

held their sway socially and sentimen-

tally. Cleopatra, Helen of Troy, As-

two score years when their greatest

prowess was felt. Josephine was forty

years old before she became Empress,

and her sway was supreme and her

beauty pre-eminent at that age.

Madame de Maintenon was advanced

in years and not at all beautiful when

she captured a king for a husband and

held him captive till he died. George

Sand was fascinating and attractive to

old and young men in her middle life,

and the wonderful Ninon de l'Enclos

kept her charm of manner and beauty

"Mme. Patil, who celebrated her six-

ty-first birthday last spring, has no

wrinkles, gray hairs or crowsfeet, but

looks like a young woman of thirty.

Her Majesty, Queen Alexandra, is sixty

years old, and is a perfect beauty and

looks as well as either of the daugh-

ters." Dr. Cristion, who had the pleas-

ure of seeing her often, says this of

Her Majesty: "She is a beautiful,

preserved woman, a noble mother and

a charming grandmother. She never

uses powder, creams and seldom wears

Tenement Lace Making.

"A thoroughly interesting experiment

in lace making has been carried out

this summer at Greenwich house, on

New York's lower West Side, under

the direction of Miss Katharine Lord,"

says the current number of Charities.

stories which are woven into exquisite

laces which have come down to us

know that in several instances the

art of their fashioning has been almost,

lace making; further, seven or eight

"The plan Miss Lord has followed

has been to purchase the thread and

give it out, and then buy the lace from

the workers-much after the fashion in

which all industry was carried on in

skilled French embroiderer, with the

and with some Scotch women not un-

familiar with the craft, very little in-

not to be compared with the ordinary

sweating industries that carry house-

hold manufacture to such dire lengths.

"This summer's experiment was car-

ried on through the contributions of

a group of young New York women.

In developing the permanent work this

winter, with headquarters at Green-

wich house, Miss Lord will carry on

work with groups of women in con-

nection with several of the other neigh-

A novelty which combines comfort

and common sense is the long cloth

One sees chiffon, net and other dell-

Very charming is a lace blouse in

cream color with separate flowers and

leaves dipped in pale tints and applied

A little invention for the neck is out.

It is a little velvet stole with short,

broad ends. It is worn inside the coat,

Every one must have noticed the re-

vival of the scollop as a dress decora-

tion. Many of the handsomest broad-

cloth street gowns are thus decorated,

the effect given being one of graceful

In the early seventles gowns were

It must be a sort of annoyance to the

the lightest of ribbons or silk.

in graceful designs, says Vogue.

borhood centres."

glove from London.

name of _utiler.'

fluffiness.

employment.

a veil."-New Haven Register.

of person until she was eighty.

When you buy a potted plant from a Cashionable florist nowadays he does not send it home in the ordinary red pasia, were all women who had seen day pot such as has been in use from time out of mind, says the Philadelphia Inquirer. The plant is delivered in a receptacle of the conventional shape, but it is covered with fine straw bound around with raffia that is either painted a soft green or a dull shade of red. These bindings are fashioned in some pleasing designs and are varnished, so that the whole thing is ready to atand as an ornament just as it is. These plants may come high, but there is one economy in buying them. You do not have to purchase a jardinlere to put them in.

Gowns and Uniforms.

The practice of uniforming our servants and officials proceeds apace. Middle-aged people can recall the objections that were made to the practice mutil well after the war. Possibly it was the multitude of uniforms put into circulation by that momentous incident, and the honor which attached to them, that reconciled the public to the extension of the habit of distinctive dress. As the town drunkard had no characteristic apparel except his rags, so the town constable considered that his tin star was authority enough when he arrested the aforesaid, and as serwants in provincial towns ate with the family the idea of putting them into Hvery was undreamed of.

But while we talked largely of the equality of men in a democracy and the disgrace of wearing a dress which denoted a service that none thought disgraceful-or they would not have accepted it-the European fashion of costuming people according to their employments has obtained such hold on us that we should object loudly if it were discontinued. As the butler is commonly a more distinguished looking person than most of the guests he has to wear buttons to prevent himself from becoming a subject of mortifying confidences, and as the district messenger is a youth of headlong habits, he is compelled to put himself in blue, so that he shall have right of way when he surges through our streets eager to break records in speed of delivery. We have extended this habit of uniforming till now we recognize not only our soldiers, sailors, marines and policemen, as such, but our letter carriers, customs officers, building inspectors, conductors, train hands, ferrymen, janitors, gatekeepers, guides, nurses, wardens, street cleaners and not only do clubs and families uniform their servants, but many shopkeepers and corporations require their employes to wear a striking dress,-Brooklyn Eagle.

Some Funny Fashtous.

Some of the winter fashlons are go ing to be mighty foolish for a girl earning wages to follow. There will be every chance for her to make herself conspicuous and ridiculous if she has a mind to.

Her hat, which was perched on top of an enormous pompadore, was of the most fly-away order. It had so many wings on it that it is a wonder it did not fly off her head,

Her waist was a cheap white lace and she wore a string of pearls around her neck.

Her skirt was of thin black material and the underskirt was far too scant for the outer. She had patent leather shoes on with

beels three inches high. She is employed in an office, and that

was her business costume.

Every man she passed stared at her and turned to look after her. The glances were not those of admiration. Her clothes were conspicuous, unladylike and unbecoming.

It's a bad plan to buy a thing just because it happens to be stylish. The wise girl chooses what is becoming and sets her own sivles.

When she can have but a limited wardrobe it is a great mistake to have her things so conspicuous that everyone will get to know them. The last thing a well bred woman wants to be is conspicuous. Loud dressing is al most as bad as loud behavior.

Do not spend all your money on you hat and dress and not have enough left to buy a warm coat. The most bewitching hats will not do you much good if your nose is red.

Buy sensible, heavy-soled shoes, and keep your feet warm and dry. Patent

leather is only for "dress" occasions. If you are a girl who goes to work. bring all your common sense to bear on the question and put temptation in the way of foolish fashions behind you .-

Scranton Tribune.

Beauty and Age.
Dr. Cristion, of Paris, who gives beauty culture and facial blemish lectures, says that women at fifty are in the prime of life.

"In this age nothing is more absurd yards of narrow ruffles or pleatings. than for a woman to imagine her power to please and attract her husband and hold her own socially has ceased because she has attained middie age." says Dr. Cristion. they will stop.

"The woman of brain and culture who has the self control and perseverance to combat obesity and the men tal and scientific equipment to defy wrinkles should feel no fear of advancing time-should, indeed, regard it as a general friend with added gifts

-Jousehold Matters

Saratoga Potatoes. Slice some potatoes very thin, let stand to ice water about one hour, then thoroughly dry with a towel, have a saucepan ready with boiling hot lard, drop each piece into the boiling fat and fry until crisp and brown Remove with a wire spoon, drain and sprinkle with salt while hot.

Preserved Tomatoes.

Half peck of green tomatoes, quartar them, add four pounds of sugar, melt, strain and silce three or four lemons: cook until tender. To make a tender omelette use hot water in the proportion of a tablespoonful to each egg. instead of the milk usually advised. Chives for salads are very

Sauce For the Cecits.

Put in a frying pan one tablespoon al of butter and the same of flour, mix perfectly smooth without allow ing to color. Pour in one cupful of stock and return to the fire, stirring it all the time until quite thick. Season with balf a teaspoonful of salt, a little pepper. Beat the yolks of two eggs, stir these into the sauce-add the fules of one lemon and one tablespoonful of capers,

Egg a la Golden Rod.

White sauce to be made of two poonfuls of butter, two even spoonfuis of flour slifted into the melted butter, scald two cups of milk and pour gradually over the above mixture until it is the right thickness. add pepper and salt, boil six or seven eggs hard, separate them, chop or slice the whites and add to the sauce Place on platter tonsted bread cut in points squares or slices, pour the sauce over the mixture and sift the Those who know the picturesque volks over it. Use the potato ricer to sift the yolks through.

Cut some boiled potatoes into slices, if not quite, lost. Many of the Italian make one pint of thick white sauce. women in the tenement districts are mix with it (off the fire) four ounces skillful lace makers, but their materials of grated cheese, cayenne pepper and are more often than not of the rough- sait to taste, and, if mustard be liked, est sort and of colors abominable, two teaspoons of made mustard may Lace making has been carried on in be added. Fry some triangular crouconnection with the work at South End tons with white of an egg, stick a house, Boston, until it is quite past the crescent-shaped border of them on a experimental stage, and the success of dish, inside them arrange a close row this summer's venture leads those who of sliced potato, cover it with some have been watching it to believe that sauce, then repeat in alternate layers such is the case also in New York, till the crescent is high. Mask the Over thirty girls and women have been | whole with the sauce, sprinkle it thickinstructed in one or more kinds of ly with grated cheese and fried bread crumbs, heat and brown for about expert lace makers have been given twenty minutes in the oven and serve hot.

Cecils of Beef.

Two cups of minced cold beef, one teaspoonful of chopped parsiey, one tenapoonful of chopped onion, the peel the domestic stage. With the younger of a quarter of a lemon. Half a tengirls the instruction has, of course, spoonful of salt. Two or three dashes been very elementary; but with a of pepper. Two eggs and a cupful of groups. One slice of bread soaked Italian women who had spent their in a quarter of a cupful of cream. time on crude braid laces and the like. Mix together the onion, parsley and bread crumbs. Beat up one egg and put it in with the meat, place it over struction has been needed to teach the fire and let it heat thoroughly. the finer patterns. It is believed that After it cools sufficiently make up into when a sufficient number of workers balls the size of an egg. Roll the balls are employed, so that contracts with ürst in flour, then into beaten egg merchants can be filled reliably, steady mixed with a tablespoonful of hot work can be assured women and girls water, then roll in cracker crumbs to take up lace making in their homes Have a pan of boiling lard; try a and to mend old ace. For cripples and place of bread first in the bot lard for women with children, who cannot and if it browns instantly it is right go out to factories readily, lace making for frying. The lard must be half an offers an opportunity for work. It is luch above the top of the cecils, else



Clean gilt frames with rain water in which flower of sulphur has been stirred.

A little flour dredged over a cake before icing will keep the icing from spreading and running off.

When milk is to be used in tumblers wash them first in cold water and afterwards rinse in hot water

When the washboiler is rusted place the clothes in a bag or old pillow slip before putting them in to boll, writes a correspondent. But why not try the up to-date soups that do away with cate fabrics scalloped and bound with the boiling?

A novel way for one's overshoes to be identified is to fasten them together with a clothespin bearing one's name. A more practical idea, however, is to have the name written in each shoe with red ink

The tops of wardrokes and cupboards (that do not reach to the ceilas a sort of chest protector, hence its | ing) should have papers laid over them agt only to keep dust from silfting down but to lighten the monthly house cleaning.

Small pieces of cotton batting, slightly steamed, make good dusters that should be burned after once using. A medium-sized camel's-hair paint brush is most useful in dusting the trimmed with dozens and dozens of carving of furniture.

A quick-witted woman stopped the We are not cutting up materials in such flow from a cut artery in the leg by reckless fashion nowadays, but the putting the foot in three inches of narrow pleating have been revived, dour in a large jar and jacking flour and no one knows precisely where to the top of the jar, beating the flour down with a piece of stove wood.

If newspapers are spread on the fashionable that again the lines of the goor before the stove when ashes are figure have changed, and the too, too to be removed much work will be solid flesh has now to be by some saved, for the papers can be gathered means compressed. Hips are very unfashionable. In fact, to be truly smart, one must have a figure like the traditional bean-pole, very long and quite straight up and down.

saved for the papers can be gathered up and burned and there will be no necessity for sweeping. The asher should be sprinkled with water be fore the pau is overturned.



New York City.-So many fancy donses are of necessity closed at the in medium size. back that it becomes a relief to the Misses' Eton With Yest.

woman of practical mind to find a

fashionable one which can be closed at the front while it retains the essential features of style and smartness. Here is one that fulfills the conditions and that takes one of the most

yards of banding to trim as illustrated

The januty eton coat is a favorite for the young girls as well as for the more mature women and is to be noted made in various styles. Here is one of the prettiest and that includes a narrow vest, a wide collar and quite novel sleeves. As shown it is made of dark red Venetian cloth combined with silk, while the trimming is straps of the material embroldered with simulated button-holes and held by handsome buttons but it is an available model and can be utilized in various ways. The vest and cuffs appro priately could be of velvet, of silk embroidered in some simple design, of the richer Mandarin embroideries or of cloth braided or, indeed, of almost any contrasting material that makes a good effect, while for the jacket itoff all seasonable sultings are appro-

The Eton is made with the plain back, fronts that are cut in two portions each and the vest. The vest is loined to the fronts and the closing made at the centre while the neck edge finished with the collar. sleeves can be either long, as illustrated or cut off in three-quarter tength and allow a choice of scalloned

printe.

or plain cuffs.



DESIGN BY MAY MANSON

desirable of all forms, occupying a place midway between the severe shirt walst and the elaborate blouse. In the three and five-eighth yards twenty Illustration it is made of a pretty, simple figured silk trimmed with banding and matches the skirt, but it also is fif(y-two laches wide, with one yard adapted to the separate waist and will be found available for almost everytaing seasonable. It is full below the yoke and must take soft folds, but this eason so many fabries are of the 'chiffon" order that in spite of that fact the list is long and generous. The shaped yoke and the deep pointed cuffs make especially noteworthy features and could be of contrasting material if better liked.

The waist is made with the fitted lining, which is optional, the yoke and the full fronts and back. These last are gathered and joined to the yoke and the waist is arranged over the lining, the closing being made invisibly at the centre. In this instance the plain stock is covered with a crushable one of chiffon, but the collar with out fulness has certain advantages which are self evident. The sleeves are full above the deep pointed cuffs and are arranged over fitted linings.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is four and oneeighth yards twenty-one, three and ne-quarter yards twenty-seven or two and three-quarter yards forty-four inches wide, with seven-eighth yards silk for belt and four and three-eighth one-half yards of banding

Extremely Popular.

Girdles are so extremely popular



He followed her both near and far,

But she remained both grim and grave;
"I wish," she said, "you would behave
And so he went and was a monk—
Oh, tunk-a-tun

SYMPATHY

Harper's Weekly says that one after-

a little girl of about eight years, bear

Chloroform, instruments and bandages

may take the dog home with you."

The little one's eves widened, "Oh."

And off she went, leaving the dog

That is a very pretty story, and one

The men and women of the future

will be kind to one another if the boys

THE BEAUTIFUL NAUTILUS.

the snall family is that of the nau

tilus, with its delicate pearly tints and

THE NAUTILUS.

frail texture. These lovely shells are

offered for sale at nearly all the sea-

side resorts, but are not found, excep-

in very rare cases, on our coast. They

are patives of the seas of warm clim

ates and of deep waters. Because of

their frailness they are seldom found

in perfect condition, the edges usually

being more or less cracked or chipped

and for this reason an unblemished

specimen is exceedingly valuable

These shells belong to the female,

and, so far as known, have no other

use than to protect the eggs which

pumping air into or out of its shell,

so that it might float or sink at will.

ming, with the open part above the

breeze in the hoodlike shell. Another

suggested thought came from the fact

of its having many divisions or sepa-

rate chambers in the shell, beginning

in the centre and growing regularly

larger in spiral form. This was ac-

counted for by supposing that the ani-

mal as it increased in size and out-

grew its original house withdrew itself

from crowded quarters and grew a

larger compartment to accommodate

repeated, finally produced a large

shell, with many outgrown rooms. It

is to this Oliver Wendell Holmes re-

The chambered nautilus, beginning Build thee more stately mansions, oh, my

fers in his beautiful poem;

resting sea.

are deposited within them.

pathetic with their afflictions.

sisting.

care of it."

in their custody.

to folks generally.

Younger Children.

For the

The zealous reformer and the benige" old Quaker merged into a man genuine ly mirthful, but terribly in carnest; a man of faith and reverence, but a man also of quaint little foibles of bis own, and odd little ways of making quiet fun. Besides this, they were surprised to discover how large was the influence of Mr. Whittier in matters of current interest. Living his quies

none the less an ardent and aggressive politician. "You are right," said Mr. Pickard. when you say that Whittier was a politician. He was one by nature, and he toon recently there entered a hospital continued to be one all his life. Ha in the poorer quarter of Philadelphia did not care greatly to discuss poetry; he was always ready to discuss potting in her arms a fox terrier whose tics. He wrote letters to Presidents forefoot had been crushed by a heavy and Governors and Senators, approvwagon. To the attendant who tells ing or suggesting official acts.

life apart from the world, he was

the story the little girl explained that "It was not only his poem, "The Prisshe desired to have the doctors "fix the doggy's foot." The physicians oner For Debt,' but his active influence upon men in political life which were for refusing the case at first, but, brought a repeal of the laws for imin view of the great distress of the prisonment for debt, and that by a youngster, they finally permitted their majority of one vote. And I could tell good nature to get the better of them, you many facts which reveal his influence in politics, both in the accomwere produced and a reat operation plishment of ends he deemed desirable was performed, the child bravely asin Amesbury town meetings, and in such larger matters as dissuading John "Now," said one of the doctors, "you C. Fremont from standing as a candidate of the Abolitionists against Lincoin in 1864. Whittier at one time inshe explained, "it sin't mine! I jest tended to go to Congress, and had laid found it, an' I think you oughter take his plans with great political sagacity."

"What deterred him?" was asked. "When he was about twenty-five," eplied Mr. Pickard, "Whittier expertenced what can be called nothing less which should be read to children and than a conversion. He had been . rather gay young Quaker, and was very ambitious. But he faced the question of the use to which he should and girls of to-day are taught to be devote his life, and in the love of God considerate of dumb animals and symand of his fellow men be esponsed an unpopular cause that meant the defeat of his political ambitions. Always politician, he sacrificed his own pes of political preferment to his re-One of the most beautiful shells of

ligious convictions." "And he did not lose his galety?" "No, he recovered it. There had been

unning through his writings a strain of pessimism. A new note of cheerfulness came with the change I mention. He had a hard battle to fight, and he fought it out bravely. And his buoyancy and cheerfulness and confidence in God increased with his loyalty to duty.

The young people went away with new light on the character of Whittier, and more than ever admirers of his life and work .- Youth's Companion.

THE ONE-LEGGED "LEFTIES." This sport is lots of fun for the players, and still more for the spectators and a thick rug will remove al danger of bumps or bruises. Over the rug old newspapers should be spread to catch andle grense

The players kneel on their left-knees



facing each other, on the papers. Each holds his right foot in his right hand, and a candle, in a holder, in his left

The nautilus has been the subject of much romance and conjecture. It not, and the trick is to light the secwas supposed to have the power of ond candle from the first.

It does not look easy, and it is a good deal more difficult than it looks. and, from its position when swim. It is pretty hard to keep your balance on one knee, especially the left knee, surface of the water, was thought to and it is hard for many people to do sail, instead of swim, catching the anything requiring exactness or dellcacy with the left hand.

You are very likely to topple over sidewise, and will have to let your right foot, and perhaps even the candle. go, and catch yourself as best you can. Now I would not describe this trick f it were absolutely necessary to use lighted candle, spill grease about, and possibly burn yourself or set fire to your clothes or the house. The trick will be safer, though just as difficult its greater bulk. This process, often and amusing, if other things are substituted for the candles.

For example, one boy may try to hand a letter or a card to the other. This is comparatively easy. When you have mastered it, try exchanging cards, which you will find very difficult.

soul,
As the swift seasons roll
Leave thy low-vaulted past,
Let each new temple, nobler than the last,
Shut thee from Heaven with a dome more Or one boy may try to slip a ring-a very loose one, of course-on or off the other's finger, or to write on a card, vast, Till thou at length art free, eaving thine outgrown shell by life's un held in the other's hand.

War Tax in Japan.

-Philadelphia Record.

WHITTIER'S CONVERSION. A party of young people, visiting the

historic places in New England, spent a day in "Whittier Land," as the section of Essex County has come to be called where Whittler lived and wrote. At the old home in Amesbury Mr. Pickard, Mr. Whittier's nephew by marriage, who lives in the old house received them graciously, and showed them many articles associated with the and 2000 miles north of Edmonton, the poet's life and work. As the exhibicapital of the new province of Alberta. tion of these articles led to discussions of his life and character, one and another expressed surprise at some of the characteristics of Whittier which the visit disclosed.

The poet was seen to be not merely genial but jolly; his playfulness appeared again and again in connection

Recent Japanese papers say that the leavy war tax imposed on city residental lands has caused land owners in the city of Toklo to raise ground rents and, in turn, house owners have increased house rents. This has caused much dissatisfaction among the poor. Arctic Postoffice.

Served during the winter by dog teams, a permanent posteffice has been established by the Canadian authorities at Fort McPherson, in the Arctic circle, 5000 miles from Ottawa

American Coffee Consumption One billion six hundred and twenty million gallons of coffee are drank in the United States every year.

Asphalt in Hungary.
Asphalt is found in large quantities with the memories of his life and work, in various parts of Hungary.



The quantity of material required for the medium size (sixteen years) seven, one and seven-eighth yard forty-four or one and five-eighth yards

Hand Bags.

On some of the newest hand bags the andles are attached by means of tiny buckles. This is generally the case when there are double handles, one on each side of the opening. The little envelope bags that are long and rather narrow, and have a strap along one side so that they may be slipped over the back of the band, are very popular and for some reasons are more easily carried than the ordinary

that everybody seems to wear them and keep a variety of them at hand for the various garments with which they may be worn. Their popularity is due to the fact that they make th waist look small and graceful and the figure trim. A snug girdle gives a woman a more youthful figure than a loose low one; and the tight-fitting silk-girdle belts are certainly very neat and becoming.