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TWAIN'S FIRST LECTURE.

Bret Harte Headed the Clique, but the Audience Swamped Them.

Mr. Clemens prepared a lecture for his San Francisco audience, giving a most extravagant account of what he had seen among the south sea islands. When Bret Harte and some other of his friends were told of his platform intention they agreed to go in a body to the old Mechanics' hall, where Twain was to deliver himself, and form a big clique that would insure the success of the affair.

Mark wrote his own handbills, which set the town agog with anticipation. One particularly inviting phrase printed at the bottom of the announcement was, "The trouble will begin at 8 p. m."

The hall was crowded, and the clique was uproarious when Clemens appeared upon the platform. The lecture was delivered with manifest effort in a slow, deliberate, drawing manner, and the lecturer paid no heed whatever to the inconsiderate demands of "Faster, faster! We can't stay here all night!" and other urgent calls.

Although Harte tried to steer the claque, they insisted upon applauding and laughing in the wrong places, which may or may not have been intended as a joke on Twain, but at last the audience, which began to catch on to the unique style of the man and to appreciate his quaintly whimsical utterances, overwhelmed the claque and had things its own way.

An old timer who attended the lecture says of the effect of Twain upon his first audience: "His slow drawl, the anxious and perturbed expression of his visage, the apparently painful effort with which he framed his sentences and, above all, the surprise that spread over his face when the audience roared with delight or rapturously applauded the finer passages were unlike anything of the kind they had ever known. The lecture was a great success."—Bailey Millard in Hampton's Magazine.

GATHERING PRUNES.

The Fruit is Never Picked, but is Allowed to Fall to the Ground.

A peculiarity of prunes is that they are never picked from the trees, but are allowed to fall to the ground. The reason is that a prune must be dead ripe, with all its sugar developed, or it will not cure properly. Therefore the ground under the trees is carefully prepared and leveled to make a soft, smooth bed for the falling fruit. Gathering the fallen prunes is a staple industry in August and September. Boys and girls and often entire families are employed in it, camping in the orchards.

Being gathered, the prunes are rolled down troughs full of tiny needles that prick their skins. They are then dipped in a hot solution containing lye, which cleanses them, and rinsed in cold water. Next they are put in broad, shallow wooden trays and laid in the sun for two or three weeks. This sun drying practically converts them into the staple prunes of commerce and of boarding house jokes. At the packing house they are assorted as to size by a machine which shakes them over a huge sieve. The farther the prune travels over the sieve the larger the holes, and when it comes to a hole a little bigger than itself it drops through into the proper bin. It is then run through a vat containing hot water and finally rolls down a chute into a wooden packing box—the same box that you see at the grocer's. When the prunes pour from the chute, however, there is a removable frame about three inches high on top of the box. Box and frame go under a press, which promptly stamps down the contents so that they are no higher than the top of the box. The frame is lifted off, the cover is nailed on the box, and the prunes are ready to ship.—Will Payne in Saturday Evening Post.

IN THE REALM OF FASHION

For the Vacation Trousseau.

For the vacation trousseau this little white linen model will be found very useful. With its square neck of cluny lace it is a charming variation of the one piece blouse and the deep hem skirt.

This garment fastens at the back, is girdled with a white kid belt, and its finish throughout is the same white linen with stitched edges. Both the



ONE PIECE LINEN FROCK.

neck and sleeves and skirt are thus trimmed, and a narrow band tops the deep hem on the skirt.

So that the skirt will not be too heavy a facing of white batiste lines the deep hem at the bottom. This is resorted to in many handsome and heavy materials.

The lack of hand work on the heavier summer frocks is distinctly noticeable, even in France.

It is an accepted fact that the prevailing skirt is narrow and without plaits, that its heavy hem weights the bottom and that few gathers appear in the one piece bodice. In other words, "slim" is the note of the midsummer season.

THE SMART YOKE QUESTION SETTLED.

For General Summer Wear Sheer Linens Correct.

Striped chiffon, looking quite like tucks, will make effective yoking for the more elaborate gown you intend to get for your ocean voyage, and it will hold its own on the briny deep as well as net.

For seashore or general summer wear sheer linens are as good and quite as correct for the washable guimpe as are eyelet embroideries.

Black dotted net is newer than the square fillet weave for the yoke and sleeves of the all black gown, and the best qualities of very fine net are so firm as to require no lining of chiffon to bring added warmth.

Embroidered dots of cotton or linen floss will bring the dress color up to the yoke of plain white or ecru net.

Metallic laces and insertions and cloth of gold and silver or nets of metallic weave are more perishable in summer time, but have not been abandoned on the elaborate gown.

Irish lace in the small pattern of the baby crochet is an ever ready material and is suited to most dress stuffs for yoke purposes.

Cluny insertion—the three and four inch widths—makes excellent yokes or gumpes with cuffs attached by long net sleeves. The widths are sewed together by hand and shaped to fit each individual yoke pattern and then mounted to a collar. Durability is their main point if we exclude their beauty.

Plain white linen made into a sheer yoke, finished completely, is then treated to Madras work in the form of round or oval eyelets put in with colored cotton to give the desired note to the frock with which it is to be worn. Black on a white yoke is good.

Floral Hatpins.

The floral pins in rose design have been seen before, but now they vie in attractiveness with carnations in the daintiest of deep cream tones with a touch of pink in the feathery edges. Anything more natural than these floral hat anchors it would be hard to find. The roses, in pink and yellow, both full blown and bud, look as if they had just been plucked from the garden or conservatory, and the carnations are no less realistic.

Not a minute should be lost when a child shows symptoms of croup. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears, will prevent the attack.

HEAD OF BLOCK SYSTEM HERE

GENERAL MANAGER SLATER INSPECTING EASTERN OREGON

Has Gone to Boise but Will Return to Go Over the Joseph Branch

General Manager Slater, supreme head of the block signal system on all Harriman lines west of Ogden, was in La Grande this morning in his private car, "Pacific 106," inspecting the system as used on the mountains. He went on to Boise on No. 6, and will return in a few days to go to Joseph where the company has not yet installed the complete block system.

The general manager comes over the entire system but occasionally, due to the vast territory under his supervision. The inspection this morning was a hasty one, for the thorough investigation of the mountain service will not be made until the return from Boise and tributary country.

Notice of Street Improvement.

To Whom It May Concern:

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a resolution adopted by the Common Council of the City of La Grande, Oregon, on the 5th day of August, 1909, creating Improvement District No. 1, and designating Adams Avenue, or street, as such district, and in pursuance of a resolution adopted by said Common Council on the 15th day of September, 1909, whereby said Council determined and declared its intention to improve all that portion of Adams Avenue, or Street, in said improvement district as hereinafter described, by laying thereon macadam, the Council will, ten days after the service of this notice upon the owners of the property affected and benefitted by such improvement, order that the above described improvement be made: that the boundaries of said district to be so improved are as follows: All that portion of Adams Avenue, from the east side of Fourth street, to the west side of Alder street. Notice is hereby further given that the Council will levy a special assessment on all the property affected and benefitted by such improvement for the purpose of paying for such improvement. That the estimated cost of such improvement is the sum of \$12,000. That the Council will, on the 20th day of July, 1910, meet at the Council chamber at the hour of 8 o'clock, p. m. to consider the estimated cost, and the levy of said assessment, when a hearing will be granted to any person feeling aggrieved by such assessment.

La Grande, Oregon, July 6, 1910. CITY COUNCIL OF LA GRANDE OREGON.

By D. E. COX, Recorder of the City of La Grande, Oregon. '9-20

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