

ASTER! What a charm there ] The Dressmakerin the word! It brings before my eyes visions of glory and of white robed angels and suggests the dim splendor of cathedrals, with candle lights and the mingled fragrance of

incense and lilles. Above all, Easter means peace and a foretaste of heaven. I suppose you are all astonished to hearme talk this way because it isn't exactly my usual strain. Still, you know that even frivolous people have their moments of seriousness. But don't be afraid. I sha'n't keep this up. Even if-I wanted to be serious-which I don't. for your sakes-how could I stay so with all the frivolity around me? There is no doubt that my ideas of

ther. Give her a little potted plant of some sori. and tell her I want my lace gown for the 10th. Tell her I won't take no for an answer and that she can put off Flossie Blake's gown, which I know she is making. Write the note yourself nicely and drop it in with the flowers,

Mrs. de Witt Hume Buy her \$20 worth of orchids and make the florist fill up with maldenhair fern so that the bunch will look hig. I hear she is going to give a house party at Lenox this spring, and I want to close up my house and save ex-little empire ponses.

Old Mrs. Van Kyster-Must keep on the right side of the old lady.

that it doesn't cost much or I shall be ruined!

Yesterday I dropped in to see Maisie around, with little exclamations of ad-Bender, and I found her very busy. She miration. They had Margery half hyp- Coburg and Edinburgh and Victoria of Easter are old fashioned. All my was sorting over the contents of her notized so that she had reached the Prussia, granddaughters of the late friends tell me so. There is no element | lace bag with a view to making lace stage where she admired the shape, but | queen, are married and therefore de-If heavenly peace in the modern Eas- points for her collars. This looked very was doubtful about the color. And well scribe themselves differently; otherwise

ing at once and trying to walk up the be!" she cried. "It was just that palm. back of your skirt into the bargain. And isn't it a gem of a hat? How Then, too, there is something demoral- much, madame? Fifty dollars? How izing in the atmosphere which makes cheap! Now be sure to send it home you buy a perfect horror of a hat at tonight, won't you?" And as I moved which you wouldn't look under ordi- away I caught Mme. Honorine in the nary circumstances and from which act of winking at her assistant. That you turn with loathing when it reaches was vulgar, to say the least, but perhome the next day. However, Tuesday, haps under the circumstances it was just for a change, I thought I would excusable.

drop in at a few places to see the fun-i. watch the other women make idiots of them-I didn't have to go far ei-

At the shop of Mme, Honorine (who is one of the greatest old frauds on the avenue) I came

"I have been such ed, frivolous girl!

and a glib assistant were hovering late queen's namesakes. Yesterday I dropped in to see Maisie around, with little exclamations of ad-



## ROYAL VICTORIAS.

Queen Victoria left a host of nam sakes in her own and the other royal families of Europe. Among them nonis more interesting than her granddaughter, Princess Victoria of Great Britain and Ireland, daughter of Edward VII, who is better known as Princess Victoria of Wales. Victoria of Sleswick-Holstein, Victoria Patricia of Connaught, Victoria Eugenie of Bat. mirror trying on a perfect night- tenberg, Victoria of Cornwall and York, mare of a toque trimmed with a a second Victoria of Teck-the ful huge purple flower-a cross between a style and title must be proclaimed for Send ther a bunch of small flowers, but see tulip and a cactus. Mme. Honorine the right one to be known-are all the



HOUGH the lily "tolls not, nei-| striking picture in black and white, ther does it spin," those who The negroes that raise the lilies wear cultivate it for the spring mar- a single garment of coffee sacking or cultivate it for the spring mar- a single and are paid only a few cents a where some of my works were ends ket toll both early and late and burlap and are paid only a few cents a where some of my works were ends

bloom just as Lent closes. The that season the atmosphere of the Ber- could not help feeling anxiety bloom just as Lent closes. The that season the ant with perfume like should never succeed in catching flower variously known as the Easter, mudas is vibrant with perfume like should never succeed in catching

The asthetic element in Iliy culture harrisi, is beautiful and appropriate is, however, swallowed up in the maralike for church and home decorations ket garden element. At least half a and for gifts from friend to friend at billion hily bulbs are shipped away from the season which is, next to Christmas, the most important and the most joyous festival of the Christian church. This is the lily shown in the illustra-tion-"A Bunch of Easter Lilles."

arum, belonging to the Indian turnip full flower into churches and homes at family

amily. The Easter lily proper, like so many great size, some of them being 12 inches was-may I say it-sometimes have been approached by the sometimes have been approached by the source of the source been approached by the source of th The Easter lily proper, like so many great size, some of them being 12 inches was may 1 say it-sometimes its other desirable things, originated in china thousands of years ago. Thence produce 25 lilies, selling at from 25 than the waiting was forgotish is the bulbs were taken to Europe, finding their way in time to the western hemi- the more blossoms it yields, and the I did my best to find excuses for he is a solution to excuse for he is a solution of the bulb the larger it grows, up to excuses. And all she said was the solution of the sphere, where, like the transplanted older the bulb the larger it grows, up to excuses. And all she said was sphere white race, they gradually improved on perhaps the age of 4 or 5 years, when so simply, so courteously and so may be be under the burble are not estly. In such under a so that the second so may be the second so may be a so that the second so may be a second so white race, they gradually improved on pernaps the age of the bythe and the estly, in such perfect French bar the original stock. It is not in the Unit-it attains perfection. Bulbs are not estly, in such perfect French bar the original stock. It is not in the Unit- it attains perfection but they are at said to myself, 'Our queens of Fuel attains perfection but they are at must have snoken like th

cut in bud, each of which is wrapped to cut in bud, each of which is wrapped in tissue paper. The stalk is left a foor long. The stalks are packed in layers in boxes of wet mons, and shipmens are timed so the bud will flower at Each ter, the ship that brings them arriving a few days before that date. Instead of Easter cards it is now po-ular to send flowers to friends. A p

or a bunch of great, shining lilles giv for love's sweet sake will linger fragrant memory in the receiver's mill for many a day. LILLIAN GRAY

THE PRINCESS AND THE PAINTER M. Benjamin Constant, the far French portrait painter, has had to honor of painting two British queen

Victoria and Alexandra. "The Princess of Wales," he ar "asked me to paint her portrait at

visiting one of the London gap ket toil both early and late and burnar and are paid ons from the latter ed. But when her royal highness as watch with infinite pains to day. The bulb blooms from the latter ed. But when her royal highness as bring it into its full glory of part of February till Easter, and at that season the atmosphere of the Berproper resemblance of the prints whom every Englishman loves so de

"Rather tall and slim and of grav mien, no princess was ever Bermuda each season. Three nullions from the cradle with more h come to the United States, largely to grace or more charm. Youth easy to come to the United States, where this soft visage of path and the soft visage of path and the soft visage of th New York and Philadelphia, where this soft visage of noble outline way to New York and Philadelphia, where its eyes of pure, deep blue and the there are many greenhouses built espe-there are many greenhouses builts from timid look that nevertheless there are many greenhouses built espential look that nevertheless penetry cially for the care of the builts from timid look that nevertheless penetry is a superior of the built and you, albeit with an expression The creamy, exquisite calla, also chang for the tare received in July and you, albeit with an expression of me

"When I came for the sitting, full flower into churches and homes at Marlborough House, her royal highest must have spoken like that.'"

Of his visit to Queen Victoria # Windsor to show her majesty & per trait sketch M. Constant says:

"Despite all the pleasure whith the felt in the sketch and the complete she paid me, her majesty seems as hypnotized by the color of the in the bon of the Garter in the porne, explained that the golden sunling counted for its greenish tinge. But queen, after complacently listening, m plied smilingly, 'All the same, I do to think it is blue enough.' Of cours, I could only bow acquiesence."

## ADVICE FOR SINGERS.

Music is an indispensable part of the education of every girl nowadays no matter what her future career is going to be. A plano, indeed, is a necessary part of the furniture of every house though a great French musician one declared that no girl should learn it unless she had exceptional ability and taste in that direction. All sorts of pitfalls lie ready for the beginner h the art of singing, which, as is the case with every other art, should have it foundations well laid, so that the sty dent should not have anything to u learn later on. Singers should open th mouth wide, the higher the note the are singing, although to some it is difficulty to do so until they have learn. ed how. Of course, there are two ways of opening the mouth, as of doing enerything else-a right way and a wrong way. The wrong way is to stretch the muscles and make grimaces. It may be set down as a rule which has no erceptions that any singer who grimace is going to work in the very way which he or she should not in order



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flowers; the end of a dull season and the signal for future gayeties. For the last fortnight Muriel and I have been running to the dressmaker's, and parcels and packages of all sizes have fairly rained down upon us from the shops. Muriel's Easter gown is a dream, and, as you can't see it, I feel that I must describe it.

which shimmers like silver. Of course it is molded to every curve of the figure and lies around her feet in masses of fluffiness. The gown is made over a corn colored silk slip which shows through the yards and yards of insertion with which both skirt and waist are covered. This insertion is in the fashionable butterfly design, and the bands are so arranged that they come together in a long pointed herringbone effect in front. The broad flounce on the bottom of the skirt is laid in fine tucks, and the same effect is carried out in the bertha. The sleeves are tucked, but on the bias, and the yoke and undersleeves are made of pale yellow chiffon, with tiny butterfly appliques. The hat, of marquise shape, is of pale gray chiffon, with a bunch of jonguils partly velled with lace. My own gown isn't half so pretty. It is an old rose foulard ornamented here and there with black lace insertions.

After all, Easter continues to be the same old feast, with its churchgoing, its Fifth avenue parade, its gorgeous



Parcels and packages. Sophronia's, which she sent up from Lakewood,

where she is now staying. Evidently that Easter gives one an opportunity to repay stray social obligations, for her think I'll look nice?" Her eyes actually list read somewhat after this fashion: Mrs. Poindexter-

Get the stingy old thing a couple of dollars' worth of forgetmennts. She sent me a plated silver paperweight last Christmas, and it came too late for me to pay it back. Mrs. Kirkland-

Send a bly hunch of lilies to the Home For Crippled Children, in which she is interested, Be sure you don't make a mistake and soud t to the wrong institution; and don't forget my card. Bon't spare expense to long as you wanted to

doll hanging in the principal window of eight.

## Easter Lilies From Field to Market.

hats and gowns and its super- has an economical fit. And when she the look of underdone plè crust.

flowers. And, is up. Then, too, she was humming a pale," I heard her say, and just then speaking of the sentimental tune. As though I needed she caught sight of me and exclaimed, serve over and over again out of comlatter, Thursday further proof! After I had felt my way "Oh, Pussy, what do you think?" I pliment to the elders. I drove to the by means of a few questions, she ad- saw that strong remedies were necesflorist's and mitted that she was going to make up gave my orders with Jack Wentworth. You know, she in advance, go hasn't spoken to him since the Mi-Cathat the blos- reme dance at my house. She said that soms would be she had written and that he would call sure to reach Easter night. "And, oh, Kitty," she confided to me, "I have been such a tions on Easter wicked, frivolous girl! But that's all eve. I had my over now. I want to show him hew I've changed. See! I'm going to part my ple and Aunt hair right down the middle, so, and fluff it over my ears, and I will wear that white lace gown of mins, with a big bunch of violets, and I will enter the drawing room from the rear through

sentiment!

IN WOMAN'S REALM.

Marriageable women in Servia have a jority of 670 votes against it.

glistened with emotion, the little fraud! What do you think of that for Easter Tuesday morning in my mail I found plexions like gat of Mile. Briscome several announcements of millinery zay take ze reflection of every- of a girl just on the threshold of wom-

openings. These were from modistes thing zat is near. Ah, stupide zat I anhood, and her collection may become who had made money out of me in am! If mademoiselle vill step zis vay, most interesting as the years go on: times past and who were not averse to I vill place her vere ze light vill not Whenever the damsel has a new dress trying it again. For the last year or so spoll ze delicateness of her complex-I have religiously shunned openings. ion." And she led my unsuspecting material sufficiently large to show its In the first place, the styles usually friend into a rose colored recess. seen there are entirely too overloaded. I wouldn't have thought it of a clever chase and the cost.

suspicious, for it isn't often that Maisie she might be! It gave her complexion there might be more mistakes in royal identification than there are. In large abundance of has it is usually a sign that something "I think it makes me look just a trifle families there is usually this difficulty when a few Christian names have to

Should the Duchess of Cornwall and Bary, "It makes York ever come to the English throne you look as she may have to use two of her names green as a cu-33



assistant. delicate com-

make a fremerous mow. She could informer and, in the second, I hate being jammed girl like Margery. "Why, Kitty, you months later she adds the date of disamong a lot of women who are all talk- old goose, it's just as becoming as can carding the gown.

Forty-seven per cent of the women stu- ) the question whether children in the Thirty-nine Indian boys and girls the Mediterranean, as her majesty indents at the Swiss universities are Rus- board schools should be taught the have just received their graduating de- tends cruising in it from time to time, Weish language has resulted in a ma- grees at the Indian schools in Carlisle, making the Villa Cyrnos at Cape Mar-Pa. Sixteen of them are girls, and in tin her headquarters. Marriageable women in Servia have a jority of 610 votes against it. The proportion of divorces to mar-queer way of announcing that they are The proportion of divorces to mar-in the matrimonial market. A dressed riages in Rhode Island is about one to ery one of the principal tribes is repre-spend the next few months with her

yielded to treatment, and she hopes ing the spring months at Cape Martin. shortly to be able to resume her work. Her yacht, the Thistle, will remain in

A DRESS ALBUM,

doil hanging in the principal window of a house indicates that there is living there a woman whe is anxious to come a bride. The poll taken at Cardiff, Wales, on to an eye trouble. Happily this has sented. All of the boys have learned daughter, the queen of Italy, who is at not being considered of sufficient ac-

presumptive to the crown is the Duc d'Aosta, whose consort is Princess He-lene of Orleans. A rumor has been circulated that the Victoric rull and restrict rull and the statue of Queen Walter, Hans, Heinrich, August a

Cederstrom) has put Craig-y-Nos in The city has 14 statues of statesmen during the lifetime of her husband the market is because of her approvance and a down of the during the lifetime of money on chart spend the next few months with her the market is because of her annoyance and a dozen of soldiers. now in delicate health. At the present count by her neighbors. It is said that is the name of the youngest son of the the duchy, and now she has made on

Bible class.

however, as a favor to him to note closely the picture of El-Azariyeh,

get out this note as purely and clearly as possible.

How is the student to know whethe he or she is producing the volce correctly? By the answer to these ques tions: Does it sound well and does | feel easy? All people who wish to sing should be advised that anything which hurts or distresses them physically is proof that the delicate organism of th voice is being misused and disturbed Students should insist on the teach explaining how to do everything a quired and the reason for it. Throat such study only can the greatest god result and the art of singing be s & light to both the singer and the lister.

CUCUMBER FACE WASE.

When the bulbs first arrive in the Cut a cucumber in small pieces in to reach their best development, so States from the islands, they are put stock must be imported from time to into pots large enough to sprout them heat slowly till you can press all b time. In the case of the lily the bulbs are in and are kept thus in a shady place juice from it. Strain, and when all obtained new every year. They are for two months. By that time they add to this an equal amount of law brought from Bermuda, in whose ge- have taken root and are ready to trans- or lemon juice. If you use the use nial, moist climate this stately, spien- plant into the larger pots in which they it will not keep very long, so it was did blossom attains a perfection un- are to remain till they bloom. They to make only a small quantity at Lily farming is a leading industry in and tended all winter. The florist's art ing. To apply saturate a soft are the Bermuda islands. There is reason enables him to retard by cooler temper- your face over with it and dis-

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to believe the bulb will flourish in our ature the blossoming in case of a late fully. FOR THE HANDS.

ning of its cultivation for the floral warmth for an early one. The lily is Lemon juice and glycerin miss's market is now making at various unusual in having two sets of roots. equal proportions is excellent for h points. The lily culture in Bermuda is One is at the bottom of the bulb, and largely in the hands of the negro wom- the other sprouts out at the surface of hands. Wash them very thorough fore applying and afterward rub mi as large as six acres in extent. When At Easter time pots of blooming lilies with oatmeal. It is a good plan to is it is in full bloom, it glistens like snow, rival in popularity the gorgeous masses a box of oatmeal on your waters and the shining faces of the negroes, of cut blossoms, for Bermuda also ships and rub your hands with a little and dotted over this background, make a to us millions of the flowers. They are time after washing.

Nevertheless the two friends enjoy

"Tell me of the paintings, Isth"

"Oh, they were too lovely for s"

WOMAN'S ODD LITTLE WAYS.

least 2 years old. The average sized

## BY TABITHA SOURGRAPES.

the namlet on the site of ancient Bethany, at the foot of the Mount of Olives. He wished to talk of it with

Mrs. Marridwell promised faithfully and hurried away with her friend, Miss Slopes. Miss Slopes was ten years older than Mrs. Marridwell, New York habitually use: but, being single, could not go any-

R. AND MRS. MARRIDWELL Marridwell accompanied her in that scended and she was looking at her were invited to attend an art- official capacity. Miss Slopes was af- self in a large mirror opposite whether ist's exhibition of his paint- flicted with the higher culture-had it er she meant the painting or hersel a ings. He had been in western in the intensified form. She dressed subject to conjecture. Every picture Asia and Palestine for a year, the part. She wore a new brown in that collection, no matter what and his paintings dealt with Scriptu- gown which had in it a touch of yel- Miss Slopes pronounced "lovely," still ral scenes and events. They were low, the color of Easter. Down the watching herself in the glass. the Eastertide, and Mr. and Mrs. fon of turquoise blue, to suggest ex- ed the evening greatly and went bond Marridwell ware and of the local for the suggest ex- ed the evening greatly and went bond Marridwell were glad of the invita- alted sentiment, while the brown hat highly pleased. tion. Mr. Marridwell was particu- repeated in its trimmings both the exlarly pleased, being the teacher of a alted turquoise blue and the joyous said Mr. Marridwell. There was a difficulty, however, this esthetic combination Miss Slopes thing!" exclaimed Mrs. M. "Take Both could not go on account of leav- had touched up her cheeks with rose this Easter have more yellow in the ing the baby. Mr. Marridwell was a pink. She wore white kid gloves- than I have noticed in years. Pink kind man and a good husband, de- new, consequently clean. Miss Slopes Budd's was black lace covered new voted to his wife. He decided that he stood about with her hands clasped in all over with daffodlis, and me

Tootsie's hat was yellow out and en when those around her were quite actually wore their winter hats slip forgetting themselves in admiration I wonder that old ladies like Pisk of the rare paintings. When one call- Budd's mother don't know any better ed Miss Slopes' attention to the pic- than to wear yellow about their fast ture of the great, frowning Mount of with their gray hair. Now, a bi Olives, Miss Slopes rolled bound of with their gray hair. Olives, Miss Slopes rolled her eyes a with purple violets"-"But, my dear, tell me about the

low, colorless monotone which she picture of El-Azariyeh," said Mr. M. "Oh, yes; I forgot. It was lovely And, George, I can describe to rehad read that the Four Hundred of just what sort of a hat or bonnet et-As meanwhile her glance had de- ery woman at that show had on."

queen, but also by the nation. The heir She is going to sell her beautiful seat very quaint coming at the end of presumptive to the around the the beautiful seat very quaint coming at the end of

The Duchess Marie of Coburg

ties and philanthropic institutions

-Victoria Mary-instead of one if she cumber," I an- wishes to be well distinguished in fuswered brutally, ture history from the great queen reg-The present German empress has to the Empress Victoria during the short

A BUNCH OF

known elsewhere.

EASTER LILIES

lily stock improves. Our climate in

for bulbs such as the hyacinth and lily

most sections of the country is too dry bulb gives six flowers.

own southeastern states, and a begin- Easter and to hasten it by increased

en and children. A field is sometimes the ground after the bulb is planted.

This is the somewhat whimsical idea his class.

design and adds the date of the pur-Some weeks or

is fant and give his wife the opportuni- statically. Never for one moment did toned down with brown velvet leave by to improve her mind and have a she cease to think of herself or her and brown popples; very daring by little pleasure besides. He asked her, pose, which was a great credit to her quite the fashion. Two of the work however, as a favor to him to how to how to how a statically.

The assistant nant. glared at me, but Mme. Hon- sign herself Augusta Victoria because orine herself her grandmother-in-law was the Emwas too clever press Augusta and her mother-in-law to show her: feelings. "But reign of the Emperor Frederick. A few tiens! It is fresh names would really be a boon in true!" she ex- some illustrious houses, enabling the claimed. "It is bearers to be well known from each ze reflection of other instead of frequently being mergze palms at ze ed in what the English prayer book left of made- terms "the rest of the royal family." Mme. Honorine and a glib moiselle. Zese

