There is some thing alluring in the sight of a rore or a collar of pearls around a white neck, and they are to most women the most destrable jewel of all. But they must be large or in quantity and they are, if good, costly in the extreme. The small pearls one seas-seed pearls are cheap, but still set about a large diamond in a ring they seem to improve the diamond, and at the same time to derive some of its virtue from their neighborhood.

The pearl is all the more sought after because, unlike other preclous stones, no amount of artificial treatment, such as cutting or polishing, can enhance its beauties. Nature's workmanship most be perfect and untouched and the pearl comes to you exactly as it emerges from the cyster. On the other hand, it has this disadvantage It is liable to discoloration and the only way is to give it a rest from too much contact with the skin. Still that is not the only stone which suffers discoloration. Was it not the famous necklace of Marie Antoinette, preserved in a guarded case in a museum, which after years of nonnee began to lose color and had to be worn at intervals in order to give it its pristine beauty?

PEARL

FISHING

FIETT IN

THE GOLF

of MANAR

The value of the pearl is comparable wite that of the most costly gems. Its price varies with its size, form and general beauty of appearance. A pearl of the first water must have symmetrical form, a smooth surface, be free from all blemishes or fractures, betranslucent, and have a fire white color and a perfect luster; and it so happens that it is rare to get this combination The perfect shape is spherical, egg shaped or

white but there are yellowish pearls much esteemed in India and China

It is not generally known, however, that there are pearls which in color are red-brown, bronze, garnet red, rose red, pale blue, greenish white, violet and purple. But most curious of all is the black pearl, which on account of its hardness is much sought after. When it is of a beautiful and uniform color and of a perfect form, it is worth almost as much as pearls of the purest white.

The price of a string of perfectly matched pearls is much more in proportion than that of a single pearl, for it may take years to get together a collection of pearls which are alike in size, shape and quality A string of yellowish In dian pearls costs \$20,000, of white \$25,000, of black Pacific pearls \$39,060, and even then you could not think that your string was anyway unique

To seek a unique pearl one must go to the Hope collection, where there is one almost as large as a hen's egg, almost but not quite faultless, which is valued at \$75,000-a pearl of 454 carats. Again, there is a much smaller one of 27 5-16 carats among the French crown jewels which is valued at \$40,660

There are other pearls, however, of distorted shape, called baroque pearls, and of these the most famous is the great Scathern Cross, which is formed of sine beautiful pure white lustrous pearls, naturally formed in the shape of a cross, one inch in length, for which your offer would start at \$50,900 if you wished to buy it.

To supply the world of women with pearls, the Ceylon government administration yearly proclaims a 'fishery," determining whether or not it should be held by examination and a sample eatch from the government banks. Then if the marine biologist who is in charge declares that the number of oysters warrants a fishery, the news flies like lightning through the east and the army of pearl divers, coolies, merchants, pearl buyers and speculators move as fast as they can to the Gulf of Manar, the ornate and oriental "Sea Abounding in Pearls." Almost as if by magic a town of 40,000 inhabitants arises out of the sand. There is no magic about it, for the houses of the town are easily built. A rough framework of tree branches is formed and over it as roof and walls are put the mats known as cadjan-formed of the woven leaves of the cocoanut or date palm. But there are also more pretentious buildings erected for the use of the government officials, residency, postoffice, hospital, court house, while there are streets, lanes, street lamps, all the conveniences of a proper town.

The aristocrats of the town, outside of the officials, are the divers, and they disdain to do anything but dive, having their own servants, who attend to the ropes and keep an eye on the ovsters brought up.

Each merning the fishing fleet sets out, some as 30 divers, their servants, sailors and hangers- about 50 miles, though some special cases have on. When the fishing ground is reached the diver come as far as 300 miles. takes his basket, draws a long breath, steps on to the heavy stone hung by a rope, and is plunged tional missionary at the same place as Dr. Ste-but know nothing of the use of the knife."

pear shaped. The perfect color is a silvery milk by his attendant to the bottom, seven or eight fathoms below. Filling his basket rapidly, he is drawn up and repeats the operation as often as he can. About two in the afternoon the government gunboat fires a gun and the fleet sets sail back. As there are no wharves, the cysters are carried on shore and deposited in the "kottu" by the strong porters. As soon as the shells are deposited they are counted, two-thirds going to the government as their share, the other one-third going to the boat which brings them in. At sunset the shells are auctioned by the thousand, and there is fierce competition, for who knows what the lottery of chance may bring them in pearls. The oysters brought are then removed apart by each buyer and placed in his compound, where they are carefully guarded till the sun beats upon them, putrefaction sets in and the oyster begins to disgorge its treasure. Then the malodorous

### **WOE OF HINDOO WOMEN**

contents of the shell are washed in vats and the

residue yields-my iady's pearls.

When a Buddhist prays he implores his god that when he dies he shall not be cursed by being born again as a woman or as vermin. That is the attitude of the native men of India toward women and against which the missionaries in the Orient are directing all their energy.

Dr. Eleanor Stephenson, a Brooklyn woman who has been practicing medicine in India for three years and who will return to her work there soon, makes an appeal to American women to go out there, the New York Evening Telegram

"I want the women here to realize what it means to be born in America," she said recently. "To be born where a woman is the backbone of the man, his strength and help in every way! Why, out in Ahmednagar, where my work is, a woman is no more than an animal. She is for the purpose of raising children and that is all. A man thinks more of his sow-if he is lucky

enough to have one-than he does of his wife. "A Hindoo husband will let his wife die before he will call in a man to give her medical or surgical treatment. That shows the need for women

physicians in the Orient." In Ahmednagar, which is an inland plateau about a hundred miles from Bombay, there are two physicians, Dr. Ruth Hume and Dr. Stephenson, and one American trained nurse, Miss Johnson. Under Miss Johnson there are 14 native women who have had some slight training and these help with the nursing. In the mission hospital which this handful of women run 15,000 people were treated last year, an average of 41

is probably one American or European trained doctor to every million and a balf of people. In the United States there are 160,000 physicians and 22,-600 nurses, an average of one physician to every 550 people."

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CHANCE, AUCTIONING THE

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probably," he says, "not more than

689 medical missionaries, male or fe-

male, and this body maintains 348

year. So you see that the supply of

trained medical assistance is wofully

facilities in the Orient, three-fifths of

or other trained medical assistance

in their final illness. In China there

"In Calcutta, which has the best

classes for native women.

inadequate.

"Of course we do a great deal of actual nursing and that is most important," Dr. Stephenson says, "but another thing, which is even bigger, is this: We show women who have thought themselves wholly unloved that some one cares for them. They know that there is a very small money consideration given us and that what we do is done for love. So they love us.

"When I see woman physicians struggling for a living here and know what a field there is in India.

I feel as though they must be told. "The kind of work I have been doing is a terrific appeal to the sympathies. We have to respect caste, which makes nearly all of our cases long standing. One woman whom I treated came to me with her entire arm in a gangrenous condition. She had pricked her finger seven months before, at the time of her husband's death. On account of her caste she could not so much as leave the house for the seven months, during which time septicemia set in and went up as far as her shoulder. I told her that her arm would have to be amputated. She refused absolutely to part with it. and died as a result.

"Another woman burned her knee and turned up at the hospital five months later with that part of her leg in terrible condition. The leg was cut off and the woman made a perfect recovery.

"I went many miles into the interior to see an injured woman. She had fallen down a well and was fearfully bruised all over. I found her lying on the floor grinding corn, every turn of her arm causing the most intense agony. She couldn't bear to have me even touch her, she was suffering so. I told her husband she had to be taken to the hospital or she would die and he asked who would cook the bread if she were gone. He refused to allow her to go. All I could do was to leave a little medicine.

Dr. Stephenson finds that the natives invariably prefer using ointments to clean dressings. Women come in large numbers to get ointments for raw sores where their husbands have beaten and cut ice. them and they are full of gratitude to the doctor She finds that those of high class are just as brutally treated and just as grateful as the lowest.

"Transmigration is one of the strongest beliefs in India." she says, "and on that account the people will not kill any animal, not even a flea. As a result the poor homes are overrun with bedbugs and other vermin, which spread all sorts of fevers

"And another of their ideas is that we don't know anything about raising babies. Hindoo mothers, without exception, give opium to their babies to make them sleep while they work in the fields. As a result a large proportion of the little 300 odd vessels, some of them carrying as many a day. These tolk have come from a radius of Hindoo babies die before they are a year old. Most of the work among the natives is surgical and the obstetric cases are the most interesting. This is The Rev. Alden H. Clark, who is an educa- because the natives have medicines of their own,



Dresses for Girls

HE first is in finely checked tweed, | bodice arranged to match; both back 100 nurses in the entire missionary of plain material, a yoke is formed by embroidered with a simple convenworld and there 80,000,000 people in it at the back. Two plaits are made tional design. The sleeve is a small non-Christian lands who have no med- on etar side of strap in front and bishop, set to an embroidered cuff. ical aid except missionary psysicians. one at the back; they are not stitched All Christendom has sent out only down, but are slightly drawn in at the inches wide. waist by a band of plain material. to help him treated 18,000 cases in a front.

one yard plain cloth, two buttons.

Cashmere veiling would make up | Materials required: Three and onethe population die without any doctor little dress with a plaited skirt and yard tucked silk.

ac.) is trimmed from shoulders and front are alike; while the pretto hem in front by a shaped strap tily shaped yoke is of the material,

> Materials required: Four yards, 48 For the third, almost any dress ma-

pointed at the ends, and caught down terial, including velveteen may by hospitals 97 leper asylums and 21 by buttons. The cuffs and collar are used. The bodice has a tuck each of plain cloth stitched at the edge, a side; the tucked vest fastens on the "One physician who had no nurse little slik bow adds a finish at the shoulder, the material in front. The skirt has only slight fullness at waist, Materials required: Three and one it has a tuck each side front and back half yards of tweed 48 inches wide, to appear as a continuation of those on bodice.

well for the second. It is a simple half yards, 44 inches wide, one-half

Contrivance That Will Add Much to

Comfort of Life in the Summer

Cottage.

femininity of the dress closet,

BLOUSE FOR EVENING.

### FIXING OVER THE PARASOL! HAT STAND EASY TO MAKE

Fix up last season's parasol in advance, and listen now to a note of the season before you venture on this timely renovation.

Fringe to match or to harmonize is the fresh touch to be added in imitation of the newest.

It is the quaintest-looking twisted silk fringe, ranging in width from one a fussy little gimp border, which resting place for a big straw hat. there is no effort to conceal.

After the parasol has been cleaned gasoline (do It in the open air) and allewed to dry, still wide open, the sewed by hand with silk to match. All of the work is done upon the

open parasol. Some slight embroidery, like a row of polka dots, may be done where friage joins the parasol. They are put on in the flat Japanese stitch. and if of a contrasting color there should not be chosen a note that is

too strikingly different. The conspicuous parasol is not necessarily the most beautiful.

# IMAGIES OF THE

Belts appear everywhere and on everything that has a waistline. A single poinsettia or a huge rose, more often than not artificial, is pinned on milady's muff. It gives a pleasing touch of color.

Gold and silver, colored and jeweled s!ippers are high in fashion's favor, yet many of the most careful dressers cling to the blacks.

The guimpe of plain sheer tulle or net is more frequently used than that of tucks. The yoke is extremely shallow, and flesh tint is the usual color.

Tan footwear is promised the greatest vogue that it has ever had, and it will, of course, come in some startling new shades, all the way from champagne to ochre.

The Russian coat is trying to the average figure and the wise woman will have her general utility coat severe and conventional with the materials and some little details to stamp 't this season's suit.

The exquisite embroidery bands, motifs and allovers on gowns now to he secured make it possible to attain 'he use of much tedious handwork, are of mousseline de soie. Although even here you find it necesfary to apply the trimmings and make the tiny tucks by hand if the frock is to be truly chie and dainty.

The Bavarian Girdle. the folded girdle of panne velvet tive, and there are a hundred different which is boned to an excessively long, nuances. All tan or all fawn colored sharp point in front. The dressma- gowns were modish many years age. Bears the kers have given it the name of the and lovely they were. It has been

It will be worn on dressy afternoon ready for their reception. The golden and evening frocks, and will not be browns worn this winter have been separate, but a part of the gown.

among the few pretty colors.

sessors of Pretty Arms Accordingly Pleased.

CHANGE IN SLEEVE STYLES

days, it is to be hailed with joy by the of sandpaper is required. When this possessors of pretty arms that short is used with care the effect is magical ones are here. They extend to the elbow, or halfway between elbow and and no injury to the material accrues. and dogs, cured and others in the same wrist, but the stamp of this season Many kinds of leathers without pol- with Spohn's Distemper Cure. Every botis in the length.

for those who insist upon a certain cleaned thus. individuality in costume; but this style is not the long unbroken line to which we have been accustomed.

phasized in the spring fashions.

Blouse of white lace with corslet of gold guipure forming points. The guipure borders the low neck and forms lovely and elaborate results without the cuffs. The bretelles and sleeves

Dyes in Brown. It is highly probable that soft dyes in brown will be modish this spring, A few tans and russets shown are One of the belts of the season is adorable. They are so soft, so attrac-Bavarian girdle or the girdle of Ven- ages since we had a visitation of tana and deep creams, and the public is

Cleaning Handbaos,

The handbag or satchel of undressed Are Distinctly Shorter, and the Pos- kid, when soiled by usage, need not necessarily be turned over to the professional cleaner. The secret of restoration is a piece of sandpaper rubbed After the long sleeves of other over the surface. A very fine grade ished surfaces—for example, suede, last year. \$.50 and \$1.00. Good druggists, There is, of course, the long sleeve undressed and ooze calfskin-can be

### Preserving Youth.

To preserve a youthful appearance There must be a suggestion of the let the diet be nourishing and digesshort length given by bands across tible, with plenty of bot milk and the arm, or by deep cuffs and puffs. milk cocoa. A greasy skin requires Trimming can be used in plaques or strict attention to diet, from which horizontal lines to cut the long arm cream, much butter, all pastry and line into the divisions that are em- rich foods must be excluded. Those subject to flushing of the face should Ruffles of pleating and lace are used | not drink hot liquids, only warm ones. to edge the short sleeves-in fact, the Pale people should eat underdone fulness that is evidenced in other meat, lightly cooked eggs, oysters and and needy.-Emerson. lines of dress is felt in the sleeve con- plain milk puddings, and drink hot mlik freet

WELL KIDNEYS KEEP THE BODY WELL.

When the kidneys do their duty, the blood is filtered clear of uric acid and other waste. Weak kidneys do not fil-



Rev. Abram Weaver, Georgetown, Tex., former editor Baptist Herald, says: "At a Baptist conference at Jackson, Tex., I fell from a platform and hurt my back. I was soon over the injury, but the kidneys were badly dis-

ter off all the bad matter. This is the cause of rheumatic pains, backache and urinary disorders. Doan's Kidney Pills cure weak kidneys.

ordered, passages painful and often bloody. Doan's Kidney Pills cured this trouble completely."

Remember the name-Doan's. Sold by all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. 50 cents a box.

THEIR STATUS.



Bobby-Say, pop, what does blood relations mear?

Papa-It means near relations. Bobby-Then mom an' you must be the bloodiest relations I've got.

### NO HEALTHY SKIN LEFT

My little son, a boy of five, broke For the summer cottage there are out with an itching rash. Three docmany new contrivances to make liv- tors prescribed for him, but he kept ing more comfortable. Among them getting worse until we could not dress is a long rod on a stand and with a him any more. They finally advised to three and a half inches and having soft cushion on the top, intended as a me to try a certain medical college, but its treatment did no good. At These new hat stands are not at the time I was induced to try Cutiall the kind one sees at the milliners. eura he was so bad that I had to cut with a soft brush or sponge dipped in Far from it. They are really quite or his hair off and put the Cuticura Ointnate in their way, bound with soft ment on him on bandages, as it was cretonne or printed sateen, whichever impossible to touch him with the bare fringe is basted upon the edge and best goes with the hangings of the hand. There was not one square inch room, while the cushions at the top of skin on his whole body that was are covered and edged with lace not affected. He was one mass of sores. The bandages used to stick to Sometimes the whole stand is covhis skin and in removing them it used ered with brocaded satin, trimmed to take the skin off with them, and with gold lace and hung with those the screams from the poor child were French ribbon flowers. Or again, heartbreaking. I began to think that white linen is used and the cushion he would never get well, but after the top is embroidered. Like everything second application of Cuticura Ointelse, they may be as costly as one ment I began to see signs of improvecould wish and they add greatly to the ment, and with the third and fourth applications the sores commenced to dry up. His skin peeled off twenty times, but it finally yielded to the treatment. Now I can say that he is entirely cured, and a stronger and healthier boy you never saw than he is to-day, twelve years or more since the cure was effected. Robert Wattam, 1148 Forty-eighth St., Chicago, Ill.,

Oct. 9, 1909." Marriage. A game of chance in which the chances are about even. The man leads at first, but after leaving the altar he usually follows breathlessly in his wile's trail. The rules are very confusing. If a masked player holds you up some night at the end of a long gun, it is called "robbery" and entitles you to telephone the police; but if your wife holds you up for a much larger amount the next morning at the end of a long hug, it is termed "diplomacy" and counts in her favor. In this, as in other games of life, wives are usually allowed more

Undesirable Acquisition. A scientist who lost his pet dog put a little notice in the paper headed, "Warning," which charitably described the animal as baving "strayed," and added:

privileges than other outlaws.-Judge.

"It is of no value, not even to the owner; but, having been experimented upon for scientific purposes with many virulent poisons, a lick from its tongue-and it is very affectionatewould probably prove fatal."

The dog came back next day.

Important to Mothers. Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it Signature of Charlett. It In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

An Absolute Necessity. Wifey-You told me the other day we must avoid all luxuries and confine ourselves to absolute necessities

Hubby-That's so, my dear. Wifey-Well, last night you came home in a cab.

Hubby-Yes, but that was an absolute necessity.

Distemper

and dogs, cured and others in the same or send to manufacturers. Agents wanted. Write for free book. Spohn Med. Co., Spec. Contagious Diseases, Goshen, Ind.

Sometimes Miss Blithely (interested in science) -Can one get a shock from a tele-

phone? The Professor-That depends, my dear young lady, on who is talking at the other end .- M. A. P.

The rich, as we reckon them, and among them the very rich, in a true scale would be found very indigent

Vanity is due to a leak in one's wis-

dom tank.

## Able to Foresee Events

That "coming events cast their &shadows before or that there is such believer in it. I have just reasons for and roar in the direction of the period, and the patrolmen were longa thing as intuitive knowledge that believing that there are those who Wayne street bridge that crosses the ing for a run. I said keep still, you something serious is about to happen have an intuition of what is coming. I Port Richmond branch of the Phila- will soon have one. In a little while is the belief of many people, and one anticipated things on more than one delphia & Reading railway. The pa- all hands were greeted by the sound of these is Harry Wolf, former lieu- occasion, when I was in command of trol was away in a jiffy, and when it of an explosion. A tig boiler on the tenant of the Lehigh avenue police the Twenty-second police district. I reached that point it was soon found second floor of Mercer's mill on Broad station, according to the Philadelphia was seated in the office of the sta- that one of the new kind of camel- street, above Lehigh avenue, exploded Press. "it is a peculiar creed," said tion on one occasion when the idea back engines on the Philadelphia & and blew the structure to pieces. I the former heutenant the other day, seized me that there was a serious oc- Reading railroad had exploded and could recite other instances when I who is one of the guards on the main currence about to take place and I re- killed tour of the trainmen. Another thought we were to have more than floor of the bourse, "but I am a firm ouesied the sergeant to order out the incident that strengthens my belief the routine work and we had it."

patrol. It was ready in a few min- that people get an idea of what's comutes and was only in waiting about ing is this: Everytihng was quiet in ten seconds when there was a rumble the district for weeks during one