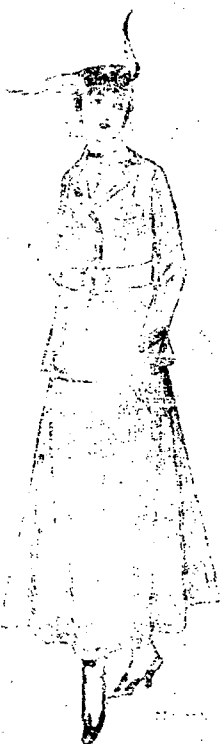


A NEW YORK LETTER.

Now that Easter is past history and the smart woman has placed her stamp of approval on this style and that by actual wearing, street clothes resolve themselves into two distinct types, the tailored and semi-tailored suit.

Perhaps it is the anticipation of a cross-continent trip to the Fair that is making the tailored suit so popular or it may be milady on charity bent finds the plain coat and short skirt in keeping with her mood. Whatever the irresistible influence is, it has reft our suits of frill and fancy and left them for the most part plain creations with coats medium length and skirts short even to the top of the high boot.

In the window of a Fifth Avenue shop, a model of dark blue gabardine is attracting the gaze of the never ceasing stream of well-dressed women who frequent this thoroughfare. Suggestive of a uniform, it boldly stands forth with patch pockets over the seams, a small one above and a large one below the broad belt of white leather that sports a black buckle. The collar, notched in the most approved manner, is faced with white broadcloth to match the belt and bound with black braid the same as the front and the lower edge. Huge white ball buttons complete the trimming and below the binding on the circular skirt, the cuffs of Russian boots are seen in black patent leather to match the vamp, while the quarter is made of white kid. A small turban of black straw with white wings flaring on either side carries out the balance of the black and white, marking the skill of a clever modiste.



A Military Model of Blue Gabardine Trimmings With Wide Hercules Braid.

Many variations are seen in this suit. Here it is made without the pockets, and there with a shawl collar in place of the notch. However, if you start in quest of some really new fabric you are doomed to disappointment unless the fabric be a cotton. Invariably as you roam through the racks and models of the cloak and suit departments, you see the black-clad saleswoman pause in front of the chair of a prospective customer and hear her say, "A dark, blue serge or gabardine, shepherd's check worsted or Donnegan Tweed?" and there the choice ends, unless, as I said before, you want a cotton for your tailored suit. Here magic has been wrought with the warp and wool. Carraval is one of the interesting new cottons; it is a material for all the world like a duvetyne that has borrowed the knots of ratine, and there are numberless other good suiting cottons and lines.

Feeling the defects in the season's woollens, trimmings out-

do themselves, and in no small measure are responsible for the success of the tailored styles, for braidings, binding, pipings, buttons and embroideries ingeniously employed diversify and lend dash to present fashions. Suits of serge, gabardine or checked worsted have edges bound with Hercules braid in black, white, tan or blue. Narrow soutache braid in white makes another smart finish on blue serge, placed in four rows around the skirt above the hem, but if there is a preference it is given to the hey silver tinsel braid which appears in floral borders on the bottom of the serge and gabardine coats. So quickly did it come and so smart was the effect, its popularity was instantaneous—today in one shop, tomorrow in another, and by the end of a week the whole Avenue wears it. Nor are these borders confined to the tinsel alone. One of the small specialty shops shows a serge coat with the border in white silk braid and the effect is really fetching. There are other suits, too, with the borders embroidered with blue silk floss. Indeed, variety is endless in these strictly tailored suits. Their style is even accentuated by contrast with the silk models cut on semi-tailored lines.

Distinctly different in purpose and appearance, the suits with short Zouave jackets in no wise conflict with the vogue of the tailored, but are selected for theater, afternoon and dress wear. One of New York's most famous houses has on display an attractive model in mouse-gray faille silk, the coat short and boxy and the skirt laid in soft pleats. Fine silk-corded motifs in the corners of the jacket and woven buttons in self-tones make rich trimming.

UNCLE SAM ASKED TO DEFEND CHINA.

Peking, April 17.—Intervention by the United States in the negotiations now proceeding between China and Japan is recommended to President Wilson in the appeal recently sent to him by the American missionaries in this country. The message was five thousand words long and was forwarded to Washington by cable. It characterizes the Japanese demands on China as acts of aggression such as eventually will present a menace to the United States. Recalling the fact that Japan has at present in this country double her usual quota of troops (amounting to 60,000 men) the missionaries urge that Japan be notified that the excess of troops should be removed.

The understanding here is that a Chinese official, or several of them, paid the cable charges amounting to nearly \$6,000, on the message to President Wilson. This communication was signed by the Reverends E. W. Thwing, John Wherry, C. H. Fenn, and W. A. P. Martin, all connected with the American Presbyterian Mission at Peking; the Rev. Chauncey Goodrich, of the American Board of Commissioners of Foreign Missions; who is stationed at Tien Tsin; the Rev. H. H. Lowry, of the Methodist Episcopal Mission at Peking; and the Rev. C. F. Hubbard.

There are in China several hundred American missionaries, of whom the great majority have not seen the message. Some of them who were requested to sign it declined. The American board recently requested its missionaries to avoid public expression of opinion on political affairs, and although it is said the missionaries generally side with China in the present controversy few of them have been active politically.

It's easy to be an optimist so long as the bright side only is visible.

REQUIESCAT.

Tread lightly, she is near
Under the snow
Speak gently, she can hear.
The daisies grow.

All her bright golden hair
Tarnished with rust;
She that was young and fair
Fallen to dust.

Lily-like, white as snow,
She hardly knew
She was a woman, so
Sweetly she grew.

Coffin board, heavy stone,
Lie on her breast;
I vex my heart alone;
She is at rest.

Peace, peace, she cannot hear
Lyre or sonnet;
All my life's buried here;
Heap earth upon it.

OSCAR WILDE.

It seems rather untimely to talk of another Democratic Administration when we are not certain the country is going to stand what is left to the present one.

There is actually no need of an extra session of the new Democratic Congress. It will have time enough to make all the usual blunders in the course of the regular session.

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Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Murphy Jenkins, deceased, late of Alamance county, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Burlington, on or before the 8th day of April, 1916, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 8th day of April, 1915.
GEO. W. JENKINS,
Administrator of Murphy Jenkins.

SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of the power contained in a certain Mortgage executed by Will Burton and wife, Catherine Burton to the undersigned on the 16th day of May, 1914, and duly registered in the office of the Register of Deeds for Alamance county, State of North Carolina, in book No. 64 of Mortgage Deeds, pages 493-495 to secure the payment of a certain bond, conveyed certain real estate, and whereas default having been made in the payment of said bond and interest, I will expose to public sale to the highest bidder for cash at the courthouse door of the county of Alamance, on Monday, May 19, 1915, at twelve o'clock P. M., the land conveyed in said mortgage deed to-wit:

A certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Alamance county, State of North Carolina, in Graham township, and defined and described as follows:

It being lot No. 133 in plat recorded in the office of Register of Deeds of Alamance county, in deed book No. 35, page 455, reference to which is hereby made for a more complete description. This deed conveys all of said lot except a front of 25 feet extending back the full length of the lot and adjoining lot No. 132, upon which is situated a three room new cottage dwelling.

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