



FANCIES FOR THE

Mirror for an Evening Before the Footlights-A Novelty for a Table Center Piece-Fashion Hints.

Being a man, writes Ora Seaney, the Parisian man-milliner to THE DISPATCH, I know well the inconvenience and unpleasantness of sitting in the theater behind a hat whose towering dimensions exclude the slightest glimpse of the performance. A New York belle, after being seated in one of the uptown theaters, quietly removed her had and received a vote of thanks from the male portion of the assemblage for her considerate thoughts of others' welfare. London ladies formerly wore hats of soft felt, but now wear none at all. But this is impracticable with us, as no woman cares to sit an entire evening with a disheveled head of hair, which is the result when the hat is taken off without the aid of a mirror, and neither does she care to leave the theater with her hat set on the head so far from the perpendicular as to resemble the leaning tower of Piss. When the hat is removed, a a stylish and becoming coiffure is an absolute accompaniment to a handsome costume and until ladies' toilet rooms are added to our modern places of amusement there is no probability that uncovered heads will be the ruling fashion. There is perhaps no place that affords better opportunity for the display of gorgeous splendor than a first night or a Bernhardt, Laugry or Januschek engagement. The Viennese are making strenuous efforts to introduce small head covering tor evening wear at receptions and inform I parties, and



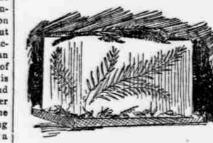
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A Combination Toque, Opera Bonnet and

ionable woman, the center piece was ex-tremely beautiful, says the Ladies' Home Journal, it being an exact duplicate of a fancy that has obtained in London for a long time. A very low, rather long cut-glass platter held an enormous block of ice, clearly cut, and in which had been frozen the finest and most delicate of ferna, done with such care that the tracery of each leaf was visible through th



A Frozen Center Piece.

were arranged ierns as if they were growing, and on top were three or four glossy palm leaves crossed in artistic fashion. You can-not imagine how effective this decoration was, contrasting as it did with a cover of white damask, white and gold china, white candles, and silver candlesticks having pale green shades. No flowers whatever upon the table. At any large icehouse where they are in the habit of freezing blocks of tee to order, and where a man with some in-telligence can be gotten hold of, this decoration can easily be obtained. . . .

In the London parks more dark blue dresses are noticed nowadays than any other kind. Several have a band of sable round the edge of the skirt, while others are smartly trimmed with gold galons. . . .

Nowadays children's dresses are as important as those of their elders, and "party frocks" are a subject of anxious debate among small girls at the present momen , writes a London correspondent of THE DIS-PATCH. Nearly all the best dressmakers have adopted the yoked, loose-hanging frock as the most becoming for girls up to 12 or 13. I saw a bewitching frock just completed for a black-haired little beauty who has caused some sensation recently in amateur theatrical circles by her clever acting and dancing. The dress was orange colored Liberty silk elaborately smocked and finished off at back and sleeves with chiffon of the same color The dress hung straight from the shoulder and had a deep ruche of silk round the skirt

says the New York World, discounting it. The thing of things for the athletic fair ones of the settlement is a ten-mile spin among	
the groves and game preserves, with a real hearty country luncheon to iollow. The average meeting and parting conversation between two Tuxedo girls nowadays is some- thing like this:	An Invitation the Highest Compli- ment From the White House.
"Morning, dear. Tobog?" "No, dear. Jog."	FORTUNES IN THE FLOWERS.
An authority warns young women that the pretty way of going to sleep with one hand	Washington's Quarrel With His Steward

About a Costly Fish.

Grottoes Fit for Fairles.

servatory and climbs the stairway to the

second story. The flowers of the state dining room are

arranged by the hands of artists. At some of the state dinners of the past iew years the mantels have been covered with immense

ships which consumed 2,200 cut flowers in their making. As costly as roses are now, it takes about a thousand for every state din-

ner, and about the same number of carna-

pretty way of going to sleep with one hand tucked under the cheek is not wise. It makes a fold in the soit skin that by and by helps the wrinkles. The oracle insists that CHEESE AND PUNCH SPOIL CARPETS at the moment when sleep is descending, the at the moment when sizep is descending, the face should be composed into peaceful lines, the mouth geatly closed to breathe only through the nose, and the lids slowly lowered over the drowsy eyes. If this method is cultivated in early life the jaw-dropping tendency of old age will be much longer prevented. CORRESPONDENCE OF THE DISPATCH .1 WASHINGTON, Jan. 10 .- President Harrison gave his first State dinner of the

season Tuesday evening. It was to the members of the Cabinet and their wives, and the White House was gorgeously deco-An effort is being made to form, in the rated for the occasion. The parlors were so East End of London, a union of women and richly adorned with flowers that the Blue girls employed in match-box making. At s and Green Booms looked like fairy gardens meeting for this purpose a statement was and the palms, which in great trees of green filled the alcoves of the East Room, made made with regard to the condition under made with regard to the condition under which these poor creatures work that was startling. To earn the sum of 452 cents, or, in some cases 5 cents, these English slaves have to turn out no fewer than 144 boxes, and out of the wretched pittance earned by shamefully long hours of unremitting labor they are called upon to provide their own paste, the string for tying up the boxes and the fuel to dry them. the whole seem like a vision of the tropics. The mantels under the big mirrors were turned into beds of gay-colored flowers, the walls and pillars were decorated with green and the dining table was a wonder of floral decorations,

paste, the string to them. It is impossible to describe the flowers which it takes to decorate the White House upon a state occasion. The conservatory of One Pittsburg girl is happy over the rethe Executive mansion must cover nearly an acre and both this and the botanical garcent fog and moisture, and she was encount tered on Friday in a street car, unburdening dens aid in making the parlors beautitul. her feelings to a friend: "This weather is

splendid for the complexion. My physician The broad windows of the mansion contain alcoves and these are hidden by rare tropical says so, and I go out every foggy day for as long as possible without a veil. It is the London fogs you know," she finished, "that makes English girls so blooming." alcoves and these are hidden by rare tropical plants, the bases of which are sometimes surrounded by blooming azaleas, making a bright streak of color against the mass of green. Some of the mantels are dazzling mosaics of crimson and white flowers and blossoming plants and great palms line the long promenade corridor of the White House, standing against the wall under the portraits of the Presidents, and making an avenue of green which leads on into the con-servatory and climbs the stairway to the

. . . The visite here shown is of black surah and chantilly. A wide surah is gotten so that the cape may be made without any seams. It is in reality a straight strip of silk gathered at the neck to a band of ribbon which is folded over to conceal the sewing, and then flares at the front so that the long ends may form the fastening, says the Ladies' Home Journal. Three frills of ahantilly lace trim the lower edge, the lowest one fall-

ing below the silk. These frills must be extremely full, and great care is taken in glassy ice. Around the edge of the dish their sewing on, which is, of course, done by hand.



The hood, which in the picture is drawa Silk stockings and shoes of exactly the same color had been specially manufac-tured for this fortunate little maiden.

inability to give elaborate orders."

A Toreador Hat

walking.

THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH. SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 1891.

dies of Washington, and Mrs. Cleveland as an elegant hostess at a state dinner. Andrew Jackson had a French cook, and e entertained profusely. The night of his suggration he gave a lunch to all who alled at the White House, and barrels of are at the white House, and parters of range punch and lemonade were made to apply the crowd, which came by hundreds. arrels of this punch were made, and it was arried into the East Room in ouckets. Ialf of the people present were roughs, and ney began to rush for the waiters as soon as we entered the room. The send was that they entered the room. The result was that the carpets were ruined by the punch which was spilled upon them, and many a lady's dress was spotted. The punch was finally served in the garden, and in this way the crowd was drawn off from the White House.

Ruined by a Big Cheese. The White House furniture was again spoiled during his administration at the time that the big cheese was brought here. This cheese was as big around as a hogs-head. It was about a yard thick, and it was taken with great coremony from the North taken with great ceremony from the North to Washington. It was cut with saw blades made into knives and was served out to the guests. The cutting was done in the East Boom and the greasy crumbs fell on the carpet and were trampled in. It ruined the furniture to such an extent that after this time no luncheons were served at the White House until the time of President Hayes, House until the time of President Hayes, and now no refreshments are served at an ordinary White House reception. President Hayes' famous luncheon was held in February, 1881, and it was given in honor of the diplomatic corps. More than 7,000 persons were present by actual count, and 4,500 partook of refreshments. The ter-rapin used filled two large wine bar-rels. It took 400 chickens to make the salads and there were great tanks of lemon-

salads and there were great tanks of lemon-ade and 150 gallons of coffee. There were 1,000 quarts of ice cream, which formed only a part of the desert furnished, and there were bushels of cake and great store boxes of candy. This luncheou cost \$6,000. The guests were invited by card, but a number of the Congressmen invited outsiders on

their own hook to go with them, and the af-fair was one of the most mixed that has ever taken place in the White House. How Presidents Are Imposed Upon.

It is not possible for any but the invited guests to go to a state dinner now, but the invited receptions always contain many outsiders. In Van Buren's day it is said that persons came to the White House and said they w uld vote against him at the election if the wore not given a good break-fast, and Van Buren's cook said that he had the greatest trouble in satisfying them. Washington entertained very well. His cook was a negro, named Uncle Harkless, or Uncle Hercules, who strutted into the presidental kitchen under a cocked hat, clothed in knee-breeches and a blue cloth It is not possible for any but the invited

clothed in knee-breeches and a blue cloth coat and ruffled shirt every afternoon, and took a promenade, carrying his gold-headed cane. Washington paid him \$200 a year.

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"It is a shad," replied the steward. very fine shad. It was the only one in the market and I bought it for you." "But what did you pay for it?" said

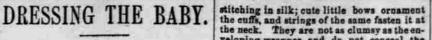
Washington sternly. "It is a very fine shad," continued the steward, "and it is cooked to a turn." "But I want to know the price. The

"It cost \$3," stammered out Fraunces. "Take it away," said Washington, as he raised his hand; "take it away. It shall never be said that I set such an example of

luxury and extravagance." And with that he drove the steward out of the room, and the shad was eaten in the servants' kitchen.

servants' kitchen. Washington's state dinners were very sober affairs. His gpests looked upon him as a little god. They laughed at his jokes and did not frown when he played on the table with his fork. The first state dinner was given by Washington in May, 1779, in honor of the arrival of Mrs. Washington in New York and state dinners have been New York, and state dinners have been given regularly from that time to this, How State Dinners Are Arranged.

Fifty-four is the largest number of guests hat can be well seated at the state dining



The Tiny Garments That Protect the Chubby Youngster and

SET OFF HIS NATURAL CHARMS. Flannel the Thing for His Tender Skin,

PRETTY ARTICLES FOR HIS TOILET

and It Must Be Good.



Fastidious mothers allow their darlings to wear nothing but hand-made garments, which are a mass of delicate hemstitching, drawn work, tucks and embroidery edged with narrow lace, of which valenciences is pinafores and stout shoes are considered quite good enough for the little girls and boys of the family, and in Germany they are dressed like veritable little frights in cumbersome garments of antiquated and ungainly cut, and of crude and inartistic col-

lamb's wool stockings which come up well over the knee. Black silk hose, although Although lovely infants and children's seemingly out of place on a baby, are much worn; but far prettier are those of delicate blue, pink or cream. Bootees are made dresses are brought from Paris, in many instances they are quite unsuited to the tastes of American women, and the models genquite high, and are crocheted or knitted of erally have to be adapted in order to make wool or silk, and the tops edged with scol-lops. The bootees of chamois, suede or glace kid, resemble in shape the mocassins them salable. A baby robed in dainty gowns of India linen or finest mull, trimmed

with lace and embroidery, appeals to the heart of every mother. The fashions in infants' clothing are susceptible of but little change, their beauty lying in the fineness of texture, the skillful making and the rich embroidery and lace with which they are timmed trimmed.

A Very Important Industry. The manufacture of infants and children's clothing has attained to vast proportions, so that to-day it may be ranked among the profitable industries of the country. The mothers of 20 years ago cut and sewed their children's clothes; now but few of them care to expend time and labor when the factories turn out such well-made clothing at scarcely more than the cost of the bare material. Neatness and cleanliness are two of the most important factors in the care of babies, and sufficient clothing should be on hand t

provide against contingencies. The infant's dress, which is shown on this page is after a design just issued. It is of cream white India silk with two rows of val-enciennes inserting headed by narrow tucks and flounced with deep lace. The round yoke is of silk covered with lace. The few years are neatly bound and the effect is ex-ceedingly dainty. The little cap is of finest nainsook, with full face trimmed of lace with ribbon bows and strings. This model is very pretty made of India linen and em-broiders. broidery.

The Baby's Belongings.

Baby's trousseau is sometimes almost as elaborate as was that of his sweet mamma. He has a wisker hamper to contain his belongings, which is flounced with lace, held by great bows of pale pink or blue ribbon; the lid is lined with rows of insertion sewed together and separated by beading run with baby ribbon; there are two straps of elastic covered with satin puffings and tied by bows,

FASHIONS IN LONDON.

veloping wrapper, and do not conceal the dainty, embroidered robe. Those of crochet are very cheap and are withal prefty, knit of fleecy white wool, with shell borders of pale blue or pink. Tulle, Chiffon and Crepe de Chine for the Evening Party. How to Wash the Flannels,

SWANSDOWN FOR FANCY BALLS. The proper laundering of flannel garments seems to be a problem, and few people under-stand how to keep them soft, for when badly washed they usually shrink and become harsh and unplessant to the touch. The wise woman uses tepid water in which a tablespoonful of ammonia has been dissolved, and if soap is necessary it should be white, and a strong suds made. It is better to avoid rubing soap on the fabric, as it has a

The Princess of Wales and Her Daughter Stick to Newmarkets.

PLOWER DRESSES ARE ALL THE RAGE

tubing soap on the fabric, as it has a tendency to harden it, but sometimes ob-stinate spots fail to disappear without the CORRESPONDENCE OF THE DISPATCH. LONDON, Jan. 2 .- In the month of midintervention of soap and a few drops of ammonia applied to the place. The gar-ments should be rubbed very gently, soused up and down in the water and squeezed; rinse them finally in clear water, being care-ful to maintain the same degree of tempera-ture as that in which the mere originally vinter the most important point to women o far as dress is concerned is a bullgown. As a rule cheap clothing is to be condemned -it looks common and wears badly and is on the long run very expensive, but all ture as that in which they were originally washed; cleanse them carefully of suds, and rules have an exception and this is certainly the case so far as evening frocks are con-cerned. It is advisable to have two or three washed; cleanse them carefully of such and for this purpose use a third rinsing water. The first garment worn by the little cheap evening dresses in preference to one The first garment worn by the little stranger who with wide-open eyes enters into his new existence, is the little slip of cambrie or nainsook, edged with fine em-broidery. Six of these are generally consid-ered sufficient, but several more may be added to provide against emergencies. When baby becomes a little older he is dressed in more elaborate raiment, and is ready to re-ceive the adulation of his mamma's callers. The simple slip is discarded and replaced by good one, the reason being that at night cheap stuffs look quite as well as more expensive ones, and that a woman who has to wear the same frock at half a dozen dances where she is likely to meet pretty much the same set of people, is at a disadvantage even if she vary her dress each time with difceive the adulation of his mamma's callers. The simple slip is discarded and replaced by the little dress of fine nainsook; there is gen-erally a yoke and sleeves of hair-tucks, sep-arated by dainty feather stitching, with an ferent colored ribbons and flowers.

Those who have to study economy should choose nun's veiling as their material for evening wear. I saw a charming pale pink gown the other day, the skirt of which was made in long panels sewn along the edges with silver passementerie, whilst the low bodice consisted of two draped folds which crossed over and were finished off with an edging of the passementerie, and a zouave belt slao edged with the silver trimming. The material and trimming, I was assured,

Good for an Evening.

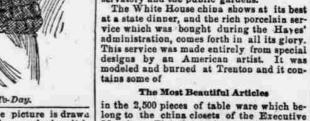
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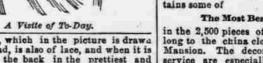
Tulle is being largely used this year and is of course one of the most effective materials if the dress is to be worn once on twice only; after that, however carefully it is handled, it loses its freshness and becomes limp and crushed looking. A lovely frock was shown me yesterday by one of our lead-ing modistes. It is intended for a tall, dark and very striking, if not perfectly beautinu, woman. It was of gold colored tulle made up over gold silk. The bodice was elaborately trimmed with yellow chrysanthemums the exact color of the dress, while the sleeves consisted almost entirely of rows of the flowers joined together by bows of gold col-

ored velvet. Chiffon and crepe de chine are almost nore popular than tulle, and have the advantage of looking iresh longer. Collars and boas of leathers or flowers are being turned out to match the frocks, and are certainly a boon in draughty passages and corridors. No particular colors seem to be exclusively patronized. Gold and silver are being largely used by the dressmakers, and at a smart ball given in town last week the number of gold and silver girdles, especially on white silk and white tulle gowns, was almost monotonous. By the by, at this same ball I noticed women wearing their hair in the way that Parisian grande dames are now patronizing, viz: with two curls in the center of the forehead and the rest of the hair lightly brushed back and only slightly waved in front.

For the Fancy Ball.

There are some capital costumes this year for fancy dress balls. Two worn at Mrs. Samuel Montagu's ball the other day were especially pretty and original. The dresses, exactly similar, were pure white, trimmed with a quantity of swansdown, and were worn by two ladies who called themselves twin-powder puffs. Their hair was powdered, and amidst so much bright coloring they looked ex-quisitely ethereal. The latest novelties for fancy balls are flower dresses and if carried out well are extremely pretty. A daf-fodil dress might have a yellow silk bodice with a border of the flowers and a kilted skirt of the silk with daffodil petals forming an overskirt. Beneath the petals should be





over the head, is also of lace, and when it is off, falls at the back in the prettiest and quaintest manner possible. An all-white visite may be trimmed with white silk lace of any kind, and the hood will then be made atther of different designs. One is a



and, as the water wave promises a reign for some time to come, it is absolutely necessary to wear a bonnet with this style of arrange Take it as you will, you had best provide vourself with one, two or three capotes which can be made appropriate for theaters. In regard to size, allow me to say, wear them as small as possible, and the color should be one of the various light hues of the rainbow, with the ethereal effect in the make up, and generally of but one material, and never more than two materials on the same bonnet. Thus, one may be resplendent with mock jewels, another with filmy lace, another with flowers and another with illusion, all together forming a perfect contrast under one canopy and a sight fit for the gods. The one you see in the accompanying illustrations is an adaptation of "Before" and "After." The toque as it should be worn on the street and to and from the theater is composed of black velvet, with a stylish bow at the front, and one standing erect at the back with a small border of flowers peeping from beneath and dividing the velvet from the hair. Beneath this commonplace looking affair is the mystery or skyleton in the closet, as it were, for the little toque consists of a spring, and through this drawn a small wreath of cream velvet forget-me-nots, and the black ribbon bow at the back is attached to this frame and makes a perfect hat when the covering is . The covering is so cut as



Ready for the Music.

to fit around the bow and entirely hide the opera bonnet. You will pardon the lady for holding the covering before her face for a moment, for she is not endeavoring to display the latest acquisition to her wardrobe, but is merely gazing into the mirror, which is placed in the top of the covering to ascertain if her personal appearance is on a par with her usual standard. As the covering is lined with a light and becoming shade of silk it may lay in the lap and form a recep-tacle for the glasses or lorngette. The one here shown is of silver wire and cream vel vet flowers with black trimmings and the covering is black lined with golden yellow silk. The mirror should be round and fit in the top of the covering, the foundation of which is buckram and the soft sides are lined with silk only. With a small amount of practice and a little desterity on the part of the wearer the cover-ing may be easily placed on the head while the orchestra is yet playing its closing strains. Many beautiful combinations may he made, and, while the covering may match a suit or wrap, the toque proper should be or one of the light shades, such as pale blue, yellow, silver, gold, pink or cream. Yellow always shows up well under the gaslight and softens and tones down effects that wetld often seem harsh. The toque is called the "Lena Despard," for, after the covering

Baw nets. Ladies may have full blown roses or large flowers interwoven in their hair, but fair sisters, of white cashmere with accorthis requires the services of an artist and should only be worn with curly, fluffy hair, white sash, which was ornamented as well as the sleeves and neck with some delicate silver thread. As for small boys, court costumes in velvet, velveteen and plush, with lace collars, are as popular as ever, and the ones that are slashed up the sides of the coat and laced across with silk cords are picturesque enough to make one sigh that such a costume is only permissible for parties.

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Shoes are prettier than ever. Nearly all are embroidered with gold thread, the very newest thing being Suede shoes which fit. exquisitely and show up well-turned ankles to perfection. Bead-embroidered shoes are also largely to be seen in the shops, and are very smart looking.

The liking for laces is a something that has grown with great rapidity, and, not content with having her frock laced down the front, or at the back, Mademoiselle chooses that some portion of the drapery shall be laced together as well. The eyelets must be well made so that the lacing can be exact as that in a pair of corsets, although it is no permitted to relax in the same manner.

These receipts for the "wassail bowl" and 'mulled wine" will come in well for your "Twelfth-night" festivities, says the New York Tribune. The wassail bowl is con

cocted us follows: Pour a quart of good ale effect in house furnishings, and is especially into a deep pan with a pint of eider, add suitable for a library. The more closely the line can be drawn between the Chinese and tour ounces of sugar (loaf) and a saltspoon-Japanese impedimenta the better showing it ful of powdered cloves. Stir over the fire makes for the author's culture, and the more likely it is to confuse the ordinary observer. until the sugar is melted and the beer is all but boiling. Roast four or five apples and lav them in the "wassail bowl," which in The pretty woman here shown not only this country, and at this era, we would probably call a punch bowl. Sprinkle wears the correct toreador hat, but wears it them with a teaspoonful of mixed spice. Pour on them the hot beer. Slip in two or three thin slices of lemon and serve with a wreath of holly around the brim of the bowl. This sounds properly. It is of scarlet felt, having a conical crown and a brim that stands distinctly off from the crown before

rather heavy and to our unaccustomed taste not very good. However, it is genuinely correct, and if you wish to keep up old customs you must drink what the ancients drank. For mulled wine you must put a bottle of wine, either claret or port, and five ounces of sugar (loaf) three or four cloves and barely the third of s grated nutheg into a bright tin pot with a lid. Let it heat very hot, but not quite boil, over a clear, gentle fire, and send it to the table in a jug with a lid. Beer and ale may also be mulled in this way.

Alas, it is too true! American independ ence is a myth. Our women have with instant servility accepted the mandate of for eign autocrats of fashion and donned the long street dress without a protest.

I de not remember ever to have met a man at a rembant counter; but if ever I do, I shall consider that he was either henpecked into going or that his name is a synonym for parsimony wherever it is known, says Meg in the Philadelphia Times. But the woman who does not thoroughly enjoy bargain-getting is yet to be born. Unblack cord from which depend little passe enjay bargain-getting is yet to be corn. Un-doubtedly the happiest hour in a woman's life is when she's getting the best of a bar-gain—or believes she is, for bargain-get-ting is largely a matter of faith. She may be an old bird and a sagacians one, ordinar-ily, but she is every time to be caught by the chaff of a bargain. The state of her finances or the carte blanche given by the indulgent male upon whom she is dependent has nothing whether to do with her fond. menterie balls, and at one side near the jacket that accompanies this is of scarlet eloth, with a collar and cuffs of black fur, and frogs of black passementeric closing it. has nothing whatever to do with her fondness for an advantageous deal. It is simply

made either of piece lace or of a fichu of sufficient size for that purpose. A few visites are noted that are intended for street hungry-looking bear restring in the fork of a tree. Another represents a deer, and a third a buffalo bull. The fish plates have wear, but it must be remembered that this pictures of fish on them representing the American varieties, and one of the dinner is not really the use to which they should be put, the ladies of olden times being carried dishes contains the picture of a raccoon in a persimmon tree with a negro looking for him with a lighted pine knot. Some of the in their sedant chairs, and not appearing with a visite upon them when they were . . .

old pieces of china are much better than those, but a great deal of the best of it has been sold from time to time to make place A New York woman thinks she has solved the question of managing servants, for new.

Mrs. Harrison is the only President's wife says the New York Times. "I've done too who has made an inventory of the furniture of the White House, and she believes that much talking heretofore," she says, "given too many orders, and depended too much all of its fine old articles have an historic upon their not being carried out. Two or value and that they should be preserved. Since the White House was opened by Mrs. John Adams more than \$500,000 has been three months ago I got a French maid who speaks no English. My French is very spent for furniture, and the amount of belimited, but I have never got on so beautilongings now in the White House would not bring \$50,000 at suction, and it is a fully with any person in my employ before. The first day she came I showed her how I question whether they bring \$25,000.

The Presidents' Silver Service.

wished certain things done, and being un-able to enlarge verbally upon the method, I gave her object lessons. When the things had been done I criticized in the same ma-A great deal of the table silver has disap peared, but there is still some which finds a terial way, shaking my head and pointing out practically where deficiency was, and place of honor at the state dinners. One of the most beautiful parts of the whole servic indicating satisfaction by a cordial, but limited 'C'est bien.' In this way she got is the solid silver service which was bought by President Monroe. The shapes of these my idea perfectly, and feeling wy weakness in the matter of language, I have looked articles are curious and beautiful. There are two soup tureens with covers; and these tureens are affixed to large oval-shaped flatafter her daily, and almost without comment. The result is smooth railing in her bottom stands, which spread out beneath them like waiters. There are silver cake baskets, silver gravy boats, solid silver coldepartment, which I attribute largely to my fee and tea urns and there are fine cut glass claret jugs with silver tops. A "Chinese corner" is a new decorative

One of the most curious pieces of the White House silver service is the silver Hiawatha boat, which was bought at the Centennial Exposition of 1876. This is used at most of Exposition of 1540. This is used at most of the state dinners, and is always filled with flowers. Here are also the gold spoons and forks which were bought by President Van Buren, and which formed a campaign issue when President Harrison's grandfather ran against and beat him. The glass of the White Home is also were fore out it the

White House is also very fine and it takes a great deal of it for the wines which are used at the state dinners. A great deal of the glass was manufactured in this country, turns up. Over the brim is a net-work of and a New York firm made 50 dozen pieces at one time a few years ago. These were ordered early during Cleveland's term and some of the articles have an American eagle

cut upon them. White House Coat of Arms.

The American eagle, perched above the words "E Pluribus Unum," is the coat of arms of the White House, and you find it upon most of the decorated ware. Many of the light glasses are of gold, ruby or amberware, and there are dozens of punch glasses goblets, tumblers, champague glasses, and all of the other articles which make up the all of the other articles which make up the complete table service. This glassware is the finest that can be made in this country, and the same firm which turned out this order was the one which supplied President Grant with some of the glassware which he used in the White House.

The table furniture, by the way, was very meager during Grant's first term, and when Mrs. Grant asked her cook to make arrange-ments for the first state dinner he found the supply of plate very scanty, and said: "Why, madame, there is not enough silver in this White House to fit out a free lunch able."

General Grant spent a great deal on enter-taining when he was in the White House. He saved no money whatever while he was in office, and he had so many friends that front are three full pompons of black. The In omce, and he had so many intends that he gave five times as many big private din-ners as he did state dinners. Arthur's din-ners, 1t is said, cost him \$10 a plate, and in addition to the regular dinners he dined The Whole of Congress.

At an "evening" last week at the apart-He was very particular as to his dinners, and they were among the finest ever given in the White House. His wines were espe-cially fine, and he usually had half a dozen ment of one of New York's many wellknown women the guests were regaled with the pungent fragrance of the Adirondacks, claily fine, and he usually had half a dozen different kinds at a dinner. President Cleveland gave a number of big dinner. Miss Cleveland, during the early part of his ad-ministration, gave lunches to the wives of the members of Congress and other leading

table, and invitations are usually sent out for some number between 30 and 50. These invitations are engraved on fine heavy cards about six inches long by five inches wide, and they state that the President and Mrs. Harrison request the pleasure of Mr. and Mrs. Blank at dinner on blank date at blank o'clock. This card bears the coat-o'-arms of the presidental mansion. It is put in a fine envelope, and is carried by a messenger. . The President usually sits in the center of one side of the table, with the ladies whom he likes to honor on his right and left, and

his wife sits opposite, between other honored guests. Invitations to state dinner are usually sent out a week in advance, and they must be accepted or declined within three days. As soon as guests enter the room an usher hands the gentleman a small envelope containing a card and bearing the name of the lady he will escort. On the diagram the number of the seats he and his lady will occur are marked and heats lady will occupy are marked, and he looks at this diagram as soon as he has been re-ceived by the President, and then joins the lady whom he is to take in to dinner. MISS GRUNDY, JR.

TROUBLE WITH THE TONSILS.

How the Little Organs Get Out of Order and How to Cure Them.

The tonsils are small, almond-shaped glands lying on each side of the upper portion of the throat. They can easily be seen if the tongue is held down with the handle of a spoon. They contain a fluid-like mu-cous which oozes from them when they are pressed. Its object is to moisten the food as t passes into the throat and make it slip down more easily. Sometimes these glands become very much inflamed, and may ulcerate, causing the disease known as quinsy or

The swelling causes the tonsils to meet across the throat, rendering the act of swal-lowing very difficult and producing a sensation of sufficiation, says a trained nurse in the Ladies' Home Journal. There are sharp, shooting pains from the throat to the ear, and the invalid feels feverish and miserable. Even talking is painful. Cold applications to the outside of the

throat give relief in the early stages, and bits of ice held in the mouth help to subdue the inflammation. Later, if abcesses form in the tonsils, hot poultices and fermenta-tions are used to hasten the formation of pus so that they may be ready more quickly to lance. Inhaling the steam from a pitcher of boiling water is recommended. Fit a tin

funnel over the top of the pitcher and put the end of the tube in the patient's mouth. COAL IN CALIFORNIA.

against many of the ailments to which infants are subject. Flannel pert the skin tors Are Numerous and There Is is universally recommended by physicians, Hope for a Strike of Oil. and the little Saxony or cashmere shirts are Many prospectors are now out in various parts of California searching for coal de-

posits. Two companies have been formed to search for coal in San Mateo county, where

ence in the oil fields in their county, have leased a big tract in the Mattaly Valley, Humboldt county, and will bere for oil at once. They regard this new field as rich in

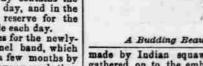
Ladies' Home Journal.]

in which small articles may be tucked away; the tray is lined with lace or with transparent dotted muslin, and has little frilled pockets on each side; the tray contains the articles to be worn for the day, and in the bottom are those held in reserve for the

changes which must be made each day. One of the first requisites for the newly-born intant is the fine flannel band, which should be replaced after a few months by another one knit of soft Saxony wool; they cling closely to the form, and are excellent both as a support and for the purpose of

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Dressed in His Best.



made by Indian squaws, the soles being

cradle of light wicker or bamboo, hung with draperies of roseate silk, veiled with lace, or perhaps celestial blue covered with dotted muglin. There is a little pillow stuffed with eider down and a coverlid of silk or fine wool, embroidered and finished with a frill of lace. Crib blankets with fancy border

his little form from the cold. Baby Must Be Weighed.

Weighing baskets are lined with satin, covered with lace or Swiss muslin, the sides being concealed by lace frillings; in this the baby is laid and the silk-twined handle is hooked upon the scales in order to de termine his avoirdupois before he is dressed For baby's toilet there are china sponge basins with quaint Kate Greenaway figures, which have two compartments, one for hot and one for cold water; the powder box and soap dish accompany them. They are sometimes for greater convenience set in wicker stands lined with dotted muslin, and wicker stands ined with dotted musin, and with strong handles, so that they can be easily transferred to any portion of the spartment. The rubber bath tubs which are made to fold like a butler's tray are

very nice things, as they are exceedingly light and easily transported from room to room, or can even b used in traveling. Puff boxes are of repuise silver, or of porcelain painted with cupids or some sub-ject pertaining to babyhood; soap boxes are made to match, and the ivory or celluloid ones are extremely useful. Thanks are due the Liliputian Bazaar for information. The girl's costume shown berewith is ma

The girl's costume shown herewith is ma-hogany velveteen, which is used for the figaro jacket, and pleated skirt and prim-rose yellow surah for the blouse waist and full sleeves. Narrow bands of astrachan edge the jacket, the sleeves and the bottom of the skirt; five large astrachan-covered button molds are placed down the front of the skirt, with smaller ones on the jacket. For evening it is charming made of white eloch with yellow waist and edged with with yellow waist and edged with white thibet fur.

COUNTESS ANNIE DE MONTAIGU. warmth; they are furthermore a preservative

CURING A SORE THROAT.

no spots on its surface, a simple gargle of

salt and water, or chlorate of potash one

around the throat and covered with a be

Teat Should Be Avoided and a Light Diet Resorted To.

Sore throat is a frequent accompaniment of cold, but it also often arises from some derangement of the digestive function. Attention to the diet is always important in the

management of this affection, says a trained nurse in the Ladies' Home Journal. If

Will refine a Coarse, Rough, Porous Skin, positive curs for Pimples, Eruptions; remove that disagreeable Redness with which so ma are afflicted.

tablespoonful in a glass of water, will prob-ably relieve it. Use the gargle fre-quently. A cloth dipped in cold water squeezed until it ceases to drip, wrapped FLESH WORM PASTE, per jar Our complete line of toilet requisites and manicure goods are absolutely pure, and can be obtained at the following representative druggists. age of flannel will assist in reducing the in-flammation. It should be changed when it

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fiammation. It should be changed when it becomes dry. Ment should be avoided for a few days—first gruels, beef tea and light articles of diet being substituted for it. When there are small white or yellowish ulcers in, the throat there is probably con-stipation as well, and a largetive is needed. Two transpondings of commons light 6219 Penn avenue.

stipation is well, and a mattive is decor-Two tessponfuls of compound liquorice powder, or two pills of aloin, strychnis and belladonna, taken at night, will relieve it, The diet should be light and easily digested. LONDON TOILET BAZAAR CO., Wholesale Office: 20 East Sevent

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little touches of green plush and a headdress of the petals and green plush would finish off an effective costume. It is rumored that owing to the dislike of the Princess of Wales and her daughters to the three-quarter length jackets Newmarket coats will still hold their day. I was shown a handsome one by a West End tailor yes-

A Budding Beauty's Costume. terday, made of rough brown tweed with a touch of yellow in it. The fronts open with

edging of needlework. The petticoats to be worn with the long dresses are similarly

Covering the Tiny Feet.

the favorite. As a covering for the little one's feet nothing is better than the fine

gathered on to the embroidered or feather stitched uppers. Some models shown are of cashmere, fastened with tiny pearl buttona. The new-found treasure is rocked in a

yellow completing a very smart little coat. All the new walking dresses are made with fur, astrachan and beaver, being the most in vogue.

A Torpid Liver and Thick Blood Account which match the trimmings in color protect for Much Weariness.

Ladies' Home Journal.)

In nearly every case, laziness is a disease, or a complication of ailments, brought on, I grant you, by habits of idleness and ease; but a disease nevertheless, and it is useless to attempt to throw off your slow and easy habits and to assume a life of energy and activity, while your liver is torpid and slug-gish, and your blood thick and slow, and everyone of your organs gorged with bile. mendous effort, Of course, you could, by a tre put on a spurt of activity, if a sufficient in-centive could be brought to bear upon you, but it would be at a great expense of will

revers and there is a turn-down collar trimmed with yellow silk. On the basques

are a couple of small pockets also lined with

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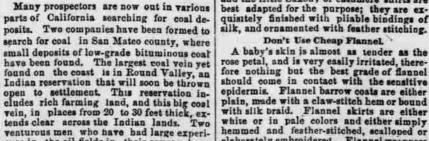
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are also very necessary in which to wrap the baby in the early morning, or to protect it from the chilly air of evening. These little garments are made of softest flannel or cash-

People who are fond of sea bathing in

garments are made or sortest named or can-mere, either in white, cream, or pale colors, and some of them are exquisitely embroid-ered. A charming one is wrought about the edges in tiny rose scollops with a design of rosebuds down the front and ornamenting

the sleeves and collar. Pretty little hood-blankets in three-corner-

epidermis. Flannel barrow coats are either plain, made with a claw-stitch hem or hound with silk braid. Flannel skirts are either white or in pale colors and either simply hemmed and feather-stitched, scalloped or elaborately embroidered. Flannel wrappers