

A STRANGE AFFLICTION.

A YOUNG GIRL TRANSFORMED INTO A PEEVISH OLD WOMAN.

Her Vitality Destroyed by an Accidental Shock Received in an Electric Light Establishment.

On the Beeksville road, about six miles from the town of Lorraine, Ohio, lives a farmer named Max Harman, who came from Pennsylvania about a year ago.

A short time ago she was a plump, rosy-cheeked girl, in robust health and of a sunny disposition. To-day, through the influence of a most peculiar accident, she is in all but years a shrunken, peevish old woman.

Mary was engaged to be married to a man named Jacob Ebertin, who worked for Mr. Harman and made his home with the family.

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NEWS AND NOTES FOR WOMEN.

Tailor-made basques are invariably pointed in front, and much trimmed with fine fancy braids.

Mrs. Mackay, wife of the bonanza king, allows herself one hundred and four new gowns a year.

The competition among dressmakers nowadays seems to be which can devise the worst looking sleeve.

The tendency to make the bodice of one stuff while the skirt and draperies are of another grows in favor.

The newest bonnets have long crowns, and many have long pointed poke fronts filled in with a slight face trimming.

The amount of braiding on frocks, wraps and garments of all kinds is enormous, and the braid designs this season are very fine.

Wax flowers were first introduced into England by the mother of Mary Beatrice, wife of James II., as a present to her royal daughter.

There is in England a society conducted by ladies for the promoting of long service among servants. Valuable prizes are given.

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Zeal Without Knowledge. A well-known New York lady, whose name is the synonym for all that is benevolent and charitable, especially regarding the helpless and poverty-stricken of her own sex, has her summer home in one of the most beautiful spots on the Hudson, surrounded by forest trees of great age and magnificence. It occurred to her last autumn that it would be kind to give to a party of city working-girls an opportunity to go "chestnutting" upon these grounds. But as a matter of fact the chestnuts were then very scarce; yet, not to disappoint the girls, a servant was sent to the city with instructions to purchase a bushel or two of the nuts and scatter them around under the chestnut trees, where they would be most likely to be found by the visitors. They were found by the merry-hearted young women, and their hostess would have derived great satisfaction from their enjoyment and the success of her benevolent little fraud if she had not chanced to come upon several of them sitting under a tree that clearly was not a chestnut, and heard one of them, who must at some time have lived in the country, discouraging after this fashion as they nibbled the nuts:

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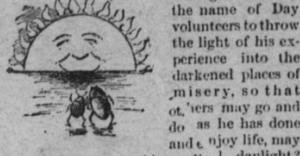
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