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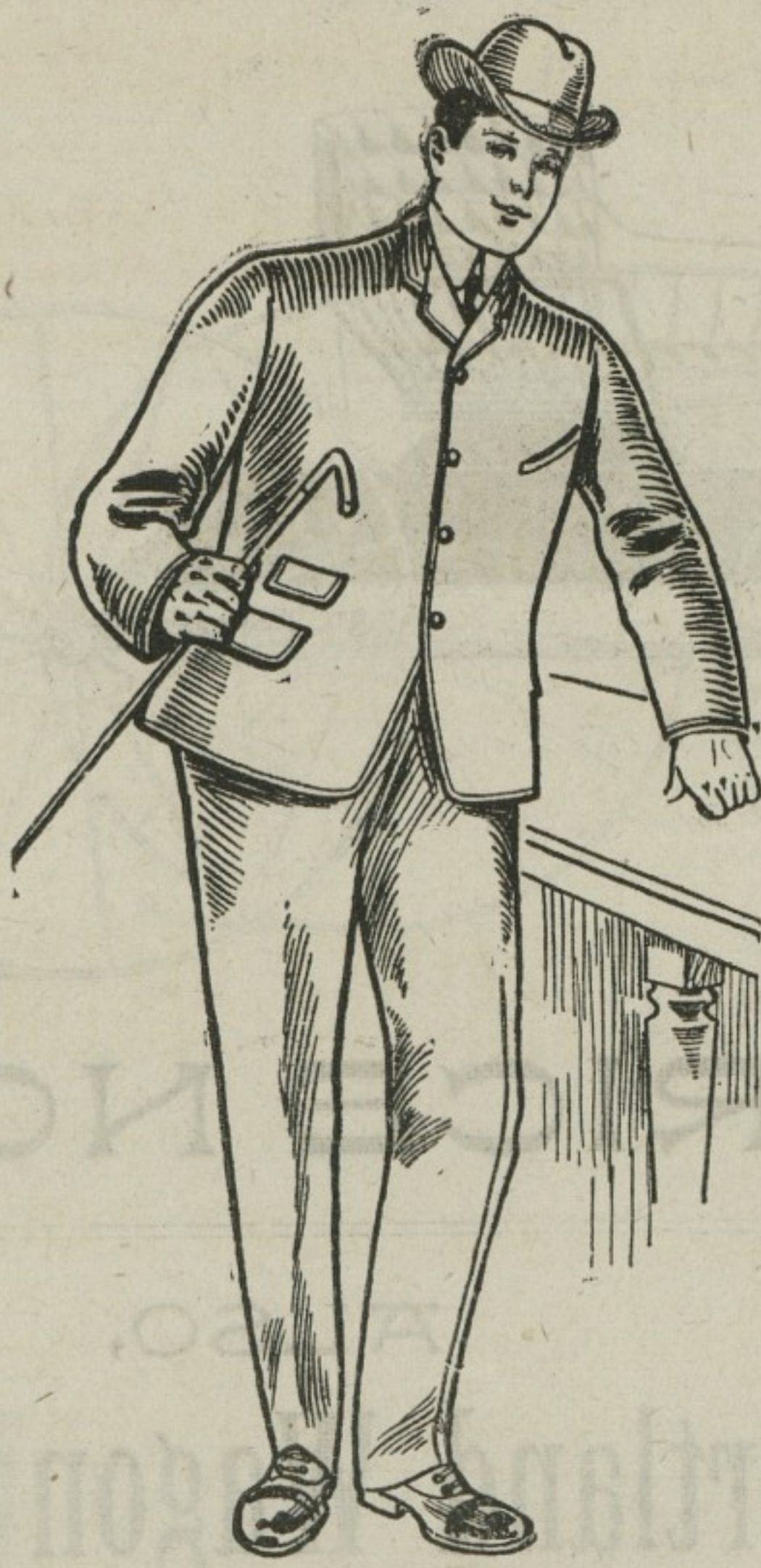
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The One That Wears Low Shoes and Open-Work Stockings in Winter.

It is yet to be proved that women who wear low shoes are more subject to colds than those who wear high shoes. As yet, it is to be proved that those who are constantly on their guard against what is called exposure live longer than those who do not care. When women not only survive a most fickle climate, but come out of its most trying changes in clothing of a weight that men would hardly feel, it is difficult to see how their health can suffer because they wear low shoes.

Now, take a man—take the average man. He puts on five thicknesses of clothing on a cold day. He is not content if the temperature is below 75 in his office. He will not think of stepping across the street without putting on his overcoat. In most cases he would not venture out without his muffler and overshoes. And take that man's wife. She wears two or three thin thicknesses of clothing. She does not mind the weather. She will meet the blasts of winter with unconcern. In her home she will allow the furnace fire to get low. She will follow a caller to the door, out on the veranda, and talk and talk, entirely unamindful of wraps.

Her husband takes colds—all kinds of colds—every kind that is going. He wonders why he takes cold. His wife is good enough to wonder with him and tells him he must be more careful of himself. Maybe she will insist that in addition to all his other precautions against exposure he shall wear a chest-protector or a porous plaster. But she takes no colds. That is, she seldom does, and if she does she attributes the colds she has taken not to carelessness, but to the fact that she has inadvertently undertaken to be too careful of herself.

If she—or any other woman—finds greater comfort in low than she does in high shoes, why blame her for wearing the former? Even if she wears low shoes and openwork stockings from pure vanity, why blame her? Are not the women of America healthy? Are they not strong? Are they not harder than the men—as a rule? Then why not let them have their own way about low shoes, openwork stockings and everything else that gives them comfort or pleasure?

KISSES THAT MADE HISTORY.

In the year 1794 the beautiful and charming Duchess of Gordon raised that famous regiment of soldiers called "the Gordon Highlanders" by giving each recruit a guinea in gold and a kiss from her own lips. It is notorious that the regiment was raised to a full complement quicker than any other regiment in the British service. But the Highlanders paid well for their kiss. They were sent immediately to fight the French and in their first engagement 300 fell, killed and wounded.

In the year 1703 a stray kiss was the means of bringing about a bloody and expensive war. Prince Ferdinand of Bavaria was journeying in a neighboring state; one day he visited the royal household, and while there he caught sight of a beautiful maiden, who happened to be near him. He was so bewitched with her charming personality that he impulsively and thoughtlessly implanted a kiss upon her fair cheek. She was a princess of the royal household which the prince knew not, neither did he know that she was an affianced bride and that her betrothed was near by and saw the whole affair. Angry words and blows followed. A duel was fought and both principals badly wounded. Diplomatic relations between the two kingdoms were suspended and a long and bloody war ensued, all on account of a kiss, which was paid for most dearly in blood and treasure.

It is a little over two years ago that a negro kissed a white waitress at a restaurant in a town called Granger, near Salt Lake City. The bystanders were so indignant and so outraged that they commenced a race war, and the result was 36 white men killed and wounded and over 80 negroes met the same fate. A most singular climax to this unfortunate affair was the fact that the negro and the white waitress got married and the negroes of the place joined issue with the white men and started in pursuit of the newly married couple. The negro and his white bride barely escaped death at the hands of the angry mob by sudden flight.

A great naval hero in this country has suddenly collapsed and gone out into obscurity all on account of too many kisses. Had it not been for those high-priced kisses Uncle Sam would no doubt have had another great admiral equal, if occasion required, to the famous Admiral Dewey.

Told by Rev. Dr. Stone.

The Rev. Dr. Timothy Stone, of Baltimore, tells a story of an Irishman and an Englishman who were recounting feats of physical prowess. The latter, by way of showing his strenuousness, says that he swam across the Thames three times before breakfast every morning. "Well," said Pat, "that may be all right, but it do seem to me that yer clothes would be on the wrong side of the river."—New York Times.

BILLINGS MADE A SUCCESSFUL BLUFF.

Mr. Billings came home the other night after a fishing trip and, being very tired, he was soon in the deep, restful sleep of a man with a clear conscience and a new collection of fish stories. He was dreaming that he had caught the largest trout ever, when a whisper that made gooseflesh creep over him.

"I smell chloroform."
"I don't."
"It may be alcohol."
"There isn't any in the house."
"I think it's whiskey. Mr. Billings, I believe there's a tramp under the bed."
Mr. Billings devoutly hoped there was—a whole gang of them. The flask which he carried in his satchel on fishing occasions and slipped its moorings and was leaking like a gaspipe. Mr. Billings did not dream of its existence, and would never have condoned the offense. He felt that he must act, and act quickly.

"Hist!" he said, dramatically, "I think it is a burglar."
"Why don't you get up and see? We may be murdered in our beds."
"No, by the horn spoon, for I have a revolver. Cover up your head while I play hunt for the burglar. Who's afraid?"

He found the satchel and after extracting the revolver threw the bag into a wardrobe and locked it up.
"We can't be too careful," he remarked with that astounding mendacity which some men can assure, and in two minutes by the clock he was sleeping the sleep of the just.

WHY THE HOTEL PATRON WAS ENTHUSIASTIC.

A few moments before the bus left the hotel at Sand-Hurst-By-the-Sea for the train to the city one of the departing guests walked up to the proprietor of the hotel and said:

"My dear sir, I want to congratulate you."
The proprietor, a man with a keen eye and long whiskers, showed by his looks that he was not wise.

"On what, sir?" he finally managed to ask.
"On your hotel. For a summer hotel it's the best one I ever saw. The bed I slept on last night was perfect, and this morning, as the delightful sea breeze wafted itself through my room, I uttered unconsciously a paean of thanks to Providence for a delightful slumber. As for your table, sir, it is superb. Never have I tasted such food. Since I have been here it has hardly been necessary to tip any of your employes, so perfect is your discipline. In a word, sir, this is the most perfect and palatial summer resort that I ever was in."

"You have paid your bill, sir?" remarked the proprietor.
"Surely! Here is the receipt. I may say that, considering what you give for money, your rates are the lowest I have ever seen. I don't see how you make a cent."

The proprietor gasped.
"May I ask sir," he observed, "where you have been living lately?"
"Certainly," replied the enthusiastic stranger. "I have just returned from the dedication ceremonies of the St. Louis Exposition.—Life.

TOM MASSON.

CUPID CAUSES A SINGULAR STRIKE.

Owners of big factories in the East End have a grievance against Cupid. Female employes of several large factory establishments and male employes of other plants, all located close to one another, separated only by narrow streets, have acquired expert use of the deaf and dumb sign language, with which they carry on tender conversations, tell tales of love and make engagements.

So serious has the trouble become that formal conferences between the managements of some of the plants have been held, but thus far the trouble has not been averted. The employers say so much time is consumed exchanging messages by the sign language that the result is beginning to be a serious decrease of products, of stogies, boxes, guns and other articles manufactured in that district.

The Red Letter Tobacco the other night nailed down all windows and painted the glass white. The next morning the young women in their employ indignantly struck and refused to return to work until the windows were released and the paint scraped off.

The Cat Came Back Also.

The Prodical Son was trying to sleep after the banquet.
"Confound it!" he yelled, as a feline wail arose from the back fence. "I wish the old man had killed the fatted cat instead."
Hurling his bookbag through the open window, he added one more to his list of crimes.—New York Tribune.

Not so Worse.

"Nero was 'n't half as bad as he might have been," remarked the man who had been peeping into ancient history.
"But he was a tyrant," objected the party of the second part.
"True," rejoined the other; "but suppose he used a cornet or an accordion as an instrument of torture instead of a fiddle?—Chicago News.

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