately had him arrested, and he was found guilty in the Probate Court of assault and battery and fined \$10 and costs. This finding was affirmed by the Court of Common Pleas, but reversed by the Circuit Court on the ground that a man's home is his castle, and that the husband is the lord of the castle. Or, in other words, he is the "boss." The Supreme Court has now affirmed this decision.

THE "CHARMING" HOSTESS. We ofter read and hear of a "charming hostess, a "delightful hostess," but

says a correspondent, when we try to to be a "charming hostess" ourselves, we find the task not quite as easy as we would wish. Women, particularly women in small households, know only too well that when one ardently de sires the wheels of the domestic chariot to run smoothly that is the very time when, like Pheroah's chariot of old, they drag beavily, and the fear of them stepping altogether plunges the hosicss in to a sea of despair. To be a delightful hostess under these circumstances requires some fortitude and self-denial, too, for one naturally feels inclined to pour forth the domestic woes to a sympathetic ear, but if one would be "charming" this inclination must be sternly resisted, for what can be more tiring to a guest than to hear a long story of domestic warfare, when, in all probability, she has just the same state of affairs at home? No, no, that will never do: and although it does not always appear as if virtue brought its own reward, in suests the burden of household cares | man ear.

is forgotten for a time, at least, andis thereby considerably lightened.

ONE MOTHIER'S WAY.

I desire to have all of my childrens meals served at the family table, that I may give attention to the king and quantity of food which they ea, and also to their manners at table. A we have so many guests, I particularly wish my children to appear well bred and for the same reason, I do not wish to be obliged to be continually talking to them at the table. My children coax for pennies like other children, and I teach them the value of a penny while they are very young, in this way. To en we go into the dining room I place in front of my plate a penny for each child. At the close of the meal the child who has not been corrected in any way is given a penny. They are encouraged to talk, but not to interrupt. They are taught to eat properly, to ask properly for anything they may wish. Any misdemeaner, which they understand to be such, results in the loss of the penny. Some lines they are fined a penny beside, for any particularly unpleasant act. For any disrespectful word to the waitness, they are et once sent from the irole. It may not be the best way, but one thing certain, the meal hour is the pleasantest in the day, to children, guests and my-

BOUDOIR CHAT.

self.-Inez Reddieg, in The Epitomist.

Tourtelle is a pretty amber shade, pecoming to women who cannot wear most browns.

Consider a pair e. brown silk stockngs with bright yellow sunflowers embroidered thereon! Side combs are little worn now, un-

less absolutely necessary to keep up short, stray hairs. Long, suede gloves, edged with flowers to match various gowns tempt to new extravagances.

Strings of coral look well with the white linen dress wherewith a red hat is worn-as it is so often. Parasols are of infinite variety and

beauty, and make the most perfect backgrounds for pretty faces. A charming consequence of the elbow sleeve is a black velvet bracelet

set with some rare old miniature. Women enjoy being asked for an opinion from a man who is known to be able.

Many men weaken their position by over-acting and over-talking. The woman who knows it all has

little regard for the ideas of others. It pleases a man to think he can secure the entire confidence of a woman. Some women show so much haughtiness that even men shun them.

Men often are misunderstood because they refuse to understand others. The woman of middle age who is inclined to be "kittenish" usually lacks

FASHION NOTES. Bodices are more bloused than ever.

Girdles are wide and some of them are high. Shaded he

n London. The buttonless Biarritz glove is once more in vogue.

Hips are tucked, shirred, pleated and nuch trimmed. Overshoes in rainbow hues may be

the next innovation. Every lingerie frock must have its delicate little coat of taffets. The real plain bag of shiny black

patent leather is a distinct relief. Rouleaux of satin form one of the fashionable methods of training. Those stunning silk garters, mounted with gold, are for fastidious man. Pompadour "rats" of shell or cellu-

old are cooler than the hairy ones. Eagle and owl heads top some of the new hat pins in aliver or gilt. Taffeta gowns are to reign supreme this summer both plain and checked.

Tan-colored linen, with a touch of

sky blue, will be much worn this sea-

New traveling coats are of checked woolen which has been rendered waterproof.

Skirts are very round and very full and the majority of them clear the street.

We are veering toward triple skirts, but as yet one sees mostly only treble, flounces.

Wide tulle hat strings that tie under the chin are very much newer than the falling veil.

With canvas and lawn frocks will be vorn double, large spotted canvas and lawn ribbons.

Gold embroidered chine gauze sash ibbons are charming additions to sumner costumes. An overtrimmed dress looks hot, and

this summer it is as necessary to look cool as to feel it. Kimonas are the one article of dress

that don't change lines every year and are in fashion until worn out. Crepe de chine is one of those delusive fabrics that look simple and yet

cost a fortune when well made. A new stock of folds of linen alternating with fagoting is finished with a long jabot reaching to the waist line.

The Four Thousandth. The University of Freiburg had a grand celebration the other day-processions, fireworks, illuminations, addresses, the occasion being the rounding out of the number of students to 2000. One of the speakers referred to the fact that the number 1000 was reached in 1885, and he was much applauded when he pointed at a babe in the arms of a nurse as the future four-thousandth student.

The Jew's ear fungus, which grows

on stumps of the elder, is so named this case it does, for in amusing the from its unmistakable likeness to a hu-