

FOR THE FAIR SEX

NEW EFFECTS DEvised IN POPULAR BLACK AND WHITE.

Black Satins in Great Demand-- Bodices and Their Trimmings.

The fashions, which are presumably the latest and most novel productions, are puzzling combinations of elegance, elaboration and expense.

Black and white effects are to be as popular as ever this season, and black and white striped silks will be well represented among the summer gowns.



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Glittering trimmings of all kinds are a very important part of the dressy gowns, capes and hats.

FASHION NOTES.

A new color which is much liked is the French poppy red.

Blue denim makes pretty summer portieres for country houses.

Wide black and colored mohair braid is used for skirt bindings.

Skirts cut on the bias, that is, so that the stripe will run in diagonal fashion, are among the novelties.

Empire fans of the most delicate and elegant designs are now made, and vie with the old time ones in beauty.

English embroidered nainsooks in cream tints wrought with yellow or butter color, are especially pretty for thin dresses.

Colored piques are now preferred to white, and the newest designs are in checks—a color alternating with cream or white.

Large hats are still growing in size and the fashionable bonnet appears as if undecided whether to remain on the head or not.

A very pretty organdie has a white ground with a raised stripe of white and is powdered with cunning little chrysanthemums.

A velvet ribbon edged with a tiny single row of cut jet spangles makes an effective and becoming flit garniture for silk or sheer wool goods.

A dress with low corsage has a ruching of chrysanthemum leaves at the upper edge. These petals are taken from the artificial flowers and sewed on to a band. They make a very pretty and becoming trimming.

Striking and unique combinations of color and materials are a feature of the fashions—pale blue and purple, mauve and pink, olive with yellow and navy-blue, are mixed up together regardless of the rules of harmony in color.

In no accessory of the toilet has there been such a change this season as in the fan. The huge fan has had its day, and the new fan is a miniature affair copied directly from the dainty painted fans carried by the ladies of the court of Napoleon.

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Electricity for Railroad Trains. The announcement that the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad has made a contract with a prominent electrical company for the first part of its equipment with electrical motors has a significance which can hardly be overestimated.

SKY SCRAPERS.

Thirty-Five Stories the Probable Limit in Tall Buildings.

The height of a building is limited only by the convenience of its tenants," said the architect who designed the skyscraper in course of erection at the corner of Broadway and Pine street, New York.

The strength of material has nothing to do with the case. We could build a good part of the distance to the moon if we could get persons to rent the upper floors.

What an ordinary man eats and the way he eats—it would be enough to give dyspepsia to an ostrich—unless the ostrich were wise enough to assist his digestion from time to time with an efficient combination of vegetable extracts.

Once used they are always in favor.

The steel construction so much used now in tall buildings is surprisingly simple and wonderfully strong.

If this building were of masonry its walls at the base would have to be seven feet thick.

The gushing girl sometimes meets her match. Said one at 5 o'clock to the sensible girl who was "pouring": "May I have this lovely pink cup?"

"Certainly."

"Oh, thanks, awfully."

"Don't mention it," returned the other, "you're dreadfully welcome."

The gusher retired in confusion.

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