

# NOVELTIES IN EVENING GOWNS ARE APPEARING FROM BEST COUTOURIERS

Blue and Green Net Over Silver Cloth Produces Colors of Fly, Which Effect is Emphasized by Having Butterfly Motif in Jet and Crystal Bead Emepeied in Girdle—Hoops and Trains Also Noted.



## Dragon Fly Coloring in Tulle and Beads

**B**LUE and green net over silver cloth produce an unusually beautiful effect for evening wear. The blue, green and silver colors of the darting fly are emphasized by a sirdle emplementation in jet and crystal beads, in which is wrought a butterfly motif. In the skirt, the blue and green nets are combined in long, dove-tailed points set together with threads of silver. The draped sleeve, half covering yet revealing the upper arm, is an especially graceful feature of this costume.

Hoops have made their appearance for the coming Winter and lo, here is the bustle also. Under the bouffant drapery at the back is an actual bustle arrangement of light featherbone and the trim, long basque is boned at the sides. The frock is of black pussy willow taffeta, valued with black tulle and below the square décolletage is a Y-shaped vest of flesh tinted silk veiled with the tulle. Jet beads edging the floating tulle sleeves and jet trimming is placed across the back of the sash and at the lower edge of the basque.

## Handmade Cretonne Desk Set Is Pretty.

**A** PRETTY cretonne desk set may be made by the girl who is nimble with her fingers, and will be an ideal Christmas present for some friend who takes pride in her well-appointed boudoir. The desk set includes a deskpad with cretonne-covered corners, a cretonne-covered rack for stationery, or for letters already opened, a cretonne-covered memorandum or address book and a cretonne-backed blotter. The inkwell may be of metal or glass and can be purchased in some dainty design that seems to harmonize with the desk set.

To make the deskpad, cut a large oblong of cardboard and attach one side of it with cretonne, turning in the corners neatly and pasting with library paste. Set this under heavy weights and proceed to make the cretonne sections, each of pasteboard in triangle size, covered with the cretonne. A piece of blotting paper is to be pasted on the reverse side of the large cardboard; then the four corners of cretonne will be pasted down on the blotting pad.



Trained Evening Gown Here Again

## WOMEN TAKEN TO TASK FOR NOT AIDING TALK

**S**OME of the kindest and best of women are so occupied with planning for creature comfort they almost forget to attend to conversation. This inattention, however praiseworthy its cause, is not flattering. I was once at table with a foreign missionary who was being entertained at Sunday dinner in the hospitable and kindly home where I was staying at the time. This missionary had traveled much and had many thrillingly exciting and some amusing stories to tell us. But our hospitable hostess was so anxious that her visitor should eat a really good dinner. She enjoyed his

stories, but always with one eye on his plate. Just as we were all eagerly listening for the most enthralling bit of one adventure came an interruption from our hostess, who addressed her husband reproachfully across the table: "John, you're neglecting Mr. Blank. I'm sure he would take a little more meat if you asked him."

Then, after the recital of a little story to which, I thought, she had seemed to listen with some interest, she murmured, absently: "Yes, very nice, wasn't it?" And then, with fervor: "But do let me persuade you to have some fruit!"

It really was amusing to watch the face of that poor missionary. I did so wish it had been possible to take aside my hostess—one of the kindest women who ever breathed—and tell her that the best, good man would be infinitely happier if she'd only allow him to eat less and talk more.

It's a good thing to have a passion for the truth, but a hostess may make her guests feel uncomfortable if she gets into the habit of correcting each slight inaccuracy that crops up in the little stories told by members of her family and friends.

A house I know, where live three charming sisters, is quite given over to this habit. Two of the sisters are widows and have married daughters who often visit the home with their children. The guests at their table often find themselves feeling distressed and uncomfortable for the conversation is punctuated by corrections, interposed by one sister and another in the interest of truth.

For instance, we are quite carried away by a description of a country walk given by one of the daughters. It is almost possible to see the wonderful, purple haze of the bachelors in the distance and to glory in the golden splendor of the landscape when suddenly comes Aunt Mary's gentle interruption: "My dear, not five miles, I'm sure Harry said it was only three to the corner of the wood."

## Rose Leaf Slumber Pillow Is Joy Forever.

**S**LUMBER pillows, haven't you heard of them? Why, they're just ordinary pillows stuffed with rose leaves from the garden, and they will likely make the most hardened sufferer from insomnia sleep the sleep of childhood. Unless you dry the leaves this pillow keeps sweetly scented for only about a week, but if you want a truly exquisite one that will be a joy forever, gather the roses early in the morning on a dry day and strew the petals on a tray. Leave them in the full glare of the sunlight until they are entirely dry, then sprinkle with a little table salt and pack away in a jar. Cover and leave for 10 days, stirring well each morning. At the end of that time take one ounce each of cloves and allspice, coarsely ground, and the same amount of stick cinnamon, broken and shredded fine. Transfer the petals to another vase or jar and then mix in the spices, scattering them alternately among the layers of flowers. Cover the jar lightly and let stand in a dark place for about three weeks.

Now for the last stage. Prepare a quarter of an ounce each of nutmeg, cloves, allspice and ground cinnamon, all coarsely ground and pounded in a mortar, half a grated nutmeg, half an ounce of cinnamon, broken fine, one ounce of powdered cardamom and a quarter of a pound of dried lavender flowers. Mix all these well together with the rose leaves.

Now take your pillow case and stuff it with relays of cotton wool, sprinkling the rose leaf mixture thickly on each layer; when it is full sew up the end seam.

You can make many other kinds of beauty pillows, using appropriate materials for covers and filling them with one sweet-scented flower, such as clover, clove pink, verbena, sweet-scented geranium, heliotrope or lavender. All of these flowers should be bruised slightly before being used as a filling.

For the real potpourri just fill your jar with layers of rose leaves and the spice mixture alternately and add a few drops of oils, either rose, geranium or bitter almond. Then over the whole pour one ounce of cologne.

It is only necessary to look back at any of the fashion plates which may happen still to survive, displaying the modes which prevailed last Summer, in order to realize this fact very clearly, and to congratulate ourselves upon the many changes for the better which are very evident in the fashions as they are being worn at the moment and as they are likely to prevail in the immediate future.

## Tiny Tots May Learn to Knit Dolly's Sweater.

**T**ask Will Be Quite so Fancy of Young Girl and Would Relieve Her From Boredom.

**A**NY little girl more than 7 years old may be taught to knit, and the homely accomplishment may relieve her from boredom many and many a time later in life. Here is a simple direction for making a knitted sweater for dolly—a task that will be quite to the fancy of the youthful knitter, incidentally she will learn a good deal about knitting.

Use one hank of Shetland wool in any pretty color and a pair of knitting needles, about No. 5 size. Cast on 20 stitches for the back of the sweater and knit 20 ribs. Then cast on 10 more stitches, knit across and cast on 10 at the opposite side. You have on the needle now, 40 stitches, which gives the width from sleeve edge to sleeve edge. When you have knit 10 ribs, the sleeves will be finished up as far as the shoulder line. About eight stitches may be bound off for the back of the neck. Eight stitches from the 40 on the needle leaves 32 stitches, so when you have knit half of the 32, or 16 stitches, bind off eight for the neck and continue to knit across the remaining 16 stitches.

You must now abandon work on the whole sweater and finish each front separately. To do this slip off the 16 stitches on the opposite side of the bound-off portion on a big safety pin and fasten securely. Take the empty needle and commence knitting where the end of your sweater is. Knit as far as the bound-off place and back twice, which will give you two ribs for the shoulder. Now cast six stitches to make the front wide enough for a knit across the 22 stitches for 10 rows. This completes the sleeve. Bind off under the sleeve for 10 stitches (the original number you cast on for the sleeve) and then knit across and across, straight down the front until the front is as long as the back. Finish the opposite front in the same way and sew up the underarm seams with a bit of worsted. Cuffs may be knitted on the sleeves if desired, and even a little collar added.

## Kitchen Conveniences Offered.

**A** convenient kitchen cabinet in a light oak finish is offered in the sales at one store for \$22.50. It has shelves, drawers and doors and is lined with enamel to match the top of the table part, which pulls out to a convenient width when in use. It has glass bottles and jars, sugar and flour

Every Nemo is an extra value simply as a corset. For the hygienic features, which are priceless, you pay nothing extra

# Nemo WONDERLIFT SELF-HELP FOR ALL WOMEN

# SELF-REDUCING FOR STOUT WOMEN



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The Nemo Hygienic-Fashion Institute, New York

## LITTLE TRIMMING GOES LONG WAY IN FALL HAT

Paris Says "Chapeau Is Decorated, Not Trimmed," and Smartness Is Decided by Shape and Material, Felt and Velour Being Popular.



NOT MUCH TRIMMING, BUT THAT JUST RIGHT.

## ITCHING ECZEMA ON FACE AS RASH

Extended to Chest. Very Sore. Caused Loss of Sleep. Clothing Aggravated Breaking Out.

## HEALED BY CUTICURA SOAP AND OINTMENT

"My eczema first began as a rash on my face, and then extended to my chest. It caused my face and chest to be very sore and it also caused disfigurement for the time being, also itching, burning and loss of sleep. The skin was red and inflamed and I irritated the affected parts by scratching. My clothing also aggravated the breaking out on my body.

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## New York's Municipal Library.

Pittsburg Dispatch. There is one library owned and managed by the City of New York about which there is probably less known outside of the circles of the legal profession and students of municipal affairs, than any other library in that town. And this, curiously enough, in spite of the fact that the volumes on its shelves are subpoenaed in court more than the general public knows anything about. This institution is the city library, in the City Hall, and which has on its shelves 10,000 volumes. The official reason for this library's being in to furnish a complete and official record of the municipal affairs and history of the City of New York. From the viewpoint of the bibliophile or the historian, the most valuable books in the library are the records of the town in the days when the Dutch ruled Manhattan, and it was known as New Amsterdam. The old Dutch records consist of seven fat volumes, covering the period between 1647 and 1674.

## Novelties in Pocketbooks.

Pocketbooks of white kid, or of black and white kid, have come with the Autumn. The black and white pocketbooks present many novelties, but the all white bag, though permissible, is particularly lovely, especially with light-colored and white suits. The final artistic note is given to these pocketbooks by a lining of black and white striped taffeta.

## Canning Without Cooking Rule Out.

A general rule for canning fruit without cooking is the following: Make a syrup and boil five minutes, allowing one cupful of sugar and one cup of water to each jar. Pare the fruit and pack whole in the jar; in each jar put one tablespoonful of pure alcohol or brandy and pour in the hot syrup until brimful and seal.