

Fashion Notes

New York City.—All sorts of periods have been called upon to contribute their share to the making of spring styles, but Empire features may truly be said to predominate. Here is one of the newest and smart-



est coats that yet have appeared, which give the short waist line that is characteristic of the Empire styles and which is jaunty in the extreme. In the illustration it is made of chiffon Panama cloth with trimming of handsome banding and handsome

Carved Wood Colored.

Handies of carved wood in floral designs for the most part make particularly fetching finishes for plain coaching umbrellas of daintily colored silk.

Over Blouse or Jumper.

Each new variation of the over blouse is quite certain to meet its welcome. Seldom has any fashion taken such a firm hold upon feminine fancy and seldom has anything been devised that is so generally becoming and satisfactory. Here is one of the very latest developments that can be utilized both for the separate waist and for the gown and which is adapted to silk, to wool and to washable fabrics, so that it really supplies a great many needs. As illustrated it is made of pongee in one of the new apricot shades, and is simply stitched with beading silk, the trimming consisting of bands of the material with little strips of velvet ribbon and ornamental buttons. Linen, however, would be most effective so made and various other washable materials, and for these bands of the same material in contrasting color can be made to take the place of the velvet, or again the velvet straps can be omitted altogether and the stitched band can be made of contrasting color. For example, brown linen trimmed with white is greatly in vogue, and the blouse made of that material, with the stitched bands of white and worn with a skirt to match over a lingerie blouse, would make as charming and smart a simple gown as well could be devised, whereas made of pongee or

FINANCE AND TRADE REVIEW

SEASON ANOTHER WEEK LATE

So Much Time Lost That Large Stocks Will Be Carried Over for Bargain Sales.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says:

Adverse weather has made the season another week late, both as to distribution of spring merchandise and progress of the crops. Transactions during the few days of seasonable weather thus far indicate that settled warm weather will bring out much business, but so much time has been lost that few merchants anticipate a normal volume in the aggregate, and large stocks will be carried over or sacrificed at bargain sales.

Wholesale trade in fall and winter goods is brisk, large duplicate purchases because of the cold spring having depleted stocks in the hands of retailers. Manufacturing plants operate at full capacity in most industries, cotton mills making remarkably favorable returns in view of the weather and cost of raw material.

Dispatches from leading cities indicate that the business situation is much more satisfactory at points in the West than in the East and South, especially favorable conditions prevailing at Seattle and Portland. Few serious labor struggles are now in progress and more advances in New England mill wages will extend the benefits to 200,000 hands.

Buying of steel products has increased, and the forward business in all forms of iron and steel is so large that no material change in the condition of the industry can be expected this year. Urgency for prompt delivery still maintains premiums in spot business, the oversold condition of domestic furnaces making a ready market for receipts of foreign iron. As in other branches of trade the only drawback is the uncertainty supplied by the unfavorable weather, and thus far this factor has caused no cancellations of consequence.

MARKETS,

PITTSBURG.

Wheat—No. 2 red.....	73	73
Hyge—No. 2.....	72	73
Corn—No. 2 yellow, ear.....	67	63
No. 2 yellow, shelled.....	62	63
Mixed ear.....	61	63
Oats—No. 2 white.....	51	52
No. 3 white.....	50	51
Flour—Winter patent.....	4.20	4.75
Fancy straight winter.....	4.31	4.50
Hay—No. 1 Timothy.....	23.50	23.00
Clover No. 1.....	18.50	19.00
Feed—No. 1 white mid. ton.....	24.50	25.00
Brown middlings.....	24.00	23.50
Bran, bulk.....	24.00	24.50
Straw—Wheat.....	10.00	10.50
Oat.....	10.50	11.00

Dairy Products.

Butter—Egin creamery.....	23	27
Ohio creamery.....	22	24
Fancy country roll.....	18	20
Cheese—Ohio, new.....	14	15
New York, new.....	14	15

Poultry, Etc.

Hens—per lb.....	12	13
Chickens—dressed.....	18	17
Eggs—Pa. and Ohio, fresh.....	17	18

Fruits and Vegetables.

Potatoes—Fancy white per bu.....	60	63
Cabbage—per ton.....	15.00	16.00
Onions—per barrel.....	1.30	2.25

BALTIMORE.

Flour—Winter Patent.....	4.65	4.93
Wheat—No. 2 red.....	72	74
Corn—Mixed.....	46	47
Oats—No. 2 white.....	34	31
Butter—Ohio creamery.....	17	18

PHILADELPHIA.

Flour—Winter Patent.....	4.50	4.75
Wheat—No. 2 red.....	77	78
Corn—No. 2 mixed.....	47	48
Oats—No. 2 white.....	44	43
Butter—Creamery.....	29	29
Eggs—Pennsylvania firsts.....	17	19

NEW YORK.

Flour—Patents.....	4.60	4.70
Wheat—No. 2 red.....	81	80
Corn—No. 2.....	52	53
Oats—No. 2 white.....	42	43
Butter—Creamery.....	24	27
Eggs—State and Pennsylvania.....	17	18

LIVE STOCK.

Union Stock Yards, Pittsburg.		
Cattle.		
Extra, 1,450 to 1,600 lbs.....	6.25	6.50
Prima, 1,300 to 1,400 lbs.....	6.00	6.25
Good, 1,200 to 1,300 lbs.....	5.99	6.10
Trdy, 1,050 to 1,150 lbs.....	5.75	5.91
Common, 700 to 900 lbs.....	4.95	4.91
Oxen.....	2.75	4.51
Bulls.....	3.00	4.50
Cows.....	1.90	3.75
Heifers, 700 to 1,000.....	2.50	4.40
Fresh Cows and Springers.....	16.00	20.00

Hogs.

Prime heavy.....	6.35	6.40
Prime medium weight.....	6.31	6.40
Best heavy Yorkers.....	6.40	6.40
Good light Yorkers.....	6.40	6.40
Pigs.....	6.40	6.40
Roughs.....	5.90	5.40
Stags.....	4.00	4.40

Sheep.

Prime wethers, clipped.....	6.40	6.60
Good mixed.....	6.00	6.25
Fair mixed ewes and wethers.....	5.60	5.75
Culls and common.....	3.90	4.40
Lambs.....	7.00	10.00

Calves.

Veal calves.....	5.50	6.50
Heifer and thin calves.....	5.30	5.80

Oil Markets.

The following are the quotations for credit balances in the different fields: Pennsylvania, \$1.78; Tiona, \$1.78; Second Sand, \$1.68; North Lima, 94; South Lima, 92; Indiana, 86; Somerset, 86; Hagland, 62; Canada, \$1.35.

Boys Should Not Smoke.

Physicians, chemists and physiologists (many of them smokers themselves) agree that smoking before maturity is reached always leads to a waste of nerve power and brain force and thus squanders life by weakening the very center of strength.

The Kennebec Journal says that Game Warden George W. Ross, in December, counted 300 barrels of dead hares going to Boston and New York markets over the Washington County Railway. Furthermore, it is estimated by the game wardens that more than one million hares are shipped from Maine every year and as many more used as food within the state. Notwithstanding this, and the fact that thousands of hares are devoured every year by beasts and birds of prey, this small animal continues to increase.

A Cigar Wrapper Often Covers a Multitude of Sins

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BASEBALL NOTES.

Pitcher Keefe, of New York, looks very light for fast company, but he has a puzzling delivery.

The Boston Nationals have been making things uncomfortable for left-handed pitchers this season.

Devlin, of the New York Nationals, went through nineteen consecutive games before he made an error.

The Boston Americans win a game occasionally, the occasion generally being when Cy Young is in the box.

"They are a game bunch," says Charles Dryden, in the Chicago Tribune, speaking of the New York Nationals.

The shinguards of Catcher Clark, of Cleveland, are different from Bresnahan's. They do not project above the knees, as do Roger's.

With all the changes that have been made in the playing rules of the game in forty years the ball itself remains about the same.

The Hutchinson and Oklahoma City baseball teams, of the Western Association, played a twenty-three inning game at Kansas City.

The Chicago Nationals have the old Baltimore knack of chopping the balls down finer than any team that has wandered along this way.

A Rochester critic points out that Duffy came from a big league out and has a first division team at the bottom, while Kelley came from the same big league and put a tailender on top.

There is no hard and fast rule for deciding which pitcher shall get credit for victory of defeat when a change is made in the box. This is on the authority of John Heydler, who officially decides such points in the National League.

Willie Keeler, with a batting average around the .200 mark, makes one think of the time Jim Jeffries was dropped by Jack Munroe.

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The statement of that Berlin professor that alcohol is a cure for neuralgia will cause a headache epidemic in many a healthy settlement, prophesies the Atlanta Constitution.

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"What is a kiss? Heaven knows, not I," sings a poetess in the New York Times. We confess, says the New York World, that we would like to see the lady's portrait. It might explain a great deal.

Two Headed Hatpins.

A new hatpin, instead of one head has two, the end used as a pin being supplied with an adjustable ball which is put on after the hat is well secured on the head. The balls are alike on both ends. In Paris painted porcelain hatpin heads as big as tangerine oranges are being employed by the smart set. Jade heads are particularly in favor on both sides of the water.

A Smart Model.

A smart model should be selected. It costs no more to follow the best styles than to copy those of lower grade, and as a rule they are easier to follow so far as their main design is concerned, since great artists employ simple lines.

The Little Coat.

The short coat is in evidence in most of the suits brought out for this season.

other silk it becomes adapted to far more dressy occasions.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is three and a quarter yards twenty-one, two and a half yards twenty-seven or one and

the jacket is made with fronts, side fronts, back and side backs, and with the circular and pleated pelum portions that are joined to it beneath the trimming. There is a choice allowed of elbow or full length sleeves and the elbow sleeves are finished with roll over cuffs.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is four and an eighth yards twenty-seven, two yards forty-four or one and five-eighths yards fifty-two inches wide with three and a half yards of banding.



five-eighths yards forty-four inches wide with one yard of velvet ribbon.

New Ideas in Neckwear.

Irish lace sets are extensively used, but the newest thing in lace is the flat lace. Sometimes it is combined with other laces and the figures are embroidered in colored threads.

Sleeves.

Sleeves of coats are, by pretty general mandate, of three-quarter length. In severe tailor-made coats the sleeves are of simple coat cut and are full length.