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Timely and Wholesome Advice.

The Electric Review, one of the leading trade papers in its line, reads the racing automobilists a timely and wholesome lecture. Recalling the quick loss of popularity that befell the bicycle as soon as it was seized upon as a machine for the establishment of racing records and the fact that this loss not only led to the practical abandonment of one of the most beautiful and useful inventions of the last century, but inflicted vast losses upon those who had invested their capital in its manufacture, the Review warns the automobile racers that their folly threatens the same results for the new vehicle by giving the public an excuse for regarding it simply as a dangerous contrivance for sporting purposes. The existing hostility to automobiles is ascribed wholly to their misuse, and the makers in devoting time and talents to meeting the demands for utterly useless speed are told that they are suppressing another demand that would, if heeded, be the firm foundation for a great industry. Says the Review: "The same money, the same ingenuity and the same engineering skill displayed in constructing an electric automobile to cover a mile in forty odd seconds would very likely have resulted in building a machine that would transport a truckload of goods at four miles an hour over cobblestone pavements in commercial competition with horses. This is the sort of thing that we want to see." This is what everybody else who is reasonable wants. The self propelling vehicle ought to become a medium for the safe, convenient, quick and popular transportation of passengers and freight rather than the dangerous plaything of a few rich sporting men.

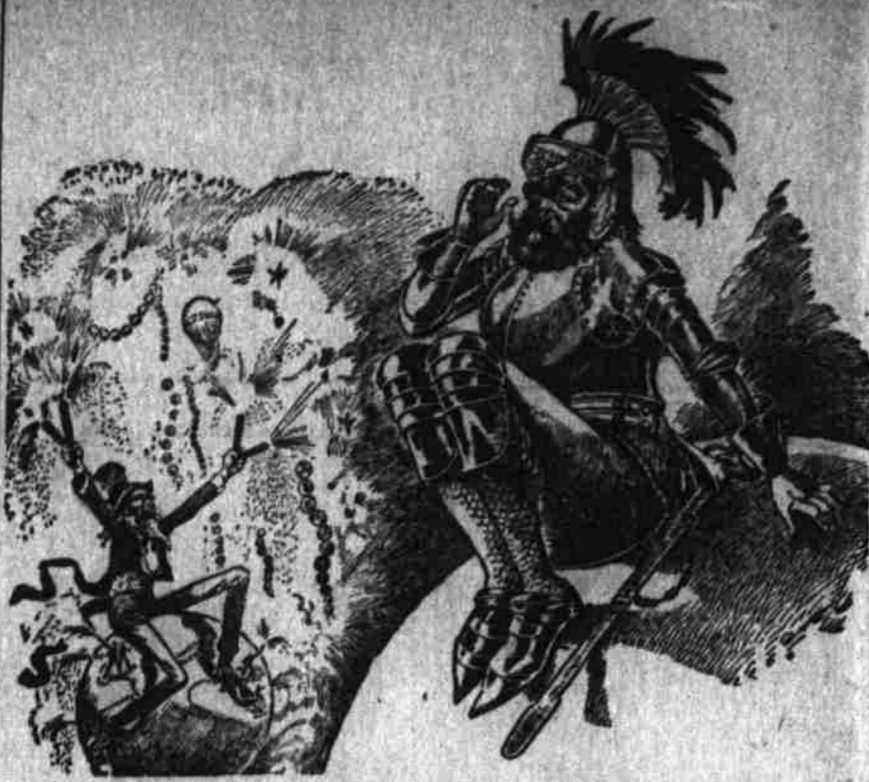
It needs no prophet to see that the history of the rise and fall of the Panama hat is near its close. Its growth has been too rapid to last, while cheap imitations of Inoleum and American straw have given the fashion its deathblow. Like most fads, it has been carried to the extreme, and it is doubtful if it outlasts the present season. But really the exit of the Panama as an article of everyday business wear need be no occasion for grief. It has an incongruous look on most wearers. Topping a costume in which a stiff collar, a flat and formal cravat and dark clothes are component parts, the Panama has much the same effect as would be produced by the interjection of a Spanish fandango chorus into an orchestra. The Panama is of the tropics, tropical. Loose, light and rakishly irregular in shape—above all things never bent into the stiff federal shape which violates every reason for its being—it harmonizes only with the white linen suits, sashes and flowing ties of the far south.

A Milwaukee court has issued an injunction restraining a man from resigning his job to accept a better one. However, it appears that he is not stopped from the privilege of asking for a raise in salary.

An eminent Spanish scientist claims that he can extract electricity from the atmosphere. Possibly he has been reading about old Ben Franklin, who did something of that sort about a century ago.

James J. Hill has gone to Labrador. Some people who have done business with him are of the opinion that he was cold enough before.

Mark Twain might make one more speech to explain why he resolved to make no more speeches.



Mars: "My, what a noisy neighbor!"
—New York Herald.

**DANISH WEST INDIES
OPPOSE BEING SOLD**

By FRANZ VON JESSEN, Commissioner of Internal Affairs at Copenhagen

NEARLY ALL THE INHABITANTS OF THE DANISH WEST INDIES ARE OPPOSED TO THE SALE OF THE ISLANDS TO THE UNITED STATES.

The colored population, as well as a great majority of the whites who are not sugar planters, oppose the sale. The colored people fear the sale because they believe it will endanger their personal rights. They believe that if the United States should get control of the islands their condition would be reduced to that of the negroes in the southern states. They now enjoy personal freedom and have equal representation in the colonial council.

In the island of St. Croix the sentiment in favor of the sale of the islands is confined to the sugar planters, who comprise only 5 per cent of the population. They believe they would get United States prices for their product. In St. Thomas the coal supply gives the great income. The inhabitants fear that if the island were sold to another country they would lose their coal interests.

When I return to Copenhagen, I will advocate a plebiscite, so that the people of the islands may vote on the question, which really is their own. **THE ISLANDS WILL NOT BE SOLD TO GERMANY. IF SOLD AT ALL, THEY WILL GO TO THE UNITED STATES, BUT THAT, IN MY OPINION, IS FAR FROM PROBABLE.**

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Pleasing Exterior and Well Arranged Interior Features of This House. [Copyright, 1902, by George Hitchings, 61 Park row, Times building, New York.] Neatness in design and convenience in plan arrangement, two important items, have been successfully carried out in this design. The exterior is very pleasing to the eye. It is ornamented by a large piazza across the front, and the roof is broken by a gable on one side, the gable being shingled and green.

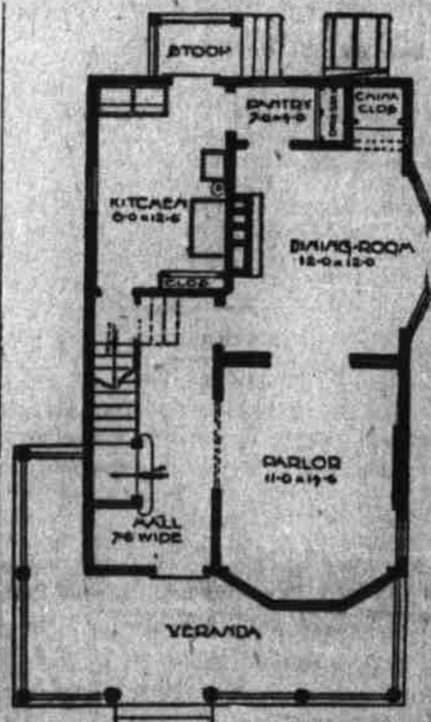


FRONT ELEVATION.

ornamented with mullion windows. The bay windows on the front and side are also very attractive features.

The foundation is of hard brick laid in cement mortar and pointed on the outside below grade with pure portland cement to make a perfectly dry cellar.

The building is framed in a substantial manner with a mortise and tenon frame with spruce timbers, all well seasoned. The filling in studs are of good, sound hemlock. These studs doubled around all openings are covered with hemlock sheathing boards one inch thick, placed diagonally and covered with XX red sheathing paper to make a perfectly airtight job. Then a white pine bevel siding is put on the boards, being six inches wide and

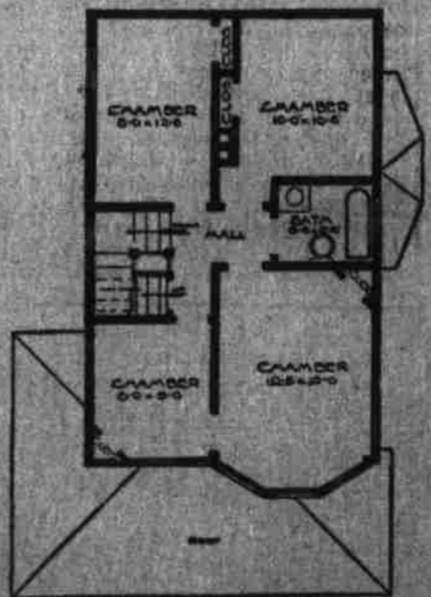


FIRST FLOOR PLAN.

showing four and a half inches to the weather, making a lap over of one and a half inches.

The first floor contains a large reception hall 7 feet 6 inches wide, with an ornamental platform staircase. This hall is connected with the parlor by a grill opening seven feet wide, draped with portieres. The parlor has a large bay window and a handsome cabinet mantel and is connected with the dining room by sliding doors.

The dining room is large and has a bay window at the side, making it a very pleasant sitting room as well. It is provided with a cabinet mantel and a china closet built in a recess and is connected with the kitchen by a butler's pantry equipped with a dresser



SECOND FLOOR PLAN.

having two drawers below the counter shelf and two glass doors above, with shelves.

The kitchen has all the modern improvements, such as galvanized iron sink, range, soapstone tub, etc.

The house has outside and inside cellar stairs. The cellar floor is concrete and is partitioned off in coal bins and storerooms.

The attic contains a servant's bedroom and a large open room for storage. The second story has four large bedrooms and a bathroom, with an iron enamel bathtub and nickel plated trimmings. The wash basin is a china bowl with marble back and slab and nickel plated fixtures and legs. The floor is tiled, and the side walls are blocked off to imitate tiling five feet high.

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