

CURRENT FASHIONS.

With the present style of fashions the question "how to dress our children" becomes one requiring much thought and care...

After the little baby dresses are discarded, the Gretchen costume is usually worn as it is becoming to most children and simple to make.

Tan, brown, pearl, green and light grayish blue are with clear and navy blue shades, and red for girls of all ages.

Woolen dresses for this age have gathered skirts, high tucked bodices, large sleeves and a velvet plastron.

For older girls the skirt is either gathered, or has the front and side plain and the back full, gathered or box-pleated.

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No. 1307. FRONT VIEW.

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yet allowing freedom of movement; if not rather tight they would become the ordinary knickerbockers which would quite alter the character.

Another new Austrian semi-fancy dress for boys is a plain suit of black velvet, similar to that already described, with a cap to match and long patent leather boots.

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No. 1310.

CHILDREN'S WINTER CLOAKS.—No. 1307. The model at the left is a cloak for a girl twelve to fourteen years old, made of dark blue cloth braided with black...

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these coats can be obtained by writing to the fashion editor.

No. 1310. CLOAK FOR A GIRL TWELVE YEARS OLD.—This plain but neat cloak for school wear is made of dark green cloth trimmed with embroidery.

An embroidered outside belt confines the garment at the waist. The high shouldered pelarine opens in front, is plain in the back and ornamented with a pointed hood embroidered on the inner part of the top.

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No. 1311. RUSSIAN DRESS FOR A LITTLE BOY.—This little dress is made of deep blue cloth trimmed with a blue silk passementerie with silver thread.

No. 1312. displays a group of tortoise and gold hair ornaments.



No. 1314.

No. 1314. APRON FOR A GIRL EIGHT YEARS OLD.—This apron is made of ecru Holland linen, with white cambric pipings at the edges of yoke, collar, and sleeves.

No. 1318. CLOAK FOR A GIRL FIVE YEARS OLD.—This beautiful little cloak is made of blue plush and trimmed with cream-colored guipure.

No. 1315. CASHMERE DRESS FOR A CHILD THREE YEARS OLD.—The model is made of white cashmere, with embroidery in light blue silk on the skirt, bretelles, and sleeves.



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No. 1316. FLEMISH PEASANT.—The dress for this is of maroon serge, trimmed with black velvet. The upper



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tunic and corselet are in cedar brown embroidered with gold. Low chemisette and apron in white muslin, trimmed with lace.



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No. 1317. ALBANIAN MAID.—Full knickerbockers in soft red silk. Tunic in blue beige crossed with inscriptions of embroidery.



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FANCY WORK. Among the thousands of novelties now being shown for Christmas gifts are little crochet baskets.

BUNYAN says: "All the flowers in God's garden are double." There is no single mercy. It is abundant mercy.

As you increase in years, it will be a joy to be conscious that you have endeavored, however feebly, to walk with God.

BEFORE ME, the talent of success is nothing more than doing what you do well, and doing well whatever you do.

olive green, and the centre one pink. Make a fringe on each end about two inches deep by raveling the ends of the ribbon.

SEW THE REMAINING RINGS TOGETHER IN THE SHAPE OF A TRIANGLE, whose base is as wide as the row of rings tacked across the lower end of the ribbon.



NETTIE AND HANDKERCHIEF CASE COMBINED.—Garnet plush and pale blue satin are used for this case...

Take half a yard of plush and line it with quilted satin, sprinkling a little sachet powder between. This should be folded together in the middle...



KNITTED HOOD FOR A GIRL TWO YEARS OLD.—This little hood is knitted with white Saxony wool, and trimmed with inch-wide white satin ribbons.

1st row.—Knit 1, out of the next stitch work 3, namely, 1 knit, 1 purled, and 1 knit; repeat from *.

2d row.—K 1 plain throughout.

3d row.—Right side of the work; alternately knit 1, and knit together crossed (for crossed, insert the needle at the back, and downward instead of from the front and upward).

4th row.—Purl throughout.

5th 7th rows.—Knit so that all stitches appear purled on the right side.

8th row.—Purl throughout. Continue to repeat the last 8th rows widening or narrowing as required to shape it.

Begin the crown at the lower edge with 32 stitches and knit in the same pattern as the front. For the caps begin at the top, casting on 50 stitches and knit to and fro, first 9 rows of plain knitting then 3 rows in which all the stitches appear purled on the right side...

Edge the front and bottom of the cap with a crochet edging done in shell stitch, and trim the hood with narrow ribbons as illustrated.