

IN THE DOMAIN OF WOMAN.

A SEASON FOR NEW FABRICS.

Many Old-Time Favorites Crowded Out of Fashion's List. NEW YORK, April 12.—This is a season of genuine novelties in fabrics. The fashions have had to put their best foot forward in order to meet the sharp competition of the exuberant brilliant or flowered lousines; duchess satin has been set aside entirely for Regency satin, Liberty satin and peau de cygne and the chollies and voiles that opened the ball confidently in February and filled all the show windows have been utterly crowded out by the canvas cloth, tannin etamine and embroidered voile.

Not only should a shopper be warned in due season as to these changes in fabric, but a caution must be given against too free indulgence in tucks. Tucks are still considered useful and pretty, but their reign is over and the gown that two years ago would have been fashionable yesterday

of the same flower appear on the waist, and one of the quaint charms of this lace is that it is woven in special patterns. One complete set of leaves, hands, paper, etc., shows a design of green leaves and huge lavender chrysanthemums, another displays peach blossoms woven into a mesh of brown lace, and most beautiful are the mixed red and yellow rose sets.

Turquoise Parasols. With such delightful and novel costumes an entirely new creation of sunshade is carried. From Paris comes a startling turquoise parasol, made of thick tafeta, which color and pattern exactly represents the blue matrix stone that is now so popular. It is mounted on a brown ivory handle, studded with big, round and oblong turquoise. The afternoon parasol is exceedingly vivid and made, in many instances, to match the gown with which it is used. Embroidered batiste sunshades are lined with rose or green silk in accordance with

temporary of the very latest phases of the fashions. MARY DEAN.

GARDEN CORNERS.

New Passion for Horticulture Assumes Various Forms.

NEW YORK, April 12.—That we have only touched the outer edge of the garden craze is what the florists and plant importers and landscape architects have agreed, and the demand for this spring is for an acre or two that will develop with the greatest rapidity and is habitable as a garden can be. The popular requirement is for the massing of bright, vivid colors in the flowering plants, for Japanese corners, colonial alleys, eighteenth-century grotesques and rookeries, sun dials, lead figures and over and above everything else an abundance of arbors. The taste for arbors was first nourished on the Italian pergolas that are almost an inevitable feature of every modern country estate. But the pergola, beautiful as it is, is not at all satisfying in the garden of the very near future will be as well supplied with cozy corners, flirtation retreats, tea nooks, etc., as a well designed country house. The foundation for most of these arbors is no longer the earwig-laying rustic post or a chilly miniature marble temple, but a frame of green painted wire or lead piping to be covered eventually with the rapid growing honeysuckle, clematis or rambling roses.

Hopes of Roses.

Such a garden develops with a rapidity that satisfies even the impatient American mind, and among its manifold charms is to be considered the inducement that it is not a very expensive luxury; that it is erected in a easily laid out; that a flower and exercise-loving woman alone can take care of it and that it adapts itself to every species of environment. On some of the spacious country estates of the millionaires a special little arbor garden is laid out in a corner to itself in order that its peculiarities may not jar upon the horticultural design followed in the disposition of the rest of the flowery area; and when this plan is followed the arbor garden is divided from the Italian or from the water garden by a rope of crimson or white rambler that forms a dividing line, but not a barrier.

For the rope of roses iron stakes, six to ten feet long, are fastened in the ground from ten to fifteen feet apart and a slack green-painted wire is strung through holes at the top of every stake. Eventually a luscious crimson rambler climbs the wire, and in a few days a fairy ring of greenery and color about the gay colony of domed and striped arbors.

This pretty boundary line is somewhat happily utilized about that area of a garden devoted exclusively to rose culture, and in a roomy tract the new trend is to a domed tea arbor of green wire, shaped like a temple dedicated to the muses and large enough to give the climbing plants a chance to display their glories of blossom to the greatest advantage.

Where Lovers Linger.

A flirtation retreat has now become a feature of every garden that is nobly planned and is a circular trellis of wire, ten feet high, with three exits, and the gardener usually allows honeysuckle, matrimony vine and a white running rose called the bride to vie in their efforts to screen the occupants of the green and fragrant enclosure from prying eyes. A flirtation retreat is a farm wheelbarrow with garden-seat shaped like the drawing room tete-a-tete chair and never a seat is there provided for the tireome, superfluous third person.

In the way of wire and lattice furniture for big and little gardens the most pleasing and thoughtful thing is a double arch or double gables, are made. Some of these, made in double gothic gables, have the extreme tops of the gables so arranged that they may be utilized, by quick-witted robins, thrushes, black birds, etc., as fine building sites. But not including cats and marauding small boys most of the properly laid out and well conducted gardens are made to harbor large colonies of wild songsters and the owners, who really love the birds and seek every means to encourage them, buy tiny nest frames and nest shelters and thoughtfully hang bird about among the vines and bushes. At the garden furnishing shops they sell also the most charming arbor cages for canaries and bullfinches and an amazing array of ivory-handled scissors and baskets for gathering roses.

Rose Barrows.

To the woman who has a garden and loves it, it is safe to offer at the shrine one of the rose barrows made of white rush, with a broad bright buckle through which a big velvet bow is pulled in the proper decoration. A large ball-shaped tuft of flowers or another bow and buckle is approved as ornamentation in front.

Baby ribbons deserve more than passing notice. They have made their spring appearance with a flourish and are used liberally in dress decoration. Let us consider as a case in point the little velvet etamine gown of the single picture. It is trimmed with two types of ribbon and a little imitation fish lace. In common with many a smart suit of the season it fastens in the rear and is banded prettily in a yoked effect with bullion telegraph ribbon. As a passing fancy of the spring, telegraph ribbon, in any color, with its black dots and dashes, is most interesting and worthy of utilization on a light afternoon or house frock. On the skirt and right shoulder of this costume appear large portions of the new baby ribbon that has a satin center and edges of gilt or silver or mingled bullion and turquoise threads. In the hair, on evening dresses and in light tulle toques and such, gold-edge baby ribbon has a proudly important position. It is not neatly and yet very crisp and gay and decidedly a con-

THE FAVORS DIVORCE.

Wife of a Clergyman Advocates Easy Divorce Laws. Quite a sensation has been created in Kansas City by a lecture recently delivered there by Mrs. Edith Wilson Roberts, wife of Rev. Dr. J. E. Roberts, minister of the Church of St. John. Mrs. Roberts avers being classed with the strong-minded of her sex, yet some think her views on marriage and divorce entitle her to a place among that sisterhood.

"Marriage," says Mrs. Roberts, "as understood today, may be described as serving two purposes; first and directly, the happiness of the contracting parties; second and indirectly, the welfare of children resulting from the union. The purposes of divorce are identical with those of marriage, the second and indirect reason for the one becoming the paramount reason for the other. To perpetuate in the home an atmosphere of misery that rapidly turns to hate is a crime against both children and parents. Children had better be grown up with only one parent, surrounded by love and peace, than with both surrounded by hatred and strife."

Arguing along the line of her contention that the number of divorces is not disproportionate to the number of marriages, she said: "To make a choice is to run the risk of choosing wrongly, and when we consider the youth and inexperience of the vast majority of those who marry, when we reflect that no being can know another so perfectly before the marriage state exists as afterward, the wisdom increases when a majority of homes know the pleasure and peace of happiness. The percentage of failures in business is said to be above ninety. It is reasonable, therefore, to expect marriage to be always successful or in its highest sense often successful? And when people have chosen wrongly, when they have made an honest and blameless mistake—for no man willfully seeks his own undoing—when they have been forced to recognize their marriage as a failure, is it not barbarous to compel the continuance of that union?"

Discussing the opposition made by some churches to divorce, she said: "The preachers, forced by public opinion to be wary in administering future hell, ful-

fill their nature by demanding the continuance of existing hells."

Her idea of the part courts should play in the granting of divorces is thus expressed: "Marriage, being wholly a private and civil contract, with which religion has nothing to do, unless to perform the ceremony at the wish of the contracting parties, should be capable of being dissolved by the simple mutual agreement of the two themselves, they being able to know whether or not they are fitted to live together. In all cases of mutual agreement the court should have the right simply to witness the transaction, to put it on record, to see that an equitable division of the property is made and to provide for the disposition and support of the children.

"As to the state having anything to say about when the divorced persons shall remarry, the state has no more right to dictate by a day upon such personal liberty than it has to say when a bankrupt shall begin business again.

"More than ten years ago our state of Missouri placed the wife on a level with her husband. Of course she cannot vote yet nor is she permitted, as in more enlightened Kansas, to constitute herself censor of private acts of art exhibited in certain places of business, nor can she indulge with impunity in plate-glass breaking, but she



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can secure release from an intolerable marriage, as also can a man, which is a blessing not lightly to be esteemed by lovers of justice and morality."

BATHING SUITS IN SIGHT.

Preparations for the Summer Season. Time and thought and money are all well expended on surf-gone and still-water bathing costumes, so various and charming are the colors and the cut of the newest models. For a half a dozen seasons back pure mohair has been the material preferred for the salt water dresses and flannel, the standby of other days, has been curiously absent from the beaches. This year a mohair flannel has been put forward and, as it possesses the virtues of both true flannel and true mohair, it is probably destined, like Britannia, to rule the wave for many summers to come.

Mohair flannel, in many attractive colors, is made up in designs so graceful and fanciful that many women, who have no liking at all for salty dips and look upon suffering waves with terror, have enthusiastically purchased bathing dresses, along with all the paraphernalia that nowadays is considered necessary for the smart beach toilet.

A distinctly charming gown, of the sweetest mode yet seen, is a white mohair flannel relieved with touches of green. The green is prettily adapted in lines of zigzag braid, edging skirt and sleeve puffs and pointed collar. With this is worn a white silk head handkerchief diversified with big green polka dots.

To the women now on land it is as well to suggest that on the fashionable beaches it will be considered necessary for a bathing suit to fit with all the elegant preciseness of a calling costume. At Newport, Narragansett, etc., the bathers last summer began to adopt the French fashion of carrying down the bathhouse every morning a pretty white wicker hand satchel, containing all the small necessities that serve in the graceful completion of a swimming gown. The handbag is itself a special feature and it holds a becoming silk mackintosh cap, satinet, silk hose, white linen bathing boots and a pair of linen bathing slippers. These last are all important articles, for the mohair flannel suits are now so cut and fitted that they cannot be properly or presentably worn without stout, short and very flexible stays that lace up and have not a bit of metal about them.

Though it is perfectly safe to predict that white bathing dresses will outnumber all others, none the less will many colored ones be worn. Startling bright red and Yale blue, black and orange, scarlet and white are some of the damaging and parrot-like studies in color that the fair amphibians will patronize, and there is a very marked inclination toward the inauguration of vivid Roman stripes and bold Scotch plaids in the more showy gowns. Roman stripes are prominent in the majority of the flannel and Turkish toweling bath wraps, without which no well-equipped toilet pretends to consider her seagoing toilet complete.

A YANKEE NOTION.

International Organization of College Women Proposed. It is unconventional for a woman to travel in Europe or to stop at hotels unaccompanied by a member of her family or a discreet friend of her own sex. Any woman violating this unwritten law would expose herself to suspicion if not to insult or other danger.

The American woman is gently and gradually thrusting aside traditional traditions, relates the Chicago Chronicle. As civilization advances the treatment of women all over the world grows more considerate of the inequality of her sex in physical comparisons, of its own limitations and other competitors. A movement under way in New York City will not only confirm the just claims of woman's self-reliance in the country, but must in due time modify old-world etiquette in behalf of educated women.

The University club of New York City has adopted amendments to its charter providing for a clubhouse for women having college degrees, the building to provide a reception room, assembly room, sleeping rooms for non-resident members and a restaurant, membership to include not only graduates of American but also of foreign colleges, thus securing to this category of women a comfortable home when

traveling and all the advantages accruing from congenial association and local acquaintance. The clubhouse is to be in the center of the city. Charges are to cover cost only. Hitherto the club membership (women exclusively) was limited to 150 members, graduates of a few colleges. Twenty-three colleges or universities are included in the broadened charter and to these will be added the foreign institutions of high class which admit women to degrees.

International organization of college women will, it is predicted, result in establishment of like clubs in the principal cities of the old world, thus facilitating international intercourse and making travel for women safer, more profitable and more agreeable.

Thus doth the American woman lead the world of women, but she should not forget that it was medieval Italy which first opened university doors to her sex and enrolled women among the highest class of professors in the highest range of erudition.

WANTS A BRIDE WHO LIMPS.

Man with a Cork Leg Seeks to Wed a Girl Similarly Endowed. Here is a chance for a girl with a cork leg. Albert Dolby, a resident of New York, who had lost one of the limbs with which nature originally endowed him and has sub-



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stituted one of cork, wants to marry, and in order that neither may be able to cast reflections upon the other he stipulates that the woman who is to become his bride shall have but one foot to stand upon. Dolby inserted the following advertisement in a New York paper the other day:

"Middle-aged man wants a wife. He is all complete with the exception of one foot. Has constant work; his character and respectability are good. A lame person preferred."

Dolby says that while some men demand musical culture, conversational ability, a liking for books or business acumen as accomplishments of their wives, his ideal bride is a woman with one limb a little shorter than it really ought to be.

"There's no accounting for tastes," said Dolby in his home, 140 East Seventeenth street. "I lost my left foot in a railroad accident, and consequently I limp. I want to get married, but I can't bear the thought of hobbling up to the minister with a bride by my side whose step is the asymmetry of motion. My pride would take a fall."

"There must be plenty of girls with



AN EMBROIDERED TRIMMED WITH BABY RIBBON.

pretty faces and good hearts, but minus a foot or limb. That's the only kind I'm looking for. If I could only find one who limped on the left side the same as myself I should much prefer her. I might look funny walking up street if my head bobbed as I stepped on my left foot, when my wife's head bobbed up as she put down her sound limb. But then that could be arranged if I took care to keep step on the 'game' leg."

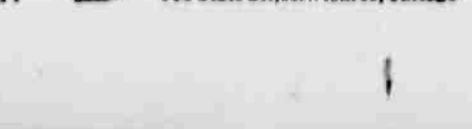
Dolby is 49 years old, has steady employment in an artificial limb store and plays the clarinet. He is Scotchman and came to this country a year and a half ago. He was for fifteen years a bandmaster in the Erie army.

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THREE NEW AND EFFECTIVE SALT WATER DRESSES.

from train to collar is now stiff with embroidery.

A Case in Point. Some of the pale tan and cream batiste robes are so nicely needle-worked; others, as in the case of a charming afternoon gown worn by the damsel posing before the Louis XV table, display an harmonious compromise between the parting and the arriving fashion.

This attractive costume is of the fine, deep cream batiste that the Parisian dress-maker loves and its skirt is tucked, bordered with heavy needlework in the same color that opens in a design to adequately reveal the green taffeta lining on which the batiste is founded. The wide giraffe of the waist is tucked, but the top of the body is of the closest, richest batiste embroidery that also reveals the green silk lining.

Rose color or green in what these transparent and encrusted robes are usually founded upon, and of the two tones green has rather the popular advantage of the rose. Taking a bird's-eye view of a well dressed gathering of women, one is easily convinced that there are thousands of green gowns in active wearing just now. From the deep gray green of mignonette through opaline and vert romantique to dazzling silvery eon de nil the chromatic scale of verdant tones and tints runs, and the clerks behind the silk counters admit that they

the foundation skirt of its owner's batiste dress. Plain taffeta parasols are often ornamented with little Waterloo scenes painted on their silk skins, and the tab-leaux of piping shepherds or dancing nymphs is then framed in a circular or oblong wreath of lace. Extravagantly pretty are the ribbon sunshades. For these the ribbons are berringsoned together with gilt or silver thread and the ends of each strip of ray silk finished in a point, to which a light gilt ferris is attached. When the sunshade is open these fringe the bottom of the silken dome and tinkle together like pagoda bells. When the sunshade is closed they form a jeweled necklace at the base of the handle.

Another highly approved parasol is made of gold or silver tissue drawn over a colored silk foundation, and yet another and distinctly brilliant example is of white lousine brillante, mounted on a stick of silver gilt and ornamented on its white dome with glittering sun spots, from which spangled rays diverge.

Watteau Hats.

What pleases feminine fancy greatly are the hats of pure Watteau shape for afternoon wear and the compact, simple and comfortable Little Corporal walking hat. In this latter shape there is a clearly defined gaze for black and white. A Little Cor-



A TEA NOOK.

sell ten yards of green foulard or lousine to one rose or yellow or lilac silk. Of course, under this head is not included the very fancy silk, striped or self-decorating, in which countless colors are combined. A certain number of women wear these with smart effect, though they seem to be preferred by the younger element.

There are exquisite thick soft taffetas, rich in quality as felle and decorated with big bunches of rose and lilac, or yellow and blue sweet peas. More daring and most interesting are the parrot silk in the most flashing mingled tones of green, red and yellow, blue, purple and cerise, etc.

Springtime Lace.

Appropos of colors, who does not warmly admire the delicate primrose, to translate literally, the springtime lace, woven of silk or linen in lively harmonious tints of cream, lilac and green, or string gray and blue with touches of yellow?

This is a lace to apply that. Few houses of it are seen, and the most approved use of it is shown in the rarely lovely art-ribbon carriage gown, a pale green handkerchief lawn this is, boasting two or three on the skirt. They are encrusted with fugitive leaves and petals of lace poppies, and at the head of the top bounce royal red poppy blossoms. More delicate wreaths and leaves

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