

# WHAT TO WEAR AND HOW TO WEAR IT.

### Our Special Correspondent Writes Entertainingly to Women.

## FROM THE METROPOLIS

#### The New Sheath Skirt Has Not Yet Been Adopted by the American Woman, But is Finding Favor Through Modification—Brown is Holding Its Own in Millinery.

BY JULES THEROW.

The Japanese sleeve remains a picturesque heritage to the list of home dresses, having reached this realm just before its influence began to lessen in the world of dressy models. It gives quaint and appropriate air to the simplest lingerie robe and can be made as simply as the taste dictates. Fine cambric, mall and wash silk are among the materials that make charming lingerie dresses, being mounted over linings of thin paper muslin or silk in delicate shades of green, mauve, pink or blue.

A close well-fitting princess slip is a very effective garment to include in the wardrobe in any event, for not only may it be used with house gowns, but as a foundation for semi-transparent lingerie dresses.

Quite a novelty in house gowns is this model, carried out in soft blue cotton crepe. It is made on one piece and nothing could be more comfortable to wear. The neck is cut



A NOVEL HOUSE GOWN.

out square and not too deep, then partly filled in with soft cream colored lace. Bands of black silk outline the neck and continue as pipings down the opening of the front. Large buttons covered with blue silk are the most conspicuous feature of the robe and the sleeves cut in one are caught up in full folds to the elbow, where they are finished with little platings of plainly hemmed linen.

The quest of charming millinery is only a step or two this year, for everywhere one is surrounded with countless pretty shapes, artistically trimmed and suitable for all the purposes of the well-gowned woman.

All of the shades of brown are holding their own, despite the fact that this color has reached the zenith of its popularity this year. A



A STUNNING STRAW HAT.

picturesque model is shown, here in russet brown straw, finely plaited. The brim is stitched along the edge with a narrow fold of soft satin straw and the high crown is almost concealed under a trimming of rich brown ostrich tips and plumes.

At the sides the brim shows its greatest width and the left is even broader than the right side, being given a casual turn to enhance its smart outline.

For formal wear, picture this hat in the ultra-fashionable white plisse lace, showing glimpses of blush rose velvet and tulle, mingled in with plumes and you have one of the choicest confections that the millinery world has produced this year.

American women have not yet adopted the bona fide Directoire frocks of their Parisian sisters, but the new sheath skirt is finding favor through modifications which make it acceptable to conservative taste, instead of the divided skirt there are series of little panels let in below the knees that give fullness where ful-

ness is permitted but the materials are all so soft and crepe-like that they cling as closely to the figure as possible.

Striped silk can be used very effectively in duplicating this dress if it is made in one piece, fitting per-



THE NEW SHEATH SKIRT.

fectly snug, though there are some folds at the front to break the plainness about the waistline.

The corsage is draped down to a waistline of Empire length, then falls in bloused effect over the skirt.

Narrow bands of plain satin, piped with embroidered braid outlines the deep V into which the waist is cut back and front. The yoke and sleeves are of embroidered linen inset with little patches of silk flairs, and the tulle-trimmed hat is of log-horn trimmed with ribbon, velvet and plumes.

## "BEST AGE" FOR MARRYING.

Modern Fashion to Postpone It Almost reaches Danger Point.

Is there a "best age" for marrying? The heroines of Jane Austen reckoned spinsterhood their certain doom if they reached the years of two or three-and-twenty without a prospect of matrimony, and the matrons of 17 and 18 were supposed to travel the road that a good and obdient daughter should go, if she did not care to be numbered as the eccentric member of the family.

Spinsterhood in the "good old days" was indeed something to be avoided, and the parents of daughters early married were enviedly regarded and sincerely congratulated on their good fortune.

According to our present view, mighty is the change regarding this momentous subject. Common sense has seen happily vouchsafed to the modern pater, and to their girls they are giving time to develop mentally and physically before these take upon themselves the onerous duty of managing husbands and the hazardous one of bringing children into the world.

School days with accompanying pleasures of life are no longer shortened and the pretty noddies are all the better preserved from the dangers of the eternal question.

To postpone the marriageable age of women is a tendency so clearly evidenced that perhaps there is danger of going to the other extreme; sooner or later we may regard the bride of 40 as rather a rash and giddy person to be in such haste to change her condition of life.

No sooner will this fact be established than we shall as is customary in all edicts of fashion, again turn wildly backward to the youthful bride.

But how unsettled and trying will be the intermediate stage! For the woman who considers marriage the aim and end of her existence perhaps it may be well to heed the advice of a present day novelist who suggests that "wise is the woman who marries between the ages of 25 and 30, even if her choice falls to reach the ideal set up in her salad days."

She may escape the horrors of disillusionment and she will have reached a sensible age by the time her children need no guidance. Not being a rival of her daughter she will be able to readily understand the ideals of those who called her mother.

## Noted Beauty's Novel Crusade.

Mrs. George Law, the young and wealthy widow who has the unique distinction of being accounted a beauty according to London, New York and Paris standards, started a crusade against newspaper publicity for society women, and hired an agent at \$2500 per annum, to accomplish the work for her.

## On Miss Nightingale's Staff.

Mrs. Mary Nelson, who died recently at Carrick-on-Shannon, at the age of one hundred and four was one of Miss Nightingale's nursing staff in the Crimea, and witnessed the charge of the light brigade. She danced a jig on her last birthday.

## Delightful Retreat of Princess.

Princess Marie of Roumania, wife of the Crown Prince of Roumania, has a most delightful retreat. It is a nest-house built high among the branches of tall fir trees, and in it the princess spent the greater part of last summer.

## Breakfastless Husband.

A Portuguese proverb says that no man will ever make a good husband who does not eat a good breakfast.

A pretty and extremely fashionable way of treating tub materials is illustrated in this dainty frock for a miss of twelve or thereabout. It need not cost much since cotton fabrics may be used and the embroidery easily done at home. The dress proper is of polka dotted muslin, made in one piece with a belt of embroidered linen. Over the dress is worn a skeleton bretelle, it might perhaps be called and this is made of rather heavy linen with embroidered



FROCK IN TWO MATERIALS.

edges. The linen is cut away at the neck and turned back to form revers. It extends over the shoulders like a ber collar and does not continue to the waistline, although its lines are sometimes extended for the sake of variety. Frocks of this style and jumper models are very popular and easy to make. Combinations of materials in a mode borrowed from the fashion of grown-ups, but it is an effective one. Not infrequently the best parts of a nice dress that has seen service can be used. In this way with smart new material.

The craze for all-over lace for garments of all kinds is no better explained than in this exquisite lingerie model. The peignoir is in blonde lace, a tone of the smart trimming which has not hitherto invaded the precincts of boudoir fashions. The lace is mounted upon a sheer foundation of blue silk muslin, producing a deliciously soft color scheme.

The front of the sacque is bordered with two-inch wide folds of lace braid having raised medallions of hand embroidery in shades of pale



PEIGNOIR IN BLONDE LACE.

acru, blue and silver. There is a narrow yoke of eyeleted taffeta bordered also with the braid. Deep ruffles of blonde Valenciennes lace fall over the sleeves of blonde silk muslin embroidered with polka dots of pale blue and these, in turn are finished with frills of Valenciennes.

The craze for dyed laces grows and the woman who wishes to save can tint her own trimmings in the natural shades by using tea. The lace is dipped into the tea and allowed to stand a while, when it is pressed out gently, without ringing too hard and pressed between soft cloths. A little salt added to the tea is a secret for getting good color that is not generally known.

There are so many styles of millinery this season—and all of them smart—that one has to use the utmost discrimination in making a selection.

Three types are delineated here and all are simple in their smartness. In the center is a fine Italian leghorn with high crown trimmed with loops of black velvet ribbon. The brim turns up at the side and is held in



HATS OF QUAINI DESIGN.

place by a quill formed of rosetted ribbon velvet.

To the left is a flower toque formed of white violets. Around the crown is wound a band of taffetas ribbon changing from violet to pale yellow, making a delicious color scheme.

The third model is made of Panama braid, bound with ribbon and trimmed with corse ribbon velvet.

## SEN. FORAKER OF OHIO

### The "Fire Alarm" Would Rather Fight than Retire.

## A FIGHT TO COMPROMISE

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"Fire Alarm" Foraker dearly loves a battle. He is a foe to compromise. He believes that when he has once decided upon a course of action he is in the right and he will in no circumstances abandon the course. It has been said by some of his friends that he would rather fight than eat.

Almost with his nativity he developed those qualities which in maturer years showed that he was possessed of faculties which loved the smell of political "villains and petre."

Foraker went into the Civil War at the age of 19 years, fought all through that period of awful carnage, first as a private and then by gradual promotion for captain, came forth as captain. Within the brief period of four years he was graduated from Cornell University, was graduated in the law and was admitted to practice in the courts of Cincinnati.



SENATOR J. B. FORAKER.

He began the practice of the law in 1869. For ten years he fought for position at the bar and at the same time battled his way into politics. He was absolutely without other influence than that which he gained for himself by exercise of his genius of industry and the spur of ambition.

After the warfare of ten years Foraker considered his position secure enough to stand for an elective office. He was chosen Judge of the Superior Court in 1879, but his struggle for success had impaired his health and three years later he was compelled to resign.

For six years Senator Foraker neither held nor sought office, and then he again blazed out like a new star in the political firmament, this time at the national capital and in "the greatest deliberative body in the world." Against fierce factional opposition, he was, in January, 1890, elected to succeed Calvin S. Brice, who for six years had filled one of the chairs of the Democratic side of the Senate Chamber, and took his seat March 4, 1897.

In the Senate Foraker at once forged to the front. He was not abashed in that august presence. He took his measure and decided that he need be neither a freshman, a sophomore, nor a junior, but that he was fairly equipped to take his place at once with the mighty seniors; and it was laurels upon his brow that no attempt was made to give him that supercilious reception that has humiliated and crushed so many new Senators when they yearn to signalize their early days by ambitious efforts to set the Thames afire.

It was soon said of him that he had been chosen by destiny to lift Ohio from the comparative oblivion into which it had fallen in the National Senate with the lamentable decadence and death of John Sherman, who had been the last of a long line of distinguished Ohioans.

Amazing in his fluency, with a facility for satire and denunciation developed to a degree that would be a big gun in the keeping of a man with less self-control and less judgment, Foraker delights in plain and snappy and forcible statement, his terse sentences ringing with meaning instead of words. It is delightful to see Foraker rise after some speaker opposed to him has lashed himself into a fury, exhausting all the rhetoric, quoting from history and poetry since the days of Hesiod, look calmly over the Senate with his imperturbable countenance, an expression which says "Now mark how plain a tale shall put you down" before he utters a word, and then proceed to demolish the other with merciless exposure of his sophistry, illogic and unreason. In straightforward statement, clear and incisive, without waste of words, it is not extravagant to say that Foraker is as good as equal in the Senate.

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