Woman's Domain

MOURNING PASHIONS.

Spun Silk Makes a Charming Veil, Crepon Correct Gown, Lynx with Mourning Garb.

Nowhere is the tale of fashion better told than by the well-dressed passer-by, and in this way it is now made manifest-that the widow's cap is partially tabooed.

form, as calculated in fact to direct attention | and envy of her girl friends. The furnishto mere youth and possible good looks alone. lings are in terra cotta, oak and pink, but it

headaches, continues to be worn, nun's veiling or spun silk, a new and effective ma-



lish crepe topped by a narrow fold of the same, and along with them are seen occasionally really splendid ones of Brussels net, of a very heavy grade, arranged in a like fashion. They are both decided improve-ments over the burdensome crepes and nun's veilings, but the first mourning veil is generally preferred in the more somber stuffs.
In length, the widow's veil runs all the

way from two to three yards and a half. It may even be longer if desired, and though many are bunched slightly at the temples to

of shopping, the buying of first mourning the carmine ones. And here is the pink set gowns should call for serious thinking or else be left entirely in skilled hands. It is so easy to overdo a thing that is new, to be indifferent to a bow or buckle too much. taste demand that no superfluous ornament useful household accomplishment. shall wear the melanchely dignity of sor row's external expression.

Of course there are always trimmings in plenty for those who will have them. There are dull jets, and huge crepe sleeves and rustling armure silks, but plainness, easy flowing lines, and soft, retiring textures are points that now distinguish the most In wools for street as well as house wear,

crepon, grained or crinkley, is a favorite and dressy material.

One very rich design in it-and expensive one—has over its frosty weave, which is as heavy as a summer blanket, large raised blots that might almost be likened to tears. Another, quite as solid, is woven in dull grains, and this is likewise for street wear. The crinkled pattern is preferred for house use, and is often as light and fragile as veiling, and in this weight affords most gracious possibilities for draping.

mourning are the priestly henriettas, serges, diagonals and figures and flowery

After careful sponging very duli camel's hair may also be used; and through the same process—limited sponging is no unim-portant factor with most heavy wools nowadays-a rich and handsome effect can be gained from a new highly glace material, that seems to have no especial name.

In silk, besides the armure and dull gros grain, peau de soie is also admitted as mourning. A very beautiful and appropriate house dress, for deep mourning, lately seen, had a slightly trained skirt of peau de soie and a chiffon round bodice, that, like the skirt, was without any sign of stiffening. An effective and sensible street gown of English serge, trimmed with narrow mohair braid, had a habit basque, and over its moderately flared and stffened lower skirt a



WEEDS FOR WALKING

double skirt effect that lifted slightly at With furs, Persian, astrakhan, lynx and little monkey skins, though all

worn with color, are the only ones accounted trictly mourning.
Black bear, Hudson Bay otter and seal, Black bear, Hudson Bay offer and seal.

The yolks of eggs are well beaten when a however, are frequent accompaniments to spoonful can be taken up. The whites. Geepest crepe, and, ladeed, to judge by the when they are stiff and can be cut with a

SOUVENIR CANDLES.

A Pretty and Useful Art Practiced by

Clever New York Girl. There is a young woman living in that Very young women no longer seem to be enchanted part of New York known as Cenwearing them. They are considered bad | tral Park West whose boudoir is the delight

bonnet strings of white hemmed lawn are also forbidden the youngish woman. With the older face, however, they, as well as the cap, become entirely matters of individual taste.

The some radiant creature comes to the glorification of the modiste's most recherche ther; one of the oldest men on the road remarked to her once, "Whenever your husband gets out of a job, Masson, just that the company of the room. One day they will all rejoice in pink candles with fluted rims and the finely dispersion of the modiste's most recherche creations, with a royal generosity of charms that are roadiant creature comes to the glorification of the modiste's most recherche creations, with a royal generosity of charms that makes up for the discrepancies of others.

Miss Lillian Russell, for example, has some addant creature comes to the glorification of the modiste's most recherche creations, with a royal generosity of charms that makes up for the discrepancies of others.

Miss Lillian Russell, for example, has some and we'll put you up in the union." As for the widow's bonnet itself, it is days of the season. There are ten candelabra bination with her beautiful face and superb really a most inconsequent affair, for young in the room and not one holds less than and old alike, hardly more than a back- three candles in its branching fingers. How,

taper sprits unbosomed herself thus to her friends:

thread lace that gives an air of distinction to the gown. The lines of the figure are song. And I shave them with this sharp knife into this chafing dish. The alcohol lamp will speedly make them into liquid

The lines of the figure are suggested rather than outlined by a sash of pink silk.

For demi-house toilets for morning or after-them to elude their pursuers. They are lamp will speedly make them like how I wax, as you will notice as I shave. Now I have finished and the dish is full of the thick liquid wax. Now you see I stir a little of this pink dye—bought at the drug store into the liquid, and then I add this little drop of oil for fear the mixture should be too

"Now," turning to a little cabinet, "here is a candle mould. I bought it at a fancy goods store. It holds three candles. And through the center of each section I run a strip of candle wick and tie it at cach end. So! Now I am ready for the melted wax. Ethel, dear," turning to the young lady at the left, "will you pour it in with this deep spoon, while I stir all the time. And you, Maude, on my right, hold the mould steady! There, one is filled! Now fill the other." Ethel, dear." In a minute all the moulds were full, and, setting them away, the hostess produced another set of moulds which also were filled. And another and another! Soon there

stood firmly on the window ledge enough candles to stock the most becaudled apartments. "Now,"continued the hostess, when she could find time to speak, for the filling had been terial. Veils of this spun silk are as light almost as chiffon and are quite as agreeable to wear. They have sometimes a woven crepy border, or again an added one of English crepe tooped by a parrow fold of the if we want to do so we can add blue and have purple, as red and blue makes that shade. When I want white candles I leave the mixture clear and simply pour it in my pretty moulds like this. And sometimes make gray candles, and again yellow ones

and then add blue to make green."
"There is still another surprise," chatted she. "Here are some dainty candle sticks— are they not so? That I made out of brass many are bunched slightly at the temples to give an effect of width to the bonnet, again they may be raised back of a flat crepe bow in front to create a look of height.

But it is only in the first weeks of mourning that the veil is now worn over the face.

To those inexperienced in this sad line of shopping, the buying of first mourning the carming ones. And here is the pink set the carming ones. And here is the pink set wire. I twisted it with the aid of a few

And today, as always, the ethics of good knowledge of having learned a very fine and

AUGUSTA PRESCOTT. BAKING CAKE.

Successful Cake Making is by No Means Matter of Luck.

A woman who invariably succeeds with her cakes is generally looked upon by less favored individuals as the possessor of a "luck" somewhat akin to witchcraft, which precludes the possibility of its owner ever having heavy, burnt, soggy stuff. While some people may be lucky, yet the greater number who fail do so from ignorance of fundamental rules.

Going "by guess" is a very-common practice, but far from commendable. Every household should have its scales, measures and thermometer, and these should be in Other wools that are always permissible daily use. The pans should be of the best, and kept scrupulously clear. The flour should be good, butter sweet, and eggs strictly fresh, and the ingredients always mixed in the same order. A big bowl is indispensable, and the same cup should be used for everything. Before starting, have all the things ready. Say the cake to be baked is a current cake, for which the re

> Two cups sugar, 1/2 cup of butter, 3 cups flour, 3 teaspoons baking powder, 3 eggs, 2 teaspoons vanilla, 2 cups currants. Have the currents cleaned and perfectly dry.

Sprinkle with flour, and mix with the hand

cipe is as follows:

ill each is powdered so that they will mix evenly through the dough. Any fruit or nuts not floured will sink to the bottom. Measure the flour and add to it the baking powder, sifting two or three times. Beat the eggs separately, very light, measure the sugar and butter into the mixing bowl; have the required amount of milk and the vanilla ready, and lastly seems to be sugar and lastly seems. and lastly grease the pan well with butter and either flour thoroughly bottom and sides, or else put a greased paper in the bottom. cream the butter and sugar theroughly, then add the yolks of eggs, then the milk, then the flour, a handful at a The neck and the foot of the skirt are borthe milk, then the flour, a handful at a time, then the flavoring, afterwards the currants, and last, the whites of the eggs. The mixture must be stirred briskly and constantly in the same direction always. A wooden spoon is about the best, as the handle will not bend like a metal one. It takes a by an admixture of pearl and black cords.

An exquisite ball gown is of superb white wooden spoon is about the best, as the handle of gold shaded into harmony with the gown great deal of strength for the final beating.

An exquisite ball gown is of superb white satin brocaded with silver. The demi-trained skirt has two panels, one on each side of the be baked in square tins rather than round, and the mixture should not reach the top by about three-fourths of an inch, to allow by about three-fourths of an inch, to allow for raising class it. for raising, else it will run over the sides and spoil its appearance.

The temperature of the oven is a very

important factor. It should not be too hot at first, or the outside will bake so much aconer than the inside as to spoil the cake. Neither should it be too cold, or the cake will fall at once. If water dropped on the bottom hisses, it is hot enough for baking. for the cake shows a tendency to brown too quickly on the top cover with a sheet of brown paper, if, on the contrary, the bottom too rapidly set the oven grate be-it. Have the fire steady, and do not shake the stove or open the oven any oftener than is necessary. Test with a broom splint; If nothing adheres to it it is done through. Do not cut till cold, let it cool gradually. Then remove from the pan. If desired to ice, it is better to leave till the next day and then apply to the bottom instead of top, as this gives a smooth sur-

ice. This is true of all cakes. Layer cakes take twenty minutes each to bake. Leaf cakes, from an hour and a locomotive engine. Certainly, she is the a quarter to three hours, according to size only society woman able to accomplish this and kind.

A cup should be about half a pint in liquid, or half a pound in dry measure. Two cups represent a pound of sugar or flour, exemplifying the old adage: "A pint's a pound the represent a pound of sugar or flour, exemplifying the old adage: "A pint's a pound the world round." A half-cup, representing a gill or fourth of a pint, is taken as four ounces. Four traspoonsful are equal to one tablespoonful, and two tablespoonsful equal to one ounce. These measures are accepted by all bakers. to one ounce. by all bakers,

people one sees in the streets, in an emergency, any sedate well dyed skin can be used.

NINA FITCH. knife. It is claimed by some to be an advantage to dry the sugar and flour thoroughly; if this is done, care must be taken not to scorch them, nor add them to the cake while warm. MRS. E. F.

> A SUMPTUOUS WARDROBE. Miss Lillian Russell's New Home Toilets

> Described. Somebody says "only a beautiful woman can wear a beautiful dress."

> If this was quite true there would not be

transparent white. And so through all the stunning toilets this season that in comfigure made her a queen of brilliants in more

ground for the draping of the veil.

This, according to the taste of the wearer, is either of English crepe, which, in spite of the pocket money which she declares is all her month's allowance?

three candles in its branching fingers. How, then, does the young woman keep them supplied without overstepping the bounds of the pocket money which she declares is all her month's allowance? her month's allowance?

One day at a little luncheon party the wax

wardrobe of a woman in private life, but her one day at a little luncheon party the wax

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private wardrobe overflows with elegant (a skin that changes its wearer), and fashion models for arraying blonde beauty upon any has decreed that we shall all array ourand all occasions.

dish, a dozen composition candies, a ball of candle wick and some coloring substance.

"Now, you see," chattered the hostess, while her fingers worked busily, "I have here thread lace that gives an air of distinction stincts, their only chance of safety lies in thread lace that gives an air of distinction stincts, their only chance of safety lies in thread lace that gives an air of distinction stincts, their only chance of safety lies in thread lace that gives an air of distinction stincts. For demi-house toilets for morning or after-

noon wear Miss Russell has a pronounced liking for pretty fancy waists worn with dark skirts. A distingue tollet of this sert for one who has a smooth fair skin, with light hair, consists of a black skirt and a with lattice design. The huge sleeves and entire put on so that the plaits run round the body instead of vertically.

A chic street toilet that is another trophy of Miss Russell's latest trip abroad is of dark blue cloth, made with a flaring gored skirt, and tight fitting bodice. The front of the skirt is a solid tablier of blue velvet, from which revers of the cloth turn back upon the skirt, the revers being elegantly embroidered with gold. The idea of an under robe of velvet is carried out in the bodice, which has a gilet of velvet, and to the form the skirt, the revers being elegantly embroidered with gold. The idea of an under robe of velvet is carried out in the bodice, which has a gilet of velvet, and to the terms of the form the very young ones furnish the most beautiful and valuable skins. Of these the furnish the colors the terms of the furnish the most beautiful and valuable skins.

moments. To be able to sit with her face toward the wind that almost enguided her peering out into the darkness that rushed past, and being blinded by the glare of the great fires, as the furnace doors swung open to be replenished.

Her next lesson was learned at the whis-

tle. Then came the bell cord and soon these two functions were left entirely to her hands. As a train drew up to a station in Florida where Mrs. Mason was waiting, the engineer and fireman immediately made room for her. She knew every one by name on the different locomotives and they all knew her. Proud

must choose.

lats that it is done

"Cat Baskets."

With every second girl racking her brains

an effort to think of inexpensive Christ

behold a place for pins, and by stuffing the basket with a piece of coarse netting fur-nishes a splendid place to stick one's hair-

a "bon bon basket," which will gladden the

Braiding still appears on many smart c'oth

Black velvet shoes with tiny paste buckles are worn with black velvet gowns.

The long-waved Astrakhan fur called

'Caracal' rivals the closer Persian lambskin

Waist and hip-length ermine capes (with

small drum cuffs to match) are this season

worn with opera and theater toilets, and at

Sets consisting of hat, collarette, and muff

to match are greatly favored, and for afteron teas, calls, and receptions, when heavy

furs are too warm, are very dressy and use

White shoes for dress wear are being nade in a white and sliver brocade on the

day receptions and high teas.

as a black trimming.

or satin.

and pretty hat.

under the broguing.

promises to be at a discount soon.

much toward the elbow.

One of the newest patterns in sleeves has

a stitched down box plait from the neck to the shoulder, where it develops into one of the folds of the sleeve, which sags very

Some of the newest victorines of mink,

otter, seal, and ermine have long "stole"

ends that reach the skirt hem. Some are lined with black or brown, but the majority

worn, the hat or toque trimmed with sable tails, the collarette sometimes formed of a

deep fringe of sable tails falling from a small

cape collar. The muff is either wholly of fur

Directoire collarettes with the popular

godet fullness added at the lower edge are

worn in several sizes, from eight to eighteen

inches deep, each having a high storm collar

of the same fur, but as a rule the entire

collarette is edged with another kind of fur.

The new godet pleats for sleeves give to

those already mammoth affairs an added touch of amplitude. The pleats stand out in

three straight loops from the shoulder, their size being in many cases apparently only

Feminine Notes.

Mrs. Bradley-Martin has bought the dia-

The superintendent of the hospital at Loo

Chow, China, is Dr. Annie Walter, a Missis-

In the Madras presidency and the Bombay

Dr. Y. May Kin, the first Chinese woman

o receive a medical degree in America, has

a large practice in Kobe, Japan.

There are only two women in Great Britian

nored by the Royal university of Ireland.

The Princess Alix received the names Alex-

andra Feodorowna, and the title of an ortho

me the exchange of the rings took place.

Marie Antoinette's lace shawl, which she or

the scaffold gave to her father confessor, the

At the next session of the Colorado assem-

able career in the ball room, are bestowed

having their reactionary effect. A

presidency (Hindoostan) the women exercise the right of suffrage in all municipalities.

mond crown once owned and worn by Marie Antoinette.

limited by ability to buy material.

sippi woman

or of velvet edged with fur.

was the engineer when his cab contained the bright wife of the vice president. Her seat on the bench near the window mas presents, the small, round Japanese "ca was known by the telegraph operator and the station hands as the engine came up. basket" (which are sold in all fancy goods and all had pleasant greetings for her. So, in time, she mastered the more difficult stores for 5 cents apiece), should stand head of the class for prettiness, economy and gen tasks, these that required nerve and skill, For the same reason the French collar and is the brass candelabra which is the beauty so many beautiful gowns worn, but now and and could take an engine from the Atlantic bonnet strings of white hemmed lawn are of the room. One day they will all rejoice in then some radiant creature comes to the eral usefulness. Three of these baskets placed in a triangle, and fastened together with a bow of ribbon, make a charming "catch all." is a dainty ring or stud case, and if the round opening be filled with a plump little cushion,

CHINCHILLA.

senses than that of the star of a comic opera | The Most Fashion ble Fur of the Winter is

Fur was once defined by a witty Frenchman as "une peau qui change de bite"selves this winter at the expense of the little and even touch a candle to their feathery tips if the atmosphere is dull and the day gloomy. Well, I'll tell you. And to illustrate what I say we will work as I talk, making an object lesson in candle making."

Interview of Miss Russell, who appresses a fad of Miss Russell, who appresses and negligees perhaps.

Spanish, as the animals are natives of Chilicans and Peru. They are about the size of a splattering with gold paint, or giving them a coat of white enamel with monogram or line.

Of her tea gowns and negligees perhaps. making an object lesson in candle making."

Just here a servant entered with a chafing dish, a dozen composition candles, a ball of candle wick and some coloring substance.

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Just here a gowns and negiges perhaps the pretties for the squisite blush tint of the pearly pink with down. They use their fore paws to convey the food to their mouths, which are slip of the same shade, with gigot sleeves but half as long as their hind legs. Being but half as long as their hind legs. Being Spanish yellow or bluet-blue velvet blouses, with mutton-leg sleeves of brocade or satin, them to elude their pursuers. They are are made by London tailors to wear with black or brown skirts.

> light hair, consists of a black skirt, and a waist of cerise or clear cherry red silk veiled which were used only by royalty. with black. The skirt is of satin made full, Probably one reason of the popu-and flaring, and perfectly plain about the larity of this fur at present is foot. The waist has a square yoke defined that in 1830 the French naturalists first gave fine black thread lace in diamond their attention to the chinchillas, being enlattice design. The huge sleeves and entire lower part of the bodice are covered with a fine accordian plaiting of sheer chiffon in black put on so that the plaits run round of the little animals which had been brought to the "Menagerie of the Museum" in Paris. Public attention was drawn to them. The fur became the fashion. As we are now masqueras ng in the costumes of that period we, too, must wear chinchilla. There are three grades of the fur-

> der robs of velvet is carried out in the bodics, which has a gilet of velvet, and revers corresponding to those on the skirt. also embroidered with gold. The girdle of this felix gown is wide and of gold embroidery, a black velvet bow just in front being a superior of the provention. A sealship cape and cunning intervention. A sealskin cape, and a big picture hat of blue velvet are elegant accessories of this dress.
>
> A dainty conceit for an afternoon at home



that by its very simplicity makes the beauti- in the dark, but, they are kept out in the ful wearer the fairer is of silvery gray crepe made over silk of the same tint. The skirt has two modest little folds of the goods about the foot, and at intervals rabbits' ear bows of glistening silver tinted satin ribbon seem to hold the folds in place. There is a surplice arrangement of folds across the front, a smart girdle and sash ends of the satin ribbon, and coquettish cuffs and a fichu of sheer white muli to set off the

bodice. A dashing dinner gown is of black velvet with a demi-trained skirt and decollete bodued in short basques that give it the effect of melting into the skirt. About the upper part of the skirt, falling from under the ued in short basques that give it the effect of melting into the skirt. About the upper part of the skirt, falling from under the basque of the bodice, is a flounce of the lace corresponding to the side panel bands. This features that nature thought wise to negis put on full enough to hang easily but not lect. full enough to hide the pattern, which is one of the charms of elegant lace. The decollete neck is outlined with a nar-

row band of lace the points turned down-ward, and there is a full plaited fold of the satin across the bust just below the lace, ending in the arm seams and caught together in the center with a jeweled brooch, as for instance an immense opal of wendrous beauty set in many small diamonds. The sleeves are single puffs to the elbow, and over them fall a deep epaulette lightly strapped fall a deep epaulette tightly strapped through the center to make two small capes, which are bordered with the lace DINAH STURGIS.

A Society Woman's Diversion, Mrs. Alfred Bishop Mason is probably the

When her hysband was vice president of one of the large Florida ratiroads, Mrs. Ma-son always went with him on his annual trip. She had been as a girl intensely interested in machinery, and it was with her an insatiable desire to take an engine over the road. And she learned to do it in fine fashion. She began by gaining the permission of the engineer to sit in the cab with him; not do-

ing anything but swinging on, and familiar-izing herself with its swing and the work required for its movement.

She says this was one of her most thrilling open daylight and frequently aired, the skins themselves are kept on ice. dox Russian grand duchess-in Russian lan guage, "Blagovernaia velikaja knagina." After the ceremony of confession she received Dermstologic Treatment. Why should any woman be an unpleasant

reflection to herself in the mirror, is the query of varied curists of the day. There are tonics to fatten and exercises to reduce; atbletics to produce strength and Abbe de l'Orme, is in the possession of the Church of Neundorff, in the county of Glatz. color, and dyes to subdue or brighten the shade of one's hair."

The Abbe de l'Orme, who emigrated, left is Is the complexion bad? Then cosmetical at his death to the Prelate Strobach in Bresand coloring matter are pushed aside to give int. It has since passed through the hands way to massage and steaming, for the method of two or three clergymen, and was finally of personal art is growing more healthful presented to the church at Neundorff by Pasevery day. The manicurist and the hair for Heinrichs. dresser care for the two extremities in an artistic manner, and the curves that nature of the new state house, three women will take are left to the art of the couturiere and the their seats in the house of representatives. south's staple production. But, wail women, of these three, who are, respectively, Mrs. given figure, complexion, and coloring com- Cressingham, Mrs. Holly and Mrs. Klock.

Should the Threhead wrinkle, small slits after the ceremony on the church whose are made at the junction where the half sacred floor they have swept. Only the are made at the function where the half grows, and the skin pulled up smooth and taut, and a bit of adhesive plaster put on; and the world soon heals. If the cheeks are inclined to be leagy, "wrickle deeply about the mouth and seem to lack muscle, the little interiors are reached by the breath of age, that had once formed part of Marie Antoinette's wedding garment.

The harrowing tales sent out through the little incisions are made in the extreme outer surface of the cuticle by the ears and the same method employed. These bits of neat surgery require skill, but are not dangerous, as the operation is confined entirely to the top layer and not extended to dangerous depths. Also, the marking leaves no scar, and the pain is incidental. However, these are the simpler opera-

For the changing of the features only women in the States who can take out more skillful and compromising treatment is advanced. One's nose can be enlarged or narrowed, the ears can be put at a different angle, the eyebrows be thickened or thinned, and the eyelasbes made longer. This is done by fine instruments, and in the case of those sufficiently venturesome to try the experiments, the result has been most satisfactory to patient and dermatologist.

A nobler test of the curist's art is to punctuate the eyes with a harmless solution hat broadens the color line or deepens it, as the case is desired. This is an operation that is doubtful, and been tested by a minority

read of the excesses of New York society. I do not want my daughter to get in any such The next convention of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance union, a body composed of delegates of national temper-

> world, will meet to London in June. The meetings will probably cover two or more days, and include a great public assembly in Queen's hall. Preparations for these gatherings, which promise to be of some im-portance, are being made, including arrangements for the reception of delegates from the

RUSSIA'S ROYAL CZARINA

The Beautiful Princess Who Will Reign Beside Nicholas II. oward personal adorament the individual must choose. One may question the judiciousness of the course, but the fact ex-

HAS A POSITIVE MIND OF HER OWN ADELE MCALLISTER.

> Allx Led a Lively Childhood but la Now Soif-Retlant, Bardy Girl Who Refused to Declare Her Religion Accursed.

LONDON, Nov. 24.—(Special.)—Princess Alix, the future empress of the young Czar Nicholas, is far more English in sentiment and training than many of her English One basket lined with a bit of bright silk cousins. From babyhood she has been sur rounded by nurses, attendants and governesses selected at Windsor and Balmoral and since the age of 6 she has been mothered and cared for almost exclusively by her royal grandmother, Queen Victoria.

By making a silk bag top with double Princess Alix of Hesse is the youngest living child of the late grand duke and duchess of Hesse Darmstadt, and her mother, drawing strings the basket is transformed into a hair receiver or travelers' sewing bas-Princess Alice, was the most popular of the English royal family, and her love and deket, and, fastening a pen brush in the bot tom, makes a model pen wiper for some im-patient "scribe." An illuminated brestle board cover fastened with baby ribbon gives



PRINCESS ALIX.

votion to her mother were touchingly proved In the remarkable volume of letters pub lished after her death. Her widower's fool-ish intrigue with his Russian ambassador's wife, Mme, Kalomine, did not destroy Quee-Victoria's affection for her dead daughter' adored Louis." Princess Alix is tall and slender, fair

supposition that the pattern of the brocade breaks the unbecoming whiteness of plain kid hair and blue eyed, with a refined, sensitive face. She looks older than her 22 years, face. She looks older than her 22 years, and has in her short life known many sorrows. Her mother died when she was only 6 years old, although she was fortunate in Beaver of all colors is still favored in millinery, and chestnut brown satin beaver trimmed with sable, with knots of brown the possession of a particularly admirable and thoroughly competent nurse, rejoicing in the typical English name of Orchard. Her and dark green velvet, forms a very stylish A feature of London shoes is the broguing, childhood, save for the long visits she paid to her maternal grandmother, were spent in which is holes punched in the leather in a pattern. This season a color to match or harmonize with a costume is introduced comparative seclusion, for her three sisters, Victoria, Elizabeth and Irene, were all considerably older than herself, and her friend Says the Drapers' Record: "Artificial and playfellow, Prince "Ernie," was soon taken away from nursery life and put under the guardianship of tutors and soldiers. halebone is now made from leather strips, by means of chemicals, high temperature, and heavy pressure. Originality, even in whales

As the princess grew up she became far more her father's companion and friend than any of her sisters had ever been. Her governess, Miss Jackson, proved a kind and indulgent guide, philosopher and friend to the lonely young girl, and owing to her effects Princess Alix may be said to be a highly educated woman in the best sense of the term; she is widely and well read and naturally possesses. French. English and naturally possesses French, English and German "a fond." Years passed by and the princess showed

have a gayer lining of cerise, petunia, Persian mauve, or old rose moire. have a gayer lining of cerise, petunia, Persian mauve, or old rose moire.

Black and Lincoln green is a favorite combination of the season that has about it an especial dash and style. An appropriate trimming for a gown of this scheme is jet passementerie studded with emeralds in the new jeweled effects.

Some stylish evening capes are made of prince of Wales, wise in his generation, has Some stylish evening capes are made of cerise red velcurs trimmed with cut-jet arabesques of the richest description. There is a high Medici collar, densely covered with the many covered with the continuous stylish evening capes are made of prince of Wales, wise in his generation, has always discountenanced German marriages, and it was owing to his influence in a great measure that Princess May of Teck, the a high Medici collar, densely covered with the jet garniture, with the merest roll of daughter of a really powular and English born

Seal, otter and Alaska sable sets are most and then another of his sons. As long ago as the jubilee year, when the Princess Alix was a little over 15, it was whispered that the czarewitch was much at tracted to the orphan princess whose clo connection with the Russian royal family scarcely recognized even now. Heese Darmstadt, though a small German state, has already given three empresses to Russia. including the much-loved Czarina Marie, the late czar's mother, a woman of sterling goodness, whose great hearted charity made

her adored by the Russian peasantry The marriage of the Princess Ella to the late czar's brother, the Grand Duke Serge, also drew the families closer together Princess Alix was constantly visiting her size ter in Russia, and it is said that from the first Alexander III. expressed great interest and affection for his young cousin, although he by no means hastened on his son's en-

At last, after a prolonged tour through India, Japan and Siberia, the czarewitch ex-pressed his determination to settle down, but Princess Alix showed no undue haste to avail herself of the brilliant propositions made to her, and she only consented to his formal be trothal on the occasion of her brother's wed burgh, the second daughter of the duke of Coburg. On that occasion the whole English and Gorman royal families were gathered together, but so little was the engagemen expected that the young emperor of Ger who are entitled to add LL D to their names, and they are both Belfast girls. Miss Frances H. Gray is the latest to be so many, not crediting the message sent to him ran through the streets of the picturesqu little town of Coburg, and elbowed his way through the crowd surrounding the roya schloss in order to ascertain for himself the joyful fact, for to him the marriage of the future exar to a German princess was nat-urally a great reason for self-congratulation "Grandma, we have come to tell you of our the communion according to the orthodox rite. It is also reported that at the same

betrothal, and to ask you for your blessing." the czarewitch said to the queen when telling her of his own and the Princess Alix's en gagement; but although the young couplwere overwhelmed with good wishes from far and near, the czar and czarina being of the first to send substantial tokens of their warm approval, "the course of true love" ot by any means run smooth.

The late grand duchess of Hesse, Princess

Alix's mother and most revered example, had openly expressed her dislike to the change of religion being made a condition in royal marriages. This point is touched upon several times in her letters, and it is only natural that her daughter should have fell sensitively on this point. Still it is clear that the czarina of Holy Russia cannot be anything but orthodox, and the engagement had scarcely been announced when two Greek olete, one of features remain often a serious the first two are New Yorkers. Mrs. Cresplemish.

Just here is where the surgical curist, the Brooklyn, and Mrs. Holly's home was in band's faith. The princess lent herself with fairly good grace to all that was proposed till she found that she would be required to declare that her late religion was "accursed. This she absolutely refused to do, and es a consequence the marriage was at one time almost broken off. After many "pour-par-lers" the primate of the Greek church con-sented to alter the form of abjuration to the at Renneweg, the altar floor was covered with words, "I join the Greek church in order to a sheen of satin and silver, meliowed by the be of the same religion as my future husband and children," and until this was clearly and publicly stated the princess would not even consent to consider the question of her change of faith. Princess Alix, since the death of her father, has been the guest of The harrowing tales sent out through the country as indicative of New York social her brother at the grand ducal palace of Darmstadt. There she had and has her own suite of rooms filled with portraits of her English relations and friends and lined with woman living in a Connecticut town wrote ooks old and new, German and English.

last week to a city friend that she had re-versed her long-held idea of sending her daughter, a young woman of 17, to a New York school this fall. "To be quite honest." Her marriage was to have taken place two she wrote, "I am frightened at the stories months before the czar's fatai illness, had it not been for religious difficulties, and the fact that she herself was in no hurry to begin her new life. Unlike the czarewitch, who is painfully nervous and to whom even the noise of a seltzer bottle being opened produces a painful impression, the princess has extraordinary self-command and much of her ance organizations of women throughout the grandmother's sterling good sense and knowledge of the world. Often it has been her part to act as peacemaker between her sisters and their husbands, and had it not been for her the Grand Duke and Grand Duchess Serge would have been separated long ago. It was the knowledge of this fact that made the exar first consent to the doubtful, and been tested by a minority printy.

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