

# WOMEN AND FASHION

New Figure for Women. Long graceful lines are the thing now, ladies. The new empire and directoire gowns demand them. And the new, slanting front cors are insure them. No matter how hard you have tried to acquire hips and curves, fashion decrees that they must go. A few minutes in the parlors of a fashionable Importer were convincing.

"Look carefully at the woman who has just come in," said the interpreter of modes. "Her figure looks like an hour glass, doesn't it? Well, just mark the difference when my corset fitter gets through with her. She will make her over to fit the newest Paris models in gowns."

And it was even so. The woman who had gone in pudgy, thick-waisted and flat across the back, came out transformed. The line descending from the bust was a straight slant. Her hips

were slanted, too.

will not escape. She who keeps telling you how delightfully a mutual friend entertains while you are doing your prettiest to keep her amused. The one who gives you advice how to bring up the children, or who looks disapprovingly when you grant them a request that does not meet with her ideas of fitness. The woman who says what a lovely wall paper, but why did you get it so dark, or so light, or so something it is not. She who will talk to your servants whenever you are not around, ignoring them in your presence. She who repents what she has seen or heard while a visitor in your house. It may not be anything that matters, but it gives you a creepy feeling of distrust. The woman who has not tact enough to keep out of a family argument; or she who airs her own views when she knows they will stir up some member of your household.

To Keep Rug Straight. If the edges of your rug seem hopelessly curled, turn it over and thoroughly moisten the curled portions. Let it remain flat and upside down until perfectly dry. You will be delighted to see when you turn it back that it is as flat and shapely as a new rug.

## THE GENUINE DIRECTOIRE GOWN WHICH IS EXCITING FASHIONABLE SOCIETY.



had the slope of a girl's. The back was as round as if padded.

"But just see how my skirt hangs in folds," she said protestingly.

"Of course," answered the couturiere smilingly. "We don't make over gowns; we make over figures. The midiste must do the rest." Then she explained the merits of the new corset. The garment is made very high in the back to hold the shoulder blades in place. Over the hips it measures thirteen inches from the waist line to the bottom. Four sets of supporters are so joined as to pull the flesh of the hips down and backward, giving the rounding back effect. When the hips are unusually large the waist line is let out. By increasing the waist measure the hips are made to look smaller.

"Although proper corsets are absolutely necessary to the wearing of fashionable models, correct undergarments are almost as essential," said the couturiere. "All bands, folds and shirrs should be done away with. Everything must be as smooth and straight as the lines of the corset."

When You Are Tired. Don't grit your teeth and work harder. Ease up a little.

Don't talk any more than you can help. Talking takes vitality. Lie down in a dark place if only for fifteen minutes.

Don't read anything in which you are not interested.

Don't feel that everything must be done in one day. There are 364 more.

Realize that it is better to leave things undone than overdo yourself.

Avoid people and their woes at that time. Seek some one frivolous.

Don't try to improve yourself. Give your mind a rest.

And don't forget that a little lemon juice in cold water in the morning is a great help.

Some Flower Omens. Here is a schedule of superstitions about finding the first flower of the season:

If found on Monday, good luck all the year.

If found on Tuesday, large undertakings which will be successful.

If found on Wednesday, a wedding in the family.

If found on Thursday, hard work and little profit.

If found on Friday, unexpected

and sudden misfortune.

If found on Saturday, bad luck of all kinds.

If found on Sunday, bad luck of all.

The Divination Game.

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Sometimes the dressing has entirely gone from the edges, in which case it is best to apply a coat of gine, after moistening, and allow to dry thoroughly before turning back.

The Finishing Touch.

If your mahogany furniture looks dull and smeared this is an excellent polish to use after your cleaning is finished: Take five parts of pale resin, two and half parts of palm oil, four parts of benzine, one-quarter part of verbenae extract and three-quarters of a part of peppermint extract. Bleed this tightly corked, away from fire and light, and shake before it is used. You can use this on different woods.

Women and Anæsthetics.

The perils of the use, or, rather, the abuse, of drugs by women to alleviate pain received some striking illustrations last week, says the London Queen. In one case the dangerous drug was taken to induce sleep, the patient suffering from that dreadful disorder, insomnia. In another it was taken without the advice, and in the second against the advice, of a medical man. And this is the lesson to be learned from these and all similar cases of self-destruction by self-administered medical drugs. It is not necessarily that these powerful drugs are dangerous to life, but that they are absurdly so when not used by the advice of qualified medical men. The self-administered

fraction of medicines, drugs, specifics and "cures" is at all times to be strongly deprecated, but when it is the case of taking laudanum, cocaine, atropine, and the like without a doctor's orders, it is well-nigh criminal. Deaths so caused are the more deplorable in that these very drugs, poisons though they be, are in the hands of properly qualified medical practitioners, capable of rendering the greatest possible service to suffering humanity, whether employed as medicines, as soporifics or as anæsthetics.



To the next generation I say, said Mine, Sarah Grand, the other day, if you would have the power to develop the best that is in you begin by developing your own physique, look up to a true ideal of natural beauty and

## WHY STUDY HOME-MAKING.

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did them. He studies the needs of the stock and gives them food of the proper sort and in the right amounts to produce the best results.

Women Have Not Wakened.—Is a child of less importance than a calf that we take so much less trouble to have it nourished properly, or is it simply that women have not awakened to the possibilities and to their responsibility in the matter? Not only the body of the child, but his mental development also is influenced by the nutriment he receives.

Changes—Drudgery to Instructive Work.—I think it will give interest and pleasure to what has been mere drudgery when a girl discovers that the ordinary processes of cooking and cleaning are based upon scientific truths of physics and chemistry. The same process may be drudgery to one person and pleasure to another, according to the amount of interest and understanding there is back of it. The scientific farmer does not complain of the dull routine of his life. He is too much interested in what is happening and in the results ahead.

Then too a man puts his wits to work and invents some piece of machinery to do routine work for him. Perhaps women may gradually become more inventive and think up ways and means of minimizing the routine work of the house. Some labor-saving devices have already been invented, chiefly, however, by men.

The Woman With the Broom.—Is it not true that science has transformed "the man with the hoe"? Has it not given back the "upward looking and the light" by putting interest and understanding in the place of dull routine? Modern inventions, too, have helped to emancipate him. He is now the man with the sulky plow getting the best results with the smallest amount of labor on his part.

We may picture for ourselves "The Woman With the Broom." A woman so bowed down by the weight of hard routine work of cleaning that she has no time or thought for higher things or enjoyment, and no pleasure in the work itself. Can we not imagine her emancipation through the application of science to every day affairs?

There is no particular merit in sweeping, scrubbing, dusting, except to have the house sanitary and comfortable, and if we can get the same result by scientific means with less labor, we are making progress. Changes such as these can come about only through education.

What Domestic Science Means. The object of education in domestic economy is set forth in these words: First, "The utilization of all the resources of modern science in improving home life." This implies the necessity of understanding the sciences and also home life, and the application of the one to the other. Secondly, "The freedom of the home from the dominance of things and their due subordination to ideals." Thirdly, "The simplicity in material surroundings which will free the spirit for the more permanent interests of home and society." These permanent interests of home and society form the distinctive thing in home making as distinguished from housekeeping. There are many instances of housekeepers who are not home makers. The permanent interests of home are the making of better men and women by surrounding the children in the home with best development, physically, mentally and morally.

The Chances to Learn.—For those who are entering upon home making as a profession there are the courses offered by the agricultural college at the state university. Girls who desire to take advantage of short courses may learn a great deal in a limited time. Most of the girls, however, who become the home makers have no opportunity for a college course; indeed many of them will never reach the high school, but must learn what they know, or at least must be set thinking in the right direction in the grammar schools. One advantage of having domestic science as a part of a general education is that it puts it on a basis with other school subjects, and so dignifies the work, which in so many minds lacks the dignity of book learning.

Frequently mothers do not encourage their girls enough, but are inclined to laugh at their first efforts; this is entirely wrong. We cannot expect to turn out trained cooks in a few weeks with one hour's lessons a week. The girls are taught to know the reason for things, not merely to cook or do the work. It is just as important to know why anything is done as it is to know how to do it.—Milnor Farmers' Institute.

CHARLES NADELHOFER  
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When he was in the street the church bells began chiming and the nuns hurried to take their place to receive the king's visit to the convent, but Don Alfonso VIII had already left the place.

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"Tommy," said the teacher to a small pupil whose hands were not as clean as they should have been, "what is that on your hands?" "Huh!" exclaimed Tommy, contemptuously. "You ain't much of a school teacher if you don't know dirt when you see it."

Dorothy, aged 5, who had been very ill, was much impressed with the wisdom of the family physician. "Why, mamma," she said one day, "if I wanted to die I couldn't, 'cause Dr. Blank wouldn't let me."

A New York scientist has written an article entitled, "How to Find Your Soul Mate." The great trouble with all such articles is that as soon as a man thinks he has found his soul mate he refuses to have faith in any treatment which indicates that he may be

## WEEKLY WEATHER BULLETIN

U. S. Department of Agriculture,  
Illinois Section.

For the Week Ending June 22, 1908.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

A great contrast in temperature obtained during the week ending Monday, June 22. The week opened very cool with frost forming temperatures in portions of the central and the northern districts, on the morning of the 16th. A decided temperature reaction in the 18th was attended by maximum temperatures near 90 degrees, and there were increasing high temperatures to the close of the week, culminating with a maximum of 97 degrees on the 21st in the central district. The mean temperature for the state was slightly above the normal; the temperature extremes were 97 degrees and 39 degrees.

The precipitation was deficient in all sections, the greatest deficiency occurring in the central and the southern districts, where the rainfall was practically nothing. Telegraphic reports, not shown in the published reports, indicate rainfall in partially satisfying quantities in the northern district; otherwise moisture is needed in other parts of the state.

The percentage of bright sunshine was the greatest of the season, the average for the state being about 80 per cent.

## NATURE TELLS YOU.

As Many a Downers Grove Reader

Knows Too Well.

When the kidneys are sick, Nature tells you all about it. The urine is nature's calendar. Infrequent or too frequent action; Any urinary trouble tells of kidney ill.

Doan's Kidney Pills cure all kidney ill.

B. L. Beidelman, living on Wright street, Naperville, Ill., says: "I am recommending Doan's Kidney Pills because I know their value, and I hope many others who are suffering from kidney trouble, may be led by my endorsement to try them and be convinced of their effectiveness. About three years ago I was kicked by a horse and shortly after my kidneys began to hurt me. The secretions became very unnatural and there was a frequent inclination to void them. The passages were scanty and caused intense pain. I grew weak and was in distress all the time. I doctored and doctored but could not get relief. About two months ago I bought Doan's Kidney Pills and began using them. I now do not have to get up at night, the inflammation of the bladder has gone, and I feel better than I have for some time."

Plenty more proof like this from Downers Grove people. Call at Bush & Simonson's drug store and ask what their customers report.

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Millbury Co., Buffalo, N.Y., sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

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