

"PANTIES" EXCITE LITTLE COMMENT NOW, SAYS M'LISS

Mrs. Charlotte Pierce, Suffrage Pioneer, Tells of Days When Women Wore Bloomers and Suffered Abuse Because of Convictions

EVERY once in a while something happens to show just how the world do move after all! I was up at Princeton this week-end where the skating wasn't as bad as it might have been and there I saw out on the lake at least a half dozen girls garbed in the new "pantie" costume, which, everybody knows by this time, consists of a short skirt with sensible cloth trousers underneath to obviate cumbersome petticoats.

SEEN IN THE SHOPS

THIS little frock is a good model for the youngster, and may be had in either linen or serge. There are so many women who prefer to have their little ones wear lightweight clothes all the year round that the shops have both materials on hand.



ATTRACTIVE FROCK FOR THE SCHOOLGIRL

Marion Harland's Corner

Wants Congenial Correspondent "WILL you permit a little country maiden of sixteen summers to join your circle? I should like to get into touch with some one of my own age to correspond with. I get lonely at times, so I write to you for assistance in searching for a congenial correspondent. I have been an interested reader of your Corner for some time and watch eagerly for the coming of the paper every day. Good luck to the Corner! E. E."

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Fashions and Fads

Fashionable women are wearing white from tip to toe. Tulle is the best material for informal dinner dresses. The fur-topped collar finishes many a one-piece dress. Lace tea gowns are charmingly completed by velvet coats.

Dress Reform Campaign Started

Speaking of dress and panties and such like, the clubwomen of New York have started a woman's dress reform. The idea is to drive home to women the extravagance that the ever-changing styles entail. "The average man," says Miss Helen Johnson, who is in back of the movement, "can dress for less money than the average woman, and at the same time have the appearance of being better dressed. The reason is that styles in men's dress change less frequently than in women's, show fewer idiosyncrasies and the manufacturer gives the man better goods for his money than he does the woman and garments that look 'in style' until they are worn out."

Embroidery in Again

I am inclined to agree with Miss Johnson about the desirability of the tailored suit and its becomingness, but if late fashion reports are to be relied upon, there is small chance of our having any strictly tailored models in the near future. Instead, the slogan seems to be: Get out your embroidery hoops and needle and silk, for embroidery is the word. Not only are frocks and blouses to be embellished, but street costumes will also be "worked." Gold and silver threading will appear on elaborate costumes and the wool embroidery shows signs of coming in too.

BABY BAND EVIL SHOULD BE ERADICATED, SAYS AN EXPERT

By WILLIAM BRADY, M. D.

Does it really serve the purpose for which it is intended? Does it really serve the purpose for which it is intended? Once more we find ourselves at variance with the accepted idea. It is the ancient argument that the baby band makes his little tummy warm and helps digest his food; that it strengthens his back, and that babies have worn abdominal bands ever since cloth was first woven, and hence should continue the habit. Science holds that the only function or excuse for a baby binder is to retain the position of the abdomen, and that a good many doses of colic cure, soothing syrup and other potent doses have been poured into babies who were endeavoring to explain that they wished some person would remove that confounded, itchy, twisted, annoying, heating binder. At the age of 3 weeks, in most instances, and surely at the age of 1 month, every baby should shed his binder, whether his parents like the idea or not. This advice we give the babies in the interest of the health and strength of the coming generation. If parents would only use a little common sense and not be guided by foolish old tribal customs handed down by our savage ancestors, the binder evil would soon be corrected.

How I Know

Because she has sweeter and fairer brown; Because her voice has a tenderer tone; Because her eyes droop when they meet my own; I know my darling loves me. Because her smile is a vision of bliss; Because on her red lips trembles a kiss; Because of all that, and because of this— I know my darling loves me. Because the touch of her dear hand thrills me; Because her thoughts lead and her mind wills me; Because her sweet presence with love fills me— I know I love my darling. Because she makes my poor life worth its pain; Because a soul's strivings seem not in vain; Because with her dear love I live again— I know my darling loves me. —Eugene Field.

THE CHEERFUL CHERUB Im drenched to the soul in music now— The opera just flowed over me, And I shut my eyes and felt as if I were taking a bath in poetry!

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Sitting Up in Bed How soon after confinement should a mother sit up in bed? How soon may she get out of bed? How soon may she go downstairs? How soon may she go outdoors? How soon may she wheel out the baby? Answer—She should never sit up in bed. When she sits up in bed is hard work. She may sit up as soon as she wishes, in an uncomplicated case—say, the second or third day—this is the modern practice. She may go downstairs, as a rule, at the end of two weeks. She may go out for a short ride, or a very few steps walking, after the end of three weeks. She may wheel out the baby after the end of four weeks. Meantime, father should take the baby for a ride, when the weather is not extremely severe. It is never too soon to take a normal infant out for an airing, and most babies suffer for want of open air.

CIVIL ENGINEERS TO MEET

First Big Affair Since Membership Campaign to Be Held Tonight The Philadelphia Association of Members of the Society of Civil Engineers will meet tonight at the Engineers' Club, 1317 Spruce street. It will be the first big affair since the successful wind-up of the Engineers' Club campaign for 1909 new members several weeks ago. Two directors in the next cabinet, George S. Webster and George E. Datesman, are members of the society, and it is believed they will attend the meeting. An address on the electrification of the Pennsylvania Railroad from Broad Street Station to Paoli will be delivered by George Gibbs, consulting engineer.

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Letters to the Editor of the Woman's Page

Address all communications to M'LISS, care of the Evening Ledger. Write on one side of the paper only. Dear M'LISS—Inclosed you will find clipping taken from the EVENING LEDGER of December 22. I would like to have the address of the young lady and her name. Any favor extended will be surely appreciated. Yours respectfully, Steelton, Pa. L. S. M. It will take me several days to be in receipt of this information. As soon as I get the address I will send it to you. Dear M'LISS—Please give me the suffrage vote in New York and New Jersey as accurately as you can. I am anxious to get this information as quickly as possible. W. New Jersey voted 133,282 for suffrage and 184,300 against. New York, 541,457 for, omitting Oneida County, where the official count has not yet been announced, and 782,770 against. Dear M'LISS—With whom do I communicate in regard to securing the hall of the Plastic Club for an affair? LAURA, Chairman of the House Committee, Miss Ida M. Nelson, 267 Sumac street, Wissahickon, Pa. Dear M'LISS—What is the name of the woman whose traveling library brings books to all the farms around Hagerstown, Md.? SOUTHERNER. You refer to Miss Mary Lomist Titcomb. The circulation of this library amounted to 60,000 last year. Dear M'LISS—Can you give me a formula for a harmless home-made silver polish? HOUSEKEEPER. Here is a simple powder which will not hurt your silver: One ounce of burnt umber, one pound of Paris whiting, two ounces of borax and one and one-half pints of water. Use like the ordinary polish. Dear M'LISS—Please let me know something about the fashionable colors for spring. DORIS. According to the spring fashion number of authoritative magazines, neutral grays, tans, tobacco brown, slate, ashes of rose and blue-grays are going to be worn. Dear M'LISS—Can you tell me who sat upon the throne of France during the time designated by fashion writers as the crinoline era? CURIOUS. The crinoline was the court attire during several periods, but reached its height of popularity at the time of Napoleon III and his Empress, Eugenie. DEAR M'LISS—I have often tried cleaning clothes with gasoline, but I have never been successful. Can you tell me how it is done? HOUSEKEEPER. You will get the best results by taking the chill off the gasoline. This must be done by placing the vessel containing the gasoline in a pan of very hot water. Place soiled garments in the hot fluid. Be careful not to have any fire or matches about.

MILLIE AND HER MILLIONS

Comic strip panel 1: BY-THE-WAY, MONTY, I'M GOING TO ASK THE LONG-GREENS TO DINNER ON WEDNESDAY OF NEXT WEEK. NEXT WEEK? THEY OUGHT TO BE PRETTY HUNGRY BY THAT TIME. AND I THOUGHT OF HAVING A FEW NICE PEOPLE TO MEET THEM. I WOULDN'T HAVE ANYONE TOO NICE. WHOM CAN YOU SUGGEST, MONTY? WHY NOT THE DE SILKES? MRS. DE SILKES IS ALL RIGHT, BUT MR. DE SILKES IS RATHER AN IMPOSSIBLE PERSON. WHY DON'T YOU LIKE HIM, MILLIE? HE'S SO VULGAR; I SAW HIM WEARING A MORNING COAT AT TWO O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON.

ONE SHOULD ALWAYS CONSIDER THE FITNESS OF THINGS

Comic strip panel 2: Mrs. De Silkes is all right, but Mr. De Silkes is rather an impossible person. Why don't you like him, Millie? He's so vulgar; I saw him wearing a morning coat at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Food for Thought

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