



With the coming of gentle spring the fashionable world has come to a realization of the superiority of Solomon and his glory as compared with the flowers of the field. No! that does not mean any disposition for that is represented by all the imitations of Solomon and his glory that can be mustered together in one costume.

The modern belle takes a very practical view of the question, and says she: "If the hills are better, bring them on, and we'll have them, too," whereupon she goes to combing with all the splendor of the ancients any number of horticultural beauties, either woven in silk and flower blossoms standing up in popy beds on top of her head.

approved waives are, however, the latest approved materials for skirts. These admit of outside jackets to match, thus making very stylish suits at small cost. A very good scheme is to buy the skirt ready made, then match it in material and have the jacket made to fit by one's own dressmaker.

Fancy fronts of linen embroidery with collars and cuffs to match finish off a jacket suit very nicely, but any lace front may be worn with any kind of material. Indeed, a suit is often entirely finished up with seemingly nothing more needed to adorn it, when the modest insists upon "a little fall of lace" under the chin just to soften the effect a little.

A pretty trimming which takes the place of and is a little newer than the lace collar is the "Dutch yoke." It is made of embroidery, chiefly, either white or linen, and consists of two straps of insertion passing over the shoulders to the waist, something like a pair of suspenders, except that the ends come closer together at the waist. Straps of insertion join the suspenders at the bust and at the waist front and back. The suspenders and the strap at the bust form a sort of square neck that is edged all around with linen embroidery and the outer edges of the suspenders are trimmed with double rows of embroidery over the shoulders. The insertion is laid over ribbon which shows through and it is made into small bows at the waist, back and front. The ribbon can be removed when the yoke is done up, and a new tint substituted in its place, according to the color of the dress with which it is worn.

The Dutch yoke is a pretty style for plump, round shoulders, as might be expected from its name. To make one would require about three yards of insertion and of ribbon, and from two and a half to three of embroidery. One can buy pretty good linen insertion for 15 cents a yard, and embroidery need not cost more than 25 cents, and at this rate the yoke may be made for about \$15. To buy it ready made one would have to pay \$3 or \$4.

to the stove during the cooking of the meal, and when it is ready to be served all the feed is placed on the table and it is pushed to the dining room door. This will save many steps. The table is again brought into service at the close of the meal, all the soiled dishes are put on it, and it is again pushed to the kitchen, whereby many steps are saved.

Golf continues to be the rage, and as a fact it ranks next to cycling. It is an excellent game and gives the player a fine exercise, as it is played over a large area, and the swinging of the stick brings the muscles of the arm and back in play.

Kerosene is made to serve in many ways, but as a cleaning agent there is no more novel way of using it than in the washing of window. Put in a basin a small quantity of water, and add to it an amount of kerosene; dip in it a small cloth and rub the glass; then rub with soft paper and polish with a soft cloth. This process will remove fly specks from both glass and paint more quickly than soap and water.

The physicians in New York are ruling a cry against the loose dress skirts, and demand that their patients wear either a very short walking skirt or else raise the dress so that the bottom will not come in contact with the silt in the streets. They claim that the skirts come in contact with all sorts of unwholesome refuse, which is carried into the homes and thereby spreads the germs of disease.

FASHION NOTES.
White alpaca skirts are to be worn in the spring with dress waists of silk or of fur.

Bodices will be worn in deep points, both back and front, as they were at the beginning of this century.

The fashionable grass-color comes in all colors, and a great many different designs. It is a material which is well adapted to the spring skirt, as it has a peculiar stiffness of its own. Polka dots of color are

VALUABLE RECIPES.

Breakfast.
Fried ham.
Fried apples.
Coffee.
Lunch.
Cold corned beef, sliced thin.
Mustard sauce.
Potato salad.
Orange pudding.
Tea.

Dinner.
Stuffed beefsteak.
Stewed onions.
Pickled potatoes.
French dressing.
Apple and tapoca pudding.
Coffee.

One cup of chopped mutton, one of pearl barley, one cupful of chopped onion, one of carrots, half cup of chopped parsley (or one of dried parsley); season with salt and pepper and add two quarts boiling water; boil two hours. If too thick when done, add little more boiling water, then serve hot.

Stuffed Beefsteak.
Get two pounds of rump steak and spread over it a filling made as follows: One quart of fine bread crumbs, one small onion cut fine, one teaspoonful of sage, one of salt, a half teaspoonful of pepper, tablespoonful melted butter. Mix well and spread over the steak, then roll and tie with a cord and place in a pan with one pint of water and little salt; baste frequently; bake one-half hour.

Veal Steaks.
They are delicious, broiled, as beefsteak, or a hot fire. The steak should be thinner than beefsteak, so as to cook quickly through, and when taken up on a

half cup of strong black coffee and yolks of four eggs; teaspoonful of soda in the molasses, one of cloves, one of cinnamon, one of nutmeg, one pound of raisins, half pound of currants, fourth pound of citron, flour the fruit well; and two and one-half cups of flour. Bake in two dark layers in four cake pans. For the white part, take a half cup of butter, two of pulverized sugar, one of sweet milk, two and a half of flour, half cup of corn starch with the flour, and three teaspoonfuls of baking powder, the whites of four eggs. Bake in two layers, and ice each layer. Place a dark layer first, then a white layer, then a dark layer and white layer on top. Make a boiled icing flavored with vanilla and ice the top. Cut up in squares for serving. This is an old-fashioned cake revived, and a delicious cake.

Suggestions on Carving.
The art of carving is a very requisite branch of domestic management; it not only belongs to the honors of the table, but it is important in an economical point of view. And it does seem that the most careless and commonplace person can at once discern the difference in the taste and looks of a fowl that is nicely carved. Ladies ought, especially to make carving a study; at their own expense they grace the table and should be enabled to perform the task of carving with skill to prevent remarks, or the calling forth of eager proferters of assistance from good natural visitors. In the first place, whatever is to be carved should be set in a dish sufficiently large for turning if necessary; but the dish should not be moved from its position, which should be placed close before the carver, only leaving room for the plates. The carving knife should be light and very sharp. Large, solid joints, such as ham, fillet of veal, or corned beef, cannot be cut too thin, but mutton, roast pork and other joints of veal should be served in very slender slices. In helping fish, silver should always be used, and care taken to avoid

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EXHIBITION OF PICTURES AND A DISPLAY OF FASHIONABLE COSTUMES AT THE ACADEMY OF DESIGN, NEW YORK.

The lilies are growing finer and more gorgeous with each importation. The flowers are almost gaily in their texture, and have rose patterns scattered through them. These are used for fancy waists for afternoon and evening wear. They are made over tinted silks and trimmed with Dresden ribbons.

Grass linen waists are the prettiest of the shirt waists, as well as the coolest. Plain ones can be bought at a very reasonable figure. They are made of plain linen, with collars and cuffs of the same. A little more elaborate than these are the plain linen waists with white collar and cuffs. Then come the lilies embroidered in pink or blue silk gowns. The most elaborate shirt waists are made of embroidered linen, with collars and cuffs of the same. These are very expensive, being marked \$7.50 for the early spring price, but they will surely be cheaper a little later in the season.

Dainty waists are made of dimity woven in Persian patterns of pink and green and lavender tints, beautifully blended. The correct stiff collar is white linen for all kinds of waists, but if it is not becoming to the wearer, a collar of Dresden ribbon or any pretty shade of silk may be substituted.

Sleeves are large enough to be cool, whatever else the prognosticator may have to say about them. For shirt waists the Bishop sleeve is the coolest, therefore it is best and most popular. These sleeves are quite short, just reaching below the elbow, where they are gathered in a wide band or a turn-back cuff.

Silk waists are being sold very cheap—so cheap that it hardly pays to buy the silk and make one even when one does the sewing herself. A plain silk waist of a pale green tint with a fine black stripe cost only \$3.50. The sleeves were loose and cool, and were gathered into a narrow cuff that opened at the back of the arm. The collar was high, but turned over about an inch all around, opening in front. An ingenious device to conceal the fastening of the collar was a little band across the front that hooked underneath the turned-down edge. This waist looked cool and spring-like and can be worn with comfort until midsummer.

Other silk waists that are darker can be bought cheap, but they haven't the air that opened at the back of the arm. The collar was high, but turned over about an inch all around, opening in front. An ingenious device to conceal the fastening of the collar was a little band across the front that hooked underneath the turned-down edge. This waist looked cool and spring-like and can be worn with comfort until midsummer.

Sometimes she freshens up her costume with a new waist; sometimes with a skirt or only a skirt binding, until it very soon gets to be like the little boy's sack-knife which had had six new blades and seven new handles, but was still the same knife.

A white embroidered yoke without ribbon costs for 50 cents.

In the kingdom of hats and gowns of ceremony, as the French say, it is almost dangerous to enter. Here is where all previously formed resolutions respecting economy are flung to the winds and one plunges to the very depths of one's pocket for the double eagle that is to be given in exchange for a butterfly. Perhaps it is right and natural that a woman should spend more money upon her headgear than upon any other part of her costume. The hat is the frame for the face, and it should be of style intended for the best points of one's face, no matter what the cost may be.

The shades are in general of two kinds, the turban and the hat with broad brim that turns up in the back. It is a trying style for girls with round faces, because they can find solace in neither. Hats with Tam o' Shanter crowns are quite common. Colored straws are quite fashionable and the favorite tints are bright yellow, green and violet, either in solid colors or in combination with black.

In trimming the popular flowers seem to be "roses red and violets blue," only the roses may be blue and the violets red, without any outrage to art as expressed in millinery.

It is remarkable what license is allowed the manufacturers of artificial flowers. A queer suggestion offered itself at a recent exhibition of paintings where the visitors were mostly women. All were decked in their most spring-like gowns, and in their hats were flowers of every description, known and unknown to the botanical science; and all the time one looked at them the thought kept recurring, "What if a painter should paint such flowers as those?"

All the same, the effect was fine, for the colors were beautifully blended in the case of each individual hat.

CONSPICUOUS among the costumes was a cape with lace yoke and collar, a source of chaff among the edge, six loops of ribbon in the center of the shoulders and long tabs hanging from the front of the yoke.

seen on the grass lilies, and dresses of that kind are trimmed in ribbon, the color matching the polka dot.

Bonnet strings are again worn, but instead of the narrow velvet or ribbon strings, they are of tulle or chiffon. As these soft ties are becoming to most faces, their popularity is assured.

The well dressed woman should select her gloves with care, for a small gown is often ruined by inappropriate gloves. If the gloves do not match the costume in color, they should be of a contrasting color or that will harmonize.

The parasols shown this season are very much trimmed and of many colors. There with a white ground, with flowered patterns are very striking. Then there are parasols covered with chiffon and lace for dressy occasions, and those covered with batiste, grass cloth and plain silks for simpler dress. Lanes batiste parasols are among the novelties; they are to be worn with the batiste gowns, and are trimmed with ecru embroidery, to match the trimming on the gown.

Materials for wash gowns are more beautiful this season than even before. The silks and satins are so much better by the yard they must not be considered inexpensive. There are many little details to be considered in the gown which make them expensive. The very cool material should have a silk petticoat worn with them and it is very fine to have silk "slips" to wear under the dress. Lingerie articles for the summer gowns, and the skirts of this dresses are prettier when trimmed with several narrow ribbons edged with lace. The lace used is imitation Valenciennes, and should not be more than an inch wide. The V-shape neck is again in vogue, but this is becoming only to the plump, white throat, and the woman with a long thin neck should avoid it.

IN AND ABOUT THE NURSERY.

The mother who strictly observes the laws of health for the little ones will be well repaid. It is not easy, and means much self-sacrifice.

Fresh air is necessary to the health of a child, and it rarely takes cold if well wrapped up. In pleasant weather a child should be taken out of doors every day.

heated platter should be spread with a little butter and sprinkled with salt and pepper. Another way for cooking veal: Get a pound and a half of veal steak, place it in a pan with a lump of butter, salt and pepper sprinkled over it, dredge a little flour and bake it in a hot oven about half an hour. This is delicious.

Boiled Onions.
To cook onions, boil in water until nearly done. Then drain off that water and pour over fresh hot water and milk and cook until tender. Drain them and dress with drawn butter, salt and pepper or with a white cream sauce.

Parisienne Potatoes.
Cut potatoes in little round balls and fry in smoking hot fat as you fry doughnuts.

Sweet Potato Croquettes.
Boil and mash the sweet potatoes (if you use canned ones heat them) and dress with cream and butter, one tablespoonful of sugar, teaspoonful of salt, the beaten whites of two eggs; roll into shape in small rolls; dip them into the yolks of the egg and powdered cracker crumbs, and fry in very hot lard, lay on paper to drain. Serve very hot.

Prepared Mustard.
Two tablespoonfuls of mustard, one full teaspoon of sugar, one-half teaspoonful of salt. Pour on enough boiling water to wet it. When cool add a tablespoonful of salad oil and vinegar enough to make it thin.

Whitening.
First stir together a tablespoonful of butter and one of flour, stir until smooth; and then gradually a pint of hot water; a little at a time. Be sure you stir it all the time so it will not be lumpy. Season the sauce with teaspoonful of salt and one-fourth spoonful of pepper. Use for any kind of vegetable. Or, if you wish a brown sauce, stir the butter and flour over the fire until they are mixed and browned nicely, then add hot water, same as for white sauce, or add milk and make a cream sauce, like the white sauce.

Orange Tapioca.
One cup of sugar, half cup of rolled cracker, two eggs, half teaspoonful of butter, one orange (grate the rind and squeeze out all the juice), one quart of sweet milk. Bake like custard and serve when cold for lunch.

Apple Tapioca.
Pick and wash one cupful of tapioca and let it soak an hour. Put it in a double boiler, cover with boiling water and let boil until transparent. Pare and core six apples, quarter them and arrange in a baking dish. Turn the tapioca over the apples with one cup of sugar. Bake in a hot oven. When apples are done make a meringue of whites of two eggs, two tablespoonfuls of sugar, flavor with vanilla and spread over the tapioca; set back in the oven to brown. Serve cold, with or without cream.

Neapolitan Cake.
To one cup of brown sugar and half cup of butter add half cup of molasses and a

breaking the flakes, which should be kept as entire as possible.

Salmon and all sort grained fish should be cut lengthwise, and not across, portions of thick and thin being kept together.

Spring Fashions for Men.
Harper's Bazar.

The lounge suit of this season is made with a sack coat. The trousers are moderately wide, but not exaggerated, and a bit more narrow than those of last season. This sack coat has a V-shaped collar with peaked lapels, and is single-breasted, with three buttons, which are, of course, never buttoned. It tapers slightly from the waist, and is cut in the back by an orthodox uncompromising cack; it fits loosely, and its general length is about thirty inches. The waistcoat of ditto has also a V-shaped collar with lapels, and is cut sufficiently low to show one's shirt button.

The overcoat will be the tan or gray covert, single-breasted, with fly front, cut short, but not too short. A very brief cape-coat of black, something like an Inverness, is in vogue with ultra-fashionable men for the evening, to fit over the Tuxedo or dinner jacket. In the frock coat there has been but little change. The material is of smooth worsted cloth, the rough woolen having gone out of fashion. It reaches only to the knee, fits snugly, but not too tightly, and is quite devoid of the exaggerated skirt affected some two seasons ago. In London, in place of the long narrow opening at the neck, which is still characteristic of this garment on this side of the water, "the coat will be cut square," says an authority, so as to give it a military appearance. This will prevent almost entirely any part of the scarf or shirt from showing. All frock coats are now with inside and not outside pockets.

The waistcoat of today is really the only novelty of the year. After reading about the extraordinary rush of fancy waistcoats in London for the past two years, and during our demonstration of the same, during our visit to the metropolis, Americans have taken up the fad, and this spring have come out in the most brilliant plumage imaginable. As yet I have not seen any brightly green and red, but of buff and browns and drabs and yellows, with checks of red and brown, there are any number. The brown Holland or linen waistcoat, single-breasted, with brown buttons, is quite smart, especially when worn with a lounge suit. These double-breasted, of various colors and materials, make part of afternoon dress, and are generally seen with frock coats.

The trousers to go with the frock or afternoon coat are of moderate width, no change from last year, and the patterns are almost the same. The popular cloth is cashmere. The startling shepherd checks of brown and black or the black and white stripes are wearing among the fashionable tailors, but as they are rather pronounced, I have known of no one who would dare to wear them. Better yet is a pattern of dark gray, shaded to light slate, well broken in the stripe. This is very neat and conservative.

Silk Waists.



On sale Monday, a large collection of fine dressmaker-made Silk Waists, with the large bishop sleeve and latest style front, lined throughout, and made exquisitely from the newest and choicest patterns of Persian and Dresden effects, in pure China Silk. These Waists should sell at \$5. Special price, **\$3.98.**

Wash Waists.

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