

**Girlhood's Charm.**  
The woman who keeps the simplicity of her girlhood, its generous impulses and quick sympathies, and who adds to her gifts the enlargement of study and the crown of experience, is always at her best and never past it. When the exterior attractions of form begin to fade, the radiance of our inner illumination will more than compensate their departure. But, in order that this should be so, her moral must equal her intellectual gain. She must be willing to learn, not only her own powers, but her own defects also, and to court the good influences which can help her to escape from the delusions of sense and the fatal tyranny of self-consciousness. She must discard the petty measures of vanity, and self-seeking, and learn to love her race, her country, and the humanity which she should help to adorn.

**Ladies' Basque.**  
No matter how elaborately a waist may be trimmed, bloused or draped, it is invariably modeled with a tight-fitting lining. The design illustrates a plain close-fitting basque, with the bias French dart and curved front line. The close fitting sleeve is correctly shaped with slight fullness at the shoulder. Ladies tailors are making up some beautiful cloth gowns exactly like the illustration, fastened with single or double rows of tailor buttons. We have seen so much of these loose-fitting and bloused basques that this innovation is sure to gain



favor, especially with ladies who have good figures.  
To make this basque in the medium yards of material forty-four inches wide.  
MAY MANTON.

**Language Of Sealing Wax.**  
Postage stamps have long had a language and now comes one who claims to translate the subtle meaning of sealing wax. Business letters should be sealed with red, friendly letters with gray. To your lover you devote blue, in token of constancy, unless you wish to hint that you have or think you have cause for jealousy, when you will use yellow. A reply to a wedding invitation should be sealed with white and a letter of condolence or death call for black or violet. A dinner invitation may be sealed with coffee colored wax, and when a man gets a letter sealed with green, from the girl he admires, he may feel that she shyly bids him hope.

**A Breakfast Dish.**  
An appetizing dish for breakfast and one that the woman who is doing light house-keeping can make in the chafing dish, is dried beef with eggs. Put two tablespoonfuls of butter in the chafing dish with two gills of milk or cream, and a quarter of a pound of dried beef torn into small pieces. Let it simmer for about ten minutes and stir in rapidly three eggs, serving as soon as the egg are set. It is also very good with the beef put in with the butter in the chafing dish before the milk is added, and crisped a little. The milk is put in later, and the eggs as soon as it is hot.

**Fish Chowder.**  
A Nantucket fish chowder is made from one pound of haddock six potatoes sliced, three onions cut fine, three slices of pork, one pint of water, boiling; one pint of milk, one tablespoonful of sugar; salt and pepper to taste. Fry the pork; then take out and fry the onions; put in potatoes with the fish on top, and add the water. Let it cook until the fish separates from the bones; then add the milk and let the chowder come to a boil again. Add two teaspoonfuls of flour and wet with milk, and after boiling up again serve hot.

**A Nice Curry.**  
A simple way of preparing East Indian curry is to try out a large slice of fat, salt pork, and add to the fat a pint of boiling water. Stir in smoothly two tablespoonfuls of flour, one teaspoonful of curry powder, and a little salt. Let it boil up once, and add the meat already cooked and cut into small pieces—chicken or pork are best. Cover and let stand on the back of the range to simmer a short time. Have rice nicely cooked, white and dry, arrange on the dish, pour the curry in the centre, and serve very hot.

**Bureau Drawer Perfume Bags.**  
A delicate perfume for the bureau drawer is made by mixing one ounce each of cloves, nutmeg and tanga beans with three ounces of orris root, all finely ground. Put in bags of thin China silk and lay among the clothing.

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