

WOMAN'S BENEFIT

A New Material.
A new silk material is called from crepe, and resembles crepe de chine. It is said to wear well, and to wash perfectly. Such a fabric ought to become very popular. If it retains its beauty after washing it would be an ideal material for infants' coats and bonnets.

The Latest Fads in Hair Ornaments.
To-day the fashionable girl coils her hair low on her neck, and it is especially with this style of coiffure that she needs some dainty ornament as a finishing touch for the top of the coil. The very latest novelty of the moment is a graceful feathery spray in the form of an open pond lily and a bud. At one side of the coil the lily and the bud are caught, while at the other side is a smaller bud and a leaf.

Another odd little hair ornament which is pretty and original in effect, yet very simple to make, is of braided strands of satin ribbon, wide enough to make a two-inch band, which is only long enough to just outline the top of the coil, while at either side it is finished with a little silk tassel.

Hair nets are being worn again, and the girl who has tight hair has her net studded with bits of shining jet, while for evening wear the clever dark haired girl has some threads of gold interwoven with the mesh of her net.—*Woman's Home Companion.*

A Tip to Young Wives.
The wife who tries to keep alive her husband's love for his mother, not only in his heart, but in outward observance as well, in the end serves her own interests better than theirs. The boy who loves his mother and sisters, and who is always thoughtful and tender with them, will be a good husband nine times out of ten. The love of the many comes with the love of one, and just as truly as he loves his sweetheart better because of his mother and sisters, he may love them better because of her.

The poor, heart-hungry mother who stands by with brimming eyes, fearful that the joy of her life may be taken from her, will be content with a little if she may but keep it for her own. It is only a little while, at the longest, for the end of the journey is soon, but sunset and afterglow would have some of the rapture of dawn if her son's wife opened the door of her thoughtless young heart and said, with true sincerity and wells of tenderness, "Mother—come!"—*Pittsburg Dispatch.*

Exercise For the Busy Housewife.
If a woman is too busy to take a daily walk outdoors she should seek to get as much fresh air and healthful exercise in her home as possible.

Hold the body erect, the weight resting upon the balls of the feet, the chest active and thrown back, before an open window or door while inhaling deep draughts of fresh air. This should be done several times a day.

In sitting at the machine, table or desk incline the body from the waist. Do not hunch the shoulders or bow the back.

If the eyes become tired rest them for a few seconds, either by closing easily or changing the direction and angle of vision by looking off from the work.

Awaying of the body (from the waist) backward and forward and to the right and left will rest the muscles of the waist and back.

For a few minutes lie flat upon the back, relax the entire body, become passive in mind and calm in spirit, and you will rise a renewed woman.—*Woman's Home Companion.*

Smart Touches For Gloves and Scarfs.

That there is no problem in dressing that the smart girl cannot solve is illustrated by the newest evening glove. Every girl has been inconvenienced by her long glove slipping down just when she didn't wish it to, for the too-wide-at-the-tip glove is an old, old source of worry. But it does not exist any more. The smart girl cuts a deep V in the top of her long evening glove, sews little silk eyelids to either side, and then proceeds to lace it up. Sometimes she uses silk cord of just the same shade as the glove, and then again silver or gold cord; the ends of the cord are usually finished with little tassels, and they may be of silk, gilt or pearl beads or chenille. The glove laced in this way is sure to stay in its proper place, and the lacing adds to, rather than detracts from, its good looks.

The new filmy scarfs of shaded chiffon and flared silk gauze will be found very useful to the girl who plans to go out a bit this winter. They are long enough all wide enough to be used as a substitute for a hood, besides having two stole ends. They are also pretty to throw over the shoulders at an evening affair when one is not dancing. They come in all the loveliest shades you can imagine. Some are plain, and some are flower-scattered, while the faintest are finished with an edge of soft marabout.—*Woman's Home Companion.*

The "Gibson Girl" Pose.
That Mr. C. D. Gibson and other fashionists are "responsible for the atrocious attitudes affected by young women" was the theory propounded by Mrs. Ayres, a professor in the University of Syracuse, before the recent Assembly of Mothers in that city. "It will take thousands of gymnasts and instructors," she added, "to undo the evil effects of the Gibson pose, brims of self-consciousness and angularity."

Upon cursory examination there might seem to be truth in this indictment. Real "Gibson girls" are impos-

sible and will be until women grow eight feet tall, but no one can look into a photographer's showense without noting there, caught by the camera, an irritating insolence of pose assumed by many young women in the silly effort to look as much like "Gibson girls" as they can. If character can be unfavorably affected by the reflex action of unlovely expression, these women are on the road that leads to snobbery, which is rather a parvenu than an "aristocratic" trait, besides pitilessly distorting their bodies.

But is not Mrs. Ayres mistaking cause for effect? Women cannot become eight feet tall merely because an artist so represents them. As for the "kangaroo walk" and that insolent droop of eye and upthrust chin, are these assumed because Mr. Gibson draws them so, or does he not rather draw them because they happen to be the fashion of the moment? More than that they cannot be, for a modest and unswaggering man will never permanently "go out of style."—*New York World.*

Girls and College.
I heard Mrs. Robbins commended the other day as a remarkably fine woman. Her great merit had been demonstrated, her laudator said, by her making Charles Robbins such a good wife. That means, of course, that she had made a fairly good husband out of Charles. When you hear of women being good wives it is worth while to remember that the usual proof of a good wife is a good husband.

It was no great trick to make a good husband out of Charles, for he was always a man with proclivities towards righteousness, but he is an important man with great opportunities of influence and usefulness, and she is in truth an admirable wife for him, wise, handsome, devoted and harmonious. I respect her opinion about girls and their education because she is an exceedingly good example of her kind of American woman. Charles has got rich, so she has the opportunities that come with money, as well as those that come with brains, but she would have been just as valuable a partner to a man with \$1500 a year as to a rich man. Mrs. Robbins went to a girls' college, and she holds that girls who ought to go to college. Sending a girl to college, she says, should be at least as much a matter of course as sending a boy to college. She thinks that, of the two, the girls need it more, because a woman's life tends to be narrower and more secluded than a man's, and ordinarily she has less opportunity for intellectual growth after she marries. Mrs. Robbins complains that people who plan from the first to send their boys to college still leave the college question open as to their girls.—*E. S. Martin, in Harper's Bazar.*

A Boon to Housewives.
China in open stock sets is one of the conveniences of the present day. The increasing prevalence of the course dinner and the practice of using several varieties of china for its service is largely responsible for the change, says the Washington Star. A woman who some years ago purchased a handsome dinner set now feels that if she used it alone she would make a poor showing before her guests.

A Waste of Energy.
There is nothing more detrimental to beauty in woman than worry, declares a woman who never worries. The worrying woman does nobody any good. She simply invites the hand of Time, which writes plenty of wrinkles on her brow, around her eyes and mouth, paints her face a yellow, and gives her a lack-lustre eye that no artifice can brighten.

It is quite unnecessary to worry, and it is a total waste of energy which could be better employed in doing something useful. The man who wrote (it must have been a man) "it is not work but worry that kills" knew something. He had a wife, or a sister, or a cousin, or an aunt who worried him by the hour, and so killed him by inches. That is the worst of a worrying woman. She not only worries, but she worries you.

You know a worrying woman the moment you see her. Her character is written in her face in wrinkles which you would think nothing short of a miracle would obliterate.

Downtight ugliness is a heavy price to have to pay for the possession of a bad habit, but there it is; and not only does worry directly influence the complexion for evil; its more remote effects are no less potent in robbing the face of the peach-bloom tints, which are the admiration of the poet, the painter and the general public. Worry affects the entire nervous system, and through it the liver and organs of digestion and the heart. The things a woman eats have more than anything else the power to make or mar her beauty, so let her beware of worrying overmuch, lest she lose that greatest of all the gifts of the good fairies.

Needle Work Notes.
At weddings the bride's stockings are being embroidered with her favorite flower, tiny seed pearls being introduced between the silk work.

Red cushion covers in artistic Oriental colorings and designs are shown just in time for all furnishings and are excellent for covering old pillows.

An attractive gift is made of the ordinary wooden coat and skirt hangers, which are neatly wound with ribbon or covered with silk and are plentifully sprinkled with sachet powder.

A beautiful table cover of ecru linen had for its ornamentation a very conventional border of grape design, the leaves wrought in rusty browns with touches of green, and the fruit in dull, gloomy purples.

A lovely tablespread and quite above the ordinary was made of a square of old rose linen, lined with pale green sateen of fine quality. Over the surface of the spread were scattered creamy tulips, full sized, wrought in running stitches, as were also the green leaves.

HOUSEHOLD MATTERS

Hints to Housekeepers.

A nice way to prepare Frankfurts of other sausages of commercial brand is to parboil them, split them in halves and then broil them. This is a New York idea.

It will be understood that water for drinking purposes should be boiled. The "flat" taste of boiled water can be removed, it is said, by heating rapidly with a Dover egg-beater just before using. This beats air into it, which is expelled in boiling.

Very few people are as careful as they ought to be about what they let run through waste pipes and the kitchen sinks. Plumbers grow rich on housekeepers' carelessness. Greasy water, coffee grounds, tea leaves, crumbs, etc., are allowed to run down the kitchen wastepipe, which eventually becomes stopped and entails endless annoyance and inconvenience to clear.

Water in which ham, corned beef, etc., has been boiled, should not be turned into the sink. It cools in its passage and deposits a coat of grease on the trap and on the pipe. Let it cool and remove the fat before pouring into the sink. If you do not use the fat for soap-making, burn it; it is cheaper and less trouble in the long run than to run it through the sink. Burn tea leaves and coffee grounds; it is surprising how much one can dispose of by fire with a little trouble.

Never throw combings, bits of string, threads, burnt matches or any such refuse into the pail or closet basin. Hair is particularly dangerous. It catches in any little irregularity of the inside of the pipe and serves to arrest the progress of other waste until by accretion it clogs the whole space.

China in Open Stock Sets.
China in open stock sets is one of the conveniences of the present day. The increasing prevalence of the course dinner and the practice of using several varieties of china for its service is largely responsible for the change, says the Washington Star. A woman who some years ago purchased a handsome dinner set now feels that if she used it alone she would make a poor showing before her guests.

Different plates are used for every course. The service plates are of particularly fine china. The plates for the meat course are of a simpler and more substantial design than those for the dessert, and the after dinner coffee is served in cups as delicate as can be found. In the larger establishments dinner is served from the butler's pantry. Many of the dishes used in a simpler menu where the roast and its accompaniments are placed on the table are not required in the former case. The needs of the different housekeepers are as varied as the houses in which they live.

It is no more expensive to have several kinds of china than to have all the pieces alike. Open sets have made this possible. Within the last five years these have increased in size and number. Now there is practically no style of china that cannot be bought in open stock.

A set of china which the merchant keeps on hand, and from which his customer makes her selections, is much more complete than the one he would formerly have sold her entire. He is prepared to suit all tastes and meet all needs. He has tea pots in all sizes, chocolate pots equally varied and sugar bowls and creamers to match. A woman with a large, small or medium family finds exactly the set size she requires. If her family increases, she is able to increase her number of pieces, and to obtain the larger sizes.

It is also possible to replace any piece of china. The housekeeper is not, as in the old days, heart broken over the loss of a dish. It can easily be duplicated.

There are open sets not only in the fine china, but in the pottery. In this less expensive ware are delightful reproductions of old-time dark blue with quaint little low tea pots, sugar bowls and creamers. The pottery in lighter colors, in pinks and in pinks and greens combined, has something of the art nouveau designs. They are pleasing, even if they have not quite the charm of the reproductions.

RECIPES

Creamed Beans—Soak a cup of dried lima beans over night, drain and cook in boiling salted water until soft, but still whole. Drain; add three-fourths of a cup of cream, season with butter, salt and pepper, re-heat and serve.

Lamb Balls—Chop meat quite fine, season with salt and pepper, add one egg, form into balls; have saucepan, with water at the boiling point—water must not be boiling—drop the balls into the water and cook at the boiling point only twenty minutes; serve with tomato sauce.

Sandwiches—Chop some beef or mutton very fine; chop one green pepper, add it to the meat; season with salt and pepper, mix a little gravy with it; butter scallop dishes or shells, fill them two-thirds full with the mixture; spread over mashed potato that has had a little cream added to it; brush over with melted butter and brown in the oven.

Salad Dressing—Beat three eggs until very thick, add one cup of cream and beat well; rub two level table-spoonfuls of mustard in a little cold milk or some of the cold cream; add one-half cup of vinegar and one level teaspoon of salt; put one-fourth cup of butter in the double boiler, add the creamy mixture and cook until creamy; if it cooks too long, it will separate; stir constantly while cooking; this is a delicious dressing and will keep weeks.

BETTY THINGS TO WEAR

New York City.—The demand for belts is increasing. At the moment the tendency is toward the wider sort, but almost everything is correct. Crush



FANCY BELTS.

belts, round belts, pointed belts all are worn and width is made to depend largely upon individual needs. The four May Manton designs here shown include a generous variety, but are all somewhat wider at the back, narrower at the front, so forming the lines that are best liked and most generally becoming. Number one is made of peau de cygne and is made pleated at the back, where it is held in place by strips of bone, and passed through a ring at the centre front, the ends being cut to form points. Number two gives a pointed effect at the front and round at the back. The material is taffeta simply stitched. The round portion and the pointed one are separate and are

come too common, as its price puts it beyond the reach of most purses. The material is so light in weight and so soft in texture that a half yard can easily be crushed in the palm of one's hand. It comes in all the new shades and is especially lovely in mauve and purple tones.

Dress Handkerchiefs.
Handkerchiefs for dress occasions are smaller than usual this season. Tiny squares are finished with frills of Valenciennes or embroidered with initial corners; and yet there is nothing in such good taste as plain fine linen batiste worked with a monogram. Fashion again permits the handkerchief to be carried in the cuff of the sleeve when occasion does not permit of the elegant handbags.

Newest Ribbons.
Among the newest ribbons are broad, soft fine weaves in taffeta, Liberty satin, and the most exquisite brocades. Some are in solid colors, and others printed in the loveliest of floral designs; while the brocades and metallic weaves are perfection in textiles.

Shirred Skirt.
Full length front panels combined with shirred sides and backs make some of the most fashionable and becoming skirts of the season. The panels are variously made of the material or of lace and can be plain or trimmed

A Late Design by May Manton.



Joined by means of small buckles. No. three is wide and round, but shaped at the end and is held by a buckle. The model is made of black satin with applique of white cloth, but many combinations are to be seen. Number four is another draped belt, but of quite a different sort from number two. The material is Liberty ribbon, with trimming of straps passed through small crocheted rings at the back and a fastening formed by bigger rings. The back is laid in pleats that are held in place by upright strips of bone and the ends are drawn through the rings.

The quantity of material required for all four belts is one and one-eighth yards of silk twenty-four inches wide, or three and one-eighth of ribbon eight inches wide.

In Silken Attire.
Of course you know the death knell of the silk shirt waist suit has been sounded with the fashionables in the avalanche of those natty and comfortable dresses that the department stores have been closing out at bargain prices. Indeed, the woman who goes in for exclusive styles dropped it from her list of "de rigueur" at the close of last season, and wore it in appreciation of its past usefulness as a modest morning gown during the winter months. The silk manufacturers and merchants have had at least two good seasons, and with so much encouragement they seem to have outdone themselves in the quality and design of the shimmering fabrics that have been put on display in the shops as "the very latest" for the coming season. Chiffon velvet is a new and very beautiful trimming material, and one which will not be



SHIRRED SKIRT.

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NEWSY CLEANINGS

Jacob Riis pronounces Washington's slums worse than those of New York. Steps have been taken for the organization of a national war on the mosquito.

Heavy fighting lasting two days between Dominican forces was reported from Santiago.

Joseph Keppler was chosen new Chief of the Six Nations at the tier of the late Mrs. Converse.

Woman have carried off the larger proportion of honors in the London University examinations.

The French Government has made arrangements for new Embassies at Washington, Rome and Vienna.

Russia continued the movement of troops eastward, and a strong squadron left the Mediterranean for Chinese waters.

Arrangements are being perfected for a traffic alliance between the Frisco railroad and the Southern for an entrance into New Orleans, La.

Edward J. Frost, inventor of the Frost or Pintsch light, used exclusively for lighting railroad coaches, died at Detroit, Mich., aged sixty-five years.

The New York Court of Appeals decided that a county tax lien does not take precedence of a city tax lien, and that in any case the latter holds good.

Experts recommending the purchase of watersheds in the vicinity of El Paso to increase New York City's water supply. The plan contemplates the expenditure of \$100,000,000.

Secretary Root sent a letter in defense of General Leonard Wood to the Senate Committee on Military Affairs, in which he says that the press reports of testimony are largely false.

Articles of incorporation were filed at Louisville, Ky., by the light Rev. Bishop Thomas U. Dudley, who, as Episcopal Bishop of Kentucky, constitutes a corporation, with all the powers of a corporation.

PROMINENT PEOPLE

The czar has given \$5000 to sufferers from the Neva floods.

King Lewanaica, ruler of Basutoland, is educating several of his many sons in England and Australia.

King Alfonso of Spain is about to start on a tour of Europe, visiting all the principal courts on the Continent.

Great White Bear, great-grandson of Tall Tree, once chief of the Crows, is a bugler in the United States Navy.

Edwin Warfield, Governor-elect of the State of Maryland, has been everything from a farmer's hired man to a banker.

Captain Alfred Johnson, who was the first man to cross the ocean in a small boat in 1870, is still living at Gloucester, Mass.

Pope Pius X. is suffering from a rheumatic affection of the foot in consequence of a cold contracted at Venice before his election to the papal chair.

President Loubet will resume shortly his study of astronomy. An observatory is being built on the grounds of the chateau which the President recently purchased.

King Christian of Denmark was handed his appointment as General in the German Army by the Kaiser's Aide-de-Camp, Major-General von Moltke, a nephew of the great strategist.

It is said that the widow of the late Max O'Rell will return to the stage. She was once well known in comic opera as Beatrice Eresham.

Major E. H. Ellis, of the British War Office, has been commissioned to examine the military surveys in Canada for the purpose of bringing them up to date.

Dr. Lorenz is said to have received an offer of \$40,000 to reduce the congenital hip dislocation of the small son of a brewer in the United States, the name not being given.

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