

They tie them on with big veils that fly into their eyes and get into their mouths, and they screw up their faces worrying over whether the wind will break the plumes.

But of all the dreadful things that women wear, the long, straight-front corset is the worst. It comes down to the knees and the poor unhappy wearer never can sit down. Is that graceful? It is ugly and it has no excuse at all for being. But when it is the fashion, women must wear it.

For centuries, women have been devoting themselves to this subject of dress. Sometimes we are laughed at for it, sometimes applauded. Some women have tried to disdain the question of clothes and straightway they have lost something, at least, of their influence.

Wise women, from the beginning of time have recognized the value of clothes. And after all these generations of thought and care we have achieved—what?

NO POLITICS FOR CITY EMPLOYEES IN PHILLY

Warning! — Politicians, stay away from Philadelphia. It's no fit place for the clarion voice or the pussy foot.

Philadelphia, April 13.—Famed as a hot-bed of politics, this place is now like unto a desert. The damper is on and the good old suffrage stove wont draw worth a cent. Shade of Matty Quay! What are we coming to?

Rudolph Blankenburg, reform mayor, has issued an executive order forbidding every city employe to take part in politics in any way except to cast his own vote.

Result: Whispered conferences in secret city hall nooks, angry mutterings, consternation.

Mike, who is sewer inspector



two hours a day and boss of de eight' ward the rest of the time, cannot be a convention delegate. He can't even attend the convention.

Tony, who has been delivering the Italian vote for years, cannot be an election officer nor hang around the polls teaching his countrymen how to mark their ballots.

The only city employe allowed to linger around the polls is the policeman, who must preserve order and do nothing else.

Gustave, Stanislaw and all the other city employes from the lamp lighters to the men with fancy jobs are ordered not to solicit or collect campaign funds and not to use their jobs as means of influencing voters.

The 4-year-old boy is the shoe trust's most loyal friend.