STYLES IN CHILLY DAYS

New Styles and Fancies to Make Fair the Fair Sex.

SOMETHING PRETTY AND UNIQUE

Gowns with the Bloom of Hills and Heather—Linings as a Feature—Thanksgiving Party Gowns and Some from a Fifth Avenue Treasure.

Nowadays it is hard to say which is the most gorgeous and glaring—the shop windows or the women they lure inside. The windows team with heavy, shaggy stuffs for street wear—camel's hair, soft as velvet, sheeny as silk, friezes and cheviots with the bloom of Scotch hills and heathers overlaying their grounds of brown or gray or olive. They are new—what is better, they are so much so that you recognize them at once as the textile expression of a new and beautiful thought. There is wonderful individuality in the ground colors. The grays are cold or warm or demure or freakish, the browns run the

NEW DESIGNS FOR MILLINERY.

gauntlet betwixt the sorrowful dead leaf tint and the pesky joyousness of gold color, as the angry flames of burnt orange. Many are overlaid with splashes and blotches either contrasting or harmonizing with the ground. Others show rings, stripes or broad uneven patches of deep blue or deeper red.

Among the most striking was a blue cheviot bound with tawny orange, lately chosen for a new bride's going-away gown. A vest of dull blue silk was let into the plain close-fitting round bodice, over which the close bell-skirt fastened. Bishop sleeves of the cheviot gathered full into a loose waistband pass easily up and down over the tight blue silk undersleeve.

The bishop sleeve, by the way, is fashion's latest caprice, and ever so much more fashionable than the bell sleeve of the recent past. It is perfectly straight, deeply rounded at the top, gathered very full in the armhole and at the wrist into a band big enough to slip easily over the hand and forearm. Underneath it fashion decrees a tight coat sleeve of either a contrasting or harmonizing color.

Very many such were seen at the horse show. It is ancient history now, but all the fashionable world and his wife were on dress parade, so it is worth while to tell of the gowns. One ornament of the Four Hundred was no end stylish in a gown of fine gray cloth, made as a long basque, with big outside pockets and rows of enameled buttons that might have been heirlooms and were certainly works of art. The basque fastened over a handsome white waistcoat sown with tiny real jewels, each in its separate setting upon a tiny spiral spring. The hat was of black felt with upstanding black velvet loops and a bird with outstretched wings. A gown even more notable had a beige ground with ring pattern of moonlight blue upon it. The mauve skirt had a border of shaggy marmot fur. In front there was a coquille of moonlight blue velvet heavily embroidered in gold, and at the back of the neck a bow of moonlight

A TROUSSEAU GOWN.

blue velvet ribbon whose ends reached quite to the hem.

There were perhaps a dozen hunter's green with sable trimming variously applied. That is indeed quite *the* combination of the minute—though all sorts of shaggy and curly furs are high in favor as trimming.

Here is a damsel gorgeous in dull red and yellow tan—so much so indeed that she recalled an autumn forest. The bell skirt of shaggy red cloth had at the foot three scant puffs of velvet just matching its color. A puff of the same velvet hid the junction of waist and skirt. The bodice was the richest golden tan with jeweled passementerie inwrought upon the stuff. The bonnet was a wreath of ostrich tips, shading from red to yellow-brown with scintillant spangles flashing from each feathery stand.

This bonnet is among the most stylish of the season. In shape it is the ever favorite toque. The stuff in cadet blue velvet laid in long folds around the edge, slightly puffed over the forehead and caught in there with a bit of costly cut jet. Over the velvet lay a wreath of rock feathers, also cadet blue, running up and down and edged with cut brilliants. At the back three upright quills likewise bespangled, some prince of Wales plumes and loops of cadet blue velvet, out of which come the strings to pass double under the chin. Another prince of Wales cluster comes down and rests lightly upon the yellow hair. Her companion, one of the fresh, wholesome brown-eyed girls who always develop into fine women, smiles at you from under a big black velvet hat with an irregular soft brim whose curves are wonderfully picturesque, and more wonderfully feathery. The trimming is just a big, soft bow of broad ribbon velvet, and six of the new mushroom tips shading from white to golden yellow.

Street gowns are severely simple. If fit and finish do not give style, none is possible. For the most part they have coats whose skirts reach to the knee. Dress skirts are narrow and close-fitting—in fact molded to the figure at top, with a sudden amplitude at the foot. The only permissable trimming is a wide border of fur, or several narrow ones, or else a row of passementerie.

But such passementerie nobody ever quite saw before. Fancy wide, golden meshes sown with seed pearls, with pale emerald nail-heads, or those that flash out to you the luster of aqua-marina. Imagine it catching down draperies of creamy-white *crepe de chine*, and you will get some idea of the gown worn at a Thanksgiving night party at a country house, when its blonde owner set several hearts a tremble. For she bound her golden hair with ropes of real pearls, and enwrapped her milk-white throat with the same perfect jewels. Even her tiny slippers—she is a second Cinderella—were powdered with the white drops that might be fairy tears made immortal. Another gem which upon the same occasion enhanced the charms of her brunette dearest foe is of blue-green silver-spangled tulle made with the suspicion of a fan train over blue-green shot silk. At foot the skirt has an enormously full tulle ruche with a row of stemless pink roses through the center. The same trimming, but smaller, outlined the low neck. On either shoulder there was a big, real lace butterfly, and a third hovered over the roses abloom in beauty's hair. Another gem was of yellow silk, hand wrought, with pink orchids and yellow jeweled centers.

One of this autumn's brides, whose wedding gowns are now a-making on

AT THE ASTOR TEA.

Fifth avenue, has decided to make their linings, instead of an accessory, a feature. They are all silk, of course. Sometimes they harmonize, oftener they contrast vividly with the stuff they accompany. For instance, a reception gown of black royale is lined, waist and skirt, with exquisite old-rose satin. A rough cloth, whose olive surface is blotched with a tint that looks like nothing so much as an autumn leaf in which frost has left but the ghost of its scarlet flame, has for its lining a high light of the same tender color. A water green silk is lined with palest sea-shell pink, a yellow that glows like live sunshine shows inside something that recalls a mauve vail laid lightly over the heart of a silver pink rose.

This same lovely bride has a gown or two worth a paragraph—even as to their outside. For example, a morning gown of the richest clear red wool, so fine and close of woof that it puts satin to the blush. It is cut to sit close in the back with a demi-train edged with a silken quilting exactly matching its color. The front is of soft, thick ribbed gray silk, with triple clustered stripes of white and red. It is gathered full into a broad gray collar and shirred in diamond pattern to the shape of the bust. Over this the red wool falls in long jacket fronts that reach quite to the foot.

At an early tea given to one of the Astor family a few days after the birth of the young heir, who is said to have his mother's hands and hair, with Astor features, one of the guests was thus gowned. She sat near the tea-table in a high carved mahogany chair, a perfect picture of the grand dame *fin de siecle*. Her gown was of the richest fawn corded silk, made with deep folded vest that was fastened at the waist with a belt of jet and gold embroidery. Embroidery to match ran around collar, wrists and skirt above a deep band of beaver fur. She wore, likewise, a half-fitting vest of beaver-colored velvet. In front of her stood a young woman who could almost discount the glories of King Solomon. Her gown was heliotrope cloth, with shaded metal embroidery in gold, silver and copper. It fell at the back in a demi-train, and opened in front over an under-dress of the richest stamped velvet in Louis XV. patterns. The toque was of cloth and velvet to match. Altogether, she was a mighty impressive testimony to the dress-makers' high art.

ELLEN OSBORN.

THE STATION DESPAIR.

We must trust the conductor, most surely
Why millions of millions before
Have made this same journey securely
And come to that ultimate shore.
And we, we will reach it in season;
And ah, what a welcome is there!
Reflect then, how out of all reason
To stop at the station Despair.

At midnights and many a potion
Of little black water bars we
As we journey from ocean to ocean—
From sea until ultimate sea—
To that deep sea of seas, and all silence
Of passion, concern and of care—
That vast sea of Eden-set islands,
Don't stop at the station Despair!

Go forward, whatever may follow,
Go forward, friend-led, or alone;
Ah me, to leap off in some hollow
Or fen, in the night and unknown—
Leap off like a thief, try to hide you
From angels, all waiting you there!
Go forward! whatever betide you
Don't stop at the station Despair!

—Joaquin Miller, in N. Y. Independent.

GREATEST OF THE THREE

Continued from 9th page.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miller of No. 455 Jefferson avenue, were the recipients of a genuine surprise party Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Miller leave soon for Belding where Mr. Miller will take charge of a hotel.

The dancing club which was organized four years ago principally through the efforts of Mrs. Morris Cassard, who was then Miss Waters, will reassemble December 3 in Hartman's small hall for an evening's pleasure and to open the season with a hop. Braun's orchestra will probably be engaged for the season as usual, and it is hoped to continue the parties as they have been during previous winters. This club may be known as the old dancing club or dancing club No. 1, and must not be identified with the new club which has taken the same name and meets at the same place December 10. The two clubs are distinct organizations, though both are composed of prominent young society people.

Over one hundred couples attended the Thanksgiving hop given Thursday night at the armory by the Misses Gage and Benedict.

The Misses Waterbury of Kalamazoo gave a card party Monday evening in honor of Miss Ethel Quimby who was the guest of Miss Burnham.

The "Silent Sixteen" club will meet Monday evening at Simmons' hall and elect officers for the coming year. Their first hop will be given in about three weeks.

Miss Fannie Wilcox's married people's dancing class met Friday evening at Simmons' Hall. The club though but recently organized has a membership of seventy-four couples and the following new members were present: Messrs. and Mesdames Dr. Robinson, J. M. Wilcox, Fred Barber, J. M. Otte, D. L. Campau, J. E. Phillips, W. L. Jenison, Jas. L. Curtis, W. J. Russell, W. S. Pratt, T. K. Haberkorn, Chas. L. Wilson. Excellent music was in attendance and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

Mr. and Mrs. Dutmer entertained the Burlington Pedro club Monday evening at their home, corner of Central avenue and Pleasant street. Mrs. W. J. Russell won the ladies' first prize, a set of silver fruit knives. The gentlemen's first prize was won by John D. Curtis. Mrs. D. L. Campau took the booby, a glass fruit dish, and C. D. Slocum contented himself with a china plate because he won a few games.

Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Guest, of No. 31 Lake street, entertained the Lantern pedro club Wednesday evening. Mrs. S. H. Sweet won the ladies' first prize, a pretty pink lamp. Mr. J. A. Wilson won the gentlemen's first prize, a blue lamp. Booby prizes, a red and a green toy lantern filled with perfumery were won by Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Bechtel. The club, which was recently organized, has the following officers: President, Mr. Chauncey Guest; vice president, Mrs. A. D. Green; secretary, W. T. Wilson; treasurer, Miss Gertrude Anderson. Meetings will be held every two weeks at the homes of the members. Mr. and Mrs. Sweet, of Henry street, will entertain the club Wednesday, December 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Armitage entertained the Neighborhood pedro club Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. David Forbes were fortunate in securing the first prizes and Mr. and Mrs. McNabb managed to retain the consolation prizes in the family.

Monday evening Mr. and Mrs. John Hoskin of No. 636 Cherry street, observed the anniversary of Mr. Hoskin's birth by entertaining a party of fifty guests at progressive pedro. Miss McKay and Mr. John Newhouse won first prizes, and Miss Susie Newhouse and Mr. Hoskens took the consolation gifts.

Mr. A. S. Goodman entertained a company of eight bachelor friends at dinner Thanksgiving day, at his home, No. 68 Ransom street. The guests were Messrs. S. S. Corl, Heber Knott, Huber Northrup, John H. Wheeler, Charles McQuewan, Fred. A. Twamley, W. N. Corl and W. J. Deppen. Mrs. Goodman is in Germany.

Miss Della Orven of Lake avenue gave a 6 o'clock dinner Thanksgiving day. Covers were laid for thirty. Cards, dancing and music contributed to the evening's pleasure.

General L. G. Rutherford ate a game dinner with Mr. J. W. Rosenthal and family. Mr. Rosenthal shot the game himself.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Dibble entertained the Young People's pedro club Wednesday evening, at their home, No. 94 Lagrave street.

MATRIMONIAL.

Barbour-May.

Mr. Harry E. Barbour and Miss Nellie May Beede were married Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's parents, No. 197 First avenue, the Rev. H. A. McIntyre officiating. Miss Bertha Barbour was the maid of honor and Mr. Ed. W. Cowlishaw was the groom's best man. Between one and two hundred guests were present and the event was a happy one. Many beautiful gifts were presented and the young couple start on life's journey under the most favorable auspices. They will not take a trip at present but are at home to their friends at No. 103 First avenue. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Bottsford of Dorr.

Wednesday evening Mr. Walter Van Keuren and Miss Ada Lulu Sherk were married at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. A. J. Dayton, No. 674 Wealthy avenue, the Rev. John Heritage officiating. They will be at home at No. 91 Baxter street after December 10.

Dr. H. Robinson of Chicago and Miss Mabel Bassett were married Wednesday morning at the residence of the bride's parents, No. 68 Colfax street, by the Rev. W. A. Frye. They left immediately the ceremony for their future home in Chicago.

AMONG OUR FRIENDS.

When, Where and How They Passed the Week.

John Roberts has returned to Elk Rapids.

Mrs. M. L. Calkins has returned to Jackson.

Miss Kate Konkle has retuned to Caledonia.

Mrs. E. P. Newbrough has reurned to Lansing.

Mrs. T. W. Fletcher has been very ill but is recovering.

Miss Rose C. King spent thanksgiving at Newaygo.

Prof. A. H. Morehead visited Middleville Wednesday.

Mrs. S. P. Tufts of Jackson is visiting friends in this city.

H. B. Vandercook of Allegan spent the week in this city.

Miss Van Buren spent Thanksgiving with Big Rapids friends.

Mrs. N. E. Maxim, accompanied by Master Maurice Aldrich, visited her daughter, Mrs. R. F. Armstrong, at Reed City, during the week.

Mr. Hugh E. Wilson spent Thanksgiving with friends at Ionia.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Watkins gave a small dinner party Thursday.

Mrs. Lydia Brackett visited friends at Charlotte during the week.

Miss Lalia Burlingame spent Thanksgiving with friends at Owosso.

Mrs. Wm. Bedell spent a part of the week with her son at Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Strahan gave a family dinner party Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey have returned from their extended eastern trip.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Harter of Ionia visited friends in this city Friday.

E. H. Easelyn of Lansing, spent Thursday with friends in this city.

Miss F. L. Lewis of Stanton, visited friends in this city during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Forbush are home from their wedding journey.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Wilson spent Thanksgiving with friends at Ionia.

Mrs. R. J. Side of Kent City, spent Thanksgiving with friends in this city.

Mrs. G. C. Adams of Allegan, visited friends in this city during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. James N. Davis leave soon for Florida to spend the winter.

Miss Cornelia Wilder has gone to Battle Creek to spend the short holidays.

Miss Flora Barnes went to Kalamazoo to spend Thanksgiving with her parents.

Lotta M. Glazier spent the week with F. D. Glazier and family at Whitehall.

Mrs. Frank Hale visited Mrs. W. E. Loomis of Greenville during the week.

Miss May Draper of Allegan, spent Thanksgiving with friends in this city.

Louis Jacoby of Allegan, ate turkey with his parents in this city Thursday.

Mrs. J. S. Spearman of Whitehall spent Thanksgiving with friends in this city.

Miss Julia Howig spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Sheldon.

Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Barnes of Ionia, spent Thanksgiving with friends in this city.

Mr. Heber Knott visited Mr. and Mrs. E.E. Ford of Kalamazoo, during the week.

Mrs Vesta Pratt spent the Thanksgiving holiday with her parents at Caledonia.

Mrs. E. S. Pratt, of Traverse City, is the guest of her sister Mrs. Reuben Hatch.

Mr. and Mrs. James Vandersluis spent Thanksgiving with friends in Holland.

Mesdames William and Chas. Dreuke spent Thanksgiving with their sister at Portland.

M. T. Ryan and family of Allegan, ate turkey with W. E. Ryan and family Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gibbs of Edmore, ate Thanksgiving turkey with relatives in this city.

Luther Smith of Chicago came over to spend Thanksgiving with his parents, J. B. Smith.

At. S. White ate Thanksgiving turkey with his daughter, Miss Nettie, at Akeley institute.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wonderly returned from the Pacific coast last night at 10 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Krudenier spent Thanksgiving with their parents at Grand Haven.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Emery spent Thanksgiving with Mr. Emery's parents at Spring Lake.

Mrs. Emma P. Runion has been called to Ravenna by the serious illness of her mother.

Mrs. A. C. Brown of Maple Rapids, spent Thanksgiving with her daughter, Mrs. O. F. Reed.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Perrine of Jackson are in the city. They will return home tomorrow.

Misses Kittie and Belle McKinzie of Grand Haven visited friends in this city during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Mosher of Jackson spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Briggs.

Miss Rubie Weston has returned to Ocala, Fla., after a pleasant visit with friends in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Tucker of Big Rapids ate Thanksgiving turkey with friends in this city.

Mrs. William Ball of Detroit spent Thursday with her brother, C. I. Howard, of First avenue.

Miss Aileen Herrington came home from the Kalamazoo seminary for the Thanksgiving vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. McReynolds spent Thursday at Muskegon, the guests of F. A. Nims and family.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Rudd and children of Allegan, spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Updyke.

Misses Lulu Feighner and Electa Furniss of Nashville, visited friends in this city early in the week.

Miss Grace Mitchell and Mr. Arthur Mitchell attended the Co. F ball at Grand Haven Thursday night.

Mrs. H. L. Cresswell is very ill at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wilde of Coopersville.

Misses Minnie Boot and Jessie Hetherington spent Thanksgiving with Miss Martha Nyland of Grand Haven.

Mrs. Emma Bobbitt Keepers of Chicago, is visiting Mrs. Henry C. Post. Mrs. Keepers is a well-known elocutionist.

Harley Davis, who is a student in the conservatory of music at Ypsilanti, spent Thanksgiving with friends at Jackson.

Misses Myra Tillotson and Ethel Jones of Charlotte will enter St. Mark's training school for nurses December 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Oswald have returned from an extendid trip through Canada. They also visited Detroit and Rochester, N. Y.

Misses Minnie Cook, Eugenie Brown, Flora Beadle, Florence Cromwell discussed the festive turk with relatives in Hastings on Thanksgiving day.

Mrs. Captain J. Barry, Mrs. D. Blake and Mrs. W. B. McLaughlin, of Muskegon, spent Thanksgiving with relatives and old friends in this city and Walker.

Misses Alice King, Edith Powers, J. Myrtle Barclay Nellie Fairs and Ida M. Archambeault, students at the Michigan seminary, spent Thanksgiving at their homes in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Burleson, and Miss Lizzie Connor spent Thanksgiving at Kalamazoo, and attended the wedding of their sister, Miss Connor, to Mr. Wall, of the Western Union.

The Rev. Daniel Rowen of Detroit, whose paper, "A Way Out of Agnosticism," attracted much attention at the recent Unitarian conference, will preach at the Unitarian church this morning.

The Rev. Miss Mila Tupper has been called to Menominee, Wis., to attend the funeral of the late Rev. Henry Doty Maxon, who was a warm personal friend of Miss Tupper. The lady will preach to his people today.