



NEW COTILLON FAVORS.

Silk Ribbon and Wood Have Taken the Place of the Crepe Paper and Chiffon of Last Winter.

Cotillon favors for the coming spring and summer cotillons, says the New York Herald, have all been arranged by the experts at home and abroad. Crepe paper and chiffon of the last season have "gone out" and silk ribbon and wood have taken their places. Real golf sticks, balls, etc., will be a feature of the cotillon season.

Spangled satin sashes are another novelty in the favor field. Those have the true Parisian touch to them and are made of ribbon of every conceivable evening hue. Double-faced satin ribbon eight to ten inches wide is used, and each sash requires at least two yards and a half. They are tied, for the convenience of the maiden who receives one, in a huge bow, with very long ends, and the proper thing will be for the girl to slip them on her arm while she is dancing.

Two "nouveau" that will be used are exceedingly grotesque. Both are cotillon dollies of small size.

For the girls there is the powder puff doll. This little manikin is made of beeswax, a nail file and a powder puff. A lump of beeswax moulded into a

NEAT TAFFETA STOCK.

With One Yard of Goods You Can Make a Very Effective One to Match Your Gown.

To make a very showy taffeta stock get one yard of taffeta to match your gown. Cut it in two strips lengthwise and sew the ends together. Line throughout with white ribbon. Upon



A TAFFETA STOCK.

the ends sew white needlework embroidery, or if you choose you can procure fringe or chiffon ruffling.

A standing collar must be worn with this stock, which is tied around the neck. Tie in one loop and two ends, and pull the loop through until it hangs almost as long as the short end. This will be found very useful all summer to wear with the gown it matches.

HOME CALISTHENICS.

The Best Time for Athletics of Any Description is Right After the Morning Tub.

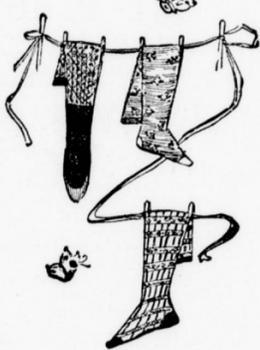
Every girl ought to be able to let her elbows meet at the back, though few can manage it, says a writer in Leisure Hours. No girl should use dumbbells without skilled advice as to the weight they should be. Much harm has been done by overworking the muscles in calisthenic exercises, and there are so-called professors of the art who do more harm than good. Sometimes the weight of the heads is too great, and very often the exertion is much too arduous.

Delicate girls suffer very much from overdoing even ordinary exercise and the very strongest must feel their strength impaired by too lavish use of any one set of muscles. The best time for practicing these exercises is immediately after the morning tub. They improve the circulation and prevent the tendency of stooping, which almost every one experiences who never does any gymnastic work, brace the muscles, benefit the figure and impart the graceful, erect carriage which should distinguish every athletic and sport-loving English woman. Only ten minutes should be the limit.

SUMMER STOCKINGS.

The Piazza Girl May Be Pardonable if She Permits a Passing Glimpse of Them.

Stockings are so gaudy this year that the summer girl will be cruel indeed if she hides them beneath her voluminous skirts. One style of summer stockings has plaid legs, and above a



SUMMER GIRL'S STOCKINGS.

dark blue top. These are of cotton and are inexpensive and popular. Another variety is in silk embroidered in colors. The showiest of these is in gray silk embroidered in carnations.

Another style is in blue and white traced along up and down the leg, with figures embroidered around the leg. The heels and toes are in solid colors.

Revival of Coral Jewelry.

Queen Margherita of Italy intends to be seen a good deal this season wearing coral jewelry, in order to encourage an industry which of late years has somewhat fallen upon evil days. It would not be surprising if the fashion were to spread to London, as coral is becoming to almost any complexion, and can of course, be had in any shade, from a rose pink so delicate as to be almost imperceptible up to a vivid red. If a revival of the dainty old filigree setting should also set in, the outcome should mean some pretty things of a kind that would be quite a novelty to the girls of to-day.

Pacific Lobsters.

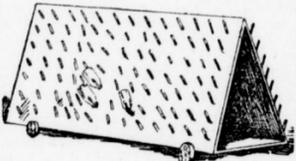
On the southern coast of California is found a species of large lobster not furnished with the huge "shearing claw" of the Atlantic lobster, and which is now being shipped to points this side of the Rocky mountains. It is known as the Bermuda lobster because it was formerly common at the Bermuda Islands, although now it is said to have become nearly extinct there.—Youth's Companion.



MILK BOTTLE RACK.

How to Do Away with the Possibility of Conveying Disease by Means of Bottles.

There has been considerable talk in Philadelphia relative to the efforts of some to have the bottling of milk stopped and to return to the old dip-milk system of delivery. The objections advanced were that, as the bottles go from house to house, and as disease and contaminating influences may surround the bottles in some of the many places where they are delivered, they might be the carriers of disease. This objection is by no means a bad one, and everyone handling milk in bottles should see that proper precautions are taken to avoid trouble from this source. At least 90 per cent. of the milk handled in bottles to-day runs considerable risk in this direction, as the general custom



RACK FOR MILK BOTTLES.

is simply to collect the bottles promiscuously, get them all into a tub of soaped water of some character, wash one bottle after another with the same brush, put them in a rinse water all together, then into the cases, and put the dirty covers down, leaving the bottles open and giving opportunity for the dust and dirt from the covers or bottoms of the old cases to drop into the bottles.

With just a little more trouble and with but a very slight expense the bottles can be so handled that there need be no trouble whatever from any of the objections offered in the line of the bottles being possible carriers of disease germs. Every dairy, no matter how small, is incomplete without the use of steam, and when a dairy is equipped with this it is but a little more expense to have a sterilizer built. This need be only a simple wooden structure, and be made to suit the space at hand. It can be so arranged that, as the bottles are brought in, they can immediately be put in the sterilizer, care having been taken that the bottles have been carefully rinsed at the places where they have been collected, by the customers. After the bottles have been sterilized they can then be washed in the alkaline hot water and then rinsed in two other waters, great care being taken in the last rinse water used; this should be frequently changed.

After the bottles are rinsed they should again be placed in the sterilizer and subsequently aired and sunned just as milk cans are treated. A system by which the dust is kept out and the air allowed to circulate freely is by the use of a rack as shown in the cut. This bottle rack may be so made that it can be run right into the sterilizer; hence the bottles can be easily put in good circulating air and then brought to the most convenient place for filling. This rack may be made to hold 400 bottles, or less or more if necessary. With these precautions the possibility of conveying disease through the medium of the bottles is very slight, and the dairyman will find that the increased confidence placed in him by his customers will help his trade materially.—Rural New Yorker.

HORTICULTURAL HINTS.

The English ivy does not harm a tree on which it grows.

See if a little less water on irrigated land will not be better.

Fruit when placed in cold storage should be firm and hard.

Sprinkling plants with water, when frost is expected will protect them.

Pears to be put in cold storage should be picked before they begin to ripen.

Watermelons ought not to be grown on the same ground oftener than three years.

The grape vine trained to a single stake has never done its best in our experience.

Tomatoes are so hardy that they may be transplanted even after the fruit begins to set.

If grapes have been planted too closely and become too thick, better take out every other vine.

The man who gives plants of all kinds plenty of room and heroically thins his fruit, will get the best results.—Western Plowman.

Art of Milking Cows.

In the first place, brush off the cow's bag dry and clean, but gently. Next see that your own hands are clean; use soap and warm water. Do not wet the cow's teats, certainly not by dipping your fingers in the milk as you proceed. It is a bad and intolerable habit. Do not converse with anybody, especially another milker; it will hinder you, or both, and it disturbs the cow. Never strike a cow; speak low and gently to her; she is responsive to kindness. Never feed her just before milking; that is to say, while you are milking. Feed her before milking, and wait until she is done feeding; she will stand quieter. One thing at a time. Milk her as quickly as possible and as clean as possible, but be careful not to hurt her teats. Give her a name and always call her by that name. These are small hints, but it pays to heed them.—St. Louis Republic.

No Lack of Attention.
Miss New—I can't get my watch to keep time properly.
Jeweler—Perhaps it needs regulating.
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Public Clocks.

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Men of Mouth.

Some men seek glory in the cannon's mouth, but those who seek it in their own mouths are in an overwhelming majority.—Boston Transcript.

Piso's Cure cured me of a Throat and Lung trouble of three years' standing.—E. Cady, Huntington, Ind., Nov. 12, 1894.

The six-hundred-pound lady in the museum draws a pretty fat salary.—L. A. W. Bulletin.

A man remembers paying a security debt as long as he lives.—Washington (D. C.) Democrat.

Papa Titian—"Does that young man you've been keeping company with for the last year or so intend getting married or remaining single?" Polly Titian—"He's on the fence, papa." Papa Titian—"Throw him over, then!"—Puck.

One Thing Worse.—Miss Prude—"Could you imagine anything more detestable than flattery?" Miss Belle—"Yes; having to live in a world without any."—Brooklyn Life.

Cautious Man—"Were you able to sell old Billions a lot?" asked the superintendent of the cemetery. The agent shook his head. "He was afraid he might not get the full value of it," he explained. "But, hang it all, a man has got to do the same time!" exclaimed the superintendent. "That's what I told him, but he only answered: 'Suppose I should be lost at sea.'"—Chicago Post.

Human Nature.—"Yoh knows," said Miss Miami Brown as she took possession of her escort's razor, "dat yoh allus orter love yoh enemies." "Dat's er fact," replied Mr. Pinckley, "but somehow it's a heap easier ter love 'em aftuh I has 'em licked."—Washington Star.

Might Make a Vast Difference.—"What is your honest opinion concerning Americanism?" inquired the interviewer. "Let me understand," returned the eminent Frenchman. "Are we speaking with reference to the Cuban affair or the exposition in 1900?"—Washington Star.

Every Inch a Duchess.—First Duke—"Why don't you travel incognito, as I do? It's far pleasanter." Second Duke—"Yes, but my wife always goes with me, and I married an American."—Harlem Life.

Mrs. Bingley—"George, I wish you'd put an advertisement in the paper for a girl." Mr. Bingley—"Why? Where's Hannah?" Mrs. Bingley—"O, she left this morning, went as much as saying good-by." Mr. Bingley—"That's nice. I wonder what made her do it?" Mrs. Bingley—"The oil can."—Cleveland Les. Co.



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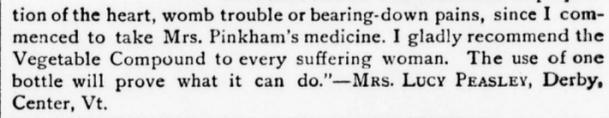
Special forms of suffering lead many a woman to acquire the morphine habit. One of these forms of suffering is a dull, persistent pain in the side, accompanied by heat and throbbing. There is disinclination to work, because work only increases the pain.

This is only one symptom of a chain of troubles; she has others she cannot bear to confide to her physician, for fear of an examination, the terror of all sensitive, modest women.

The physician, meantime, knows her condition, but cannot combat her shrinking terror. He yields to her supplication for something to relieve the pain. He gives her a few morphine tablets, with very grave caution as to their use. Foolish woman! She thinks morphine will help her right along; she becomes its slave!

A wise and a generous physician had such a case; he told his patient he could do nothing for her, as she was too nervous to undergo an examination. In despair, she went to visit a friend. She said to her, "Don't give yourself up; just go to the nearest druggist's and buy a bottle of Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It will build you up. You will begin to feel better with the first bottle." She did so, and after the fifth bottle her health was re-established. Here is her own letter about it:

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