



### For the Ladies

#### HER FROCKS.

For a long, lanky maiden of the hobble-dehoy age is a coat-and-skirt gown of cream serge. The skirt is strapped with cream lace and the short coat has a deep collar of Irish gaulpore and tiny gold buttons. This to be worn with a tucked blouse of white foulard, spotted with turquoise blue. A big sailor hat looked nice with rosettes of China white ribbon. Among her other summer gowns is a blue linen piped with white, a black and white checked silk for church, piped with scarlet and a hat of yellow straw trimmed with currants to wear with it.

#### BUTTONS AND BAUBLES.

The buttons, ornaments and baubles in general enjoy no less a measure of consideration than the actual materials of gowns themselves. The prettiest things are the little crystals or paste balls which form the tassels to the taffetas or ribbon knots or bows which embellish our frocks. Narrow velvet ribbon is run through quite half a dozen or so of tiny paste buckles without any reason except in the matter of ornament; and as nearly everything terminates in a tassel all manner of charming methods are employed in their construction. The fuchsia and flower tassels are still popular, and on the smartest and newest peleries the ends are gathered into the similitude of tassels, and the same idea is carried out in the millinery. Everything is knotted, too, the most fashionable stocks being those would like a bandage round the throat and twice knotted in front or brought low down and knotted over the bust. In the tailor-made gowns the tie is brought from either side under the coat and knotted.

#### WOMAN'S WORK.

Paris has another exposition next summer, but it will differ considerably from the last one, as it is to consist wholly of "women's work." The idea is to show the achievements and progress of women in the various phases of life. One section will be devoted to "the woman in history," represented by tableaux, pictures, statuary and medals. Another will show "the woman at home," as girl, bride, mother and housewife, with ancient and modern implements of industry. Other sections will illustrate "the woman as wage earner," "the woman in art" and "the woman in social economy." A feature of the last-named section is to be a congress of women who will discuss social and industrial problems.

#### HOT WEATHER HINTS.

A very safe rule for the mother to follow whenever a very warm day comes is to reduce the food by omitting one or more ounces of milk and substituting the same amount of water gruel; this rule also holds good on damp and close days, even when the thermometer does not register excessive heat. It may often be necessary to carry out this plan for several days, and to resume the full-strength feedings only when the weather becomes comfortable again. This has been a rule in our hospital diet-kitchen for many years for all children, and it has been found to work extremely well.

If at this season the child is teething, that fact alone makes the system unable to stand much extra drain. At this time weaken the baby's food for a few days until the teeth are through, or the fever accompanying dentition has subsided.

Again, the fact is very often overlooked that children need other fluid than that which is given them as a meal. It is quite as essential that infants should have water to drink as it is for adults, especially in warm weather; but one should be careful as to the water which is given and be sure that it is entirely free from impurities. Under ordinary circumstances the only way to be sure of this is to boil the water, and it is necessary that the water should be freshly boiled at least twice a day.—Mariana Wheeler, in Harper's Bazar.

#### MILLINERY ECCENTRICITIES.

Hats are trimmed with flowers and fruits that defy the most erudite botanist to identify, and which Mother Nature herself would fail to recognize as reproductions of her original handiwork. But it is not the queer, unnatural colorings of the flowers and fruits that surprise one so much as the eccentricity of some of the garnitures considered the "correct thing" on hats. We have grown accustomed to brown roses, blue chrysanthemums and green poppies; to raspberries, blackberries, gooseberries and cherries in all stages of their ripening, to grapes and currants and even raisins. Now come lemons. Think of a toque with a top covered with foliage from which protrude lemons—undersized of course, but still lemons—in all stages of development, from the fruit that rivals in tint the famous peach of emerald hue of Johnny Jones and his sister Sue, to small spheres of golden maturity.

Hats trimmed with moss are set forth among the novelties. The moss is used in various ways, from a brim trimming to entire toques. Birch bark straw hats and those of gray lichen are not exactly new, but a cluster of pinky gray toadstools growing from the mossy brim of a green toque does have an air of novelty.

Not so very many birds are being used in millinery just at present, a fact which the Audubonists will re-

ceive with gratification, although it is hardly to be attributed to their protests that the milliners are making such of quills and leather. One such feather constituted about the only trimming on a straw sailor of sweet simplicity seen last week. The quill was of brown leather pierced with large holes and embroidered like huge eyelets, with a few strokes of white paint here and there to give the appearance of a feather.

#### WOMAN'S GOAT RANCH.

Mrs. Armour, in Sierra County, New Mexico, owns a herd of more than 25,000 Angora goats, from which she is making \$25,000 profit a year. Her "Columbia Pascha" is the most valuable Angora in America, and worth \$1,500.

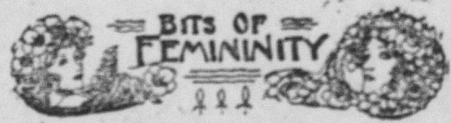
In 1899 she was left a widow, penniless, and with nine small children dependent on her for support. The ranchmen and miners took compassion on the destitute family and contributed a small sum for their immediate relief.

Then she pluckily cast about for some means of earning a living, so that she might not be a burden on the generosity of her friends. By chance there drifted into camp a ranchman with a herd of 90 Angora goats for sale. Nobody cared to buy them, for it was thought there was more money in cattle raising. With genuine intuition, Mrs. Armour looked at their silken coats, and knew that they would be valuable.

But she hadn't any money and didn't want to borrow. So she made a proposition to take a small flock of the goats, tend them and care for them and breed them, and at the end of the year divide the profits with the owner. The proposition was accepted. She took her goats and her children, and went up on the mountainside, 6,000 feet above the sea level, where the scrub oak grows in profusion. Thus she secured the necessary fodder, and as for shelter, the goats needed none. She located a claim, built herself a ranch, and settled down to work. At the end of a year her success was such that she had money enough to buy a flock of her own and start out independently.

Since that time each year has added to her prosperity. She now employs twenty goatherds to care for her flocks. The greatest precaution is required to protect the goats from the inroads of the mountain lions, or cougars, which are so numerous that the ranchmen have to organize hunts to get rid of them.

Through her industry and perseverance and pluck, Mrs. Armour has made herself wealthy. She has sent her eldest son to college, where he is now studying law, and her four other children attend school in Kingston.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.



### Bits of Femininity

Flower boleros represent the latest idea in floral garniture so much in favor this season.

A striking toque is composed of very small red poppies intertwined with moss. The foundation is of red tulle and ribbon and velvet drape the brim.

The emerald matrix is one of the many popular stones for brooches and belt pins.

The new sailor hat is of fine straw and has a low crown and very short brim.

Three-strapped tan slippers are smart additions to an evening gown of a castor shade, also tan shoes, laced with ribbon.

Passenterie in the form of cherries and their leaves in the natural colors trims one waist of white silk and lace. There is a deep band of the fruit and leaves outlining the yoke, the lower part of the waist which blouses, and circling the sleeves at the elbow.

The skirts that have the long train effect are in many cases made with the centre of the back in a broad box plait. This plait is crossed and recrossed by narrow frillings of lace, mousseline, or the material itself.

The emerald matrix is one of the fashionable stones for belt buckles, pins and brooches, and for those who have treasured cameos for years and years, it is encouraging to know that they are in favor again. The large cameo heads are set in belt clasps, with oxidized silver or dull, finished gold, while the smaller ones appear in brooches.

New lace effects in the silk and lisle thread gloves for summer are constantly seen. White silk gloves having the fingers and back of the hand, as well as the wrist, entirely in an open work design, are novel and pretty. In other and more serviceable gloves the open work extends to the fingers, the latter and the palm being plain.

A pretty idea for neck chains is to indicate the name of the owner by the first letter of the different gems set in clusters or at wide intervals. In either case it is a pretty sentiment. Some pet name can be worked out by the sequence of the gems without being suspected by any one not in the secret. "Dearest" for example is very easily suggested and by gems which are very familiar to every one.

Pretty and simple is a pale blue straw hat trimmed with embroidered cream batiste. The embroidery forms open-worked stars, set at rather wide intervals. The batiste encircles the hat in full loose folds, leaving only a narrow edge of the rim and little of the crown showing.

It's all right for married life to be a grand, sweet song, provided it is a duet.

## Household Column.

#### CURTAINS OF CHINA SILK.

Curtains of soft China silk in a pale cream or ecru tint are dainty. These are sometimes bordered with lace or again the lace forms part of the curtain itself. Three narrow waving or serpentine insertions, spaced apart, set in, down the front and across the bottom, with an edge to match, is a favorite design.

#### CLARIFYING SUGAR.

To clarify sugar break it into a copper pan and to each pound allow two gills of water. Place on the stove and gradually allow it to boil. Carefully remove the scum as it rises, now throw in an additional half pint of water and allow it to boil again. Skim very thoroughly and strain through muslin.

#### CLEANING SILVER.

The tedious old way of cleaning silver has been set aside, and it is well, as the busy woman of this century has no time to throw away, and time is too precious to devote hours and hours to such work. Therefore, instead of polishing piece by piece separately, it may be cleaned in a few minutes quite as effectively. After each meal, the silver used daily such as spoons, butterknives, forks, etc., should be put in a pan kept for the purpose, or a cedar tub, and pour hot water into it with a tablespoonful of washing-powder. Wash the silver briskly, then take it out and lay it on a soft linen cloth and rub and polish the silver bright with a chamois skin. Silver should never be rubbed with flannel or cotton cloth. Unused silver should be carefully wrapped in tissue paper.—The Epitomist.

#### FOR THE LAWN TEA.

Famous old recipes for dainties prepared from cherries and other early summer fruits sink into insignificance when a so-called "new" delicacy makes its appearance at the lawn teas now so popular. Out in Germantown, a fluffy, spongy delicacy appropriately known as "cherry sponge" has recently become popular.

To make it cover half a box of gelatin with cold water and let it stand for an hour. Then add a pint of boiling water and two cups of sugar; stir until dissolved and add a pint of sour red cherry juice; strain, set on the ice and stir until thick. Beat up hard add add the stiffly-beaten whites of four eggs; turn into a mold and set on the ice to harden. When ready to serve turn the cold, spongy mound on a fat dish and trim with clusters of cherries.—Philadelphia Record.

#### SUMMER CURTAINS.

The furnishing of the windows is often a task of troublesome character, especially to the housekeeper who cannot have the advantages of city shopping, says Harper's Bazar. In the season's showing of curtain fabrics nothing presents more attraction for use in summer homes or cottages than the white or light and cream madras, a thin, scrim-like material having a closely-strewn pattern over it that is done in fluffy lace, much like the snowflake materials. It may be had in cotton at a "mere song," and by the yard, a boon to housekeepers, since curtains may be made of any desired or necessary length. They are best shirred over the window poles, whether these be of wood or brass.

Two sets of curtains at each window are now almost obligatory. The set next the window may consist of two narrow panels of net, lace patterned or ruffled; or of full curtains lapped the full width across the pole and middle of the window on each side. The full inside curtains may be hung straight or looped at line of the sill. There are endless varieties of soft-shaded Indian and Oriental weaves of curtain gauze which also are designed for summer curtains, and which may be used advantageously in connection with the cream or two-toned madras.

#### RECIPES.

**Peanut Soup**—Shell and remove the skins from one quart of roasted peanuts and chop fine. Add one quart of boiling water and one-third of a teaspoonful of salt and simmer until they can be rubbed through a fine sieve. Return the sieved mixture to the fire and bring to the boiling point. Scald one quart of milk in a double boiler and thicken slightly with one scant teaspoonful of cornstarch blended with a little cold milk. Mix smoothly with the nut soup, and salt and pepper to taste and simmer for three-quarters of an hour. Serve with croutons or tiny toasted crackers.

**Baked Omelette**—Put one pint of milk in the double boiler; melt half a tablespoonful of flour; when the milk is scalding hot add the butter and flour and stir until boiling and the milk thickened a little; pour this into a dish and when quite cool add the yolks of two eggs beaten, then add the whites of the eggs beaten stiff and dry; bake in a moderate oven until firm in the centre, about twenty minutes; serve as an egg dish or with broiled steak and chops.

**String Bean Salad**—Boil string beans in boiling salted water until tender; then turn them into a colander and pour cold water over them; drain thoroughly; arrange lettuce leaves on a platter; sprinkle over the leaves a little chopped green pepper or mix it with the beans; put one teaspoonful on each leaf and one teaspoon of whipped cream over the top.

## In Two Decades All-Round Lawyers WILL BE SCARCE.

By H. Gerald Chapin.

It may seem a gloomy and hazardous prophecy to say that, within twenty years, the individual or general-practice attorney will be extinct, save only in the remoter country districts. Yet, after observing the trend of events for a number of years, and listening, as the author has, to the stories of many hundreds of attorneys throughout this country, he is forced to this conclusion.

Reduced to a chemical formula, computed on a scale of ten, the sum of legal business may be said to be compounded of the following:

Real estate.....	3 parts.
Corporations.....	2 "
Commercial cases and "collections".....	2 "
Wills and administration of estates.....	1 part.
Accident and negligence suits.....	1 "
Defense of criminals.....	1 "

Fifteen years ago, real-estate practice was the most lucrative branch of the calling. Ten thousand dollars a year was looked upon as a very small income for a lawyer who made it his specialty. Its following practically ceased with the organization of title-insurance companies. Their fees are less than the individual lawyer can afford to accept, their staff comprises counsel of the highest skill in this particular line, and, best of all, from the layman's standpoint, the company's financial responsibility is unquestioned in case an error is made. It is quite true that there now exist certain law firms claiming to do a real-estate business; but, in nearly every instance, it will be found their work is loaning funds of clients or of members upon bonds and mortgages. But even the "loan" business has been cut into by the title corporations, many of which are now engaged in selling bonds and mortgages of which they guarantee payment of principal and interest.

One of the few strongholds in the real estate line still left to the lawyer in a large city is the representation of clients whose property is being condemned for the opening or widening of streets. This is usually done upon a contingent basis, the attorneys receiving a percentage of the amount recovered. Competition in this field is exceedingly keen, and it is not considered beneath the dignity of a most reputable firm to employ agents for the purpose of obtaining retaining contracts from property owners, the moment proceedings are considered. Certain changes which will materially interfere with the pursuit of this line of business are, however, being discussed by many municipalities.

Corporations have ceased to be appreciable factors, owing to the organization of various "incorporation companies," one of which, for fifty dollars plus state fees, will organize a company, and for twenty-five dollars per year will thereafter provide an office for directors' meetings, write the minutes, prepare the annual reports, and attend to the various details which the particular state statute makes obligatory.—Success.

## The Well-Meaning Woman.

By Christine Terhune Herrick.

EVERYONE knows the woman who means well. It would be a joy to us if she meant worse and did better. The well-meaning woman always tells you something is wrong when it is too late to help it or when circumstances forbid that the wrong should be righted at the time. She finds her opportunity on the street, when she comes joyously out of her way to tell you that there is a rip in the back of your waist or that your coat-sleeve is pulled out from the shoulder. The fact that the damage cannot be remedied then and there cuts no figure with her. The well-meaning person never gives herself the pain of reflecting that, since the break cannot be repaired until you can go home and take off the injured garment, it might be as well to leave you in the ignorance that is bliss.

The well-meaning woman finds a field of usefulness in a church organization or a club. She can always tell you how much better this or that could have been done—after the business has been concluded. In the domestic circle she is prodigal of advice and gentle correction. She it is who tells you how much more wisely matters are managed in the other schools than in the one your children attend. She is the first to bear you the glad tidings of contagious disease in the neighborhood when you cannot leave home.

When the well-meaning woman comes to you for a visit she makes herself popular by instruction as to how your servants could be better directed. She has a fund of incident and illustration at her command. The servants are especially pleased to have her in the house, even although she often extends to them her sympathies and points out to them how much easier life would be for them if the work of the house were differently arranged.

It is the well-meaning friend who reports to you this or that naughtiness your children were guilty of when the occurrence is on the way to ancient history, and who recalls certain youthful peccadilloes of your husband's or juvenile indiscretions of your own. She has no desire to stir up domestic discords. Nothing is further from her thought, but she is not only confident of your interest in these occurrences but is persuaded that they are things you really ought to know. If you let her see that you are hurt or offended she is deeply wounded. She tells your friends that you have an unfortunately sensitive disposition.

The well-meaning woman is usually strong on reminiscence, and those who know her break into a cold perspiration when she falls into a mood of recollection. One of the women whose memory is a curse to any community was talking to a friend the other day. She went back twenty-five years.

"I remember perfectly the first time I met you," she said. "You had on a green and white silk dress."

"It was a pretty dress," said the other, pleased at the woman's recollection, although she ought to have known better.

"A very pretty dress," agreed the well-meaning friend. "But it was always too scant in the skirt. I noticed that the first moment I saw it, and thought it was such a pity."

The victim of plain-speaking winced a little. "What is the use of telling me that now?" she asked rather tartly.

The well-meaning woman looked surprised and grieved. "Why, I thought you would like to know," she said.

And then the sufferer prayed that she might always fall into the hands of ill-meaning persons so that she could guess at what was coming and be prepared.—Collier's Weekly.

THE Gulf stream as an ocean current, has no more effect on the climate of Western Europe than the weather-vane has on the winds that turn it. The Gulf stream, in fact, might be engulfed at Colon or dammed at Key West, without anyone from the Scillys to the Hebrides being any the wiser. The warming-pan, hot-water-bottle theory of Maury is still held by millions today, and is still taught in the public schools in England and the United States.

The essential facts are that the Gulf stream as an ocean current ceases to exist, that is, to differ in set and temperature from the rest of the ocean East of the longitude of Cape Race, Newfoundland. It cannot, therefore, convey, does not convey, warm water to the shores of Western Europe. But, above all, climatic causation is not a function of ocean currents, but of aerial currents, and the mild oceanic climate of Western Europe is due to the distribution by the permanent aerial circulation in the whole Atlantic basin of the moderating, mitigating effects of the ocean as a whole. Atlantic basin circulation takes the form of a great cyclone in high latitudes and of an enormous anti-cyclonic eddy in mid-latitudes, and to the mid-Atlantic anti-cyclone the credit that has been held by the Gulf stream these many years must be transferred; for, were this aerial eddy to continue as it is now, and the general atmospheric drift from West to East in the northern hemisphere to remain the same, the complete disappearance of the Gulf stream and all the ocean currents in the Atlantic would be without the slightest effect on the weather and climate of Europe. Any shifting of the anti-cyclone, however—and this means its consequent interaction with the permanent cyclone that determines the circulation in the Atlantic north of the latitude of Cape Race, and also with the traveling cyclones and anti-cyclones that move eastward in the middle latitudes—produces a decided change in the weather, and a variation in climatic effects. And yet here again the myth obtrudes, and the most significant, comical, and far-reaching phenomena are glibly attributed to the "shifting of the Gulf stream"; which very shifting itself is due on most occasions to the action of the wind currents of the anti-cyclone!—Scribner.



### Jokers Budget

**A CATASTROPHE.**  
A prim maiden lady of Gloucester Met a bull which ran after and toucester; Though she landed all right, She was near dead with fright And the shock to her feelings it coucester.  
—Philadelphia Press.

**OVER-SUSPICIOUS.**  
Hewitt—Gruet hasn't any confidence in anybody.  
Jewett—No, I don't believe he'd cash his own check.—New York Times.

**TRACING THE RESPONSIBILITY.**  
Sapphedde—No woman ever made a fool of me.  
Miss Caustique—Who did, then?—Philadelphia Record.

**NO LION TO HER.**  
Mrs. Muggins—That woman's husband is quite a literary lion.  
Mrs. Muggins—Why, she told me he was a perfect bear.—Philadelphia Record.

**HAD SHOWN GOOD SENSE.**  
Hewitt—That rich old fool wouldn't let me marry his daughter.  
Jewett—Well, he may be rich, and old, but he's no fool.—New York Times.

**SAFE MARGIN.**  
Old Rocksey—Can you afford to marry my daughter?  
Impecune—Oh, yes, you're worth more than my debts amount to.—New York Sun.

**REMAINS TO BE SEEN.**  
Husband—Did that novel I brought you end happily?  
Wife—I don't know. It concluded by saying that the hero and heroine were married.—Chicago News.

**EXPERIENCE THE ONLY TEACHER.**  
She—There's really no reason for married folks to quarrel.  
He—No except that they generally need a few quarrels to find that out.—Brooklyn Life.

**HIGH EXPLOSIVES.**  
"Tommy," said the school teacher, to Tommy Taddells, "what do you understand by the term 'high explosives'?"  
"Sky rockets, ma'am," replied Tommy.—Judge.

**COULDN'T MISS IT.**  
Miss Hoyle—Yes, he kissed me when we went through that dark tunnel. I don't see how he managed to find my mouth.  
Miss Doyle—That was probably the first thing he struck.—New York Press.

**UNKIND COMMENT.**  
"Since you were afraid to tell papa of our engagement, I told him myself," said Flossie Featherly.  
"And what did he say?" asked Mr. Doolittle, anxiously.  
"He said it was clear that the fools weren't all dead yet."—Detroit Free Press.

**HE AROUSED DISCUSSION.**  
Lucille—Cholly is such an uninteresting person.  
Helen—Oh, I don't know. He gave rise to an animated discussion last night as to whether a person can be considered absent-minded when his mind is neither here nor elsewhere.—Town and Country.

**A FINANCIAL COUP.**  
"I wonder why the King of Spain desires to introduce horse racing as a national amusement?"  
"Possibly," said the man who doesn't appreciate money till it's gone, "he wants to help the treasury out by putting the cabinet into the ring as bookmakers."—Washington Star.

**PAINFULLY PRACTICAL.**  
"I shall take as my motto," said the ambitious youth, "the immortal words 'Be sure you're right, and then go ahead.'"  
"That may do later in life," answered Senator Sorghum "but for the present I should advise you to be sure some other fellow is lucky and then catch on behind."—Washington Star.

**LAYING IN A SUPPLY.**  
"Now," said the good fairy, "I am going to grant you three wishes."  
"Anything I mention I can have!" said the boy, who has been reared in a modern business atmosphere.  
"Anything."  
"Well, to start with, I'd like to have you guarantee several encores to each wish."—Washington Star.

**HER SUSPICION.**  
"Does the climate agree with your husband?"  
"Well," said the woman with the gentle and patient expression, "my husband is sometimes a little difficult to please. His ideals are so high, you know. I am sometimes not sure whether the climate disagrees with him or whether he is disagreeing with the climate."—Washington Star.

A pumping engine has just been removed from a Birmingham, England, canal station, where it had been in continual service for 120 years. The record is said to be unparalleled in the history of steam power.

The name on an umbrella is not a sure means of identification.