



Fads and Fashions.

By Florence Fairbanks. NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—It is quite probable that we will have much cold weather before spring is really upon us and winter garments may not be discarded for some time, yet nearly every woman is planning or has already planned her spring wardrobe. A few of the new models follow the lines of those this winter, but still it is too early for very many styles to be set. However, it is evident that there will be a great variety and every woman will find a style to suit her. The long slim lines will try hard to be the favorite for elaborate gowns and costumes, and the modified empire gown will receive much favor. Many changes are noted in the past season, being the following of the ancient costume of Greece. The dress of one piece is carefully folded over the bust and slightly draped at the neck and over an underskirt of the same material. Lighter shades of blues, browns, greys and greens will be seen in the spring tailored suits. Sulphur has almost taken the place of copper color and rust and cigar browns promise to be favorites. Fokos and chambray are also liked. Rose pastel, a touch of brilliant flame color, is used to give distinction to the plain grey and white costumes. Black is used for toning down costumes of a brilliant color.

As long as the cold weather lasts fur coats will not be put away and they are becoming that most women will be glad to wear them as long as they last. There is a great variety in these coats, in trimming and in cut. The Antoinette wraps, peleries and stoles all show much variety. The fur coats are made with waistcoats of light colored cloth, velvet, silk or Persian embroidery. The hip-length light-colored coats are worn on the street, and full length coats are everywhere as popular.

The much worn tailored waists are showing a good deal of color. Madras is very attractive with colored printed clusters of flowers or spotted colored effects on a plain background. The striped batiste is a great favorite. There are beautiful Japanese and Chinese embroidered crepe waists that are plain and dressy occasions, and the embroidered pongee and russia silk waists are decidedly chic. The surahs and satin de Chine are also in the front.

The fact that skirts for walking are to be extremely short means that the shoes will be noticed more than ever and therefore should be as perfect as possible. For every day wear, the shoes will be worn the same as last summer. The very latest fancy is a black patent leather boot with a white top which can be worn on the street, colored cloth gown. Some prefer that the tops shall match the dress in one shade lighter. A growing fad is gold shoes that are worn on the street. These are rather abundantly embroidered in gold flowers. But the gold slippers are the most dainty with a gold rose upon the toe.

Hats of the mushroom shape bid fair to be very popular this season. The wide, flat sailor shape is much favored and also the wide brim that drapes greatly and is sometimes attached at one side. The large brim that rolls at the front and at the left side will be seen in some elaborate hats. The sleeves are long and full, and the spring millinery, but Paradise and osprey, perhaps, will receive the most favor at first. Ostrich plumes are to be used although not as many as have been loaded on some of the winter hats.

A charming gown that was noticed at a five o'clock tea the other day was of Atlantic blue voile made with a surprise front crossing over a vest of white lace. The sleeves were long and wrinkled down over the knuckles. The long coat was Atlantic blue cloth matching the gown and was beautifully trimmed with Russian embroidery and faced with blue silk. It was fastened together in front with handsome ornaments that harmonized with the gown. The hat which made this toilette complete was of blue felt with a big blue feather curving over the brim.

Neck scarfs will be a attractive feature at the beginning of spring. They are made of thin silk, chiffon or silk muslin and come in a variety of designs. The scarf is drawn around the neck with the ends reaching to the waist and ends are sometimes finished with fringe. These are to be much worn with décolleté teagowns and some women now are wearing them to their waists with a low necked gown. The hip scarf is becoming quite the fashion. This can only be worn by a person who is then it gives a charming effect. The scarf is drawn around the hips tightly and knotted in the back with the ends falling to the knees. This is decidedly pretty.

Feeding the Baby. BETWEEN the two extremes in the matter of feeding young children there is a medium of sane philosophy which is easily comprehended and which every young mother should take time to study. It is no longer necessary for her to shift about from the advice of the mother of 12 who always gave hers everything they wanted, whether it was bottled cabbage or sauerkraut, to the doctor of the ever-anxious mother of one, who in her

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The New Motor Coat. NEW coat suitable for motoring, evening, or outing, according to the material, is cut in just a few pieces. To get the effect of this design a striped or mixed material, as tweed, should be used. The two pieces are exclusive of the sleeves, the material being set on the straight for the front. Where it is carried around to join in one seam up the back the arms are on the cross, and consequently the stripes of the tweed make an admirable diagonally lined and gored effect. This makes a splendid motor coat. With an even, indelibly striped blanketing, or a more dressy one is wanted corduroy gives a capital effect.

A Woman at Her Best. SAYS Edwin Markham: What is this fragrance of character, that we call charm? It is not a matter of looks or culture—it is a thing of personality, of expression, of temperament. This loveliness, this power of putting us at ease and at our best; this understanding and acceptance of us, always goes with genuine charm.

Princess Frock of Blue Cloth for Street Wear. The Tunic Is Open at Each Side and Attached to the Underskirt by the Stitched Tuck. The Corsage Is Trimmed With Shaped Bands of the Cloth Laid Over Tucked Chiffon Cloth to Match.

stress of mind causes her child to become a fretful, fussy egotist. The public libraries contain abundant information in regard to sensible and hygienic feeding, and the Home Training association is supplying all the good circles with literature bearing on the subject. By consulting good authorities and by taking for herself the mother may plan a diet suited to the child's age and constitution, every mother may by a little care and attention give her child a proper start in life.

Up to the age of 9 or 10 months the breast-fed baby requires no other food, unless he be some sanatorium-made cracklers, which relieve the gums and which furnish nothing objectionable in food. The bottle-fed baby must have a diet gradually increasing in strength, but not too sweet. To the bottle food may be added a proportion of barley gruel, oatmeal water, rice water or strained cracked wheat gruel. Children of tender age do not require much variety, and it is not good to give too many different foods, such as well-cooked cereals with cream and milk, bread (one day old), broth, eggs and fruit, and many other means.

The most satisfactory way of obtaining the beef juice for a baby is to use for the invalid whose digestion is weak. But the best way of getting small pieces, into a Mason jar, stand it in cold water and let it come gradually to a boil. Boil 10 minutes, then strain through a fine sieve and give to the child one or twice a day in addition to his regular food. The wise mother will not begin to experiment with a child's food until she has become accustomed to one new kind of food at a time, and so long as he remains well and is gaining in weight he content to make slowly in increasing his diet list.

Congress of Mothers. THE International convention of the Congress of Mothers, which is to be held at Washington next month, is to be one of the most important councils ever held in America. Oregon is to be represented by Mrs. Elmer B. Colwell, president of the State Congress of Mothers. Mrs. Fred Schaff, one of its most active spirits, said:

We want not only the women, but the men who are interested in children, to participate in this congress. The congress will agitate questions that will ultimately stand for the better citizenship of all the people of the world. President Roosevelt is using his efforts to advance the cause. He said to me in a recent interview that he thought the best way of solving the problem was by organizing a radical preventive of evil influences of children to be upright citizens. "Train the children aright," he said to me, "and you will come nearer an ideal state than through any other means."

Household Wisdom. TABLE linen more than repays a special attention spent in laundering, and the cheapest quality will shine, and look snowy, if a housekeeper gives it proper care. If the slightest stain shows on cover or napkins it should be taken out before the piece goes into the tub, for once the whole is wet the spot is more difficult to find. The entire cloth does not require the rubbing necessary to eradicate the discolored place, and giving this hard wear on the scrubbing board should be avoided when convenient. A new and most beautiful eggshell china has just been brought to this country. It is reported as having been made in Ireland, and it is the most lustrous china on the market. It is ivory white, with a few lights showing through it like those in polished mother-of-pearl; in fact, it looks not unlike the inner side of an oyster shell.

Some of the New Things. MADEIRA work, which is much like the broderie anglaise of last summer is coming in on the new waists.

Silkier and more attractive than ever are the new cottons, though "cotton" is no longer evidence of their cheapness, or these will make very dressy gowns.

It is to be a season of all kinds of stripes and if there is a striped silk to be made up a prettier mode comes than chosen to make it with a bias seam up the front, the stripes forming a design.

If unbrodered band can be worked in around the armhole of the new waist, one of the most insistent ideas of the hour will be carried out. The feature of the present blouse is its trig shapeliness and small waistline. The pouch which gave it its name is a mere memory.

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woman's greatest charm. The intolerance and self-centeredness of youth frequently detract from other lovely qualities of young women. Advancing age, except in notable cases, also steals from loveliness of character. Too often with length of days the spirit ceases to grow, centers itself in the narrow cares of the moment, or reverts to the outward tracks of the past.

The richest, freest span of a woman's life, the time of her greatest power and charm is generally during the years following the early twenties. The zenith is perhaps in the thirties, though it would set no limit on that side. Then, to the ripened graces of youth are added the treasures of experience; wisdom bought, perhaps, of sorrow; sympathy learned from suffering; understanding of the heights and depths of human nature, of the mighty mystery of life.

After first youth has begun to forget itself in remembering others, after there has come the sense of tears in mortal things, and with it the assurance that round our restlessness flows the Eternal rest, then her charm is at its height.

Stray Topics From Old New York. NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—When "Little Tim" Sullivan, the famous Tammany politician succeeded in getting an ordinance passed forbidding women to smoke in public places, it looked as though a fatal blow had been struck at the eternal contest for the rights of women. The women suffragettes rose in indignation and greeted their triumph a few days later when Mayor McCellan vetoed "Little

Tim's" ordinance and declared in favor of the women. There was joy in the camp of the suffragettes, so that one of their leaders, Mrs. Harriot Stanton Blotch, who in a figure in society as well as a lecturer of prominence, marched confidently to the municipal court last week to bring suit against the famous Hoffman house, the hostelry which has been the home of Democracy and the man about town for years. Mrs. Blotch brought suit against the Hoffman house, the hostelry which has been the home of Democracy and the man about town for years. Mrs. Blotch brought suit against the Hoffman house, the hostelry which has been the home of Democracy and the man about town for years.

Governor Hughes of New Jersey, Governor Fort of New Jersey and President Roosevelt are all going to take part in the opening of the new tunnel and subway under the Hudson river that will connect Manhattan with the Jersey shore, when it is opened to the public on February 25. According to the present plans two special trains, one from each end of the tube, bearing the governor and guests from the respective states, will start simultaneously and meet under the center of the Hudson, where the two executives will shake hands at the moment President Roosevelt touches the button in Washington.

Immediately following this ceremony the regular train service will be installed. The route that is to be opened is a double track road extending from the Lackawanna terminal in Hoboken, under the river and through Christopher street and Sixth avenue, Manhattan to Nineteenth street. The thousands of Jersey commuters, who have been obliged to use the ferries, hail the opening of the tunnel with the greatest delight.

Practical instruction in life-saving was added last week to the curriculum of Columbia college, and from now on classes will be held every afternoon in the pool in the university gymnasium. The new course is required for all candidates for degrees and must be completed before the senior year. A competent instructor has been put in charge of the classes who proposes to teach the men deep diving and also how to rescue a drowning man.

When Robert Hunter, one of New York's noted charity workers, announced over a year ago that 70,000 poverty

stricken school children went to school every morning, breakfastless, the kind hearts of the city were shocked. The kind hearts of the city were shocked. The kind hearts of the city were shocked. The kind hearts of the city were shocked. The kind hearts of the city were shocked.

Prominent autoists in New York are now demanding a more stringent law governing chauffeurs. Figures have been brought forward to prove that the number of long accidents in which automobiles are concerned are due to the incompetency of the chauffeurs. The number of accidents in which automobiles are concerned are due to the incompetency of the chauffeurs.

The opening of the new Hispanic museum on Washington Heights only a few miles from the city center, is fast outgrowing itself. The museum is fast outgrowing itself. The museum is fast outgrowing itself. The museum is fast outgrowing itself.

With only two weeks left before Ash Wednesday, society has its hands full winding up the winter's festivities. There is a great deal of social activity in the way of small entertainments, although there are several on rather a large scale for charitable purposes. The fashionable society is still in the midst of the winter's festivities.

For the Maid's Room. IN the article, "My Lady in Haste," in the March Delineator, Jean Whittens, tonight gives some valuable hints concerning the accommodations for the serving maid. "When I get a new maid," says the wise housekeeper, "I explain everything carefully to her for a week until she has made the full routine of her duties, and then place upon the shelf in the kitchen a card which she is to read and which will give her every hour of every day of the week so that she need not bother me with questions."

Her bedroom is simply but comfortably furnished with a white enameled iron bed, a comfortable mattress, a bureau, washstand with clean towels and pin cushion, a hanging shelf for her clothes with a green and white curtain, a green rug, a green dotted muslin window curtain if she is Irish, and a laundry-bag. I give her a mirror large enough for her to dress by properly, and provide her with her own towels, bath-towels, wash-cloths and talcum powder.

This latter, with a jar of borax, will keep her cool and sweet, while a small box of vaseline or cold cream will keep her hands in good order in cold weather. I provide her with a whisk-broom, a work basket in which to put a spoon of medium white thread and one of black, a paper of graded needles, a pair of scissors and some buttons and tape, so that she can keep her clothing in order.

The Bravest Woman in America. FROM the Delineator. IT is a big title, that of the "bravest woman in America," but the woman to whom it has been given by the Society of the American Cross of Honor has fully earned it. For nearly 50 years Ida Lewis, keeper of the Lime Rock Light in Newport harbor, has watched over the treacherous water of the bay, ready to respond to the first signal of distress.

It is charity for the men is not one of the things usually put on the credit side of the ledger of the woman's clubs. Therefore certain statements of Kate Upson Clark, in the Brooklyn Eagle, are as unexpected as they must be encouraging to the men.

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First Aid Hints. AN emergency closet should be a feature of every home, or of the room or apartment of every individual who doesn't happen to have a "home." It should contain a few rolls of clean antiseptic bandages and sterilized cotton, court plaster and antiseptic fluids for washed and gargles, vaseline and camphor vaseline, and a few bottles of iodine or other antiseptic for pain or soreness.

THE woman who won a happy, healthy and well dressed must robe herself in her astral color, assert the followers of Dame Fashion. The idea has caught the feminine fancy, and not only are hats and gowns carried out in this color scheme, but the bedroom and boudoir are decorated in accordance. Your astral color is governed by the month in which you were born. January's color is light purple, February has pink, March purple, April red, May blue, June bronze, July light red, August violet, September deep blue, October bronze, November gold and December gray. This notion recalls the shallow-headed women of fashion who in a recent novel, when informed by a theosophist that her aura was pale mauve, cried "shudder, shudder," and then, after a few days, she had a friend as well as a mistress, and we avoid doctors' bills and keep well and cheerful. She feels that she is beginning to live not the life of a slave, but a useful, wholesome, happy life in which she finds a certain friendly reciprocity which means much, very much, to her.

To Extend Farm Colony. THE committee in charge of the disbursement of the Baron de Hirsch Fund has decided to extend considerably the work of the Jewish agricultural colony at Alliance, N. J., which was established several years ago as an experiment.

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Kitchen Kinks. NEVER throw away empty cotton-wool, says an English contributor, (she means spoils); they have a hundred uses. In most kitchens there is a row of nails on which aprons and dishcloths are hung, with the result that they are frequently torn and rust-marked. This will be prevented if you force on each nail one of your empty spoons; nothing could make a more useful use of them.

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la or gasoline seem only to make stains more prominent. This is partly because the cleaning agent has not been adapted to the material, and also because the work is improperly done. It makes no difference whether silk, wool or cotton is stained, the same principle applies. The stain must be a fresh piece of cloth underneath to absorb the soiled liquid that seeps through. Otherwise the cleaning fluid, laden with dirt, has no place to go and simply spreads over the original place. Several layers of absorbent material underneath are absolutely necessary, and it is doubtful if anything is quite as good for this purpose as cheese cloth.

Next to this condition it is important to spread the soiled place out on a smooth surface, that the spot may be washed to free it from dirt. If it is forming a skin, board tables are best for this, and the absorbent and scrupulously fresh cloth beneath should be changed frequently. This is especially necessary, and it is doubtful if anything is quite as good for this purpose as cheese cloth. A bit of old white flannel is the best for the cleaning agent. Rubbing with this should be another with which to work the place dry, or nearly so. With care this home cleaning is quite practicable.

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Safe or Unsafe? A WOMAN conceived the idea of hiding her finest jewels under the floor. She was the least danger of a burglar looking for them, so she had the alarm clock made with a little receptacle in which she kept her treasures. No burglar would touch an alarm clock for anything, and certainly one would not carry off the cheap little article. It sounds like a reasonable thing to do for a little while, but the fact is, we shall all be in danger of having the alarm clocks stolen.

Sunday Menu. BREAKFAST. Oranges. Cereal with Cream. Clam Fritters. Graham Gems. Coffee. DINNER. Okra Soup. Ripe Olives. Veal Pot Pie. Cranberry Sauce, Salsify. Celery and Potato Salad. Chocolate Fudding. Coffee. SUPPER. Lettuce, Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Preserved Ginger, Cake, Tea.

Celery and Potato Salad.—One cupful of cold boiled potatoes, cut into dice an equal quantity of celery, finely minced, and one teaspoonful of minced parsley, mix together, and dress with French dressing, and set away to chill thoroughly. Arrange on lettuce leaves and garnish with hard-boiled eggs cut into circles. Chocolate Fudding.—Mix together five tablespoons of corn starch, half cup of sugar and one tablespoon of salt, then add one scant half-cup of cold milk and stir mixture into one pint of milk heated to the boiling point in a double boiler. Stir until thick, let cook ten minutes, add one and one-half ounces of unwashed chocolate melted and stirred until smooth with one-quarter of a cup of boiling water, then remove from the fire, fold in the stiffly beaten whites of three eggs and mix with one teaspoon of vanilla. Turn into a wet mold and set away to chill. Serve with custard sauce prepared as follows: Beat the yolks of the eggs slightly, add half a cup of sugar and a little salt, then add gradually one pint of scalded milk and cook in a double boiler until the spoon is coated. Strain, flavor with vanilla and chill.

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