

FOR THE FAIR SEX.

WHAT MY LADY SHOULD WEAR TO BE COMFORTABLE.

What becomes her should be considered, of course. The Seductive Bargain Counter.

Skirts without trimming are the rule for all gowns except thin muslins. Some of these made recently are trimmed with two or three bands of insertion arranged in a deep point on either side like the model shown, which is carried out in Dresden shot silk. The full blouse waist and sleeves are like the skirt, and shoulder revers of lace over a collar, and satin ribbon rosettes are the only trimming. The insertion of the skirt is also over a band of colored ribbon.

The leading materials for gowns intended for midsummer wear are batiste, organdie, Swiss linen, duck and pique, and these are made up in all the varying decrees of simplicity and elaboration for both morning and evening wear. Plain white and figured pique is used for wide collars and cuffs of sheer ecru linen batiste.

Ribbon and lace are the usual trimmings for ecru batiste gowns when they are intended for afternoon wear, but the white duck and pique collar and band on the skirt give them that severe and stylish appearance so much desired for morning. Ecru batiste dotted with pink, yellow, or blue, and made with a plain skirt and blouse waist, open in front, over a tucked and laced trimmed vest of white mull, and finished with collar, belt and bows of blue, pink, or yellow and white striped ribbon forms a charmingly simple yet dressy gown. Epaulet pieces of batiste trimmed round with a ruche or narrow lace are almost a necessity over the gigot sleeves, which to be cool



are made without lining. The waist and skirt can be made over a white and colored lawn. White organdie dresses over colored silk or white lawn lining are trimmed with cream Valenciennes lace. Three or five rows of insertion set in above the hem, or two narrow ruffles of organdie edged with lace, trim the skirts. The waists are full, with lace yokes and frills of edging below, and either colored or plain white ribbons are used for collar and belt.

There are bargains and bargains. The taste for cheap things created by the earlier bargain counters has begotten the special manufacture of articles for the bargain trade. Every woman whose income requires her to pause and ask the price of what she buys, catches the bargain fever at some period of her life, but those who have enough to live on in reasonable comfort recover from it and thereafter immune. The intelligent shopper soon learns that the real bargains for persons who seek really good articles are in the main those things that are sold toward the end of the season to save the cost of storage, to make room for new goods and to avoid the disaster that attends a change of fashion.

FASHION NOTES.

Coarse linen in ecru shades is much used for boating gowns.

Velvet capes are fashionably lined with cloth and cloth ones with silk.

Armure crepon, or armure with crepe markings, is fashionable and durable.

A novelty tailor button is made with a metal rim and sews through and through.

China silk crepon is creped like mourning crepe and printed with small, bright flowers.

Yellow in many bright, varying tones will be popularly worn in cotton dress goods, in gauzes, in silk crepons and in India silks.

Black is combined not only with clear, pure white, which makes such a striking gown on women of brilliant complexion; but it is also combined with cream white and cream.

A beautiful full front recently displayed with a black mohair Eton jacket was made of pink mousseline de soie, with a stock and jabot of tulle.

The most fashionable white costumes and toilets are snow-white, with not a hint of cream in the lot.

The latest sleeves from Paris, white large and full, in a style very appropriate for light summer textiles, and free from the ruinous crushing effect of heavy wrappings on above them, are reducing somewhat their ridiculous proportions to more normal lines.

The round waist is still in the front rank of style. It is a charming fashion for slender, graceful forms, but for these alone, and among the notable changes is the tendency to elongate the waist by tiny frills, points, and loops of ribbon, and on many of the stylish costumes for the summer the round waist is changed for the jaunty jacket bodice.

Many of the imported jackets of light covert cloth have white cloth vests and revers. A few show Louis XIV waistcoats of brilliant cerise red cloth.

Mohair costumes imported from Paquin have short, jaunty jackets trimmed with small, dull gilt buttons and straight bands of the mohair, less than an inch in width.

Modistes are using large quantities of Dresden ribbons for dress trimmings.

Grass-cloth costumes in ecru or pale flax color are elaborately trimmed with embroidered grass-cloth bands and edgings. A feature of these suits is the immense sailor collar bordered with a very wide band of the eyelet-hole embroidery.

Replacing the light feather boas of spring are very full neck ruffles of plaited lisse or silk muslin which has a slight dressing. These ruffles are plain or interspersed with fine flowers and foliage.

Washable four-in-hand ties for the summer shirt waist are pretty and serviceable. Flowing ties of striped wash silk are also cool and becoming.

Cuffs and collars laid in kilt plaits and edged with very narrow yellow Valenciennes lace are used in trimming morning gowns of white or colored lawn.

Paper Rain Coats.

During the great part of this trip through the country, writes Frank G. Carpenter in an article on Corea, the rain came down in torrents, and we had to cover our baggage with oiled paper in order to keep it from being soaked. The Korean paper is all made by hand. It is about as thick as blotting paper, but it is as tough as leather, and it costs about 5 cents a sheet, each sheet being about the size of this newspaper. When oiled, it makes a splendid waterproof cloth, and I had a circular or cloak of yellow oiled paper, which I tied around my neck and which hung to my feet. My pony was not much bigger than a Newfoundland dog, and it almost covered him. "General" Pak and our gorgeous servants had similar coats, and our hats were covered by cornucopias of this same oiled paper, which entirely protected them from the water. I noted that the inside lining of my coat was covered with Korean characters, and I asked Pak what these were. He said the paper had been used by the office-seekers in writing their essays for the king in the civil service examinations, which were held once or twice a year in the grounds of the palace, and he told me how the cabinet ministers make a nice thing out of selling these rejected examination papers. All the appointments are supposed to be made through such examinations. The office-seekers have to write their essays in poetry, and they don't know the subject until they are on the ground. Each line must be just so long, and I think that twenty-six verses make up a poem. The fellow who turns out the best jingle is supposed to get the best office, though there is undoubtedly a great deal of fraud in the apportionment, and bribery and intrigue are common. I afterward saw these examination papers everywhere, and used for all sorts of purposes. I slept in some rooms which were carpeted with them, the paper being oiled and plastered down on the stones. It made a beautifully polished and not unpicturesque looking carpet, and it was not affected by the heat of the flues beneath it.

American Rural Festivals.

Of most respectable antiquity is the custom of celebrating Nature's largess to Mother Earth, at midsummer, by a pageant in which the beneficiaries adorn themselves with garlands, to ride, drive, or walk in joyous procession. "O, 'tis the merry time!" wrote old Stevenson in 1861, "wherein honest neighbors made good cheer, and God is glorified in His blessings on the earth." Variants of this custom were familiar in many parts of England, and, curiously enough, their gradual disappearance from the soil of the mother country seems to have been followed by their appearance in full vigor in Puritan America. For years past our country, from Maine to California, has witnessed a series of summer rural fetes, variously conceived, carried out with more or less attention to detail, each stamped vividly with the color of the region that gave it birth, and all seeming to have been fashioned without reference to a common original.

The Cherokees of North Carolina, number 2,985.

A BIG FISH STORY.

Acres of Porpoises and a Whale One Hundred Feet Long.

Captain J. G. Baker, of the four-masted steel ship Kenilworth, recently arrived at New York from Honolulu, brings to port with him a fish story of heroic proportions, that will make an ordinary sea-serpent seem trivial in comparison.

The ship was about 150 miles east of Cape Henlopen when a school of whales was sighted about a mile away on the starboard quarter. Captain Baker declares there were twenty of them, of varying sizes.

Some of them were splashing water and playing a sort of deep-sea leap frog. Others were doing a series of giant acrobatics, which would make the fortune of any summer resort. Captain Baker is usually an unimpressible man, but as he watched the demonstration he exclaimed, "Great Gosh!" But that was not the only surprise he was to meet.

At night the ship sailed into a strange looking sea. It was cut up into small hummocks, and when the Kenilworth trembled, shook and jolted, the boatswain said, "We're gone ashore." But he was wrong.

Captain Baker's keen eye at once discovered that the ship had sailed into a great area of porpoises. Porpoises, porpoises, as far as the eye could reach, "blowing" themselves and making merry. It seemed as though the ship was riding on their backs.

The moon came up, and Captain Baker said he never before saw such a sight in his life. The backs of the fish showed before him in the glistening spray for acres. "It seemed," said he, "as though we had run aground on porpoises." But still there was more in store for Captain Baker.

He had sailed the sea for years, but he solemnly avows that he never saw such a whale as was sighted off Barnegat. It was just to seaward, and lashing the sea and spouting in an awesome manner. It was of the sperm species, and the captain says that at a conservative estimate it must have been at least 100 feet long.

Heroes of To-Day.

The Stanhope gold medal, annually awarded by the Royal Humane society of Great Britain to the bravest deed in saving life, was this year given to William Muggford, of Torquay, who saved two comrades from drowning for several hours by holding them up seven hours, when all were overtaken in a sewer by a sudden flood from rain outside.

Louie Alter, 10 years old, of Frankfort, Ind., went the other day to the help of her younger sister against a big vicious dog, and, after a hard fight, beat the brute off with a piece of board.

A small boy in Lowell, Mass., whose fingers were blown off by some dynamite he was playing with—queer plaything!—mourned because the ball club in which he was shortstop was to play a match game next day, and he "felt rotten to be out of it."

John Fox is totally blind, but he goes about a number of Michigan towns repairing sewing machines for a living, and has no notion of becoming a public charge.

Jove Makes a Giant Barber Pole.

At the entrance to Point Defiance park stands a fir tree at least 150 feet in height and 6 feet in diameter at the base. At the very apex of that sturdy trunk one day last week a shaft of lightning struck. From the point where it first struck the tree, straight down one side for fifty feet, the bark was torn away from the body of the tree, laying bare the surface of the wood; thence as though actuated by some spirit of mischief the bolt began a spiral course around the trunk, tearing the bark off for a width of six inches, twice completely encircling the tree in a distance of 100 feet before entering the ground.—Tacoma (Washington) News.

Population of Great Britain.

The population of Great Britain in 1894, according to the returns of the registrar general, was 38,776,154. England and Wales having 30,060,763, Scotland, 4,124,691, and Ireland, 4,590,700. The birth rate for the year, in England and Wales, was 29.6 per 1,000, 2 per 1,000 less than the mean for the previous ten years, and declared to be the smallest on record. The death rate, 16.6 per 1,000, was also the lowest on record, being 1.5 per 1,000 less than the previous lowest rate, that for 1883, and 2.6 lower than the ten year average.

Abashed by Royalty.

One who was present at the commencement exercises of a famous English school last summer states that the boys were so overwhelmed with the honor of receiving prizes from the hands of the Princess of Wales that one youth backed across the platform and sat down in the lap of a great lady, one of sufficiently high rank to have a seat on the platform.

To Attract the Bees.

If you want the bees to visit your garden and if you know any thing of plant life, you are aware that they are a necessary ingredient in having plants which bear blue blossoms. Sir John Lubbock says they manifest a decided preference for that color.

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Building activity in Harlem this year is something phenomenal even for Harlem. Five story flat houses seem to spring up out of the earth in a night and to be occupied the day after. On two adjoining blocks on Manhattan avenue, which consisted of nothing save barren rocks at the beginning of spring, no less than forty flat houses are nearly completed.

By August they will be ready to receive such of the surpluses of the Downtowners as find it pleasant or necessary to become Harlemites. Six families, of five each, to a flat (including the janitor) makes thirty persons to a house, and forty times thirty is 1,200. Add to this 100 people who will occupy the dozen private houses, also being built in these two blocks, and you have room provided in the small space of two blocks for an addition of 1,300 to New York's rapidly growing population. And these two blocks are not alone in this magical change. More than 100 other blocks which were barren of dwellings in February will be marked by flat houses ready for occupation in August. And yet people wonder about Oklahoma!

The great trouble is that flat houses are being built altogether too rapidly in Harlem. The flat house that is put up in two months is not so good as the one that goes up by slow degrees, giving the material an opportunity to become seasoned.

Oklahoma is also out-Oklahomed in the suburbs. A little village will be started on the outskirts of more than one suburban town during the summer. But we will not write magazine articles about it or call it mushroom growth. We are used to that sort of thing in New York. Out in Illinois it might create some comment, of course.

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