LATE BUYERS PROFIT

SUMMER MATERIALS NOW ALL REDUCED IN PRICE.

Foulard Silks Probably One of the Best Purchases That Can Be Made—Practicable Costume for Every Day Wear.

The first of May sets the pace for the reduction of all summer materials, for by this time those who follow the fashions to the letter are provided with the season's costumes. The reduced materials are then for the late buyer, she who was frightened at the first of the season by the high prices, or for those who discover, for some reason or other, that they need extra gowns.

These ladies will do well to consider the foulard silks, for all of these are at least one-third cheaper than with the beginning of spring, and sandwiched in with the better qualities there are weaves displayed as "special," which is to say, the silks go vertly for a song.

The striped serges that are so much employed for the coat suits that are useful all during the summer—especially at out-of-town resorts—are often reduced to one-half their former prices. The hip length coat, or Russian blouse model, is much used for these practicable and stylish textures, the gowns needing only a touch of braid or satin coat-edge for completion.

For little one-piece frocks, which will be worn for any and every occasion, there are veilings of cotton and silk so pretty, airy and stylish that there seems no excuse for the woman who can sew not to be well dressed this summer, for such materials often go for 39 cents the yard, and tucking, or the least ribbon banding, gives them a luxurious stamp.

Lastly there is the shirt waist skirt, a thing of such vital importance that it would be impossible to discuss summer fashions or materials without considering it. The models for such skirts are short and plaited and many show a cutting up of the material in the way of panels that seems almost patchy. Nevertheless the general effect is always good—for Dame Fashion always seems wiser than you feel yourself to be—and, compared with other seasons, such skirts take little material.

The evening phase of a smart gown I have shown before and here are pictured the guimpe and under sleeves which make the style practicable for day wear. The skirt and bodice foundation are of plain colored messaline and the overdress, which is in one piece, is of all-over figured net, with a band in wool embroidery. As to this decoration, it is made by a net foundation—big holes through which is drawn a triple zephyr in oblong rings and knots, the effect of the simple garniture, which is hand made, being decorative in the extreme.

If the skirt of this dress were made walking length the model would do for any day service, but here the long fall of the skirt suggests the smartest afternoon use.

For the foundation a messaline at

50 cents the yard would be perfectly adequate for a good effect and the extra money could be put in the velling or chiffon which might be used for the overdress if the net is not liked, for the quality of the tunic would show much more than that of the underslip.

If madam or miss is very handy with the needle, too, and doesn't mind turning out a frock that couldn't be washed, a short skirt might be made of solid colored organdy and the tunic of figured, through this airy fancy would need a complete underslip in the prevailing color.

Mary Dean

NEW SUMMER MODEL.

This model is of white lace, re-embroidered with gold. It is made in the latest style with crossed fronts and little basque.

The round, slightly low neck is finished with a ruffle of white silk gauze, of which the sleeve puffs are also made. The girdle is of light blue liberty.

Want of care does us more damage than want of knowledge.—Franklin.

TO MARK THE TABLECLOTH

Proper Method of Placing Monogram or Letters So That They Are Sure to Last.

In marking tablecloths a square cloth should have the monogram or letters in two corners, placed diagonally opposite one another. They should lie upon the table about a foot from the edge.

The height of such letters is more or less a matter of individual preference. Those ranging from three to six inches are used.

For a round table the monogram or initials are usually embroidered on both sides of the center, so that they rest on the cloth between the plates of host and hostess and the centerpiece.

If you have not had much experience in embroidering letters, do not attempt them on a tablecloth until you have worked napkins and towels.

Marking of tablecloths must be well padded and firm so that it stands out well when laundered. The cotton used should be fine and lustrous and the stitchery must be exquisitely fine and smooth.

Be sure that the padding is smooth and firm or your satin stitch covering will not look well. While plain satin stitch letters are most often seen, many of the new monograms show seeding or openwork effects in combination with the over and over stitch.

In the linen tailor-mades the embroidery that looks like cattail braid is a great deal used and effectively.

Setting of the Chemisette

Wide Choice Allowed on This Absolutely Necessary Decoration of the Neck.

The chemisette continues one of the best spaces for decoration on the evening gown, and will be necessary all summer on the garden party or afternoon frocks. The Dutch neck, whether it be square or round, frequently demands a lace inset; all fichu shoulder drapery admits of the let-in strip of lace across the back and front, and the guimpe at times shows merely as a low-necked chemisette.

Whether it be a flat strip of stuff or be shirred upon a cord, whether it be lace or plain net or sheer linen, it may be decorated and by hand. In fact, handwork on this most prominent part of the garment adds the exclusive touch that makes the gown.

Here is a nice little secret for the economical: Cut out from old bobbinette the fine motif of hand embroidery and applique it upon the new net chemisette, or, if its surface is no longer perfect, place it beneath the net, that its beauty may be veiled; and in this last disposition of it, trace it round upon the upper side with a thread of gold or silver.

For the garment not intended to be laundered there are gold and silver paint upon white Spanish lace—this for a gray dress. It is put on in dabs just by way of effect, and a good one it will give.

Fine muslins are embroidered, as are sheer linens, and the prettiest of dotted net is touched with applique of gold or silver braid tied in knots at intervals, or of the finest soutache tied in knots. This last is cut, and each separate knot is applied to a spot in the pattern.

Anything that is draped is fashionable.

One of the pretty ornaments for the hair is a butterfly made of white and gold sequins.

White serge suits have black or green collars and cuffs. Green is also used on dark blue.

POINTS ON WINDOW DRAPERY

Personal Supervision of Housekeeper Necessary if the Best Results Are to Be Obtained.

The better the curtains the better the case. All window curtains require the personal supervision of the housekeeper at this season of the year, whether they be of lace or merely some plain sheer material.

In the eyes of the artistic home decorator, those of plain surface are more to be desired, and certain it is that they need just as careful laundering as lace.

The first thought in taking down of sheer curtains is that little brass rod, which will tear the hem unless the housewife's own hands remove them from their position.

They are now soaked in cold water and then wrung out and put into a second clean bath of clear cold water to take out the collection of soot and dust that was scarcely noticed while the curtains hung.

Now lukewarm soapy water, several baths, for the constantly changing waters take the place of the wash board. Curtains should be persistently soused up and down in their several waters, squeezed rather than rubbed.

Rinsing in clear cold water is again in order, and drying in bright sunlight is a necessity.

After the sheer stuffs have been well dampened and tightly rolled overnight they are ironed on a very large flat ironing table, with all possible thought for the grain of the goods.

The ordinary laundress will rarely take the trouble to renovate curtains with any degree of feeling for their material or for their future smoothness of outline.

It is altogether possible to so straighten the damp material, while beneath the iron, that it will hang in long straight folds instead of puffed ridges.

Curtains are folded or rolled. Lace curtains need a long roll on which to rest them over summer. Less expensive plain materials are folded and placed in a drawer or rebung, and invariably they should be pressed into long narrow folds and then lapped once across their length.

Chocolate Vanilla Layer Cake.

Beat to a cream one-half cupful butter and a cup of sugar. When this is light beat in, a little at a time, one-half cupful milk and a teaspoonful vanilla. Beat the whites of six eggs to a stiff froth.

Sift together a teaspoonful baking powder and two scant cupfuls pastry flour that has been sifted twice. Stir the flour and whites of eggs alternately into the mixture. Have three deep cake pans well buttered and spread two-thirds of the batter in two of them. Into the remaining batter stir one ounce chocolate, melted, and spread in the third plate. Bake in a moderate oven for about twenty-five minutes. Put one of the white layers on a large dinner plate and spread with white icing. Put the dark cake on this and spread with icing. On this put the third cake and spread with either white or chocolate icing.

Chocolate Cream.

Mix five tablespoonfuls of cornstarch, one-half cupful of sugar and one-fourth of a teaspoonful of salt. Dilute with one-third of a cupful of cold milk, add to two cupfuls of scalded milk and cook over hot water ten minutes, stirring constantly until mixture thickens. Melt slowly one and one-half squares of unsweetened chocolate, add three tablespoonfuls of boiling water and stir until smooth; then add to cooked mixture. Remove from range, add the whites of three eggs beaten until stiff and one teaspoonful of vanilla. Turn into individual molds first dipped in cold water, chill, remove from molds, garnish with halves of blanched almonds and serve with thin cream in pretty individual dishes.—Woman's Home Companion.

A Sewing Rug.

For those who must sew, but who have no sewing room, there is a plan by which the sewer can save the time and labor that she formerly spent in tidying up the room after she has finished each night.

Buy five yards of denim and cut it into two pieces. Join these together so as to form a square, and hem the raw edges.

Lay this square on the floor and set the machine on it.

All threads, scraps and ravelings can be dropped on this, and when the sewer has finished for the day the machine can be covered and rolled off the denim and the denim can be gathered up and shaken.

Spinach Salad.

Chop fine cold boiled spinach, season with salt, pepper and a suspicion of nutmeg and mold in small cups. Turn out when formed onto lettuce leaves and garnish with hard boiled eggs sliced or the yolks rubbed through a ricer. Strips of Spanish red peppers may be used for a garnish if preferred. Serve with mayonnaise or a French dressing.

Potatoes au Gratin.

Slice one quart of cold boiled potatoes. Put layer of potatoes in a baking dish, season with salt and pepper and grated cheese.

Make a sauce of one pint of milk and one tablespoonful of flour. When this reaches the boiling point or becomes thick pour over the potatoes and bake for half an hour.

Oil Paintings.

To clean an oil painting, rub a freshly cut slice of potato dampened in cold water over the picture. The lather should be wiped off with a soft, damp sponge and then the picture should be washed with lukewarm water, dried and polished with a piece of soft silk that has been washed.

Spinach With Crackers.

Boil half peck of spinach until tender, drain and chop fine; have eight crackers soaked in milk, two onions; fry in a tablespoonful of butter a few minutes, but do not brown; add crackers and spinach, pepper, salt; let simmer over a slow fire ten minutes; if too thick add milk or water.

Snow and Water.

Eight cubic feet of snow equal one cubic foot of water.

LIKE FRENCH JAILS

Some Prisoners Cannot Be Induced to Escape.

Money Does Much to Bring Comfort and the Way of the Transgressor Is Not Particularly Hard Nor Disagreeable.

Paris.—In England, once you get into the clutches of the law, very little account is taken of sentiment. Stern, implacable justice is all that evildoers have any right to expect, and, as a rule, it is all they receive. English prisons and penal colonies are run on severe, unsympathetic lines, and no excessive indulgence is shown toward their inmates.

But in France different notions seem to prevail as to the treatment of criminals, with the result that the prison does not inspire the wholesome dread it does in England. Take the case of Duez, the official liquidator, who admits having swindled the French religious orders out of something like $2,000,000. Although he is now under arrest, and may be sentenced to four or five years' detention, that unwelcome prospect does not appear to fill him with uneasiness or melancholy. Not for him the head or the heart bowed down! As he passes along the corridors of the Palace of Justice on his way to the cabinet of the examining magistrate his former lady friends salute him with a nod and a smile, and the courtly receiver, with all the Frenchman's proverbial gallantry, bows over their hand and imprints a kiss upon it. Other acquaintances—perhaps accomplices—shake hands with the peccant receiver, and make inquiries as to his health, and the delinquent assures them with a smile that he never slept so well in his life as since he was locked up. Journalists and photographers tumble over one another in their eagerness to interview or snapshot Duez before he disappears, with his guards, through

Bows Over Their Hand.

the door of the magistrate's cabinet, and the dishonest official, who confesses to making away with nearly a quarter of a million belonging to others, laughs prodigiously, and tells the men with the cameras that he will charge them five francs a picture.

Even when sentence is pronounced and the culprit is taken off to gaol, money can do a lot to soften his incarceration. Cases have been known in which criminals in French prisons were able to bribe their warders to smuggle in from their friends outside delicacies which find no place in the ordinary prison fare. Fowl, roast beef, meat extract, wine and brandy were obtained in this way, although the introduction of these luxuries was a district breach of the prison regulations.

Fresnes is notorious for its "hospitality," and so agreeable is a sojourn there that many criminals, at the approach of winter, regularly arrange to get locked up until it is time to come out into the balmy air of springtime and the genial sunshine. Less than three months ago the story goes, a new prison in France was opened to receive its first prisoner, sentenced to six months' detention. The new establishment had cost nearly $20,000 to build and equip, but, unfortunately, the prison budget made no allowance for the warders and their "guests." The governors finally solved the dilemma by deciding that a policeman, who was married, should take up his quarters in the prison and serve the prisoner with his meals. But after a few days the policeman got tired of this. The profit he made on the arrangement was very small, and in a confidential tone he confided to the prisoner that, if he cared to take French leave, he would see that every facility was given him to do so. But his charge quickly reassured him on the point.

"I'm all right here," he said. "Your wife is an excellent cook. You are all very kind to me. This is a nice, new prison. I haven't been so well off for a long time. You don't catch me running away. What's more, if you discharge me, I'll jolly soon be back."

A Suggested Raise.

Harry Thurston Peck was talking at the Century club in New York about the value of suggestion in literature.

"Suggestion is often more effective," he said, "than out-and-out statement. This is especially true regarding a hero's excellence. A hero's excellence, stated out and out, may win him, you know, the reader's dislike. Suggestion is more artistic, and this is true no less in life than in literature. A business man said one day, after borrowing his office boy's knife:

"'How is it, Tommy, that you alone of my whole office staff always have your knife with you?'

"'I guess,' the boy answered, 'it's because my wages are so low I can't afford more than one pair of pants.'"

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"I'm fraid you are mistaken," said Smith, very quickly. "My name isn't Jones. You have the wrong man."

"Nuff said; nuff said," smiled the negro, with much bowing and scraping. "Ah knows all right when to keep mah mouf shet; Ah knows all right, Mr. Jones."—Kansas City Journal.

Her Laugh Broke.

She was a little fairy of seven, with eyes like diamonds and hair like spun gold, and she was romping with a half dozen playmates. Touching a fine-looking youngster on the shoulder, she challenged him with, "You can't catch me." Off they started, she twisting and dodging with the dexterity of a half-back on a football team, and he following her every movement in close pursuit. The excitement of the chase made her scream with laughter. The little fugitive finally brough up against a fence, breathless and panting, and her pursuer, throwing his arms about her, shouted: "There, I've caught you!" "Oh, yes," gasped the little fairy, "but it was 'cause my laugh broke and I couldn't run any more."

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