

# THE HOME'S FAIR QUEEN

## THE POPULAR WINTER COLOR

Will Be Gray in Various Combinations, According to Caroline.

If all the colors that the season seems likely to make famous, none stands a better chance than gray. It promises to be popular not only on its own account, but as an aider and abettor to other colors; in other words, in combinations. The fundamental fabric of a lovely frock recently seen is a pale gray cashmere, but it is combined with black lace mounted upon ecru satin. The otherwise plain skirt is topped by a yoke-like piece of the lace over satin. The entire look of the corsage is of the same, the cashmere forming the upper part of the fronts, the entire length of the slender vest and the sleeves. The broad, corset-like waistband of the cashmere is fastened in front with buttons and cords of gray; similar ones fasten the bodice. The lace over satin reappears as a finish to the stock, and also as a pair of odd little revers from which are developed epaulettes.

Distinctly smart is another gown, with its novelties both of skirt and bodice. It is made of a silk and wool fabric, not too dark green in color, and trimmed with black lace insertion over a paler green satin. Paler green satin is also employed for the much-wrinkled lower portion of the waistcoat and that part of the sleeve running from elbow to wrist. There is, too, a glimpse of dark green velvet in the stock and for a short distance below. The only variation from the prevailing tone consists in two heavily gold braided bits of white cloth so set as to form a conspicuous detail of the waistcoat. The revers are edged with the lace over satin, as are also the basque and the sleeve puff of wool where it meets the silk at the elbow. The skirt is ornamented with five bands of the lace over satin, so arranged that they meet in points in the front.

### WOMEN AND THE DINGLEY ACT.

Philadelphia Times. All over the old world—not "any old world" but that particular part which has no geographical relation with the new—are hundreds of American women, their eyes turned longingly toward their own land, but whose return to that land is indefinitely postponed. All that the women have to do is to make up their minds to pay down so much money and thus secure an open season, but considering that many of them really haven't the money and that not one of them is anxious to so expend it, the situation is really serious. The cause of it all? The new tariff law. Politicians of opposing faith may wrangle over the law at large, but there can be but one opinion as to the havoc that its one particular clause concerning "personal effects" has played with feminine peace of mind. Surely the ears of one Mr. Dingley must, in the course of the last few weeks, have burned as no ears have burned before. It would be different if the women had gone abroad since the bill became a law. But this is not the case. Most of them have been abroad for months, during which time, and never dreaming that anything so dreadful as the Dingley bill could ever actually come to pass, they have been accumulating every sort of dutiable article, they could lay hands on. Now it is a condition, not a theory that confronts them, and the mere suggestion of it is frightful. All the pleasure of a voyage home nowadays is destroyed by the thought of the customs ordeal to which they are doomed upon their arrival. These happy, care-free days, when smuggling was an easy, not altogether sinful, matter, when a voyager's progress was largely gauged by her ability to declare that certain plunder was not declarable, are all gone, never more to return, unless the prayers and mathemas of thousands of women are of any avail. There can be no question but that the old regulations were grossly abused. "To declare or not to declare, was the chief conversational topic upon the homeward voyage, decisions being generally in the negative. On one New York bound liner last summer the passenger list contained the names of thirty clergymen and it was refreshing to witness these gentlemen of the cloth in solemn conference as to whether they should or should not "declare" various articles which, according to the tariff law then in operation, were obviously dutiable. But the new law leaves no chance for any quip or quibble. "You pay your money," but there is no suggestion as to your "making your choice."

### MRS. LUTGERT'S RINGS.

Photographs Believed to Disprove the Charge of Murder. Photography will be the means used to convince the jury that the rings offered in evidence by the state are counterfeit. Between two and three years ago the missing woman had some pictures taken, and the rings were on her fingers at the time. One of these photographs is in the possession of the defense, and it is said to show that the rings of which the state has made so much are not hers. In the photograph two rings are plainly shown, and their

size is plainly indicated. The important fact brought out by the picture is that both rings worn by Mrs. Lutkert were of the same size. The rings produced by the state are dissimilar in almost every respect, and could not possibly be the rings shown in the photograph. One of them is a plain gold band, such as is commonly worn as a wedding ring. The other is what is known as a guard ring, or a friendship ring, and is supposed to have been worn by Mrs. Lutkert to prevent the wedding ring from coming off the finger. It is simply a small, thin circle of gold, and originally had a milled edge. To rebut this testimony, the state cannot offer any evidence to show that Mrs. Lutkert did not wear the same rings the night she disappeared, and at the same time the photograph was taken.

### WOMEN IN THE POSTOFFICE.

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### FASHION'S LATEST FANCIES

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#### AN EQUESTRIAN JACKET.

The season for outdoor sports is now at its height. There is no doubt that women when engaged in field or other sports experience greater exhilaration of spirit when up-to-date in their attire. Fitting such is easily procurable. Jacket-basques for equestrian wear have undergone some radical changes. A good example is given in this sketch; the basque is shown made of myrtle-green cloth opening over a vest of red-and-green vesting, machine-stitching giving the tailor finish. The basque may be

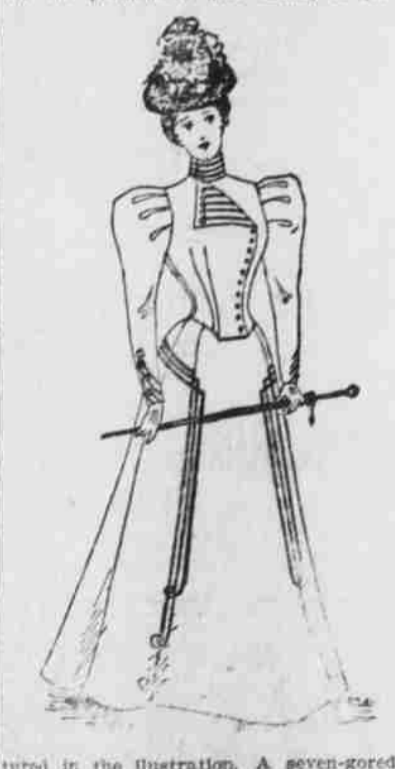


#### A TWO-PIECE COSTUME.

The value of the practical and serviceable two-piece costume cannot be overestimated; for travelling, riding, the promenade and driving it is always appropriate, and if a shirt-waist of becoming hue is worn under the jacket the effect is youthful and generally becoming. Such a costume is illustrated made of serge and trimmed with braid; it accompanies a shirt-waist of changeable taffeta silk, in a green tint shot with blue.

#### TAILOR-MADE COSTUME.

Although certain writers bemoan the close adherence to tailor styles, these modes continue to thrive and apparently flourish by condemnation. Adaptations of the Russian blouse, reduced sleeves, narrow lapels, large revers and perfect adjustment throughout characterize costumes having the tailor stamp and the materials of which they are made are rich in color and quality. A good style for the promenade and calling is pic-



#### CLAUDE DUVAL OVERCOAT.

The fronts of the Eton jacket are apart all the way and the ends of the rolling collar taper to points just below the bust. A five-gored skirt and pretty side complete the mode, which is simply but tastefully trimmed. For the autumn this would be a good choice and the mode is adaptable to all the soft wool weaves now in vogue. A stylish suit recently made was of brown serge; the jacket opened over a shirt-waist of tan silk and an Alpine hat of velvet trimmed with feathers and brown felt completed the toilette.

Lutkert and put in the vat by some enemy of her husband, as had been suggested. According to the defense, therefore, the rings Mrs. Lutkert wore at the time she disappeared must have been those she had on her hand at the time the photograph was taken.

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Louis Lutkert, who was a witness for the state, swore that for three years his mother's finger had been so large that it was impossible to get her rings off. The state felt much satisfaction at the fact that the rings had been, by this testimony, securely fastened on the woman's finger for a period dating three years back. This evidence given by the son of the missing woman, it was said, proved beyond a doubt that the rings could not have been left at home by Mrs.

now creeping in, for the cool days are at hand and, like their elders, the young folks find the soft wool weaves and mixed suitings more acceptable than the pique and gingham dresses, and even the top coat must be doctored in the mountains and at the seashore. The overcoat shown in the sketch is decidedly up-to-date and is fashionably known as the Claude Duval or highwayman top-coat. Its fronts are closed in double-breasted



style and above the closing are reversed in pointed lapels by a rolling collar which meets the lapels in notches. The triple cape is a feature of the mode; it is attached underneath the collar with hooks and eyes. Fancy coatings and the plain weaves as well are used for this style of overcoat and braid may be selected for decoration, or machine stitching will answer for a neat tailor finish. The cap and leggins may match or contrast with the coat.

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### A QUEEN'S FAVORITE DISH

The Way Black Game is Cooked for the Royal Table.

Here is her majesty's favorite way of having black game cooked for the royal table:

Truss the birds as for roasting, lard the breasts closely with well-furled rows of larding, set them to bridle in the oval stew-pan moistened with a mirepoix made with two parts of good stock and one-third of French vinegar, baste the birds frequently while they are being braised, when done set them upon a baking-sheet in the oven for two minutes to dry the larding, then glaze and dish them up, garnish with a border of stewed red cabbage dressed in the same way as French sauerkraut, and round this place a border of small sausages prepared as follows:

Chop one pound of calf's liver with ten ounces of fat bacon and six ounces of brown bread crumbs, season with black pepper, salt, grated nutmeg and lemon peel, some parsley, thyme, one bayleaf and some sweet basil, all chopped fine; add the yolks of three eggs, mix thoroughly and then form into small flat, round or oval sausages, which must be wrapped in a pig's caul. Fry these in a brown color, and use them as directed above. Sauce the remove with a poly-rade mixed with half of the liquor in which the birds have been braised, previously cleared of all grease and boiled down to half glaze; glaze the larding and serve. The birds may also be served with a purée of celery and Richelieu sauce.

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Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll containing the special assessment for the improvement of Thirty-third, Harrison Avenue and Thirty-fifth Streets, in Adair's Astoria, has been filed in the office of the Auditor and Police Judge, and is now open for inspection, and will remain open until the 6th day of October, 1897, prior to which time all objections to such assessment roll must be filed in writing with the Auditor and Police Judge.

The Committee on Streets and Public Ways, together with the Board of Assessors of the City of Astoria, will meet in the Council Chamber in the City Hall, in the City of Astoria, on Wednesday, October 6, 1897, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., to review and equalize such assessment, and thereafter report their actions to the Common Council.

By order of the Common Council,  
H. E. NELSON,  
Auditor and Police Judge.  
Astoria, Or., Sept. 24, 1897.