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THE FURRY DANCE.

TOP-HAT CEREMONY.  
ANCIENT FESTIVAL IN THE WEST.

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Flora Day at Helson, Cornwall. One of the three occasions when stove--

--pipe hats see the light of day. The other two occasions are matches and dispatches. "The 8th May is Flora Day " runs an ancient rhyme,--

--and on this day no doors are shut. In and out--

--of shops and houses go--

--the dancers jigging gaily to the strains of the--

--age-old Furry Dance. They're now entering Lismore House, the well-known residence of the district famed for its--

--beautiful gardens. This year is a record top hat entry. 62 couples, and each of these--

--couples dances  $5\frac{1}{2}$  miles, and that's not--

--all. The day ends up with a full-dress--

--supper dance. No wonder Cornwall gets a good corn harvest.