

The Growth of the Telephone.

The statement is made in a current publication that on the 1st of May, 1902, there were, in round numbers, 4,000,000 telephones in use throughout the United States.

For Tarnished Purse.

The disadvantage of the beaded purse and bag is that they tarnish so easily and become shabby and rusty looking, especially if exposed to sea air.

Zenithal Lace Mitts.

Lace mitts for evening wear are often beautified by exquisitely wrought embroidery in some delicate flower pattern.

A Wild Cry of Alarm.

Little Mildred Gumbyle, the fair-haired pet of the millionaire, had ventured too near the edge of the raging stream and had fallen into it.

"Hats Inevitable."

An actor who was accustomed to spend his summers in Wilton, Me., noted when, as the custom was, a farmer "killed a critter," the liver, sweetbread, kidneys, etc., were thrown away.

Tran to Sea.

"Bride of a Day (aboard train)"—Do you talk to me, dear old man? The Other Half (tenderly)—Why, darling, are you tired of me so soon?

Merrell's Foot Powder.

An absolute cure for all foot troubles. Guaranteed to stop all odor and excessive perspiration. Relieves red, hot, swollen, itchy and tender feet to a perfectly normal condition.

A Doctor's Testimonial.

Dr. C. I. S. Cawthon, of Alabama, Ala., writes: "Tetter is superior to any remedy known for the cure of skin diseases."

Use Allen's Foot-Powder.

It is the only cure for Swollen, Smarting, Itching, Red, Hot, Burning Feet. Corns, Bunions, Ask for Allen's Foot-Powder, a powder that makes the feet feel like a cloud.

Talks About Womankind

all the laws of dramatic unity and poetic justice he was mine. For in his gapping mouth I read a startling revelation.

The Woman's Den.

Any wife or mother who tries to write a letter to find that the children have used her newspaper, in her absence, for drawing purposes, that her ink has dried up, and that her pens have vanished, has tried to do her duty for a few minutes, only to have her rest broken in upon by the demand: "Did you order the steak for dinner?"

A Shirt Waist Fastening.

Shirt waists now and then depart somewhat from the usual method of fastening. It is exemplified in a stylish model made up in pink material.

Without a Landing.

Considerable art pervades the erection of a linen costume at once practical and pretty. In view of the ironing the construction should be such that the hemline instrument can be easily inserted, and so permitted to perform its kindly office.

Cloaks Are in Fashion.

The cloaks of the present season are derived from the time of Louis XVI., and they bring with them soft curves and ruffles. The back hair is arranged low in the neck, and from the clusters of ruffs and ruffles three or four or five curls that dance with every movement of the wearer.

New Fashions.

Both large and full fashions are to be countenanced afresh in the world of fashion, where small ones have reigned so long.

A Hat For a Country Church.

"I want a hat," she wrote, "that is simple and dignified, and that is something that won't offend the country neighbors when I go to church."

The Girl Who Went Fishing.

I fished with night and main. The which of a fished tall, a fishing glimpse of dusky scales and nearest speedies became sundowny conchoidal in my mind with the fact that each of my boats was full of water, and my line was swinging high in the air—the hook and the leader slipped off short.

It's impossible for you not to look old, with the color of seventy years in your hair!

Perhaps you are seventy, and you like your gray hair! If not, use Ayer's Hair Vigor. In less than a month your gray hair will have all the dark, rich color of youth.

Gray?

"My hair was falling out and turning very gray. But your Hair Vigor stopped the fall and restored the natural color."—Mrs. E. Z. Bonome, Cohoes, N. Y.

Are We a Homeless People?

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LIBBY Luncheons. We sell the highest quality luncheons. Freshly prepared, and served in the most elegant manner.

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