WOMAN'S REALM

THE FIELD OF THE GRUMBLER

Man Bewails Good and Bad Fortune Alike---Opportunities Unlimited.

Those to whom grumbling and growling are pleasures need never be dull for want of their favorite pastime; for, human naure being but a sadly defective kind of thing, and life being but an assortment of shreds and patches, opportunities for growling are almost as many as there are circumstances and the day of the grumbler is one that has no end. The weather and the rates; the price of wheat, the infamy of the Unspeakable; the ubiquity of the cyclist or the injustice of death; the new woman and the modern man—it matters not what the subject may be, from fashion to politics and from literature to servantgirlism, it is a fair field for growling and a rich hunting ground for the grumbler—that modern version of the ancient sybarite who fell foul of the rose leaves when they were crumpled and not smooth.

The grumbler is a being in whose composition hope has been left out and cheerfulness has no place, while pessimism and despair divide the field between them. His clouds have no silver lining, for his sky has no sun; and the morrow has no power to repair the disasters of today. He bewails his slight sprinkling showers as though they were deluges, where was no ark of safety; and, if he is to be believed, the world is always on the brink of an abyss, where the next moment it will topple over. He cannot "away with" changes of any kind, even for the better. The removal of two tumble-down old hovels, and erection of neat and healthy cottages in their stead, causes him to wail for the loss of that picturesque home of fever and disease. While he falls foul of the eyesore made by new and undelapidated buildings. He laments the widened lane and mended road; he decries the huge hats of his daughters and ridicules the small, close bonnet of his wife; he calls his studious son a milksop, and growls at his handsome athlete as a dunce fit only to be a prize fighter or a sporting professional.

In fact, whatever is is wrong, unless some one else declares it so, when the grumbler protests on the other side, for he is without logic, a veritable blot on the horizon of domestic happiness and the bugbear in the home where he should be loved and revered. CAROLINE.

THE SECRET OF FRENCH BREAD.

Miss Parloa is quoted to the effect that one of the secrets of the genuine French bread, which it seems to be the ambition of many housekeepers to duplicate in their kitchen, lies in the fact that the dough is worked without too much dry flour. It is not kneaded very much, and what little kneading there is is accomplished with less flour than the average breadmaker would consider possible. This scant kneading accounts, too, for its quick drying. French bread, like French butter, is for the day only. The more dough is kneaded the finer grained it will be and the longer it will keep. Another caution in the attempt to make French bread is that it must not rise too long.

THE VISITING CARD.

The latest visiting card has not changed in size, but it is neither the very thick board of long ago nor the recent very thin material. It is of moderate thickness and pure white. In calling attention to new styles in cards the black type is growing in popularity every day and promises to oust the script, which has held its own so long. Script of a rather larger and heavier style is still good form. Addresses are put either in the lower left or the lower right hand corner and bolder and larger lettering is also used for this purpose.

THE EYE OF A CHILD.

Who can explain or fathom the wondrous instinct of a child? Lying in the arms of its nurse, in the carriage or elsewhere, its large, round, wondering eyes roam over a sea of faces till suddenly its features break into a sweet smile, a baby laugh dances in its eyes, perhaps the tiny hands are extended and the little body gives a bound as though it would throw itself through space. What has happened? It has recognized a friend, nothing more, no less. It makes no mistake. Wiser, perchance, in that moment of inexperienced helplessness than it will be years afterward, when the world and its inmates have been studied in the light of instruction and experience, its love offering is seldom is ever mistakenly presented. By what power is this child's love directed? By what subtle influence does it see and know what in years after it may strive in vain to discern?

FRILLS OF FASHION.

The variety of gauzes bearing tinsel threads or metallic devices is extensive, and, though pronounced in effect, they are decidedly popular. Striped black gauzes are animated by heliotrope, blue and other colored metal threads, introduced in short dashes in the solid stripe. In colored gauzes of the same class tinsel matches the stripe in hue. Lace-striped gauze is also effective in pale blues, greens, pink, etc.

Malines is included in the trimming of a small bonnet with long sides suggesting the Dutch head-dress. Three bandeaux of riveted steel form the bonnet, and at the front and sides are fixed large black Malines rosettes, a steel ornament shining from the center of each airy knot. A trio of black tips spreads like a fan at the back, and a single small one droops over a brilliant jewelled ornament.

Black tulle is used for rosettes upon a toque of gold net embroidered with black chenile and fancy jet spangles. The brim is rolled all round, but in front it is pointed. Rosettes are disposed all about the crown, which is rather high, and at the left side a white aigrette is fastened among the black tips.

One of the daintiest gauzes presents white silk stripes on a white surface and diminutive detached roses in blue, rose and green. It was chosen in conjunction with nile green velvet, being mounted on a pale-green taffeta lining, an exquisite background for the delicate French scheme embodied in the design.

Brocaded velvets are used, wholly or in part, for basques worn with skirts of moire antique faconne and other silks. Some of the new opera cloaking materials suggest crepons. The ground work is mixed silk-and-wool in light shades, and upon it are raised crepy silk conventional figures in self-colors. These fabrics are adaptable to short and long wraps.

Corduroy, velvet, broadcloth, silveline and other napped fabrics are invariably made with the nap running down. The amateur dress maker should bear this fact in mind and cut all parts of her costume alike, else the result will be inharmonious.

Plain chiffon, chiffonette—also familiar as glace chiffon—and mousseline de sole are extensively worn at cotillions and other functions. Silk or satin is the invariable choice as a foundation for such goods, and frequently they are made up in combination with embroidered mousseline de sole.

A rarely beautiful specimen of the latter in white shows large daisies wrought with white silk and gold for the centers, the flowers being strewn as by a careless hand upon the snowy, diaphanous surface.

Silk Brussels net in white, black and light colors is largely used for evening wear over plain or figured taffeta. The net is rather newer than chiffon and kindred fabrics.

In woolen dress goods, taste inclines to plain hues, plum, green, brown red and national-blue being in the lead. These colors are found in canvas, silveline, smooth cloth, drap d'ete, lapaline, velours, corduroy and in fact, all the new fabrics.

Corduroy is very popular. Though heavy for this purpose it is largely used for shirtwaists, being supplemented by skirts of cloth or cheviot. Thus, a shirt-waist of dark-green corduroy, made with a yoke back and full fronts, will be worn with a skirt of mixed tan tweed or cheviot. Corduroy is also available for coat and skirt costumes for street wear, a silk or woolen waist being worn.

REGARDING NEW STYLES.

A tendency toward fluffiness is apparent even in net trimmings, which are enriched with beads and spangles, tiny frills of beaded net being set at the edges or along the center of the bands. The effect is novel and interesting.

A large Leghorn picture hat, suitable for wear with one of the gauzy bareges, is bent up fantastically and trimmed in front with a bow of very wide light green moire taffeta ribbon veiled with cream point applique lace, the bow consisting of one erect and two flat loops. Green and black silk roses are bunched at the left side, and at the back, where the brim is bent up, a long trailing branch of the roses is adjusted to fall rather low on the hair when the hat is worn forward, as it should be. This style of hat is more appropriate for the drive than for the promenade.

Appropriate for canvas and other open-meshed wool materials is a band trimming of black fish-net set with stamped green-and-blue spangles in one instance, wih heliotrope-and-green in another and with jet-and-blue in a third, the spangles being fixed with minute gold beads on the intersecting lines of the net. This trimming is obtainable in several widths and is of an unusually attractive character.

In organdies there are geometrical and fanciful as well as floral designs. Among the new patterns printed in colors on white organdies are those showing interlinked oval rings, crescents, gazzags and a device suggesting Chinese characters. Then there are ombre-shaped organdies in blues, greens purples and other colors, also on white grounds.

The soft crown of a turban is of black mousseline de sole embroidered with white and green silk flowers. The brim is of fancy green straw braid. A monture of yellow-centered black silk daisies and leaves is placed at the left side and at the back is tied a bow of black velvet ribbon caught with two steel buckles. Two black velvet pipings are adjusted inside the brim, to which they give a neat finish.

AUTUMN NOVELTIES.

Black lace insertion in various widths, alternating with watered or satin ribbons of equal width in black or of any becoming color, will be chosen for fashionable full fronts in sumptuous tea gowns.

For house wear, a soft gray wool batiste or barege trimmed with yellow lace and yellow satin choux is extremely popular.

"Extinguisher-top waists," made of gown goods or of any material, crossed and crossed again with lace insertion or gimp, are pressing to share favor with boleros. They are worn over high waists of mull, silk, lace or dress goods. The "extinguisher" is sleeveless, moderately low at the top and is slipped on over the head. It is joined under both the arms and is chic and elegantly transforming, if prettily made.

There is an effort to revive the long corset dress waist with skirts gathered or kilted to it. A deep pilose or lace flounce decorates the joining. Fine figures would gain by this fashion, but others should not risk it.

Anna Boleyn capes of mull, lace or batiste will be worn in the house all winter. They adorn every sort of simple afternoon gown and make it comely.

Painted gas or lamp shades in what are called Empire shapes are more popular than fluffy ones this season. The "ballet petticoat" shade is passe. Morris patterns, floriated Liberty satin and aquarellah transferred upon white, buff, pale-green or gray foundations are the leading materials. A narrow spangled passementerie finishes the top and bottom, a welcome change from the late universal ruching of pink silk.

The second season of intermingled blue and green increases the popularity of this color combination—long considered impossible. It is seen on brocades, plaids, checks, and in mixtures that are scarcely definite, but beautifully effective. Even ribbons for bows and streamers upon skirts are in blue and green, one ribbon laid upon the other.

Since stress grosgrain silks have come to stay, poplins have renewed their vogue. A really good new poplin is more costly than a good grosgrain silk, but it maintains its elegance much longer.

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AT THE DEPOT.

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CYCLING COSTUME.

Good style and originality characterize the season's modes for outdoor sports. Both the cut and materials are carefully considered and smart costumes result. When the costume is without trimming the fit must be accurate and a contrasting color, as a rule, is introduced in the vest, which is visible above and below the blazer closing. Coat-laps and coat-plaits give a coat appearance to the back of the blazer and the fronts are fitted by darts and closed just below the shawl collar. The three-piece skirt consists of

a front-gore and two wide circular portions that meet at the center of the back, where the fullness is arranged in plaits. Placket openings are finished at the side-front seams, pointed overlaps completing them. The skirt is of practical width and hangs gracefully. Tweed, cheviot, serge, flannel and some of the fancy mixtures in Scotch and English suitings will be chosen for this stylish costume. The Alpine hat is trimmed with velvet and feathers.

THE SULTANA BLOUSE.

The waning season always shows conflicting fashions, for the new modes are coming in and the old are adhered to by the conservatives who are reluctant to adopt novelties before the season is well inaugurated. The Sultana blouse illustrated is a Russian style greatly admired; it is gathered at the waist to droop all round over a belt; the closing is made at the left side. Triple-pointed circular caps

fall over the diminutive puffs, at the top of the close-fitting sleeves and a stock collar finishes the waist becomingly. The five-gored skirt has the fashionable fan back and is shaped with very narrow side gores; it hangs gracefully and is of moderate width at the bottom. The decoration on the skirt is effective and will appear on skirts of cloth, serge, cheviot and simila weaves. This toilette will look well made in silk, cloth or any of the novelty goods and velvet ribbon, braid or passementerie may be used for decoration.

THE DAGMAR BLOUSE.

Is there any woman of fashion or of any pretension to style in dress who has not a Russian blouse of silk, cashmere or other soft material that may be worn with any of the fashionably-shaped skirts? If she has not made one of these a part of her Autumn wardrobe she is not comme il faut. The mode has many variations, but nearly all these blouse-waists close at the left side under a frill of ribbon, silk chiffon, lace edging or other soft material.

The blouse-waist shown is well worth copying in silk, veiling, Henrietta cloth and the novelty suitings. The front and back are formed in groups of downward curving tucks and similar tucks are formed in the sleeves above the elbow. Bands of insertion above the tucks are very effective; the closing at the left side is followed by a frill of chiffon and a velve stock and belt are becoming accessories. Young ladies of slight figure are partial to this style. It is generally made over a fitted lining and may be trimmed or not according to fancy.

CALLING TOILETTE OF SILK.

The early autumn is an excellent season for displaying picturesque and tasteful dress, as before the very cool days arrive a woman may go forth without a wrap or jacket and so exhibit a handsome figure, a tailor-made suit of rich broadcloth or unison with a graceful-gored skirt having a fan back. In the illustration is shown a basque-waist of silk with a center front of mousseline de sole united with a seven-gored skirt of broadcloth trimmed at the bottom with fine plaitings of silk. The

side fronts of the waist show attractively placed clusters of tucks and are softly wrinkled by gathers and open becomingly over the full center front. A combination is quite essential if the dressy features of the mode are to be emphasized and two kinds of silk, silk and wool goods or cloth and silk will form stylish contrasts, while there is a still larger list of goods from which to choose. Ruffles, knife plaitings and fancy trimmings are all in order.

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THE CHURCH.

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Bishop Goodsell has held his European conference and will soon be faced homeward.

A new Congregational church building at Ranier was dedicated on the 5th, also one at Ione.

Rev. Austin Rice of Massachusetts began his pastorate at the Forest Grove church, Oregon, on the 5th.

Rev. Robt. W. Farquahar preached his first sermon as pastor of the Hassalo-street church, Portland, on the 5th.

From Congregational Sunday schools in Oregon, there were received into the churches during the year ending May 30, 1897, 2565 persons.

A farewell service has been tendered Rev. Dr. Case, who has been five years with the Howard Street M. E. church. This is his full limit.

In Los Angeles, Cal., the Methodist Episcopal church has fifteen churches, with regularly appointed pastors, and a membership of about 3500.

Rev. A. W. Bachlund, formerly of Seattle, but recently of enters next month upon his work as pastor of the Swedish Baptist church of Oakland, Cal.

Rev. T. L. Jones has returned to his charge in the Methodist field at Oregon City, improved in health. It is deemed probable that he will be able to continue in the work.

Bishop Foss is attending conference in Oregon. Early in October he expects to visit the Episcopal Mission conference in India and Malaysia, and will probably be gone six months.

Coporter C. A. Nutley reports the organization of a new Baptist church at Marmon, Or., wher he has been doing some special work lately. The church was organized on August 22 with six members, three of whom were baptised by Rev. J. H. Cummins. The organization is to be known as Mountain View Baptist church.

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