

FALSE HAIR.

History records the fact that in 1662 in England, long flaxen hair was purchased from the head at ten shillings an ounce, while other fine hair fetched from five to seven shillings for the same quantity; and within the present century the heads of whole families in Devonshire were let out by the year at so much per poll. "A periwig maker at Exeter going round at certain periods to cut the locks, afterward oiling the skull of each bereft person." That the use of false hair as an aid to feminine beauty was not unknown to the ancients is well proved. The Greeks, Romans, and Egyptians, long before the dawn of the Christian era, resorted to the wearing of tresses obtained from other persons' heads; they even went so far as to paint bald heads so as to represent them as covered with short hair, also marble caps, so painted were worn. A venerable merchandise in the blonde hair of German women is mentioned in ancient Roman history.

A question that has doubtless often presented itself is: Where did all this hair come from? This question we will endeavor to answer. With the coming of spring, in the midlands and west of France, appeared what may fitly be termed a singular class of nomadic individuals, armed with long, iron-tipped staves, and bearing heavy packs of merchandise upon their backs. They were the coupeurs, the reapers of a hirsute harvest. Armed with long keen shears they went their way, seeking the tresses of willing victims dwelling in outlying hamlets and villages of peasant France; and a laborious business it was. From "dewy morn" until the shadows of night gathered thickly, they did their ten or fifteen miles a day—often fruitlessly and with empty stomachs, their only bed the wayside. In Auvergne these seekers after hair were known as chinmeurs. The Bretons called them margoulines, which terms have no fit English parallels.

These curious journeymen exerted every effort to gain their ends—a good head of hair; the former preferring the local fairs as a workmen, the latter choosing to visit the dwellings of their possible clients. In summer the Brittany margouline was often seen going through the streets carrying his long staff, from which hung twists of hair while he cried in doleful tones the well known "Piau! Piau!" at the sound of which the cottagers, with an itching desire to possess some of his gewgaws, attracted the wanderers' attention. He was only too pleased to dazzle their eyes with his many-colored wares, and the bargaining was not slow to begin. While the woman fingered his goods the margouline weighed her tresses with his hand—a proceeding at which he was adept through long practice. The bargain ended, the woman yielded her abundant locks in return for a few yards of cotton stuff, or a gay petticoat, to which—thanks to the progress of civilization—the coupeur had to add a small sum of money. Sometimes the transaction was not completed without much discussion on both sides. Very often the coupeur had to return to the charge owing to female indecision; and he was more than happy when sure that a tardy remorse would not rob him of half his coveted trophy.

Until the authorities intervened, cutting was conducted in public as an amusement for onlookers, it being considered highly entertaining to hear ten or twelve rival coupeurs eulogizing their wares, each protesting his to be far superior to his fellows. The prohibition of this custom drove the harvesters to erect a tent, or rather a day unoccupied shops, cellars, stables or kitchen corners they could find wherein to establish themselves. Sticks were then stuck up, from them being suspended petticoats as a lure, as an indication of what could be had in exchange for tresses; to the petticoats were attached twists of hair as trademarks. The ruse succeeded, peasants halted, casting envious glances at the multi-colored garments; they were handled, and even tried on, thus affording an opportunity to the coupeurs to flatter their fair customers—who did not long rest—and victory reward the cute buyers. In Auvergne—where the coupeurs were most numerous—the greatest harvest was reaped on St. John's Day. The gathering extended from April to September, during which month the butchers, bakers or locksmiths, etc., forsook their ordinary avocations for that of the coupeur, returning to their legitimate trades with the coming of the dead season. The hair of different countries was distinguished by certain qualities, for instance that of Auvergne was the coarsest; the finest and most flaxen came from Belgium; the blackest and longest from Italy, while that procured in Brittany was the most beautiful though least well cared for.

THE CHAMPION IN FRUGALITY.

Guy, the founder of Guy's hospital in London, was as parsimonious in private life as he was munificent in public. A good story illustrative of this is told of him in connection with John Hopkins, one of his contemporaries, who was nicknamed Vulture Hopkins, on account of his rapacious mode of acquiring his immense wealth. On one occasion he paid a visit to Guy, who, on Hopkins entering the room, lighted a farthing candle. Hopkins, on being asked the object of his visit, said: "I have been told that you, sir, are better versed in the prudent and necessary art of saving than any man living, and I therefore wait on you for a lesson in frugality. I have always regarded myself as an adept in this matter, but I am told you excel me." "Oh," replied Guy, "if that is all you came to talk about, we can discuss the matter in the dark," and thereupon he blew out the candle. Struck with this example of economy, Hopkins acknowledged that he had met his superior in thrift.

DISEASE CONQUERED.

DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS GAIN ANOTHER GREAT VICTORY.

A Reporter's Searching Investigation Into a Case at Orangeville—The Claims Made on Behalf of This Medicine Fully Borne Out—The Greatest Healing Medicine of the Age.

From the Orangeville Sun.
In a cosy little house in Margaret street, in this town, lives Mr. John Garrity, his wife and family. They are indeed a happy family, although a few years ago a sadder household would be hard to find. Their happiness was not occasioned by the sudden obtaining of a fortune, but by something much more precious—the restoration to health of a wife and mother when everyone whispered that she must die. Our reporter heard of Mrs. Garrity's illness and cure, and for the benefit of our readers investigated the case; what he learned is well worth repeating. A few years ago Mr. Garrity kept a well known hotel at Cheltenham and was known far and wide for his kindness and hospitality; his wife, too, was noted for her amiability. However, she was stricken with a peculiar sickness, her health failed rapidly and from one hundred and forty-seven pounds her weight became reduced to ninety-five pounds. Fainting spells became frequent, and a continual pain in the back of her head almost drove her frantic. Physicians were in attendance, but the doctors all said there was no hope. Mrs. Garrity saw death staring her in the face, and the thought of leaving her little children caused her much sadness. She was advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, but thought they could not possibly do her any good, when physicians had failed to alleviate her sufferings. Hoping, however, almost against hope, she procured a supply, and wonderful to relate, she had not been taking Pink Pills long when the dreadful symptoms of her illness began to pass away, and to-day she is the picture of health. A few months ago Mr. Garrity and family removed to Orangeville, and in conversation with our representative Mrs. Garrity said:—"I cannot find words to express my thankfulness for what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have done for me. Why it is almost miraculous. I wish that everyone who is suffering as I was will hear of this remedy. We always keep a box of the Pink Pills in the house."

OUT-OF-DOORS.

Summer with a lavish hand scatters beauty over everything, yet there are countless men and women who view this glorious nature with apparent indifference or plod along utterly unconscious of the beauty that exists about them. Why is it that people living close to Nature fail to appreciate the myriad of blessings and pleasures she affords? It is a mystery that the city dweller finds inexplicable, for it seems that no one, however uncultured, could live in the country among the trees, the birds and flowers without experiencing in some degree an exaltation which nothing else could produce. But there are many who do not take heed. To them all seasons are alike—dull, monotonous meaningless. They cannot or have not realized that a mind was given them to cultivate—to make them superior to other animals. Life is to them a ceaseless, hopeless grind, and all this beauty is passed heedlessly by.

Even constant association should fail to make one blind to Nature's bounty. The grandest paintings can never rival her for colors; neither was there ever chorus nor orchestra sweeter than the little feathered musicians of the woods, and the busy insect world affords profitable enjoyment to him who will but observe and learn. All this can be enjoyed without cost or effort. What an inexhaustible fund of pleasure it affords him who can appreciate the practical lessons he is being taught in botany, entomology, ornithology and perhaps other sciences.

Can anything be more delightful than some quiet retreat in the woods with an interesting book for a companion? The refreshing coolness, the stir of the leaves in the wind, the hum of insects, the song of birds, and perchance the tinkling of a brook over the pebbles, all gently woo one from the world and the worldly. Unconsciously one forgets unhappiness, forgets discontent, and only dreams. Surely something is wrong with him who does not call this true enjoyment.

WHITE SOOT.

A good story is told of an incident that took place a short time ago on board an English ship. The piper had blown to Clear up decks for divisions—it being Sunday. When the upper deck sweeper was about to sweep the deck he observed a lot of soot coming from the cook's funnel. The sweeper called the cook's mate up, and pointed out to him the state the deck was in. But, said the cook, I cannot help the soot coming up. Yes, you can, said the sweeper; it's the usual routine to whitewash the coals on Sunday. The cook, being a very green beginner, went and whitewashed every lump of coal he had in the coal box to get white soot.

LUCKY YOUNG MAN.

W. E. Southrop, a Marchmont, Ont., home boy, who has for nearly nine years been employed by Mr. O. C. Lawson, one of the district's well-known farmers, has received a notification from London, England, asking him to present himself at Temple Bar on September 1. The letter says that on that day Southrop would be nineteen years of age, and the heir of £20,000 sterling. Southrop has gone to England to claim the fortune.

Five million bushels is the expected harvest yield of the Walla Walla Valley, Wash., and at present prices on the crops the farmers will realize enough to lift a number of mortgages on their places this fall.

ROYAL ETIQUETTE.

Court Officials Sometimes Cause Jealousies and Resentments.

It is easier to negotiate a treaty between nations than it is to arrange a series of court pageants in which royal personages take a prominent part. A treaty is a compromise made on give-and-give principles. Princes are obstinate whenever their dignity or rank is in question, and will not yield points of honor.

When the Queen's Coronation Jubilee was celebrated ten years ago there were many royal guests. The court officials did their best, but many jealousies and resentments were created. It was a long time before some of the princes and grand dukes forgot what they thought were their slight and grievances.

This year the court officials in making their Jubilee arrangements were unusually careful, but they have been exceedingly fortunate if the royal guests left England without heartburnings over small points of etiquette. The places in the royal procession, the seats at banquets, and the order in which the drawing-room at Buckingham Palace is entered are details which have to be settled with nicety of judgment.

The claims of a grand duke from Russia, an archduke from Austria and princes from Italy, Germany and other continental courts have to be considered in detail and adjusted in accordance with recognized principles of precedence of etiquette.

The court official whose will is law in these matters is Lord Lathom, the lord chamberlain. He is a clear-headed courtier, with thorough training and excellent temper, and has precise knowledge respecting the requirements of royal etiquette.

When he is in doubt he consults with the Duke of Portland, master of the horse, and with the Duchess of Buccleuch, mistress of the robes. Every place is reserved, and every detail connected with royalty could have been settled only after prolonged discussion at court.

Vienna once had the reputation of having the most intricate court etiquette in Europe, and Paris was nearly as exacting in this respect. The traditions remain in Vienna, but the imperial family is now weak in numbers and the court functions are less stately and ceremonious than in former times.

Republican simplicity is the order of the day in France, and court etiquette in Berlin is reduced to the precision of military red tape.

In the English court great attention is paid to points of dignity and precedence. The Queen's Jubilee has probably set the style for the continental courts in royal ceremonials. The Queen herself regulates many of the details of court etiquette, and insists upon having close attention paid to the smallest points.

These things seem of petty consequence, but in monarchical countries they are the growth of centuries. Moreover, it should be remembered that many princes are personally very ordinary people, and might pass unnoticed in a crowd but for the distinction which birth gives them.

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What is known as the young married set of Carthage, Mo., society entertains itself in these hot times with wading parties in the Spring River.

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