

N. Y. FASHION LETTER.

Straw Hats in Midwinter—Military Styles Combine to Make Smart Head Gear—Moyen Age, and Jumper Styles.

New York, January.—The holiday over, people begin to think of the cold weather to come and prepare for the annual trip to the South or to California. For these migrators the shopkeepers display the first straw hats of the season.

The hats to be seen mostly at the present time are, of course, forerunners of what we "stay-at-home" will wear in the late Spring and Summer. The majority are of silk, with a unadorned of straw, or silk trimmed with a band of straw. In many cases the crowns of the hats are of silk, while the brims may be of straw. They all-straw hats are mostly of a rough, coarse straw and trimmed with grosgrain ribbon.

Small hats, like the small sailors, Scotch kepis, miniature tricornes and turbans, are the order of the day. The torpedo turban is among the novelties, made long with a crease front and back. A striking model is made of barn-yard straw and shaped similarly to a four-cornered box. The top of the hat is slightly lifted, like the lid of a box, showing a bunch of ribbons protruding. A bow of ribbon on the lid ending in long streamers completes the model.

The latest hats show a strong preference for ribbon trimming, usually disposed of in bows and streamers, and again gathered and shirred. They are sometimes looped around the crown of a hat in loops the size of a cartridge, thus forming a cartridge belt around the crown.

The English, so-called "pill-box" hats are to be seen as well as others with a raised crown. These vie in popularity with some flat shapes, one ingeniously called in the trade the "fried egg" shape.

As a concession to the military spirit are hats similar to the Scotch kepi and others in imitation of the French infantry cap, made up in red silk with a small shield; the crown tapers and is dented in on one side, with gold braid embroidered on the top.

Another military hat, a cross between the French police beret and the Austrian infantry cap, is made with a peak in front, where the only trimming consists of a brass button.



The Fashionable Jumper Dress in a New Development.

put onto the yoke without a gather or a wrinkle. Other skirts are made with an upper and a lower section, the upper section close-fitting, while the lower section is made so that the flare at the lower edge is decided.

The dresses which are on the moyen age order still hold sway among the tall and lithesome figures to whom it is especially becoming.

The jumper models are both practical and smart, and are a method of developing a dress which will afford many changes in the way of various guimpes of silk, or net, or of chiffon. In many cases the suitability of this dress for simple or more elaborate occasions being supplied by the guimpe.

The model illustrated shows the latest mode in jumper dresses. The full, flaring skirt is of the new large check, which is so much seen among the new frocks which are the forerunners of the Spring styles in navy blue and white. The jumper is of plain material, matching the blue of the check, high on the skirt in front and low in the back. With this is worn a guimpe of buckskin-colored crepe de Chine.

Taffeta is a material which holds a strong place among the up-to-date materials. It is to be seen in various new effects, dimly watered like moire silk, changeable and in cross-bar and dotted effects. It is very queer, however, that more of the taffeta is used for evening dresses than for the afternoon frocks.

SOCIAL SERVICE CONFERENCE.

Raleigh, Jan. 21.—A great meeting indeed will be that of the North Carolina Conference for Social Service, which holds its third annual session in Raleigh, January 23-30. The conference discusses nearly all subjects looking to the upbuilding of North Carolina and her people, and everybody is invited to all meetings. You will probably wish to go to Raleigh sometime while the Legislature is in session. Make these the dates of your visit.

The presence of four eminent speakers of national reputation, will alone make the meeting historic.

William J. Bryan, famous the world over as an advocate of peace, temperance and moral movements; Thomas Mott Osborne, the great man of our time, who has given his life to prison reform; Mrs. Cora W. Stuart, who has achieved national reputation through the moonlight school movement in Kentucky; and Secretary Daniels whom North Carolina still claims.

And even without these four eminent speakers, any one of whom would make the meeting remarkable, the program would be compelling attractiveness simply for the North Carolina talent represented. President Clarence Poe and one of the afore mentioned speakers will speak Thursday night, the 28th. The other North Carolina speakers include Dr. E. K. Graham, Judge Walter Clark, Dr. W. S. Rankin, Dr. D. H. Hill, Prof. E. C. Branson, Dr. J. Y. Joyner, A. W. McAlister, W. H. Swift, Mrs. T. P. Harrison, Dr. L. B. McBrayer and others.

The meeting begins on Thursday night, Jan. 28th, and will end Saturday morning. Reduced railroad rates are expected.

Quips and Quiddities.

"Well, 'Rastus,'" said the colonel, "I understand your club has declined to admit Julius to membership."

"Dat's a fact, kuhuel," replied the old dandy. "Ah dunno what de objection to Julius was, but when dey come to vote dey done whiteballed him."—Judge.

Boy—"Come quick, there's a man been fighting my father more'n half an hour."

Policeman—"Why didn't you tell me before?"

Boy—"Cause father was getting the best of it till a few minutes ago."

Minnesota minister lost his mind about a month ago and enlisted in the navy, and last week an army officer lost his mind and went to work. Men will do strange things when they lose their senses.

If it were understood that the farmers would market but half of their cotton crop they might not have to take seven cents for it.

HOW SHE GOT STARTED.

Berlin, via London.—A little Chinese girl, a pupil in a missionary school has the causes of the war "all doped out." The Deutsche Tageszeitung prints the following story:

"In one of the British missionary schools in China the pupils were asked to write an essay about the war. A little Chinese girl wrote the following:

"There's a big war in Europe just now. The war began because the Prince of Austria and his Princess took a trip to Serbia. A man in Serbia killed them. Austria got mad and started a war against Serbia."

"Germany wrote letters to Austria and said: 'I will help you.' Russia wrote a letter to Serbia: 'I will help you.'"

"France did not feel like fighting, but she got her soldiers ready. Then Germany wrote a letter to France: 'You shall not mobilize for if you do I will beat you in nine hours.'"

"Well, Germany began to fight France and marched through Belgium. Belgium said: 'I am a country, and not a country road for your soldiers.' And Belgium wrote a letter to England telling of what Germany had done. And so England came to help Belgium."

THIEVES FALL OUT.

For some months there has been carried on in Hillsboro a very systematic form of thievery. Mercantile establishments were the principal sufferers, but residences have not escaped altogether. Goods have been removed successfully from almost every store in town. The worst loss was probably sustained by Jordan Bros., who on Christmas Eve were relieved of about \$250 in cash.

The cat began to get out of the bag Wednesday afternoon when Will Jordan recognized a pair of trousers on the person of Walter Kimbro. Walter evidently lost his nerve under Jordan's peremptory cross-questioning (and for the further consideration of \$5 to him in hand paid by the said Jordan, party of the second part, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.) Officers Crawford, Cates and Sheriff Bain were called into the conference and Esq. Joh. A. Harris began writing papers. Andrew Evans, Bogie Ellison and Haywood Snipes were lodged in jail last night. Thursday morning the crowd was increased by the bringing in of Graham Long.

Andrew Evans, on trial, gave testimony which is calculated to bring in still other parties. Andrew confessed to having done most of the raiding but protested that he did not make his trips alone. Haywood Snipes denied very bitterly Andrew's charge that he had accompanied him on his midnight journeys.

The defendants were placed under bonds of \$200 each for their appearance at March court. It is thought that Graham Long is the less guilty of the defendants and his character as a working man will probably stand him in stead. The rest for the most part are without visible means of support. Walter Kimbro has not been arrested as yet.

"Kunnell" Bagley averred in open court that if he had "knowed" it was going on he'd have told it.

If Sulzer got nothing out of the election in New York, we suppose decent people should be satisfied with the result.

ABOLISH COUNTY TREASURER.

Wilson, Jan. 21.—Wilson citizens are circulating a petition to be sent to the Legislature asking for the passage of an act abolishing the office of county treasurer. In the petition the fact is set forth that under the present system of banking funds the expense of a treasurer is unnecessary. If the bill is enacted it will mean a saving of \$1,000 a year to the county.

ADVANTAGES.

"I tell you, sir, the great benefit of a college education lies in the friends you make."

"That's so. No matter how old you are, if you have been through college you can always find some one to play poker or bet on the races or go on a spree with."—Life.

BUY IT NOW.

N. M. in Topeka Daily Capital.

Say,

Do you remember when you were a kid,

How they used to tell you About throwing a pebble into a pond And how it made a ripple

That went on, and on, and on, and on, Until it reached the distant shore, Or something like that?

And when you got big enough You went to the minstrel show And saw the end man

And the middleman Show how a quarter of a dollar Paid off ten dollars' worth of debt

In about five minutes, By passing from Tambo to Bones, And from Bones to Rastus,

And from Rastus to Ephraim, And from Ephraim to Lijah, And so on around the half circle?

And then, when you were sent up To college,

Tried to explain the same thing? You remember? Well,

This is no talk on political economy Or anything like that; It's just a gentle hint

To the effect that RIGHT NOW Is a good time for you To start a little ripple of your own

A GOOD TIME To start your dollars Moving round the circle.

Pay off your debts, Buy what you need, And buy it now.

Get things started. Put money in circulation. That's good sense.

And patriotism, And good business, Every ripple in the pond,

No matter how small Helps break the stagnation, Get busy

And make a splash, "Buy it now." And get your money back.

DAY AND NIGHT.

By Dr. Frank Crane.

Why not slide the day's program back about five hours.

This suggestion is based upon the superior life value of the early morning hours. The world can do more and better work from 5 to 12 in the morning than that from 5 in the afternoon to midnight.

Besides, daylight fun is more whole some than gaslight fun.

You cannot find anybody with whom to do business until 10 o'clock or so in the downtown offices, as things are today. Let us get down to work at 7 a. m. and quit for the day at noon or 1 p. m.

Let us have theaters and concerts and parties in the afternoon instead of at night.

When dark comes let us go to bed. This is entirely impractical, impossible. Hence most to be desired. The impossible is always more fascinating than the possible.

How did we come to sleep all morning and sit up all night? Why have we reversed nature and artificialized our whole social structure? And why is it considered common, bourgeois and undistinguished to get up with the sun, the upper-tenish and hilarious to get up with the moon?

Think also of economy! How many oodles of dollars we squander in electricity, gas and kerosene, so that we roay poke around in the dark, when the Creator gives us for nothing an infinitely better light by day!

What a twisted old world it is! Let us, you and me, sit it right.

It is the simplest thing imaginable. We will call a meeting. At the meeting we will draft resolutions. Then we will appoint a committee. Then we will secure the names of prominent people as honorary vice presidents and as an advisory board. Then we will take up a collection. That's all. Then we can go home and think how easy reform is, after all.

A NATIONAL IMPRESSION.

Rosemary—A French actress who is turing this country says all men are prevaricators.

Thornton—She probably judges the entire male sex by her own press agents.—Judge.

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HUSBAND RESCUED DESPAIRING WIFE

After Four Years of Discouraging Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave Up in Despair. Husband Came to Rescue.

Cañon, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side. The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good.

I had gotten so weak I could not stand and I gave up in despair. At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without it hurting me, and am doing all my work." If you are all run down from womanly troubles, don't give up in despair. Try Cardui, the woman's tonic. It has helped more than a million women, in its 50 years of continuous success, and should surely help you, too. Your druggist has sold Cardui for years. He knows what it will do. Ask him. He will recommend it. Begin taking Cardui today. Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for instructions on your case and a free hand-out for "Woman," sent in plain wrapper.



- Got the Florist

MRS. PRESCOTT had just heard of the illness of a dear friend. She was about to leave town that morning for an extended trip. There was no time to call. Turning to the telephone, she got the florist and ordered a choice selection of roses sent with her card to the address of the invalid.

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