

Modish Wearables for Up-to-Date Juveniles



HINTS ON LATEST JUVENILE FASHIONS—PATTERNS CAN BE HAD AT OFFICE OF THE BEE.

THE "Buster Brown" boy is in style this season. But if Buster rebels and begins to want something more dainty than Russian suits, put him in bloomer trousers. The old-fashioned "short pants" were good enough for his father when he was a boy, but are not the thing at all for Buster. The suits for boys this year embody qualities which combine manliness and endurance with the dash and softness that always goes straight to a mother's heart. The trousers may be full and baggy, like the kind souveners wear—and the boy can wear a fancy collar and a bow necktie. The suits are made of strong material, washable, and built to stand the wear and tear of a boy's service. Buster can play marbles or fly kites, build snow forts and snow men, and needn't be afraid of getting spanked because he has "simply ruined his new suit." As he grows older he can wear Norfolk jackets with the bloomer trousers, or a two-piece suit. The knees of the bloomers are made double and are sewed with silk, and will wear twice as long as ordinary knees. Sweater jackets, buttoning down in front,

are worn more than the sweater or jersey. The high neck of the latter is too warm, while a knit jacket with a V-shaped vest is just as snug. The little fellow's indoor wardrobe may be as elaborate as his father's. Pyjamas, buckskin moccasins and bathrobes always must be included in his clothes press. The factories are making his stockings stronger than ever this year. They are coarse-ribbed and finished with a double set knee. He can wear out one pair of knees playing with his tin soldiers and still have another pair of knees when Sunday comes. His outdoor costume includes a "pull down" cap for golf or snowballing and a three-quarter length peeler. The old style long overcoat is not being worn so much, as the skirts drag in the snow, and the boy is liable to catch cold. These coats are made in chevrons and tweeds. He will wear fleece-lined or velvet gloves for skating or polo, while buckskin gloves or gauntlets also are popular. The boy doesn't put on style in gloves, as his chief object is to keep warm. Instead of the copper-toed shoes that his father wore, or the top boots that were the delight of his

grandfather's boyhood days, the modern youngster will select heavy enameled leather or tan shoes with extension soles. When she has outgrown her little poke bonnet, and her pink and green kid "baby" shoes, the little girl is ready to assume the airs of her big sister. She, even if she is "awful young," can be a Peter Thompson girl, too. Gamp dresses are good for little girls in school, and Scotch blads will do well for dress occasions. When she wants to put on style even "little sister" can appear to advantage in the world of fashion. She can make a jaunty street effect in a three-cornered hat, a red cloak, lined in squirrel fur or ermine, and a fur muff. All bundled up in gray furs, she will resemble Pussy Willow braving the cold winds of March. She can wear white kid gloves—4 to 5 is the smallest size—and the gloves are made with outside seams, "like papa's." On a cold day white angora mittens will help some. Her "party dress" may be of white, like party dresses have been from time immemorial, and she can wear a pink sash, or a blue one, as her little heart desires.

Tersely Told Tales Both Grim and Gay

Burns and the Youngsters. A reporter interviewed William Jennings Bryan a few days before he set out on his year's tour of the world. Mr. Bryan said that he was taking his family with him—that if he had children of only 7 or 8 years he would take them, too, because he found that little children were often more observant than older people. "Why," said Mr. Bryan, "I was talking to a little chap of only 8 the other day, and when I asked him what he was going to be when he grew up he showed a fairly intimate acquaintance with the insurance situation in New York. 'What are you going to be, Jim?' said I. 'And the youngster answered: 'I am going to be a syndicate. They make all the money nowadays.'—New York Sun.

Farmer Who Wouldn't Be Plucked. Representative Smith of Pennsylvania was recently in one of the departments at Washington "looking after" one of his constituents. "I wrote you a letter," said the representative, "and I am reminded of what happened in my state about a letter of introduction. 'A rich old farmer who lived near Philadelphia got tangled up in a money matter with one of his neighbors. Mr. Alston, for that was his name, sought an attorney, who gave him a letter of introduction to a brother lawyer in Philadelphia, at which place it was necessary to enter the suit. The letter was delivered to the lawyer, and while he was reading it he was called out of the room, leaving the letter on his desk. Mr. Alston let curiosity get the best of him and picked up the letter and read it. The letter closed with, 'Mr. Alston is a fat goose, pluck him heavy.' 'That was enough for the rich old farmer, and, seizing a pen, he wrote: 'If S.—The goose has flown, feathers and all.' 'It took him about three seconds to amble down the stairs and into the street, and he has not had anything to do with lawyers from that day to this, preferring to pluck his own goose.'—Philadelphia Record.

The Unflattering Barber. John Drew, as he lunched, talked about barbers. "They are so uncomplimentary," he said. "They tell you such unflattering things. 'A friend of mine went to be shaved at the Dark Harbor hotel one day last summer, and the barber said to him: 'Your hair is getting thin, sir.' 'Yes,' my friend answered tartly. 'I have been treating it with anti-fat. I never did like stout hair.'—New York Tribune.

Where the Post Fell Down. George W. Perkins had been testifying before the insurance investigating committee. "I hope that I was taken literally," he said, smiling, as he put on his hat. "I desire to be taken literally always. I am not like the poet. Poets, you know, are to be taken figuratively. A farmer west of Chicago was not aware of this. He came

into town one day in my boyhood to buy a horse. He sought out a dealer and haggled with the man for several hours. 'Well,' said the dealer finally, rather worn out, 'take him or leave him. There he is, with all his imperfections on his head, as the poet says.' It's plain to be seen your friend the poet can't have looked at his legs, rejoined the literal old farmer."

A Woman's Nature. Prof. D. P. Cropp of the University of Colorado has invented a machine that increases the height from one to five inches and the chest girth from one to four inches. "It is amazing," said Prof. Cropp the other day, "what an interest people take in any change in their physique—the gain of an inch around the chest or forearm, the loss of an inch in the neck or stomach. 'I know a fat woman who spent July at the seashore, taking an ocean bath and a hot bath daily, so as to reduce her weight. 'The day she was to leave for home she entered a butcher shop and told the old man to cut her off twenty pounds of pork. 'He cut and weighed this great chunk of meat and then said, 'I send it.' 'Where, madam, shall I send it?' 'But the woman, as she feasted her eyes on the pork, replied: 'Oh, don't send it anywhere. I don't want to buy it. You see, I have lost twenty pounds since I have been down here, and I just wanted to see how much it was.'—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Mothers No Longer Sew for Their Children

IT USED to be that women had to make all the clothes for their children, especially the babies. Now that is changed, and no article of children's wear can be named that cannot be found ready-made, dainty and well-fitting. It is a big surprise to the mere man to go into a children's bazaar and note the thousands of things in babies' and children's garments shown there. Everything a baby wears, everything a girl wears, everything a boy wears, can be purchased there. Dresses are worn of many styles this winter. Some of the girls from ten to fifteen wear dresses of Scotch plaid and cashmere and in these there is a great variety of design. Others prefer sailor

suits, blue and black and white checked, in serges and worsteds. Knickerbockers, preferably of blue flannel, are very popular with young girls this winter. They are close-fitting at the knee and help wonderfully in keeping the body warm. Mothers are buying middie suits for their boys this fall, perhaps as much as ever before. The winter patterns are beautiful and varied and the tastes of every one can be satisfied. A Russian style also is very popular for small boys. It is a belt suit, practically a Buster Brown suit, except that the collar is smaller. Knickerbocker suits of all colors are in style for the boy who considers himself too old for the Buster Brown sort. There is a heavy demand for sweaters

for boys and girls; and the large number sold for very small children is one of the wonders of the juvenile trade. So many every child must have a sweater when he goes out to play on a raw day. Baby cloaks are made of bedford cord, white silk and cashmere, and most of them are daintily trimmed with lace and braid. Imitation bearskin and velvet are popular materials in coats for children two or three years old. A dainty assortment is shown in bibs, pillow slips, caps and sacques for babies. Some are plain, and others are trimmed with lace and hand embroidered for the little ones whose parents can afford such things.



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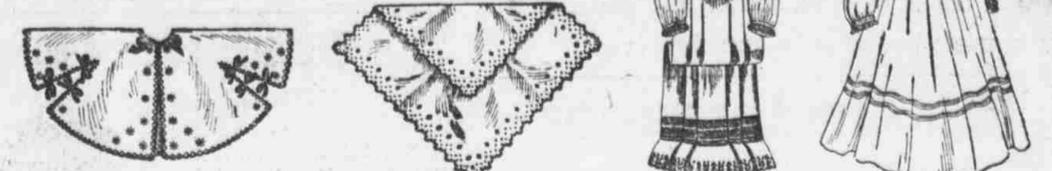
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