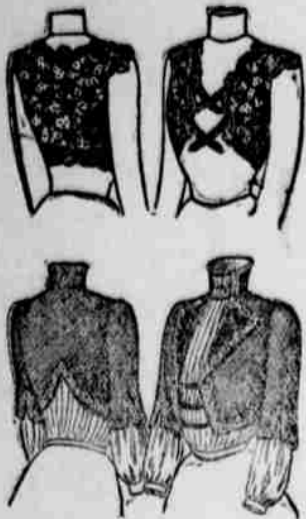


# THE REALM OF FASHION.

New York City.—The bolero is the all popular, all smart garment for afternoon and evening wear. The chic little May Manton models shown are



FANCY BOLEROS.

suitable to an infinite variety of material and are susceptible of almost endless variation. The sleeveless design can be made of brocaded velvet or silk, of all-over lace or embroidery, or of jetted or embroidered net, as well as of Oriental embroidery and silk. Beneath it can be worn chiffon, mousseline, Liberty, lace or such dress materials as silk crepe de Chine, and the lovely wool crepes. The second design is suited to silk, velvet, embroidery and all the heavier materials mentioned, or can be made to match the skirt and

placed by shaped straps and trimmed with tiny enamel buttons. The deep bertha is joined to the fronts and at the lower edge of the yoke in back, the stock collar being attached to the plastron and closing at the centre back. The sleeves fit snugly at the upper portion, but flare slightly at the lower edge where they turn back to form pointed cuffs. The undersleeves are full in Paquin style and are arranged over the fitted lining, which is cut full length, pointed bands finishing the wrists.

To cut this waist for a woman of medium size three and a quarter yards of material twenty-one inches wide, or two yards forty-four inches wide will be required, with one and a quarter yard of all-over lace eighteen inches wide and one yard of velvet twenty-one inches wide.

**The Middle of the Muff.**  
The muff which is not a faultless cylinder of mink, ermine or sable, is often much better. In a made muff, as such is called to distinguish it from an all-for muff, it is customary to introduce a "middle" piece of something fine and soft to contrast with the velvet or cloth used at the ends. Black Liberty silk, cunningly shirred occupies the middle of a castor velvet muff of large dimensions. Black mousseline de soie is drawn into puffs in the centre of a ruby velvet muff, which is made up to match a ruby velvet visiting costume.

**Dead Gold Ornaments.**  
Dead gold ornaments are among the millinery novelties, and are extremely effective on black, red, and, indeed, all dark colors. They are distinctly large and pronounced, and give the touch of



STYLISH FANCY WAIST.

be worn with some filmy peasant waist. As shown, the first is of velvet, embroidered with steel and jet; the second is of taffeta, with an edge of applique and revers of velvet. Both are essentially charming garments that are economical at the same time, as few patterns serve so admirably in remodeling last year's gowns. The large sleeves can always be cut down and the body portion requires but small pieces, yet with a simple waist of mousseline or Liberty the jacket will make the whole gown appear new and up-to-date.

The sleeveless bolero is cut with fronts and back only that are extended over the shoulders to form epaulettes. At the front are arranged bias bands by means of which it is held in place. The second model is also simple and fitted by means of shoulder and under-arm seams only, but is turned back at the fronts to form small, tapering revers. The sleeves are one-seamed and slashed at the lower edge. At the neck is a stock collar that, with the jacket fronts, is held by tiny straps of the material.

**Woman's Fancy Waist.**

The bodice that gives a waistcoat effect is much in vogue and is attractive in the extreme. The very charming May Manton model illustrated in the large engraving is adapted to theatre wear and all the many occasions that call for semi-dress. As shown it is of white taffeta with black velvet and cream lace over white, but innumerable combinations can be devised, and popular blouse materials are Black, with Turkish emerald deep cream chiffon, in lace, is chic.

tion is a fitted lining, the under-arm gores of which are covered with the material could be carefully boned. Material is faced into the made separately at the it is included in the right and under-arm seams and on onto the left. The fronts are laid in three tucks at each and are joined to the narrow, which are held in

completeness. They fasten long plumes or simple bands of gold galloon. They catch the front back or hold the side in place. But in some capacity they are almost certain to be found on the chic hat.

**Misses' Three-Quarter Coat.**

The three-quarter coat with box front and half fitted back is a favorite of the season for young girls, as well as for their elders, and means genuine warmth as well as style. The May Manton model illustrated combines many features, and is in every way up to date. The high, flaring collar fits snugly at the throat and widens to rest against the head and makes a frame for the girlish face. The revers are sharply pointed in Directoire style, and the back is shaped after the latest imported designs.

The fronts are loose in box style and turn back to form the revers. The back is cut with side-backs and a centre seam, which curves gracefully to the figure. The side seams are open to the top of the stitching and so provide additional ease and freedom. The collar is cut in four portions, high at the back and rounds off at the front. The sleeves are two-seamed and fit snugly. Pockets, with laps, are inserted in each front and the coat is



A THREE-QUARTER COAT.

closed with handsome buttons and buttonholes in double-breasted fashion. To cut this coat for a miss of fourteen years of age two and five-eighths yards of material fifty-four inches wide will be required.

## FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS.

### SENATE.

#### FIFTH DAY.

No business of importance was transacted by the Senate in open session, practically the entire legislative day was consumed by an executive session, after which the Senate adjourned until Monday. The developments of the session were: An agreement on the part of the Senate to vote on the amendment offered by the committee on foreign relations providing for the policing of the canal, an amendment offered by Senator Teller striking out the treaty prohibition against the fortification of the Nicaragua canal when constructed.

#### SEVENTH DAY.

The Senate spent almost five hours in executive session, considering the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. A bill to provide for the appointment of an additional district judge in the Northern Judicial district of Ohio was passed, after which the Senate went into secret session.

#### EIGHTH DAY.

The shipping subsidy bill was taken up in the Senate. Mr. Clay, Democrat, Georgia, opposed the bill on the ground that it would cost the government \$9,000,000 a year for 20 years and donate that vast sum to the ship owners carrying the foreign trade of the country. The Grant oleomargarine bill, passed by the House, was referred to the Committee on agriculture. The credentials of William A. Clark and Martin Maginnis appointed senators from Montana, were referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

#### NINTH DAY.

Business suspended in both branches of Congress on account of the centennial celebration of the National Capitol.

#### TENTH DAY.

By a vote of 65 to 17 the Davis amendment to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty was adopted. Senator Hanna defended the shipping subsidy bill in a three-hour speech. Senator Money introduced a resolution providing authority for the abrogation of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty by diplomatic negotiation.

### HOUSE.

#### FIFTH DAY.

The Grant oleomargarine bill was passed by a vote of 196 to 92. The bill, as passed, makes all articles known as oleomargarine, butterine, imitation butter or imitation cheese transported into any State or Territory for consumption or sale, subject to the police power of such State or Territory.

Representative Taylor, of Ohio, has introduced a measure for Federal prohibition of polygamy. Representative Graham introduced a bill to give ex-prisoners of war \$2 for each and every day imprisoned and a pension of \$12 a month in lieu of any pension now received.

#### SIXTH DAY.

Representative Graham, of Allegheny, at the request of the Union Veteran League, introduced a bill granting per diem pensions to all honorably discharged officers and enlisted men of the United States army during the civil war.

Most of the day was devoted to eulogies on the late Representative Alfred C. Harmer, of Philadelphia.

#### SEVENTH DAY.

The House passed the executive, legislative and judicial appropriation bill, carrying \$24,496,378, and then adjourned. It was the first of the great supply bills of the session.

#### EIGHTH DAY.

The debate on the war revenue reduction bill opened in the House. Mr. Payne, of New York, chairman of the ways and means committee, spoke on behalf of the majority, and Mr. Swanson, of Virginia, on behalf of the minority.

A congressional inquiry into the Booz hearing case is also decided upon by appointing a special committee of five members to investigate.

#### TENTH DAY.

The House adopted a resolution for a holiday recess from Friday, December 21, to Thursday, January 3. It was agreed that general debate on the bill for the reduction of the war taxes should close at 2 o'clock Friday. Consideration of the bill was resumed.

#### ELEVENTH DAY.

The pension appropriation bill, carrying \$145,250,000, was reported to the House, which then went into committee of the whole on the bill reducing the war taxes. The House adheres to the \$1.60 rate on beer, and refuses to abolish the one-sixth and one-eighth barrels. An amendment was adopted retaining the tax on railroad, steamboat and express, freight receipts and compelling the company to pay the tax.

#### ELEVENTH DAY.

SENATE.  
The Senate committee on foreign relations proposes to abolish the Clayton-Bulwer agreement and not ask the consent of other powers to the new convention. Further amendments to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty have been agreed upon.

#### Gold Nuggets Escaped the Smelter.

Melbourne is now the scene of gold digging operations. According to the Melbourne Age the discoverer of the auriferous ground is a contractor, who, in demolishing an old house at the rear of the Bank of Australasia, came upon a piece of pure gold worth about \$20. This bullion had not, as might have been imagined, strayed out of the strong room of the bank. Investigations revealed that the position where it was found was the site of the old bank smelting house. Encouraged by this information, the contractor commenced prospecting operations and washed up altogether about \$300 of fine alluvial gold. Later he secured the contract for pulling down premises that stood on the site of another old smelting works and made more profitable funds.

Plans are on foot to do away with the danger of coasting vessels around Cape Hatteras, by entering an inside passage from Chesapeake bay to Beaufort inlet.

The Eskimos of Alaska make waterproof boots and shirts of the skin of the salmon.

## THE MARKETS.

### PHILADELPHIA.

GRAIN, FLOUR AND FEED.	
WHEAT—No. 2 red	70 1/2 @ 71
Rye—No. 2	60 1/2 @ 61
COB—No. 2 yellow, ear	43 1/2 @ 44 1/2
No. 2 yellow, shelled	43 1/2 @ 44 1/2
Mixed ear	41 1/2 @ 42 1/2
OATS—No. 2 white	29 1/2 @ 30 1/2
No. 3 white	28 1/2 @ 29 1/2
FLOUR—Winter patent	3 90 @ 4 00
Fancy straight winter	3 70 @ 3 80
HAY—No. 1 timothy	15 25 @ 15 50
Clover No. 1	13 75 @ 14 25
FEED—No. 1 white mid. for.	18 50 @ 19 00
Brown middlings	15 25 @ 15 50
Bran, bulk	15 75 @ 16 25
STRAW—Wheat	9 50 @ 10 00
Oat	9 00 @ 9 50

### Dairy Products.

BUTTER—Elgin creamery	28 @ 28 1/2
Ohio creamery	28 @ 28 1/2
Fancy country	19 @ 20
CHEESE—Ohio, new	11 1/2 @ 12
New York, new	12 1/2 @ 13

### Poultry, etc.

HENS—per lb.	7 @ 7 1/2
CHICKENS—dressed	11 @ 12 1/2
Eggs—Pa. and Ohio, fresh	25 @ 25 1/2

### Fruits and Vegetables.

BEANS—Navy, per bushel	2 10 @ 2 15
POTATOES—Fancy white, 7 bu.	45 @ 50
CABBAGE—per barrel	90 @ 100
ONIONS—per bushel	65 @ 75

### BALTIMORE.

FLOUR—No. 2 red	3 80 @ 4 00
WHEAT—No. 2 red	72 @ 72 1/2
COB—mixed	43 1/2 @ 43 3/4
OATS—No. 2 white	30 @ 30 1/2
Eggs—Ohio creamery	26 @ 27
BUTTER—Ohio creamery	26 @ 27

### PHILADELPHIA.

FLOUR—No. 2 red	3 20 @ 3 40
WHEAT—No. 2 red	72 @ 72 1/2
COB—No. 2 mixed	42 @ 42 1/2
OATS—No. 2 white	30 @ 30 1/2
BUTTER—Creamery, extra	26 @ 27
Eggs—Pennsylvania first	25 @ 26

### NEW YORK.

FLOUR—Patents	3 80 @ 4 25
WHEAT—No. 2 red	55 @ 56 1/2
COB—No. 2	43 @ 44
OATS—White western	30 @ 35
BUTTER—Creamery	18 @ 26
Eggs—State and Penna.	22 @ 27

### LIVE STOCK.

Central Stock Yards, East Liberty, Pa.	
CATTLE.	
Prime heavy, 1500 to 1600 lbs.	5 40 @ 5 60
Prime, 1300 to 1400 lbs.	5 00 @ 5 25
Medium, 1000 to 1200 lbs.	4 50 @ 4 60
Fat heifers	3 00 @ 4 10
Butcher, 1000 to 1000 lbs.	3 50 @ 4 00
Common to fair	3 00 @ 3 50
Oxen, common to fat	3 00 @ 4 10
Common to good fat bulls & cows	2 50 @ 3 00
Milch cows, each	20 00 @ 35 00
Extra milch cows, each	35 00 @ 55 00

HOGS.	
Prime medium weights	5 10 @ 5 15
Best heavy Yorkers and medium	5 00 @ 5 10
Good to choice Yorkers	5 05 @ 5 10
Good pigs and light Yorkers	5 00 @ 5 05
Skip pigs	3 50 @ 3 90
Prime heavy hogs	5 05 @ 5 10
Common to fair	4 50 @ 5 00
Roughs	3 50 @ 4 00
Stags	3 00 @ 3 90

SHEEP.	
Extra, medium weight wethers	4 10 @ 4 25
Good to choice	3 60 @ 4 00
Medium	3 25 @ 3 55
Common to fair	1 50 @ 3 25

LAMBS.	
Lamb, extra spring	5 50 @ 5 75
Lamb, good to choice, spring	5 00 @ 5 50
Lamb, common to fair, spring	4 25 @ 4 90

CALVES.	
Veal, extra	6 50 @ 7 00
Veal, good to choice	6 00 @ 6 50
Veal, common to fair	4 50 @ 5 00
Veal, common heavy	3 90 @ 4 00

### TRADE REVIEW.

Some Increase in Trade—Good Country Collections Relieve Anxiety About High Money Rates.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: Holiday trade has increased moderately and in wholesale staple lines no relapse is seen either in volume of transaction or in prices. Cold weather has helped New York, but it is still behind the rest of the country, for some recent losses from failures in the textile markets have fallen rather heavily there. Collections in the country continue good and this relieves anxiety which might be otherwise felt over the higher rates for money. Merchants' accounts are in good position, so that new sales of commercial paper are light even for this season.

A sharp rise to a minimum of \$4.85 in wholesale price of coal, fully 35 cents in two weeks, reflects actual scarcity of the product more than negotiations to harmonize the trade. Most of the footwear manufacturers have booked sufficient business to keep them well occupied for many weeks, and are refusing new contracts, except at a further advance in prices. Improvement is noticed in the local jobbing trade, aside from rubber goods, which are neglected. Sole leather is quiet and union backs weaker, but upper is remarkably active for the season stocks of glazed kid have been reduced.

Sales of wool at the three Eastern markets increased to 5,785,800 pounds, against 5,267,344 pounds in the previous week. Exports of cotton in November were valued at \$15,054,071, more than in the same month last year, mainly owing to an advance of 2 1/2 cents in price.

Bradstreet says: Wheat, including flour, shipments for the week aggregate 4,785,577 bushels, against 3,432,150 bushels last week, 3,268,649 bushels in the corresponding week of 1899, 6,243,859 bushels in 1898, 4,604,399 bushels in 1897, and 3,524,822 bushels in 1896. From July 1 to date this season wheat exports are 86,017,003 bushels, against 97,567,922 bushels last season and 109,720,853 bushels in 1898-99. Corn exports for the week aggregate 4,853,458 bushels against 5,371,477 bushels last week, 4,017,185 bushels in this week a year ago, 3,251,936 bushels in 1898, 4,129,878 bushels in 1897 and 2,814,159 bushels in 1896. From July 1 to date this season corn exports are 84,006,420 bushels, against 104,450,886 bushels last season and 73,187,220 bushels in 1898-99.

Business failures for the week in the United States number 247 as against 224 last week; 211 in this week a year ago, 234 in 1898, 283 in 1897 and 350 in 1896. Canadian failures for the week number 18, against 27 last week; 28 in this week a year ago, 32 in 1898, 43 in 1897 and 39 in 1896.

Through carelessness eight persons at Sandviken, Sweden, have been poisoned by drinking tea. Three of them are dead.

### Entertaining Royal Visitors.

At the time of the historic visit of the Prince of Wales to the White House, in 1860, President Buchanan had to vacate his own bedchamber and sleep in the public ante-room on the office floor. Even then five members of the Prince's suite had to be turned away from the executive mansion and taken over to the British minister's house. The Prince occupied what is now Mrs. McKinley's boudoir. The Duke of Newcastle, his state advisor, slept in the President's room, and General Bruce, another of his courtiers, was placed in the room opposite the library.

### Thirty Years of the Rhine.

Augustine Birrell begins in the December Century a series of papers on the Rhine. In the opening pages he moralizes on the changes since he first knew the river, before the Franco-Prussian war: "In 1858 the Rhine was at least an open question, a theme for the publicist no less than for the poet. But now the difference! At Koblenz itself does there not now stand on the quay, a sight for all the world, a copper monument, 45 feet high, of the Emperor William I? Truthfully does the useful Biedeker observe, in one of those new issues of his which record so impressively the mightiest changes, that it (the monument) dominates the landscape in all directions! In another part of the town is a monument to the Empress Augusta, that faithful spouse and sympathetic correspondent. Needless to add, Koblenz has its Bismarck Strasse. La noble et sainte patrie de tous les penseurs forsook in 1870 the lecture room for the tented field; and on the 16th and 18th of August, on the plateaus of Gravelotte, fought with a huge price of German blood the right to call both banks of the Rhine her own."

What are two-and-thirty years in the history of the Rhine? Celts and Romans, archbishops and princes, kings and emperors, she has known them all. What is it to her to whom the spire of Strasburg belongs? Nay, to whom in any real sense does it belong now? But to the east and west of Metz lie the bleached bones of a hundred thousand men, Frenchmen and Germans, who were ready to forswear the pleasant sun and to go down into Hades before their day for the cause symbolized by the Rhine. How horrible it would be could a river be ironical, could its waters sneer! The charm of nature is her irresponsiveness. She answers you back never a word.

### Good Farm Hands Scarce in England.

The decay of agricultural skill has gone too far. Men who can trench and drain, quick-fence and sink a well are becoming few; farmers and thatchers are rarities, indeed, and the minor, but still important, arts of husbandry linger only among the dying generation. Moreover, an impression is growing wide and deep that for the better type of laborer, now that he is equipped with some education, has a wider outlook and has learnt to adapt himself to new conditions, the provision of small holdings, whether under the act or independently between landlord and tenant, may prove his industrial salvation. For while it is recognized that many must be unequal to the special demands of the life, two or three of the best men in every village in the country could do well with holdings of from 20 to 30 acres. They could still give their skilled labor in those times of pressure when the farmers only demand them, and they would rear healthy families with a growing desire to remain on the land.—London Daily Mail.

Tuberculosis has been placed among the diseases which are subject to quarantine. The commissioner of immigration has so decided in the case of a Japanese who arrived at San Francisco from Japan ill with this lung trouble. It was decided that the patient could not land, but must return to the port from which he sailed.

Thirty minutes is all the time required to dye with PUTNAM FADELESS DYE. Sold by all druggists.

Cincinnati is now claiming to be the greatest whisky market in the world. The wholesale trade there announces that the year will be the heaviest the city has ever had.

Headaches and Nervous Depression are quickly relieved by using Garfield's Headache Powders, which are composed entirely of herbs and are harmless.

Paris has a population of 3,000,000 persons and only 40,900 are Protestants.

Uncle Sam's Soldiers Will eat Libby's Plum Pudding for Christmas dinner. The U. S. Government has just purchased a large consignment of Libby, McNeill & Libby's famous plum pudding, which will be supplied to American Soldiers in the Philippine Islands and Cuba.

The loss through drought in Western Queensland during the last seven years has been about £7,600,000.

The Best Prescription for Chills and Fever is a bottle of GROVE'S TARTARUM CURE. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. Price 50c.

The land where the city of Hannibal, Mo., is now located sold in 1828 for \$640. A dyspeptic is never on good terms with himself. Something is always wrong. Get it right by chewing Beeman's Peppin Gum.

France has twenty-two organ manufacturing factories.

I am sure Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—Mrs. Thos. Roberts, Maple St., Norwich, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1900.

Nearly £300,000 worth of articles are pawned in London weekly.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children's teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, 25c a bottle.

More than half the population of the earth has direct access to the Pacific.

For fatigue of mind and body take Garfield Headache Powders; they bring immediate relief and no reaction follows their use; they are made from herbs.

In a mile of railway there are more than 2,000 sleepers.

To Cure a Cold in One Day, Take Libby's Famous Plum Pudding. It is guaranteed to refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Groves' signature is on each box. 25c.

The number of suicides in the German empire last year was 10,700.

### Losses Are Carefully Guarded.

You never see Monte Carlo referred to in any of the newspapers of the south of France except when somebody has won a large sum of money at the tables. These papers are bribed to insert reports of big gains by the players, and to keep out news of big losses. The suicides are also not reported for the same reason. When an English paper contains a disparaging reference to the place it is forbidden, for the time, to be sold in Monaco, and is removed from the public reading rooms.—New York Telegram.

Poland is the only conquered nation in this century prior to the present events in South Africa, whose conquerors have offered no terms but annihilation to the vanquished.

### \$100 Reward. \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh, Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address: F. J. CHESNEY & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

The latest quotation for a chicken in Manila is \$1.25, and for beef \$1.50 a pound.

### Best For the Bowels.