

BASKETS

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- Wood Baskets
- Satchel Baskets
- Paper Baskets
- Telescope Baskets
- German Baskets
- Hand Baskets
- Shopping Baskets
- Lunch Baskets
- All Kinds of Baskets

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THE WOMAN WHO WAS NEVER TALKED ABOUT.

Once upon a time there was a Country where the Female Members of the community diverted themselves by knocking each other. When they met together at Hen Clubs, Pink Teas and other Social Functions they would embrace each other with great Effusion and hand each other out a nifty line of Soft Talk, but as soon as a Sister turned her back the others got out their little Hammers and pulverized her Reputation to a Powder.

"We would not for the world say anything against Mrs. Brown," they would observe to one another, "for she is, without doubt, a Noble Christian Woman, and a Model of all the Virtues, but we wonder Where she got that String of Pearls? Of course we know it is All Right, and Nothing could induce us to Breathe a Word of Suspicion against her, but it looks very Mysterious."

"I hate," said another one of the

Any! Chorus, "to say Anything against another woman, for I feel that it is the Sacred Duty of our Sex to Stand By each other, but have you heard that Awful Rumor about Mary Jones? Of course I don't believe it, for I Never Listen to Kitchen Gossip, but her Hired Girl told my Maid that she got a letter in a Strange Hand Writing, which proves as plainly as the nose on your face that she is carrying on a Clandestine Correspondence with Somebody."

"How sad it is," observed another, "to see a woman dragging her Husband down to Ruin and Bankruptcy as Sallie Perkins is doing, for the way she spraddles around the Long Green is a sin and a shame. I apprehend that nothing Short of a Mint could make Money as fast as she spends it, and if her Extravagance doesn't drive him to Drink I miss my guess."

"Doesn't it jar you, doesn't it make

you mad," inquired a fourth, "the way the Lucinda Brown goes around splieling before the Hen Club about a Mother's Duty to her Offspring, and the Proper way to Rear children, when everybody knows that she Neglects her Family, and that her Kids are such a Terror that Real Estate depreciates in a Neighborhood as soon as they move into it? Of course her Theories are Perfectly Beautiful, and she is a Spell Binder all right, all right, but as an Example she is about the Worst False Alarm that ever happened."

"How strange it is," exclaimed a fifth, "what people can see to rave over in Alice Gray. It is true that she puts up an Attractive Appearance, but I opine that she is one of the Peaches that only look Luscious because of the pink mosquito netting on top of the basket, for it does not get past me that she gets her complexion out of a Box. —Syracuse (N. Y.) Telegram.

POLITICAL NOTICES.

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- VOTE FOR—
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 Nominee for Treasurer.
- VOTE FOR—
GEO. W. MORTON,
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 Nominee for Sheriff.
- VOTE FOR—
P. J. GOODMAN,
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 For Justice of the Peace.
- VOTE FOR—
CHAS. A. HEILBORN,
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- VOTE FOR—
C. G. PALMBERG,
 Regular Republican
 Nominee for Representative.
- VOTE FOR—
THOMAS LINVILLE,
 Regular Republican
 Nominee for Sheriff.

Many Die From Fever

New York in Throes of Serious Epidemic—Physicians Puzzled.

New York, May 21.—In the past fortnight there have been 150 deaths in New York from spotted fever or cerebro spinal meningitis. That the epidemic is increasing is shown by the fact that the week just past had 94 fatalities. Stringent measures are now being taken by the health department to stop the spread of the contagion which has grown steadily since March. Just how the disease is transmitted is not fully understood by the doctors nor is there any known remedy, the efforts of the physicians being directed almost entirely to alleviating the terrible condition of the sufferer. The last great epidemic from the disease in New York occurred in 1893, when it caused great mortality.

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MINES ON HIGH SEAS.

Japanese Declare Russians Violate Rules of War—Protest May Come.
 Tokio, May 21.—(Noon.)—It is absolutely certain that the battleship Hatsuse was sunk by Russian mines 10 miles off the coast. The position of these mines makes navigation dangerous for neutral vessels and a protest from foreign governments is expected. The loss of the Japanese warships is felt keenly here. No flags are flying in this city and the nightly lantern parades have been abandoned. American nurses will go to the Heroshima receiving hospital on the 25th inst.

HAS SLEPT A MONTH.

Efforts to Awaken Sleeping Illinois Women Are Futile.
 Chicago, May 21.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Monticello, Ill., says: The case of Mrs. F. B. Caldwell is attracting the attention of persons throughout central Illinois. She has been sleeping for 24 days and nights and efforts to awaken her have failed. She is much emaciated and little hope of recovery is entertained.

Anecdote of Victoria.

Brooklyn Standard-Union.
 Victoria was brought up very simply, and did not have all the money she wanted to spend, even if she were a princess. When she was about 8 years old, she and her governess attended a bazaar in the neighborhood. There was a fancy box offered for sale, at a cost of a half crown (60 cents). Victoria had spent all her money, but wanted the box. Of course the lady in charge insisted upon her "little highness" taking it.
 "No," said her governess, "the princess has not the money. She can not have the box."
 The lady felt sorry for the little girl and thought because she was of such high birth she should have every whim gratified, so she told Victoria she would put the box away for her. When the day arrived for her next allowance, Victoria received her money and rode to the bazaar on her donkey. She carried home her box, all the more precious because its little owner had had to wait until she had the money to pay for it.

The Northern Pacific Railway Company will place round trip tickets from Portland to St. Louis and return on account of the world's fair on sale as follows:

- June 16th, 17th and 18th.
- July 1st, 2nd and 3rd.
- August 8th, 9th and 10th.
- Sept. 5th, 6th and 7th.
- October 3rd, 4th and 5th.

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If a passenger desires to take in both Chicago and St. Louis the round trip rate will be \$75.00.

All tickets will be good for 90 days from date of sale. Tickets will be good going ten days from date of sale so that a limited stop-over can be had

MILITARY TRAINS IN LIAO YANG.

Eleven Have Come in During Twenty-Four Hours—Weather Fine.
 Liao Yang, May 21.—Eleven military trains have come in here during the past 24 hours.
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