

THE SENSIBLE IN DRESS

Fashion Favors It To the Last Letter.

New York September 16th.—With all almsiveness as surprising as it is sudden, Dame Fashion has introduced the sensible in dress—she has done it more thoroughly, too, going into every detail, than the most rigid dress reformer could ever have hoped for. The war, with its sobering influences, has done more at one stroke than could have been accomplished by years and years of argument. The short, full skirt, the trim, dark tailored suits, sparsely and smartly trimmed hats, good, sensible, rather high, walking boots with straight heels, washable gloves—and so on down to the last detail. All this has been brought about with no sacrifice of becomingness or chic. The popularity of "Sport Clothes" was not very long ago, when "sport clothes" were left, without a moment of hesitation, to the wardrobe of the leisure class, who had time for sports; nowadays, we find "sport clothes" or in other words,



A Frock of Taffeta and Crepe Georgette.

comfortable, sensible clothes, in every wardrobe. It is quite as exhilarating as the walk itself to come down the Avenue any of these crisp, refreshing mornings behind a maid or matron dressed for walking. All Paris walks in the Bois these days, you know, and so we might say all New York walks on the Avenue, unless we except those who select the drive because of its brisk river breeze.

The smart set of tweed cut Norfolk fashion, with short, pleated or circular skirt, plenty of pockets both for use and for chic; a small hat, heavy gloves, and heavy shoes, in tan or black, is a favored costume. Then there is the girl with sport skirt of corduroy, coat of vividly colored velours with hat of the velours, and low heeled shoes of tan. Their stride has all the grace of movement of the athlete, not hampered by tight skirts, unsteady heels, or discomfort of any kind.

The Separate Skirt
Since the introduction of the shirt-waist, ever so long ago, the separate skirt has had its own special niche in the well dressed woman's wardrobe; this season it promises to be even more useful than ever before. It is made moderately short, flares in the approved fashion, and is finished with a belt at the normal waistline or slightly above the normal. It is as conservative or as much trimmed as fancy dictates. Perfectly plain, depending upon material and cut alone for effect, it is smart; trimmed with line after line of stitching and quantities of buttons, it is also smart—in a different way.

The New Plaid Blouse.
Chief among the pleasing novelties in the blouse line, we must place the blouse of plaid taffeta. The plaids or checks are not pronounced; colorings are soft, almost invisible, harmonizing well with the suit of dark blue serge or gabardine. The green and blue combinations are most popular although one sees also some attractive dull reds combined with blue or green. These blouses are especially suited to the tailored suit. The crepe de Chine blouse still holds its own for suit wear, to color soft pastel pink, yellow and lavender.

The Hand That Rules the World.

To the music of the word mother the heart of humanity responds. Transcending all races, ages and lands it represents a blessed fact. We are all of us conscious that not only physical life, but in the larger part, mental and spiritual life have been a mother's gift.
We went to school first at her knee. Through her eyes we first surveyed this great and perplexing world. She taught us more than the university has taught us since. She smoothed our pains and healed our broken hearts. She is the doctor of the world. She introduced us to the Heavenly Father of us all in a way that was not given over to the minister to do.
Where on this round globe is there anything quite so beautiful as a good mother's love? Who else is so splendidly oblivious to personal ease and pleasure? Whose life is so continual a process of self-giving? But mother's sacrifice is not a burden grievous to be borne. It is her glory and her joy.
How little she cares whether her name be mentioned or ignored so long as the children be honored! Yet in how many cases she is the quiet figure in the background that has made success possible. People hurrah for the mayor, the congressman, the rising man of affairs, not realizing how often the real secret of the triumph is hidden away with some unknown woman immersed in the sweet ministries of home.
Some of the greatest of the sons of men have had the grace to acknowledge the debt. Said Lincoln: "All that I am or hope to be I owe to my angel mother." Said Benjamin West: "A kiss from my mother made me a painter." Said General Grant of his mother: She gained nothing from any position I have held or honors that may have been paid to me. I owe all this and all that I am to her earnest, modest, and sincere piety."
You might have a world without palaces or cathedrals or camps or courts, but a world without homes

SOUTHERN TUBERCULOSIS CONFERENCE MEETS

Tuberculosis Conditions of South, Special Study; Dr. L. B. McBrayer Vice President.

The second Southern Tuberculosis Conference will be held at Columbia, S. C. October 8th and 9th. Dr. L. B. McBrayer of the North Carolina State Sanatorium for the Treatment of Tuberculosis is vice president of the conference and will address the assembly on the subject: "Tuberculosis Policies in the South." Furthermore, Dr. McBrayer will give at this meeting a resume of his recent work and findings in the investigation of tuberculosis conditions in the Wadesboro silk mills.

This conference, known as the Southern Tuberculosis Conference, is one of five that will meet either this month or next in five different sections of the United States. Methods of carrying on more effectively for the coming year the war against tuberculosis, both by physicians and laymen, will form the chief subjects for discussion at the various conferences. North Carolina is fortunate to be in close touch with one of the five national conferences.

At the Columbia Conference every aspect of tuberculosis in the South will be discussed. Considerable attention will be given to the problem of the tuberculosis negro. It is expected that a big delegation of interested North Carolinians will be in attendance.—State Health Bulletin.

Mr. J. W. Langley has opened another barber shop on Railroad street which will be in charge of Mr. Harvey Tyner. Mr. Langley also

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

Otto Kahn
On Financial Farm Loans



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The most powerful financial institutions in America are private banks and they are the most important to the financial life of industry. In no line of business does honesty, efficiency and stability make more imperative demands than upon private bankers, whose greatest asset is the confidence of the buying public in his business judgment and integrity. Mr. Otto Kahn of Kahn, Loeb & Company, when asked to state the relation of the private banker to the business of the nation, said in part:

"One of the most important functions of the private banker is to be the instrument for providing the money needed for the efficient conduct and development of railroads and other industries. He does this by buying securities in bulk from those needing capital, for which purpose he usually associates himself with a large number of other financial houses, great and small, thus forming what is called a syndicate. Having in this way concluded the buying transaction he offers to the public the securities purchased by means of advertising, circularizing and through the facilities of the retail houses included in the syndicate, many of whom employ traveling salesmen to develop the business. He does this by offering securities to the public through bankers than if they offered them direct. The willingness of the public to buy depends upon their confidence in the integrity and the judgment of the banker who makes the offer, and a banker who attempts to mislead the public, or who is deficient in care or judgment, would very soon find himself without customers and, therefore, out of business. In many European countries, the functions of the private banker include the placing of bonds secured by farm mortgages. Bonds of this nature are issued in large quantities by mortgage banks who buy mortgages on farms and other real estate and deposit them as security for their own bonds, which in their turn are sold to bankers. It is to be hoped that similar institutions will, in course of time, be created in America, thus placing the farming industry on a par with other important industries in facilities to obtain capital."

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an electric light—because we know that electricity generated will do the trick. If there was but one light and it could not be accounted for—then there might be some wonder. But women a thousand and ten thousand years ago did the same stunt—and they will do the same trick ten thousand years hence.
If a woman owes a man—no matter where he is—no matter where he may be going—if he tells her to go, also, she will commence to pack up and sing while she is doing it. She may have some regrets; she may go to her private apartments and weep a little, and she may stop in her work long enough to wipe away a rebel tear that creeps unbidden to her cheek—but she will go with him and stay with him to the last ditch. No matter what the world says about him—if she still loves him she cares naught. If he is worth a million today and tomorrow he is reduced to poverty and want she will come down to the situation, wisely and philosophically—all she wants to know that she loves him and he loves her. To the end of the world would be a short journey were he in distress—so far as fatigue to her might be concerned. Of all the won-

derful things woman's nature is the most wonderful—but because some woman does something like the South American woman it is not wonderful in itself.
We saw recently where a woman, whose husband had beaten her and abused her and threatened to kill her and struck the baby with a knife went into court and plead for the magistrate that if he would give her but two days she would leave the city and take him with her. Every day and every week we read accounts of what women do for the men they love—but these are only the idle stories that come through the police courts and other ways.—The world little thinks of all the many sacrifices women make for men; of how they study to please them; to help them—to make life pleasant and happy. And it is our deliberate opinion, based upon observation extending over many years, that not 10 men in a hundred appreciate or stop to think what women have done for them; what they will do for them. When a man selects his companion for life he plans many pretty things—but too soon forgets all that—accepts entirely too much as a matter

of course—and spends his time in clubs and saloons and on the streets, forgetful that the person who thinks most of him in all the world is alone at home, wondering why he stays so long. A man should often pledge his love anew—not from the grandstand—but by little acts of courtesy and kindness and thoughtfulness—for the woman who loves him would spill her life's blood to defend him and say nothing about it to the world.—Everything.

It simply as an aggregate of killed, wounded and missing men to the number of 381,983. The figure represents a city as large as Cincinnati or Milwaukee; but it means infinitely more that eludes the enumerator. It means "that there hath passed away a glory from the earth" at the same time that honor is won immortally; it means that the bravest and the noblest on whom the future depended have reddened the altars of sacrifice. Thus the real loss is that of the days that are to be, and not merely of these excruciating hours round Gallipoli and Trialet, Warsaw and Arras. The unborn generation are impoverished. The fittest now are not those that survive but those that die.—Philadelphia Ledger.

The Real Loss.
When Doctor Johnson auctioned off the Thrane Brewery he reminded the bidder that he was not merely parceling rats and kettles, but disposing of the potentiality of growing rich beyond the dreams of avarice. The meaning of a casualty list like that reported in the house of commons is lost if one regards

Mrs. Kincaid, of Wilson, is in the city the guest of Mrs. E. F. Young.