

IN THE DOMAIN OF WOMAN.

FASHIONS FOR BIG AND LITTLE.

Time of Year When Women is Susceptible to Betwixt and Between.

NEW YORK, Aug. 23.—The shirtwaist dress, a practicable wash suit in one material, is just now the morning costume of many smart women.

WOMEN OF THE WORLD.

Woman's Position in New Zealand and Australia.

As in Hawaii, the first civilized women who visited New Zealand were the wives of missionaries sent out from New South Wales and subsequently from England.

plain delaines may also be recommended, the outfit already showing very smart little school clothes in these materials.

As it was a long voyage from England, only the most enterprising women had the courage to emigrate and this, undoubtedly, had its effect upon the present British population, who, men and women both, are the very flower of the British colonies.

In 1893, after several years of persevering work, in which the women were aided by such men as the late Sir George Grey, the former premier, Sir Robert Stout, now chief justice, the bill legalizing universal suffrage was passed.

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One of the leaders of the suffrage movement was Lady Annie Stout, the wife of the chief justice, a woman of brilliant intelligence and great personal attraction.

As elsewhere in Polynesia, the tabu, or sacred interdiction, cut them off from many of the enjoyments of life, although, as a people, they were practically without religion.

The women showed great skill in the preparation of the native flax, bleaching the fiber to a snowy whiteness—an art that defied the ingenuity of the English settlers.

Most of the women of the present generation can read and write and their housekeeping is of the simplest. They take most naturally to the arts of civilization.

As the country became more thickly settled and comforts and even luxuries were possible, life upon the sheep and cattle ranges improved.

although Melbourne formerly prided itself upon its American characteristics. The social conventions, as approved by London, prevail; the teas, luncheons, dinners and balls are conducted as they would be in England, except that the duties of the chaperone are less exacting, and young girls are allowed a good deal of liberty.



PRETTY SCHOOL OUTFITS.

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bill was passed the franchise league disbanded, but reorganized immediately under the title of the Women's Political Education League.

Some Freak Notions that Are Having Quite a Vogue Just Now.

The ferroniere, or forehead jewel, that was revived in Paris last winter, seems to be certain of a more or less general adoption the coming season.

A novelty in rings is the photograph ring. The face of the friend or relative that one desires always to have near is photographed on crystals, and then painted, and the painting covered with gold foil for protection.

Jewelry. Rings, bracelets, chains, watches and brooches are adorned with it and it bids fair to become a veritable craze.

A novel idea in high-class jewelry is the combination of jet and pearls, with a liberal use of exquisite gold work, or, in some cases, they are set in delicately wrought silver.



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Mrs. M. B. Castle, a widow, is vice president of the Sandwich (Ill.) bank, with which her husband was connected.

Women physicians were only admitted to practice in Germany last winter, although they have been graduated there for some time.

One of the youngest notaries public in the country, Miss Kathryn Heimer, who is 20 years old, and has been a notary in St. Louis for two years.



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EARLY AUTUMN CHEVIT.

wear. With the long shoulders and the bands—and the aforementioned looseness of fit—if one may use the expression with senseless clothes, a look of gentle breeding is created.

To further this very aristocratic suggestion the best shirtwaist dresses are self-trimmed—that is, with the same material—so if you see one running to white bands you may recognize it as a base pretender in the fashion world.

Sometimes one comes across a foulard silk fashioned in this same sensible manner. But the most modest "print" patterns are always chosen, and instead of the stiff linen collar of the wash dress, the silk gown will sport a lace barbe, that wraps the throat tightly and falls with graceful ends to the belt.

In the way of absolutely new materials, French manufacturers are offering a rough wool frieze, which, in black and white, clever dressmakers are beginning to combine with plain cloth in coral pink and ochre yellow, at points where only a suggestion of color is thought necessary.

A batch of evening wraps recall the styles of preceding seasons in outline, but they are what the market offers the maiden who prefers a becoming garment which she knows to be a problematic one whose virtues are yet to be tested.

For small fry we are glad to announce that the cheerful plaids so long associated with children are seen, indeed, they seem to reproduce the tartans of the Scottish chieftains more faithfully than ever and a salesman up in his business knows all the names.

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