

**IN PLAIDS OR CHECKS**

**MATERIALS POPULAR FOR YOUNG GIRL'S AUTUMN CLOTHES.**

Designs Are as Pretty as Ever, and in the Fullest Vogue—The Scotch Fabrics Are Also Strictly Correct.

When in doubt as to missy's autumn hat, coat or dress get something with a touch of plaid or check, for materials with these patterns are again eminently in vogue for young people and they seem quite as pretty as ever.

To quote the dressmakers for the junior world, one can never get away from the suitability of such materials to youth—the Scotch fabrics with their varied melange of color and checks, big and little, seem so juvenile and correct for young people's wear. So here they are again with us, holding a breath of new color sometimes, showing the familiar devices of the Scotch clans, in dress elks and wools, in coats, hair ribbons and buttons. The pretty designs are a great relief from the plain materials that have reigned so long—but, dear me, except for a light difference of detail, some of the long coats showing the plaid or check reverse and decking are all but twin sisters to last year's wraps. This takes nothing away from their charm, the deft changes here and there giving the last-ago touch in a way sufficiently piquant to suit the most ardent devotee of new fashions.

At this season the long coat needed for school use, and which will, of course, come in for many other occasions, is of more importance to the college maid or high school girl than anything else—anything but her hat, for without a suitable headpiece the most charming coat could not be worn, coats and hats of a kind needing to run together. The shops are full of correct fabrics for it, the soft reversible coatings, plain on one side and plaid on the other, used last year and still with us, offering themselves as the most facile textures in the world for home sewing for all the trimmings of the coat are made of the reverse side of the material.

Of the plaid touch on little girl frocks, those short-skirted gowns made from six to eight wear, there is no end, but somehow checks seem a bit more suitable for these than the larger plaids, and many of the Russian blouse styles lend themselves most effectively to a combination of checked and plain material.

The design shown in the illustration allows this use of the two materials in a very smart way, the coat being of a plain blue wool and the little skirt and blouse trimming of checked blue and white wool. Here the collar is a flat round affair, but if made in sailor form a shield with a high neckband could be used inside, and this arrangement might be better for the lassies with tender throats. Serge, broadcloth and chevrot; are other adaptable materials, for, to be sure, the dress could



be made of one fabric, and the style of it is good enough for the very best street suit.

For girls of all ages—and for women, too, for that matter—there are some perfectly round felt hats with rolling brims which respond very prettily to a binding and crown plaid or check, or if the hat is already bound and banded a Scotch quill may be added to the side.

So if there are bits of handsome plaid and checked fabrics in the house they will come in very handy for the trimming of youthful hats, for the very wings themselves may be made of silk or velvet, and when of a fabric they always seem smarter than when the real thing.

MARY DEAN.

Embroidered net and oriental lace flouncings and bandings are lavishly used on inexpensive frocks with effective results.

**TYRANNY OF HER DAUGHTER-IN-LAW**

"If you'll promise not to tell a soul, Charlotte," said Mrs. Darlington to her hostess, "I'll admit that I'm suffering from an overdose of daughter-in-law. A certain amount is a mental stimulus—too much simply stultifies."

"Frances, my son Arthur's wife, came to visit me just at the time all well regulate housekeepers think they have to go through the deadening process known as housecleaning," she went on. "Now, don't breathe it to a soul, but I never clean house. I certainly try to keep things nice and comfortable, but my natural instinct is to avoid dirt. My attitude is that if it will leave me alone I will leave it alone."

"Who minds a little dust under the beds and in the closets? I will answer my own conundrum by telling you that Frances does. She is perfectly intolerant about it. She is constantly talking about germs and microbes. Since I am confessing all my shortcomings, I will admit that I don't believe in microbes, anyway. They're far too small. Frances does, though. Oh, dear, yes, she does."

"She simply can't sit down and read happily unless the house has been thoroughly swept and garnished. I can do it without a tremor. I can leave dishes unwashed until every dish in the house has been used and not feel a quail. Frances has the dishes rounded up and washed so quickly after they have been used that she leaves you with a defrauded feeling, as though you had been done out of part of your meal."

"The morning after she came I saw her eyeing the living room curtains, which I must confess were not immaculate."

"Don't look at those curtains, Frances," I said, in my merry, light-hearted way. "I know they're not very clean, but I'm going to have the laundress wash and iron them Monday."

"Frances half opened her mouth, then shut it again. I wondered at the time why she didn't say whatever it was she had on her mind, but later in the day I found out."

"Mother," she said, tactfully—Francis is very tactful—that afternoon when we were sitting in the living room having what I considered a cozy little chat, "I've been wondering if it wouldn't be nicer if we should get some curtain stretchers and stretch the curtains on them instead of having the laundress wash and iron them."

"To make a long story short, she dragged me downtown that very afternoon and we bought curtain stretchers. The next morning, with her own hands, she washed those curtains. Oh, there is no doubt that she is wonderful. I stand in the greatest awe of any one who can wash things clean. I never could. They're always much worse when I finish with them than when I began."

"After the curtains were arranged to suit her I happened to mention that I had some material which I intended to make into comforters when the spirit moved me. Again speaking metaphorically, she fell upon that material tooth and nail. Then for days she and I struggled and perspired amid billows of cotton."

"When one morning she accidentally opened the door of the chamber of horrors I thought she was going to faint. The chamber of horrors, by the way, is the room into which it is the time honored custom of the family to pitch everything that the family wishes to rid itself of. Personally, I get along very nicely by simply shutting my eyes, opening the door slightly and shying in the article. Then after the door is shut I have no further qualms. But Frances got quite white when she looked in. She made me feel—she did it tactfully—that no decent, self-respecting woman could exist in a house with a chamber of horrors. So together we pulled and hauled and worked and suffered and threw things away and had a perfectly horrible time generally, but we finally emerged in that pathetic and despicable condition called "as neat as a pin."

"It took us days to do it and we were both nearly dead when we got through. But the very next morning after we finished, if you can believe me, I found her with her head out of the window and the air of a hound that is just getting the scent. She was listening to a vacuum cleaner that was chugging across the street!"

"Oh, mother," she said, "I'm going out to see if those men can't come tomorrow."

"Frances," I said, "you will do nothing of the kind. I positively refuse to be any cleaner than I am. From now to the end of your visit I intend to have my kind of a good time even if there isn't a floor swept or a dish washed."

"I did it," said Mrs. Darlington, gloatingly. "I kept Frances whirling in a perfect vortex of mattresses and luncheons and afternoon teas and I had a beautiful time. But I relented the day before she went away and let her clean up the house for me."

"Frances is a dear girl," Mrs. Darlington declared finally, "but she certainly has a weird idea of having a good time!"—Chicago Daily News.

**Poultry Diseases.** More diseases are contracted by poultry between June and September than during any other part of the year. In summer one is apt to become more or less careless in their attention to the flock, and thus lose heavily. Guard against this condition by giving them a little extra care.

**POULTRY**

**FRESH EGGS IN GOOD DEMAND**

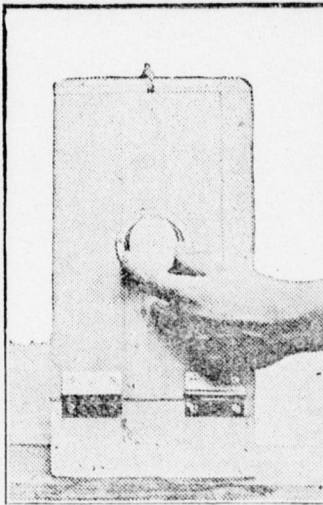
Little More Attention to Details Will Result in Profit, Repaying Time and Labor.

(By PROF. A. G. PHILLIPS, Kansas.)

The demand for eggs seems practically unlimited, more especially for the better grades. The growth of the storage industry has tended to equalize prices by increasing the demand in summer when fresh eggs are plentiful and supplying the deficiency in winter when fresh eggs are scarce.

Since the demand is greatest for the best grades, it seems obvious that a little more attention to details will result in a profit amply repaying the extra time and labor involved.

It is not the purpose here to enter into any discussion of the ways of increasing the production of eggs, but simply to point out the possibilities



An Excellent Egg Candler.

of profit as a result of extra care in handling and marketing the eggs now produced; the extra profit is to be made by obtaining the top retail price, and, as consumers become acquainted with the product, by obtaining a premium of from one to five cents per dozen over the regular price for ordinary eggs.

In order to obtain top prices for eggs, they must be uniform in size, uniform in color, and uniform in quality. The uniformity in color is not always important and depends on the market; uniformity in size excludes small eggs and unusually large ones as well; while uniformity in quantity calls for absolutely clean eggs that have been gathered promptly after being laid, kept under the best possible conditions, and marketed not more than three or four days after they are laid.

**TEACHING HEN GOOD LESSON**

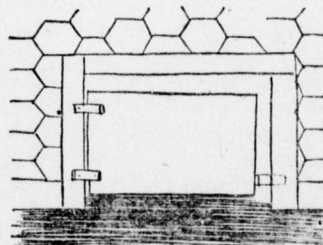
Poultry Gate as Shown in the Illustration Will Save Cussing and Garden Truck.

Barrels of perspiration may be saved by the poultry gate shown herewith, which is reproduced, with the article from the New England Homestead. Whoever has unintentionally acquired the hen chasing, hen-cussing habit may cure himself with this little device.

In the fence, preferably at a point near where the fowls are fed, a little door about 10 by 12 inches is hung on the inside of the yard, so as to always swing shut without springs. It is stopped from swinging outward by the peg shown at the right.

Mrs. Hen, returning repentant from the garden, will poke her head into every mesh of the fence in her efforts to rejoin her happy companions. The gate will thus allow her to enter without excitement or commotion from the lord of the harem from the irate owner.

But another advantage may be gained by using the gate in connection with the laying pens. If the two gates are used, one opening inward



Garden or Nest Gate.

in front of the nest, the other opening outward at the back or the side, so that the hens may go to another yard after laying, the poultryman may know which hens have and have not laid. Thus he may avoid the trouble usually connected with ordinary trap nests.

**Breeders for Next Year.**

This is the season of the year to buy your breeders for next, as now the large breeders are selling at bargain prices in order to have the room needed for the growing stock.

**When Traveling.**

Take a candle in your bag and a box of safety matches. When they are wanted you will be glad they were put in. The space required for them is small. A passenger on a steamer that was wrecked had a small candle which enabled her to collect some of her most valuable possessions when the lights went out after the collision.—Today's Magazine.

**Novel Mat for Hot Dishes.**

Cut a piece of pasteboard the size and shape desired, round, square, or octagon, and sew on this felt or flannel. On the reverse side sew on flat bone, pearl, or china buttons, all of one size, putting them on in rings or other patterns. These will hold the hot dish up from the table.—National Magazine.

**Oh, That Accent.**

"How do you know she is an American?" "I heard her talking French."—Judge.

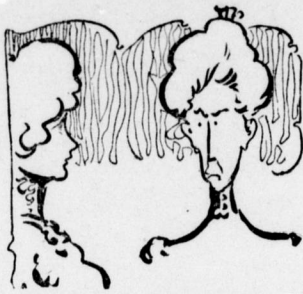
**Always Some Remedy.**

Dr. Woods Hutchinson says that poverty is a disease. Well, there is the gold cure.—Judge.

**Poor Mother Earth.**

A bargain in a golf rig has decided one girl to go in for the ancient game at a resort famous for that sport.

**A HOT ONE**



Miss Antique—He asked me if I remembered the awful cold winter of 1869. Insulting, wasn't it?  
Miss Caustique—I guess he didn't mean to offend you. I guess he didn't know what a bad memory you have.

**SWELLING HAD TO GO DOWN**



"Smith used to have a big head, but he seems to have changed."  
"He had to; he moved into a flat and he can't get anything large in it."

**TOO BAD**



He—Snaggs went out in his new automobile for the first time yesterday. She—How did it turn out?  
He—That's the trouble—it didn't turn out. They turned Snaggs into the hospital.

**QUALITY**

When people realize that it is not the quantity for the money, so much as the quality that counts, then they will patronize the store which does business in good pure goods. Cut prices often mean cut quality. Our prices are as low as good goods will allow. Our goods are not of the cheap mail-order variety. When comparing prices do not forget to compare qualities. If you find the prices lower than ours, the you will find the quality inferior—generally "cheap in cause" job lots.

Ask us to show you why our work is superior.

Buschhausen's.

**LOTS OF OTHERS**



Wiggs—Does he ever take chances?  
Diggs—When he can get them.

**A HOT ONE**



Mrs. Jones—Did any of the workmen escape with his life?  
Jones—Well, I don't think anyone escaped without his life.

**HE KNEW**



She (at the art exhibition)—This painting is called a study in still life. He—I guess that's why there's so much moonshine in the picture.

**UP-TO-DATE BEGGAR**



Beggar—Won't you help me a little, ma'am. My children are hungry. Old Lady—Too bad, too bad. Beggar (absently)—Yes, ma'am, and my wife hasn't entertained for quite a week.

**TRUE**



Grace—I saw you give a book to Madge—but you're foolish to trust her with it. She never returns a book. Edith—She won't keep that one. It's a diary.

**NO HUGGING**



Daisy—Did you enjoy your auto ride? It must have been so exciting. Molly—It was exciting, but I didn't enjoy it. Tom had to use both arms in managing the thing.

**The Advertised Article**

is one in which the merchant himself has implicit faith—else he would not advertise it. You are safe in patronizing the merchants whose ads appear in this paper because their goods are up-to-date and never shopworn.



**M. BRINK'S PRICES For This Week**

Corn Meal	26.00	1.35
Cracked Corn	26.00	1.35
Corn	26.00	1.35
Pure Corn & Oats Chop	29.00	1.50
4 Sacks each 6c with privilege of returning without expense to me.		
Schumacher Chop	29.00	1.50
Wheat Bran	23.50	1.25
Oil Meal	37.00	1.85
Gluten	28.00	1.50
Brewers Grain	27.00	1.40
Choice Cottonseed Meal	33.00	1.70
Oyster Shells	10.00	.60
Portland Cement per sack	45	
(relate 1 c each for sacks returned)		
Beef Scrap	3.00	
Mixed grains for hens	1.75	
New Oats 50 & 100 lbs. per bu.	.42	
140 lb bag Salt coarse or fine	.60	
100 lb bag Salt	.45	
Flour per bbl. sack		
Schumacher Patent	5.50	1.50
Marvel	6.00	1.60
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Veal Calves wanted on Monday.		
Tuesday and Wednesday Live fowls and chickens on Wednesday.		
M. BRINK New Albany Pa.		

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**Self-healing Tires A SAMPLE PAIR TO INTRODUCE, ONLY**

The regular retail price of these tires is \$10.00 per pair, but to introduce you to our sample pair for \$4.80, but to introduce you to our sample pair for \$4.80, but to introduce you to our sample pair for \$4.80.

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