

PRETTY THINGS TO WEAR

New York City.—Fancy blouses are much affected by young girls, and such a one as this is so charming that its favor is quite easily accounted for. In the illustration it is made



Black Lace Returning.
Black lace blouses are again coming into fashion. Black lace was very much to the fore last season, and many are going to take out the treasured flounces of Chantilly or Spanish lace and get them mounted on trailing skirts of taffetas or soft satin.

Tucked Blouse.
The lingerie blouse appears to grow in popularity from month to month, with the result that new and fresh designs are constantly appearing. Here is one of the prettiest and daintiest that is absolutely simple at the same time. In the illustration it is made of linen lawn with the trimming of German Valenciennes lace, and is consequently exceedingly durable. But it is appropriate for all the pretty cotton fabrics and the thin silks that are made in lingerie style as well as linen, while the trimming can be either lace or embroidery, as liked. Valenciennes and Cluny lace both are being greatly used and both make exceedingly dainty and charming effects.

The waist is made with the front and the backs, which are tucked to yoke depth. The trimming is arranged over them on indicated lines and terminates in pointed ends. The sleeves are of moderate size trimmed in harmony with the waist and finished with straight cuffs.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is three and

of one of the pretty checked voles in blue and white and is trimmed with blue velvet and with a chemisette and sleeve-bands of cream colored lace, but, as it can be made



either with or without lining, it becomes adapted to cotton and linen fabrics quite as well as to those of silk and wool, while again it suits both the separate waist and the entire frock, so that its usefulness is exceptionally extensive. The trimming bands are distinctly novel and chic, as well as becoming, to girlish figures, and the little chemisette gives that air of daintiness and charm that is always found in a finish of the sort. If made of washable material the bands could be of any contrasting color or they can be made of the material itself finished with a little soutache braid, while the chemisette and the sleeve-bands can be either of embroidery or lace.

The waist is made with a fitted lining and itself consists of front and backs. When lined the chemisette is faced onto the foundation, but if the lining is omitted it is cut separately and joined to the waist. The waist is tucked at its upper edge, gathered at the waist line, and the trimming is arranged over it on indicated lines. The pretty sleeves are of moderate fulness and are finished with becoming cuffs below, which are straight bands.

The quantity of material required for the sixteen-year size is three yards twenty-one, two and three-eighths yards twenty-seven or one and three-fourths yards forty-four inches wide, with nine yards of insertion.

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A Chic Combination.
Girdle and bretelles of black velvet upon a gown of white mousseline over green; this is a chic combination that will appeal to some girls with a good deal of style.

The Airship Hat.
Paris is showing a hat on the toques order, which, because of its shape, is known as the airship. It is made up in soft straw braid, and will be one of the season's extreme novelties.

Dinner Frocks.
Some lovely dinner frocks and demi-toilettes are made of pastel colored cloths trimmed with taffetas and velvet applique.

PEARLS OF THOUGHT.

It's a very strong friendship that can survive intimacy.

Some men expect you to do a favor for them as if they were doing it for you.

One reason a man likes to drink is the doctor tells him it's bad for his health.

Shaving yourself is a very good practice at being one of the best swearers.

After a man has had his engagement broken off he can afford even an automobile.

A man makes as much fuss over doing his duty as a boy over getting a tooth pulled.

A woman feels she isn't loyal to her husband unless she fibs about all the money he makes.

It's hard for a girl to take as much interest in your love making if she suspects you mean it.

When a man is making all sorts of faces at himself in a mirror he usually isn't crazy, only shaving.

If a man that a girl is in love with asks a policeman where a street is she calls him strong and brave.

A girl's idea of being bold is to forget to look daggers at a man who gives her his seat in a street car.

You can generally figure out somehow what a man means by what he says unless he is running for office.

You can't make a woman believe there is any real trouble in the world on the first afternoon she wears her new hat.

There's hardly anything in the world excites a woman more than to have somebody call her up on the telephone when she is away and not leave word who it was.—From "Reflections of a Bachelor" in the New York Press.

ALIENISM BY TELEPHONE.

David McClure Describes a Specimen Apropos of the Thaw Case.

At a dinner of the Association of the Alumni of the Civil Engineers of Columbia University at the Hotel Astor David McClure told of some of his experiences as chairman of the commission to examine into the sanity of Harry Thaw. Incidentally he took a rap at expert testimony on the witness stand.

"In the course of my career," he said, "I have had much to do with alienists and alleged experts, and I have found that a lawyer can get as many alienist experts to testify for his side of the case as the funds of his client will allow. Not long ago I was appointed chairman of a commission to examine into the sanity of a certain man. Two sets of alienists appeared before the commission. One set said that the fact that the man was insane was indicated by a certain movement of the hand while the other swore that the same movement of the hand tended to show that the man was perfectly in his right mind."

He told of a case he had recently known where an alienist who had never seen the man under consideration had given the opinion in court that the man was insane and had based his judgment entirely on a talk he had held with him over the telephone.

Mr. McClure went on to say that the law, which formerly was one of the greatest professions, had degenerated, until it had become a mere business. "There was a time," said he, "when the lawyer was the big man of the town and the people sought his advice and counsel, but today the lawyer seeks his client. The successful lawyer is the one who can build railroads that exist only on paper and arrange for the issue of watered stock. The mad desire for money has got the lawyer in its clutches."—New York Sun.

The Carnations of 300 Years Ago.

A St. Louis florist says that we pride ourselves nowadays on the size of our carnations, but the florists of three hundred years ago grew carnations three to four inches across, as large as any that we see, and thought nothing of it. All through Spain, Southern France and Italy, the carnation is the favorite flower, and has been for hundreds of years, but along the Mediterranean there are a few glass houses, for in protected situations and on southern slopes of hills even delicate flowers grow outdoors all winter long and bloom as freely at Christmas as in July. The big carnations, however, were not grown in Spain or Italy, but in England, outdoors during the summer time and before glass houses were known.—Ohio State Journal.

Kissing the Book.

The exact origin of kissing the Book in English courts, though modern, is obscure. It is not, I should say, a matter of legal obligation, but seems to be more a custom dating from the middle or end of the eighteenth century. If a witness claims to follow the law according to Coke and to take his "corporal oath" by touching the Book who shall refuse him his right?

"The kissing act" seems akin, indeed, to what the "fancy" call, somewhat unpleasantly, a saliva custom, which in modern western life exists in very few forms, though many of the lower classes still "spit" on a coin for luck.—Cornhill Magazine.

A Correction.

The Orator—I believe that the great body of American people are gentlemen. Voice from the Rear—You're wrong. The last census shows that over half of them are ladies.—Troy Budget.

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LABOR WORLD.

A strike of 300 machinists was declared in Lowell.

The Farmers' Union has established an organization in Kansas.

John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers, declared in favor of compulsory publicity of all the affairs of every trust.

The Commercial Telegraphers' Union of America decided to strike unless certain grievances are remedied by the Western Union Company.

Boston (Mass.) Cigar-makers' Union has added a local sum to \$3-a-week-out-of-work benefit paid by the International to all unemployed members.

Strikes affecting the painting and plumbing trades have been inaugurated in Fitchburg, Mass. The union painters want an increase of thirty cents a day and a closed shop.

The New South Wales Hairdressers' and Wigmakers' Union is urging the necessity for Government inspection and supervision of hairdressing saloons in the interests of public health.

More attention is to be given Southern States by the American Federation of Labor, which is planning to build up a stronger labor movement in that section of the country.

The lack of working boys is due to the prosperity of the masses of the people, making wage earning by the younger members of the family less a matter of necessity than it was years ago.

According to the opinion of prominent labor leaders, the most satisfactory employment of convict labor would be on the building of public highways and the reclamation of State lands.

Advices from Cuba tell of the excellent work and discipline of the army of pacification.

The city of Vienna recently built an electric fountain in one of its parks. It is very large, and is capable of seventy different effects of illumination.

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