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## FASHION IN HEADGEAR.

**It Runs to Extremes and Father Must Pay The Bills.**

The "peach-basket" hat is dead. The fashion bells of Paris are tolling and it is being borne to its last resting place in the discard where are buried the "Merry Widow" and the sheath skirt. They tell us, furthermore, that many of the myriads of "rats," "puffs," "rolls," and all kinds of false-hair fixings will be laid up to rest in the near future, and woman will once more appear somewhat in the form in which she was created.

Full many a pretty face has been blooming unseen beneath the peach-basket. Many a smiling countenance has been buried in its depths. It was a monstrous mass of straw, fruits, vegetables and other funny things. Paris must have invented it as a joke and laughed in its sleeve when the women of the world took it seriously. Mere man could see in it no element of beauty, no line of grace, and nothing on earth to commend it. But lovely woman bore her burden without a murmur.

"Better be dead than out of fashion," seems to be the motto of many of the ladies. For whatever the fashion-makers decree, the women adopt. Theirs not to question why; theirs but to go and buy. They bought the "Merry Widow" by the acre, and in time learned to sail them around like experts; to tack, jibe and navigate them in any wind. When the peach-basket was brought forth the ladies dived in and even convinced themselves that there was something beautiful in the queer monstrosities they were required to carry around on their heads.

Now, having had their little joke on the women of the world, the creators of fashion have prepared a new exhibition. According to advices from the centre of interest, they have decreed that all the hats now in use or heretofore bought and paid for must be discarded. They have changed the fashion so completely that papa will have the privilege of buying headgear for all the family the coming season. The edict has gone forth: "Next season the turban and the toque"—not the dainty, gentle little hat the men would like to see, but a huge creation that will stand a foot and a half high, and will make the wearer look as martial as a Russian drum-major. The fur hat itself runs up a story or two, and the tower-and-minaret effect is added by an "aigrette"—whatever that may be—teat stick up like a young tree. It is not stated whether the prices will be as high as the "aigrettes," but after the experiences with the "Merry Widow" and the "peach basket," father fears the worst.—Baltimore Sun.

## A Clever Puzzle.

1. What state is more than one-half A? Alabama.
2. What state is round at both ends and high in the middle? Ohio.
3. What two states are unmarried ladies? Mississippi and Missouri.
4. What two states—one begins with the name of a girl and the other ends with the same name? Idaho and Florida.
5. What state has 10 in the middle of it? Texas.
6. What state pleases the dairy-men best? New Jersey.
7. What state reminds you of the beginning of the Spanish American war? Maine.
8. What state is named for a great Quaker? Pennsylvania.
9. What state is named for a King of France? Louisiana.
10. What two states have only two consonants between them? Iowa and Ohio (w and h).
11. What state reminds you of a big boat built thousands of years ago? Arkansas.
12. What State starts off in a bad humor? Illinois.
13. What state whose citizens are all geese? Michigan (ders).
14. What state has in it a kind of sewing very popular with the ladies? Kentucky.
15. What state reminds you of mining? Oregon.
16. In what three states did the great trio of American orators reside just before the war? South Carolina, Kentucky and Massachusetts (Calhoun, Clay and Webster).
17. Name five states with girls' names in them. Florida, Idaho, Louisiana, Indiana and Virginia.
18. What two states whose name indicate mountains? Vermont and Montana.
19. What state indicates fresh meat New Hampshire.
20. What state ought to be the best? Mississippi (4's).—Fayetteville Index.

## The Hello Box in the Country.

Under this caption the Atlanta Constitution on September 12, 1909, published the following editorial: "Commenting upon the marvelous manner in which the telephone is coming into vogue in the rural districts, and outlining its practical value to the farmer and the rural resident generally, The Manufacturers' Record says:

"It is not alone that the farmer can, in this way, keep posted as to the price of his products, and many of the farmers of the West depend entirely upon the telephone in making sales of grain and other produce-value as the telephone is from this financial point of view, it is even more valuable in bringing the family of farmers in touch with their neighbors. The loneliness which has made farm life a burden to so many people especially to the women and children; the fear that takes possession of them when the men are away, the fear of the inability to reach a doctor in times of sickness, are all banished by the telephone in the home. Among the great blessings which have come to civilization in recent years there is scarcely anything comparable to the value of the telephone, and as valuable as it is to the people of the city, it is infinitely more valuable to those in the country."

"In the South, and, of latter years, especially in Georgia, the 'voice in the box' has made wonderful strides in the country districts."

"The farmer has outgrown the old impression that the telephone was a luxury accessible only to the man in the city."

"He has discovered that the use of the 'party line system' and co-operative methods, now so prevalent throughout this section, he can have an instrument in his house the year round at a cost well within the revenue from one bale of cotton."

"The claim of The Record that a telephone is even more essential to the country than to the city is entirely logical."

"In the city there is none of the isolation that characterizes the rural districts, and the means of communication, aside even from the telephone are numerous and rapid."

"In the country there is only the highway connecting farm-house to farm-house, a highway often nearly impassable in inclement weather and under the best of conditions forcing consideration of elements of delay and outlay."

"Into this difficult situation the rural telephones come as a great transformer. It mitigates isolation almost to the vanishing point. It puts the farthest-removed farm in immediate touch with neighboring farms as well as civilization-at-large. It gives the farmer, with a crop ready for sale, instant access to market quotations, it provides for aid in fighting fire, or for any other of the dozen emergencies inseparable from country life."

"It is not strange that, offering these and other revolutionizing advantages, the telephone should be rapidly conquering the rural districts."

"So vividly was Mr. Roosevelt's country life commission impressed with the salutary results that had followed the general prevalence of telephones in the country that it named their patronage as one of the factors destined to solve the rural problem."

"South facing unprejudiced prosperity, it is likely the coming year will witness even greater progress on the part of this modern adjunct to life and business."

The method which has been adopted by the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company has placed this service within the reach of every one. The service they offer is not cheap service because the price is low. It is good service. Their telephones are all Western Electric Company's Standard "Bell" instruments such as are used throughout their entire system by the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company. From any one of these stations it is possible to talk not only to points connected with the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company system, but to any points reached by the long distance lines of the Southern Bell Company. That their plan is proving very popular is evidenced by the number of lines which are being built into each of their exchanges, and we hope that the time is not far distant when there will be a telephone line on every road and a telephone on every farm. There is no surer indication of the prosperity and progressiveness of a community than up-to-date telephone service.

## ROBESON CORN FARMER.

**Will Raise One Thousand Bushels on Ten Acres—His Methods.**

Mr. J. D. Johnson's crack ten-acre field of corn, at his place on Rural Route No. 4, from Red Springs, some twelve miles from Lumberton, was referred to in Monday's Robesonian. This is to tell more about it.

It is a special field of land that has been brought to a high state of cultivation, and many men who have been over the field say that the ten acres will yield this year one thousand bushels of corn. The same land, mark you, was sold some years ago by two men who said it was too poor to make a living! And Mr. Johnson has before this made a bale and a half of cotton to the acre on this same land.

The corn is planted in five foot rows, will average about twelve inches apart in the drill, two good ears to every stalk, at a conservative estimate some have three and four. All the fertilizer used is home-made manure scattered broadcast. The land has been sub-soiled but not this year. The method of cultivation was as follows:

First, land was broken good and deep, then manure broadcast, about six loads to the acre; cross-harrowed with disc and pulverizing harrows, both ways with each; five foot rows laid off deep with middle "buster"; corn planted in furrows and harrow dragged crosswise to cover; harrowed each way with pulverizing harrow until knee high; then plowed deep with twenty-two inch sweep and finished with same.

At last plowing Mr. Johnson sowed soja beans and harrowed them in. This he considers far ahead of the common pea. It is to be a good land-improver, it makes three times the forage and all stock are fond of them.

Mr. Johnson does not know the variety of corn. He purchased a bushel from a man who advertised in the Progressive Farmer, stating that he had made 103 bushels to the acre, and he finds the corn as good as represented.—Lumberton Robesonian.

## Turning The Other Cheek.

While Rutherford B. Hayes was a college student he went out walking one day with two of his chums and met an old farmer coming along the road. The future president addressed him in this manner:

"Good morning, Father Isaac!" Then his two friends spoke to the old tiller of the soil, one calling him Father Abraham and the other Father Jacob.

"Gentlemen, you are mistaken," said the old man solemnly. "I am neither Abraham, Isaac, nor Jacob, but Saul, the son of Kish, who was sent out to find his father's asses, and lo, he has found them."—Judge.

## The Refect Courtneys.

An old darkey wanted to join a fashionable city church, and the minister, knowing it was hardly the thing to do and not wanting to hurt his feelings, told him to go home and pray over it. In a few days the darkey came back. "Well what do you think of it by this time?" asked the preacher. "Well, sah," replied the colored man. "Ah prayed an' prayed an' de good Lawd, he says to me, 'Rastus, Ah wouldn't bodder mah head about dat no mo. Ah've been trying to get into dat chu'ch mahse'f for the las' twenty years and Ah ain't done had no luck.'"—Christian Register.

## Poor John.

A Philadelphian who was formerly a resident of a town in the north of Pennsylvania recently revisited his old home.

"What became of the Hoover family?" he asked an old friend.

"Oh," answered the latter, "Tom Hoover did very well. Got to be an actor out West. Bill, the other brother, is something of an artist in New York; and Mary, the sister, is doing literary work. But John never amounted to much. It took all he could lay his hands on to support the others."—Exchange.

## Frightful Fate Averted.

"I would have been a cripple for life from a terrible cut on my knee cap," writes Frank Disberry, Kelliber, Minn., "without Bucklen's Arnica Salve, which soon cured me." Infallible for wounds, cuts and bruises, it soon cures Burns, Scalds, Old Sores, Blisters, Skin Eruptions. World's best for Piles. 25c at E. T. Whitehead Company's.

## TO THE OLD CAROLINA VETERANS.

Here's to Old Carolina Veterans, From the land of pine and tar, There never has been danger Too great for them to dare.

Four years they wore the gray of Southland, And kept their banner high, A thin gray line around it, Resolved to do or die.

Four years they wore the gray of Southland, And raised the rebel yell, On many a well fought field, Mid storms of shot and shell.

Four years they wore the gray of Southland, While comrades around them fell, How well they did their duty, The records and songs will tell.

But the old thin gray line That once was young and gay, Are answering to the last roll call, And passing fast away.

Their heads have frosted over, Black locks have changed to grey, The thin gray line is breaking, And going nature's way.

But when they cross life's ocean, And reach the other shore, God rest the souls in Heaven, That meet on earth no more.

## Ten Things

For which no one has ever yet been sorry. These are:

1. For doing good to all.
2. For being patient toward everybody.
3. For hearing before judging.
4. For thinking before speaking.
5. For holding an angry tongue.
6. For being kind to the distressed.
7. For asking pardons for all wrongs.
8. For speaking evil of none.
9. For stopping the ears to a tale bearer.
10. For disbelieving most of the ill reports.

## Raymond's Importance.

Raymond, aged five, returned from Sunday School in a state of evident excitement. He strutted around the room as if about to burst with importance. The sympathetic eye of his mother was not slow to observe this.

"What's the matter, Raymond?" she asked.

"Oh, mother," exclaimed the small boy, his eyes sparkling, "the superintendent said something awful nice about me in his prayer this morning."

"What did he say?"

"He said, 'Oh, Lord, we thank Thee for food and Raymond.'"

Woman's Home Companion.

## The Minister Was Present.

A clergyman, who was not averse to an occasional glass, hired an Irishman to clean out his cellar. The Irishman began his work. He brought forth a lot of empty whiskey bottles, and as he lifted each one looked through it at the sun. The preacher, who was walking on the lawn, saw him, and said:

"They are all dead ones, Pat."

"They are!" said Pat. "Well, there is one good thing about it, they all had the minister with them when they were dying."—Argonaut.

## To Make Fig Candy.

One cupful of sugar, one-half cupful of water, one-fourth teaspoonful cream of tartar.

Do not stir while boiling. Boil to amber color, or until it strings. Stir in the cream of tartar just before taking from fire. Open figs and lay in buttered tins, and pour candy over them.—The Designer for October.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has become famous for its cures of coughs, colds, croup and influenza. Try it when in need. It contains no harmful substances and always gives prompt relief. Sold by E. T. Whitehead Co.

"How old are you, Madam?" asked the cross-examining lawyer. The woman blushed deeply, and stammeringly blurted out:

"I—I—" and stopped short.

The attorney looked guilty. "Please, madam, quickly," he urged in a gentle, kindly voice; "it's getting worse every minute, you know."—Success.

## The Bed-Rock of Success

lies in a keen, clear brain, backed by indomitable will and resistless energy. Such power comes from the splendid health that Dr. King's New Life Pills impart. They vitalize every organ and build up brain and body. J. A. Harmon, Lizenor, W. Va., writes, "I am the best pills I ever used." 25c at E. T. Whitehead Company's.

## COTTON MILL EXPANSION.

**World's Demand for Goods Has Outstripped Capacity to Supply.**

It has been a notable fact that no large industry has come through the recent business depression so successfully as has that of cotton manufacturing. The purpose to enlarge such a business by an unprecedented increase, here in New England, as has been announced since that depression began to wane has been most gratifying to those interested in the industrial development of the section of the country. In that time new mills, or extensions, have been decided upon to cost more than \$50,000,000, and in many instances, as here in Manchester, the work of construction is already well advanced.

Such a movement here in New England is all the more impressive, as it is recalled that about a decade ago there was a real apprehension lest the extensive development of cotton manufacturing throughout the South then so rapidly spreading, would monopolize the field and force the New England establishments out of the business. It was held out by the promoters of the Southern enterprises that the raw product was at the doors of the projected factories, that the section was favored with utilized water-power in abundance, that coal was at hand and at low cost, and that labor was cheap. The picture they painted as competitors of New England capital and managerial skill was transferred to the Southern field.

The industrial growth of that sort in the South has been so rapid that it consumes nearly as much of the cotton crop as is now used up in this section, where its manufacture has been so long established, but that is not worrying the manufacturers here. The experience through the business depression has shown that the world's requirements for cotton goods have outstripped the almost phenomenal increase in the capacity to supply, and there is every reason to believe that such expansion in demand will continue.—Manchester (N. H.) Union.

The pleasant purgative effect experienced by all who use Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and the healthy condition of the body and mind which they create, makes one feel joyful. Sold by E. T. Whitehead Company.

Church—I see, according to a professor of the Frence Academy of Science, all the elements of food needed by man are contained in Gruyere cheese.

Gotham—Well, the elements have to be killed, I s'pose, before you eat 'em.—Yonkers Statesman.

Sickening headaches, indigestion, constipation, indicate unhealthy condition of the bowels. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea makes the bowels work naturally and restores your system to perfect health and strength. Begin tonight. E. T. Whitehead Company.

Hamfart—Aha! I've a letter from me friend Boothby, but I like not his dictation.

Barnstorm—What says the old Theologian?

Hamfart—Thus: "We are separated by hundreds of miles, but there are many ties between us."—Cleveland Leader.

Hoarseness in a child subject to croup is a sure indication of the approach of the disease. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given at once, or even after the croupy cough has appeared, it will prevent the attack. Contains no poison. Sold by E. T. Whitehead Company.

Mr. Newlywed was helping his wife into one of her new Paris gowns. "Darling, do you think we shall know each other in heaven?" asked Mrs. Newlywed.

"Not if the angels' dresses button up the back," replied Mr. Newlywed, stifling his profanity.—Philadelphia Record

## Money Comes in Bunches

to A. A. Chisholm, of Treadwell, N. Y., now. His reason is well worth reading: "For a long time I suffered from indigestion, torpid liver, constipation, nervousness, and general debility," he writes. "I couldn't sleep, had no appetite, nor ambition, grew weaker every day in spite of all medical treatment. Then used Electric Bitters. Twelve bottles restored all my old-time health and vigor. Now I can attend to business every day. It's a wonderful medicine." Infallible for Stomach, Liver, Kidneys, Blood and Nerves. 50c at E. T. Whitehead Company's.

## Feeding Farm Hands.

Every farmer's wife knows what tremendous appetites farm hands usually have; but while they eat well they work well, too.

Here's a good suggestion about feeding farm hands. Give them plenty of Quaker Oats. A big dish of Quaker Oats porridge with sugar and cream or milk is the greatest breakfast in the world for a man who needs vigor and strength for a long day's work. The man that eats Quaker Oats plentifully and often is the man who does good work without excessive fatigue. There is a sustaining quality in Quaker Oats not found in other foods, and for economy it is at the head of the list. To meet needs of those in different climates, Quaker Oats is packed in regular size packages and hermetically sealed tins; the latter for hot climates.



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This August 24, 1909.

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