

Who can witness the Christmas preparations that are made and making with a view solely to the children's comfort and happiness, and not be struck with the devotion of American parents to their offspring? The fashionable woman of to-day has but a small family, but, like the hen with one chick of the proverb, she is very fussy and demonstrative over it. The consequence is that the average American child is thoroughly spoiled. Woe betide the luckless



A Young Girl's Party Dress. visitor who fails to pay court to this little tyrant, who lays the weight of his tiny scepter upon every living creature of the household.

A party dress for a young miss is pic-tured—a simple but very tasteful combina-tion of pale blue cashmere and black satin. There is a quaintness about the style of this little gown that is very pleasing, and which would be sure to make it very becoming to some demure little lady who has her own ideas concerning matters and things. Owing to the strong friendship between Russia and France many of the picturesque cos-tumes of the former country have made their way to Paris and from there here, for we are such a busy nation that we don't always have time to originate com-bination dresses or even plain ones. It is so easy to imitate and so hard to originate; but it doesn't follow that the imitator has no work to do, for his task is often of the hardest if he does it well—that is, adapt a new idea intelligently and accept it with modifications.

I saw two Russian costumes for children's party wear. One consisted of a gray cashmere blouse, trimmed with black and yellow silk galoon, with white skirts also so trimmed. Black stockings, gray gloves and white boots completed the toilet. The other was a lovely combination of white satin, dark green velvet and gold galoon, with gray silk stockings and gray shoes. FLORETTE.

Hats at the Theaters.

A large hat at the theater is an abomination, and a small one becomes only a not alwave pretty headdress. When all is said and done, therefore, wouldn't it be better for all women to give up wearing hats altogether when at places of amusement and appear with uncovered heads, as they do in English theaters?

It is argued by a great number of ladies that they cannot take their hats off owing to the arrangement of their hair, which is fixed in some way that looks well with a bat on, but is not becoming when it is off. If this is the case let them wear a lace scart, which will protect them from taking cold, yet, being light enough to rest over the most elaborate coiffure with no danger of mussing it, will not appear at all unusual when once it becomes the custon to arrange the hair and not the hat for the evening

There are many who now either come to the theater with this simple head covering or remove their hats after they get there, holding them in their laps, but this is awkward, and if managers of first-class theaters want to se custom to prevail let them provide cleak rooms such as are found in all London theaters, and there is certain to be a quick adoption of a plan that only needs a leader to make it a success.

Something About Petticoats

Of course, she who leads in the world fashionable has petticoats galore, each one different from every other. There is one for her walking gowns, another for her "at home" and yet another, which is an edition de luxe, which is used exclusively for evening wear, beside those to be worn with the tea gown and the dressing sack. Then, too, there are exquisite potticoats designed excressly to be worn with dancing gowns.

For example, one of pale pink chiffon made over a foundation of white silk. The chiffon is laid on in deep flounces under bands of white silk embroidered in white. Another pretty skirt to be worn with a dancing costume is of rainbow silk finished with three tiny ruffies, one of blue, one of pink and one of yellow. However, after nil, the white petticoat remains dear to the sweetest and daintiest women. With its soft flounces of embroidery or lace it has about it a freshness that silk cannot rival.

Fair Fads of Pashion,

THERE is no prettier combination of me terials than that of broadcloth and velvet. only correct thing, both in style and reason. THE latest fancy in the way of a feminine shirt button is a diamond, set in platinum. ExeralD green and very delicate blue is a very successful combination in an even-

Pale blue, lavender and scarlet vells are worn, but as a general thing they are not ANIMALS' heads, white and tawny owls

and wide-winged birds of every description are seen on hats. WHITE alpaca will be popular for tea gowns and house dresses this winter with

lerlining of silk. THE high Empire belt of folded velvet is liked, not only on bodices, but on heavy cloth long couts or cloaks.

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LATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

-England is preparing for cholera. -Florida tobacco growers have organized -Mrs. Maybrick is said to be out of dan-

-Hamburg is again panic-stricken over

-A plot to kill President Ezeta, of Salvador, has been discovered. -The Pope is highly pleased over Satolli's ettlement of the McGlynn case.

The mental condition of William Watson, the English poet, is improved.

Bio Grande do Sul rebels are showing no quarter to Brazilian prisoners of war. -Rumored that M. Waddington, French Ambassador to England, will be recalled. -A postal thief has been caught in Chi-ago. He is Walter Gurnea, a postoffice

- Moorish pirates who recently captured the Spanish schooner Icod, refuse to sur render the prisoners until ransom is paid. -James Slavin, alias McMahon, was executed at Cornwall, Ont., yesterday morning for the murder of Captain J. P. Davey. The Illinois State Grange has adopted a resolution demanding the recall of the American members of the Monetary Confer-

—It is expected the scandalons develop-ments regarding the Panama canal will lead to a rapprochement between Russia and Ger-

-Ex-City Clerk Gorman, of Colorado City, who on Wednesday confessed a shortage of 86,500, intimates that others are also guilty of the city's wollars. of the city's robbery.

—Her Loewe has confirmed the story of his offer to make rifles for France. The Kniser is displeased, and Caprivi's official head is again said to be in dauger. -Grossman has been convicted at Alpena, Micn., of the murder of Albert Molitor, the Presque Isle lumberman. Twelve others

are charged with the same crime. —Joe Francis was blown to atoms and two others, named Wamboit and Simpson, were seriously injured in an explosion at the Mai-aga mines, N. S., Thursday night.

-For the next three months no official salaries will be paid in Samoa, except those or the Chief Justice and the President of the Council. Even the King is not exempt. The Ottawa Government has invited the mperial Government to send a commission o Canada to inquire into the sanitary contition of cattle, the expenses to be borne by

-Orders have been sent to United States troops to repair to San Yanacio and investi-gate the report that Mexican soldiers are held there prisoners, and if the report be true to liberate them.

—A stranger walked into Joseph Mandel's pawnshop in Louisville Thursday afternoon, pointed a pistol at the proprietor, picked up \$1,500 worth of diamonds, stepped out of the door and boarded a passenger car.

—The body of W. Gouldsmith, a well-known Montana cattleman, was found on the prairie near Fort Benton, Thursday, frozen stiff. He left his ranch Saturday ou horseback to attend a Republican committee meeting.

Rev. Heyman Rosenberg, Rabbi in charge of Temple Beth Jacob, in Williamsburg, N. Y., was expelled at a meeting of the congregation after having been convicted or violating a rule of the orthodox Hebrew

—Nelson F. Evans, formerly a director of the Spring Garden Bank, Philadelphia, who was convicted o. misapplying funds of the bank, was sentenced by Judge Butler to pay a fine or \$300 and to undergo five years' iment in the Eastern Penitentiary.

—It is believed that among the crimes for which Frank Bruce, the well-known thief under arrest at Milwaukee, will be compelled to answer, is the daring diamond robbery on the Sionx City and Facific express near California Junction, fa., some time

-F. Edwin Eiwell, the sculptor, has been

awarded the contract for an equestrian statue of General Winfield Scott Hancock to be erected upon the battlefield of Gettys-burg, for which he will receive \$22,000. Mr. Elwell executed a bust of Vice President Morton at his summer residence.

—L. J. Ijernojel, a Norwegian, is under arrest at Norway, is., charged with obtaining money under false pretenses. It is alleged that by telling his fellow countrymen that immense profits were to be made in real estate near Chicago, he induced 25 of them to invest \$1,000 each in a 40-are tract near Griffith, Ind. The "town-site" is in a swamp. Griffith, Ind. The "town-site" is in a swamp.

—Train No. 2, which left Norristown for Philadelphia at 5:20 o'clock yesterday moroing, consisting of engine, tender and four cars, jumped the track at Magees, a station about a mile south of Norristown. The train was filled with passengers. The engine turned a somersailt and rolled down an embankment. No one was seriously hurt.

—J. S. Piza, of New York, has beaten time and the White Star liner Teutonic in a remarkable race. Missing the Dublin mail train for Queenstown, he hired a special and traveled the 180 miles in 200 minutes. The Teutonic was starting when he reached Queenstown. He chased it in a special steamer telegraphed for ahead, caught the liner and got aboard.

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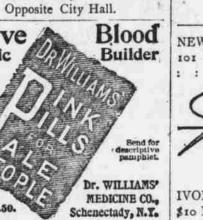
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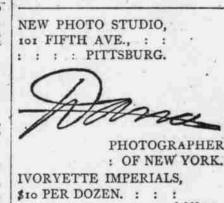




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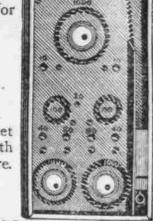
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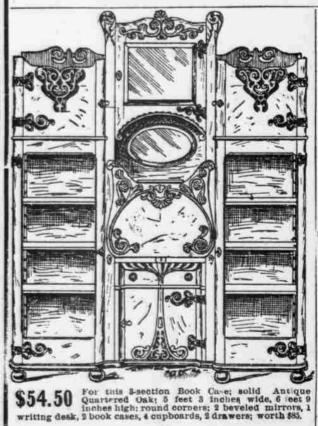
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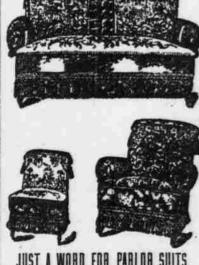
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