The Woman and the Collary Society may assume that the sign of woman's emancipation from the seclusion of the harem or the slavery of the savage tribe is her education, or her domestic responsibility, or her civic importance. Not at all. The symbol of her freedom to do as she pleases and to be what she pleases is her possession of the right to wear the masculine linen collar. Comfort, trimness, respectability, dignity are all entrenched behind the spotless white of the carefully laundered band. Safe in its firm grasp, a woman may be active or idle, warm or cool, calm or excited.

The history of the collar is interesting. In its present form it is, of course, a modern device. Those who would trace it to the necklace of teeth collected by the savage mistake its real significance. It began its existence in civilization, not in barbarism. The ruff invented to hide a royal scar evolved into the lace ruche and the linen band The Byronic collar proclaimed laxity of morals, as the white stock declared for the stern virtue of the Puritan. But the conventional modern collar has encircled the neck of the modern freeman for many years, and has apparently established its claim as a kind of insignia of liberty.

Let the woman beware how charms of lingerie or lace beguite her from her right in the plain linea collar. When her role is that of princess or queen, she may don the necklace or the ruffle. When she claims her right to a fair partnership, a good day's work and a share of the profits,-be they gold or truth or love,-let her wear happily the white linen yoke, at once buckler and badge.-Youth's Compan-

A Form that Fits All. Through the ingenuity of a New York man, shopkeepers and dressmak ers will be able to get along bereafter with one kind of



waists and short waists all lookalike on this body portion, which can be adjusted to fit any thing the human form can wear. The form is made simi lar to those now in FORM FITS ALL use, except that the

model can be moved up and down on the upright rod that runs through the center and affixed at any height over the hip line that may be desired. In the old-style form a short-waisted waist did not fit on a long-waisted model, and vice versa, and both for window display and dress-making a number of different forms were required, each for a different type of figure. Either for fitting or display, this invention is expected to be of value. both in the saving of money and time, for not only will one take the place of several of the old designs, but it will not be pecessary to scour about for the suitable form for each occasion.

Women's Cornets.

stays for women were composed not of whalebone or hardened leather, but bars of iron and steel from three inches to four inches broad and eighteen de Medici, thirteen inches was the fashionable size for the waist, and to hands at night. achieve this an overcorset of very thin. steel plate was worn. It was made in two pieces opened longitudinally by hinges, and was secured when closed by a sort of hasp and pin, much like an ordinary box fastening. The best corsets to-day are made on a found: tion of Greenland whalehone, which has steadily risen in price during the last twenty-five years from \$3,500 to \$13,000 a ton. Cheap whalebone can be bought for 150 and \$200 a ton, but it soon dries and becomes brittle, thus spoiling the corset as well as the figure.

A Telephone Hour.

A girl whose engagements are many and who is therefore out a good deal has established a telephone hour. In this way her friends are always sure of catching her on the wire, and she comes in for many unexpected good times that otherwise might be missed. Until she did this it was almost impossible to get her. Now, if she is not at home at the telephone time she calls up the house and tells the maid where she may be reached. The arrangement works to a charm, she says, and nothing would induce her to go back to the haphazard fashion of any and no time.

Hanging Pictures.

A safe rule to remember when hanging pictures is that the middle of the picture should be on a level with the eyes. Of course, if you are unusually tall this rule does not hold good. Do not mix several kinds and types pictures together. Let all the water colors, oils or engravings be placed in separate rooms, or, at any rate, on different walls. Above all, do not overcrowd your walls. A few well-chosen the sides are slightly lapped over it. pictures look far better than a numb of mediocre ones.

Health and Beauty Hints. Physicians now urge that the now puff and pad be discarded as germ carriers, and that absorbent cotton be used in their place.

A person who desires excellent health | years for both sexes; Germany, the must sleep with the bedroom windows man at 18, the woman at 14; Belgium, open every night. Fresh air is the best the man at 18, the woman at 15; Spain, blood purifier and cosmetic in the the man at 14, the woman at 12; Mex-



TWO MODISH COSTUMES.

PICTURESQUE GRAY COSTUME.

MODISH COAT SUIT.

This season promises to outshine its predecessors in picturesqueness of dress, due largely to the revival of empire frocks. The one on the left is silver gray chiffon voile, with an invisible check employs a modified sheath skirt, and the perfect fitting surplice bodice is outlined with black satin folds and long pendants of same, tone satin ending in black silk tassels fall to knee depth. Large cut afeel buttons are fastened in each point on bodice and the long mousquetaire sleeves are finished at hand with a frill of fine white lace. The round collar is braided with black silk soutache and the high stock of the material has a double frill of narrow lace matching that on

The illustration on the right pictures one of the cont suits built on directoire lines. Note the length of skirt and coat. The combination is smoke gray cloth with black braid frogs and narrow black soutache effectively applied on coat lapels, collar and cuffs, and also on narrow band edging foot of skirt. A huge purple satin hat with shaded plumes in same tone forms a fitting accompaniment.

powdered borax, pulverized castile soap man at 14, the woman at 12; Hungary, and a little powdered orris root, and Catholics, the man at 14, the woman at used in the bath are delightfully re- 12; Protestants, the man at 18, the

must be temperate in eating. The meals 18, the woman at 15; Saxony, the man also should be regular. Regularity in at 18, the woman at 16; Switzerland. one of the golden rules of a well-or- the man at 14, the woman at 12. dered life.

For a slight cut there is nothing better to control the hemorrhage than common unglazed paper such as is used by grocers and market men. Bind a piece on the cut.

The white of an egg beaten in lemon juice and slightly sweetened with now dered sugar is a simple and pleasant It is not a bundred years ago since remedy for boarseness. The mixture should be slowly dissolved in the mouth and swallowed.

Try this skin food for the bands Cocoa butter, one ounce; oil of sweet inches long. Again, during the reign almonds, one ounce; oxide of zinc, one of George III., the top of the steel stay dram; borax, one dram; oil of bergabusk had a long stocking needle attach- unit, six drops. Heat the cocoa butter Rip a place in the hem wide enough ed to it to prevent girls from spoiling and oil of almonds in a bain marie and, their shape by stooping too much over when thoroughly blended, add the zinc their work. In the days of Catherine and borax; stir as it cools and add the oil of bergamont last. Rub into the



Colors for street and dinner dresses are nearly all dark.

Dressy coats of voile, silk, etc., will have slik and lace for elaboration. The most popular shirt waist of the moment is made of white wash net.

circular skirts have the habit back. both for evening and for dressy went bust, 36 inches, waist, 25 inches; hips,

Among the new materials are found attractive designs in worsteds, but the serges and the panamas will probably

Character may be added to neckwen by means of the new long, narrow relvet and braid tied with tasseled or pendent bend ends.

Jacqueminot red satin faced cloth combined with narrow black silk sontache, will be worn this season with chemisette of white.

Paris offers as stylish a short walking skirt that falls straight and skimply and which probably will not find favor on this side of the water. The straight-front panel has reap-

peared in the newest of the plaid tweed suits. It is about four inches wide and There is diversity in footwear. New walking boots are of suede in tan, roke, blue or green, and there pembinations of suede with patent leather or tan Russia calf.

The Age to Marry.

The marriage age in Australia is 14 Lico, with parental consent, 16 and 18, eight | otherwise 21 for both; France, the man inches square, filled with oatmeal, some at 18, em woman at 15; Greece, the loves!"

woman at 15; Portugal, the man at 14, In order to be in perfect health one the woman at 12; Russia, the man at

Origin of Honeymoon.

Every one uses the word honeymoon and few have ever faken the trouble to find out how the name originated, It has nothing to do with the supposition that it is speriod of sweetness and love which is granted to every married couple by the world. Instead of this, it is called from an aprient practice of drinking the wine of honey for thirty daya following the wedding ceremony.

Escwing on Skirt Braid. In replacing an old skirt braid or sewing on a bew one after the skirt has been finished fry the following method to insert a calling card and by slipping the card along between the outer and inner parts of the hem it will prevent the stitches from showing through on the outer side. This is of special benefit when sewing on thin material.

Odorless Refrigerator.

To prevent contamination in fefrigerator, put everything that one geally can in pint or quart Mason jara with screw tops, and your refrigerator will always be sweet and clean, Salads, radishes, onions, celery, Mr., always are crisp and cold if prepared in the morning and put into jars, and thus a great deal of labor is saved when it is time to get the 6 o'clock dinner.

Correct Measurements.

The correct measurements of a short woman are: Height, 5 feet 4 Inches; neck, 121/4 inches; bust, 36 Inches; Some of the many gored and gored waist, 21 inches; hips, 37. For a tall woman the measurements are; Height, Empire-style coats are in high favor 5 feet 814 inches; weight, 137 pounds; 42 Inches; top of arm, 14 Inches; tapering to 8 inches.

The Child's Study.

If your child can not concentrate his mind on committing to memory without great difficulty, or if he seems very backward, do not force him to stady. No development which is forced is hormal, and the mind may be developing unevenly. The child must be encouraged instead of discouraged.

To Keep Jelly from Burning. When the jelly is put into the kettle to boil, drop into the kettle a small agate marble such as the children use to play with. This marble will keep in constant motion in the bottom of the kettle while the jelly is cooking. Thus It need not be stirred or looked after antil finished.

Sore Throat.

For summer sort throat, which often due to the irritation of dust, try gargling with a mixture of twenty grains of chlorate of potassium to an ounce of water. A teaspoonful of the potash to a wineglassful of water is quite a good domestic measure.

Married for Love. "You say she married for love; but I happen to know that the man she mar-

ried is worth a million." "Of course; the million is what she for

MAMMA KNOWS.

When Kate is out I sometimes lay The tray for dear mamma, And she will say, "My darling girl, A help indeed you are."

One night I thought that I would

Before I went to bed To lay the tray for Katie, toc, And she came in and said:

"You naughty child, what have you done? This clean, fresh cloth! Just see! Run, quick, I say, upstairs to nurse, And do not bother me!"

I wish some little girl cou'd tell, For I'm sure I don't know, How I can bother Kate so much When I help mamma so. -Washington Star.

THE DAY NANNIE WAS SIX. It was the sixth day of November that Nannie Russell was six years old. Her mother gave her six kisses, and she took six more from her baby brother, Lyndon, and she said those were her birthday presents. She did not grumble a bit because she had no others, and she only said, "Never mind, mamma, dear!" when her mother wished she could afford make her a pretty birthday cake.

Then she and mamma laughed at the funny little shoes that mamma had made for Lyndon, the evening hefore, out of some stout woolen cloth. Lyndon's real shoes were so worn that his little toes had been almost out of them, and there was no money to buy others. These would keep his feet warm, even if they were not pretty; but they were odd-looking shoes.

After breakfast Mrs. Russell said: "I want you to take this money down to Mrs. Miles for the rent. It isn't enough, but tell her I will pay the rest as soon as I can." When Nannie gave Mrs. Miles the

envelope, she repeated all her mother had told her and added something "I guess when Mrs. Governor

Adams pays her she'll have enough." "Does Mrs. Adams owe your mother?" Mrs. Miles asked, in a surprised

"Yea'm," replied Nannie, "for sewing, you know; she didn't pay her last week, and we've got to have something to eat, mamma sava."

a minute. Oh, dear, Willie's crying again! He is so fretful this morning. and I'm baking and can't attend to to get away for fully an hour longer, him. I wonder if your mother could spare you for a while. If you could stay and amuse him till I am more or three quick springs was safe at liberty, I should be glad."

won't care." Two rear-old Willie was scon contented enough with Nannie for a playfellow, and Mrs. Miles went briskly to work. Now and then scraps of talk floated to her ears from the sit-

"I'm six years old today," Nannic told her charge. "Now you give me six kisses, and that'll make me anoth- of a mother? er birthday present. Mamma and Lyndon gave me six-oh, those are one more to be taken in. very nice! Thank you!

"What pretty shoes! T guesa they're new ones. You ought to see | lar and defective, my little brother's shoes-they're funny! They don't shine like yours a boat full of water My mamma made 'em out of cloth, to keep his little feet warm, 'cause his are worn out. I guess he'll get holes in these pretty quick, scrambling round on the floor; then mamma'll have to make him another pair, or maybe there'll be some money to buy some real ones by then."

When Nannie went home, Mrs. a neck Miles thanked her for amusing Willie, and gave her a basket saying: "There's something in it for you."

"Oh, mamma!" cried Nannie, popping off the cover as soon as she had shut the door, "it's full of little hags! What do you s'pose is in

On top was a paper which read, "For Nannie's Sixth Birthday."

Everything was in bags, big and little, and all was in sizes—six small biscuits, six little pats of butter, six tarts, six dear little frosted cakes, six cookies, six bananas, six pretty shoes that Willie had outgrown, but just right for Lyndon, and, last of all, three tiny hags, ho'ding six pennies, six nickels and six dimes, "Why, mamma," said Nannie, "how do you s'pose she knew it was my

birthday? I didn't tell her!"-Emma C. Down, in Congregationalist,

. JULIA'S SHADOW PARTY.

Every one wondered what Julia would have this year. Last birth-lay she had the measles, and the year before she broke her arm. It was now four days until her birtiday.

The next morning, however a lot of things did happen. Julia's throat felt scratchy, and her little face was speckled. It was chicken-pox, Uncle Doctor said. Just after he went came an invitation from Aunt Mate to dinner the very day of Julia's birthday. Julia knew that the new aunt, whom Uncle Rob had brought back from New York, would be there.

Julia was not so very sick, but Aunt Mate lived at Red Bank, twenty miles away, and Uncle Doctor said she might take cold on the way. Besides, neither Sara nor Grace nor longian had ever had the chickenpox, so every little while Julia would shut her teeth hard and count. When she saw mamma leave, she had to count three hundred before that queer feeling went out of her throat.

It was a long day in spite of everything Miss Esther and Uncle Doctor, who came twice, could do to amuse her. When mamma came Julia could hear her moring about | curved tobe.

and she heard the rustle of paper. After what seemed a long time mamma lighted the lamp and told her to open her eyes. Then she saw a wide strip of white on the wall opposite the foot of the bed. It looked like shadows on the paper. She gave a cry of joy. There at the end was Grandpa St. John's shadow, then came Aunt Mate's and mamma's and

Uncle Rob's and Sara's, and so on. All the people who had been there had sat between the light and the wall, where mamma hung a piece of paper, and then drew the outline of the shadow and cut it out of black

Julia could tell them all until she came to the very end. She puzzled over the shadow a while then cried joyfully: "I know! I know! It is my new aunt!" And that is just who it was.—Annie Louise Berray, in Sunday School Times.

OWL VERSUS CHIPMUNK. I witnessed an interesting skirmish that took place one summer day in an old orchard on a Massachusetts farm between a barred owl and a chipmupk. The little striped fellow frisked down the trunk of an old cherry tree and vanished into a hole in the heart of the tree. Lying immediately in front of the tree and just below the hole was an old mossgrown stump. From an adjacent tree the owl caught sight of him on the instant of his going in, and swooped like an arrow straight at the opening alighting on the stump and peer ing stupidly in. Fortunately for the little animal, the hole was too small to admit his enemy, which, however with the view of besieging, settled himself complacently to await a re appearance. The chipmunk not being able to see the owl from within, soon came stealing cautiously to the door and poked out his head. Beholding his adversary, he vanished with lightning speed. Another wait then again out came the little brown head with the shining eyes. This time the owl made a dive, but was not so quick as the chipmunk, which was again safely hidden. After waiting a few moments the owl flew up to the first branch of the tree above, and shortly afterward out came the chipmunk, gay and saucy. "Chee, chee, chee!" he squeaked. "Anybody here?" Apparently no one was there, so he confidently sat upright on the stump and looked about him. Finding the coast clear, he flirted up the trunk of the tree, stopping as if he had been shot when he suddenly espied the owl sitting aloft. In the twinkling of an eye he turned tail and fled downward, barely making climb to the top of a 26,000-foot moun his hiding place when his enemy reached the door. Twice more he attempted to escape, trembling in his small doorway, looking, listening and vanishing at the first sound of wings as the owl swooped at him again and "Why, of course, dear' Come in again. Then the owl gave up pursuit and flapped away, leaving behind him a little prisoner, which dared not try and then in fear and trembling crept out, jumped to the ground, and in two among the chinks of an old stone "Yes'm, I'll stay; I know mamma wall-hiding places that defied any bird of prey that ever flew, to say nothing of a half-blinded old owl .--Jennie Brooks, in Lippincott's,

RIDDLES AND ANSWERS. What is the largest room in the

The room for improvement. Why is the street car like the heart

Because there is always room for Why are teeth like verba?

Because they are regular, iracgu-Why is a man just imprisoned like

harber and a mother? One has razors to shave, the other, enavers to raise

Why are fowls the most economical things a farmer can keep? Because for every grain they give

eats green apples?

A pains-taking youngster. When is a bill like a gun? When it is presented and discharged.-Weekly Witness,

SHE TOOK THE SMALLEST A little girl went to visit her grandpa. The old gentleman, thinking to try the child's skill in arithmetic produced a five bound note, a five shilling piece and a shilling, potting them on the table, expecting her to paper," getting the five pound note -Horner's Weekly.

CHOOSING CANDY. Helen and Marion's mother had given them a few cents for candy, and, as Helen was the older, she ran downstairs to make the purchase, and inquiring at the same time, "What kind shall I get, mamma?" when Marion fond of candy, shouted, Helen, Helen, get the kind you don't like! Chicago Tribune.

COMPARING BIRTHDAYS.

"To-morrow," announced five-yearold Sidney proudly to his teacher, is my birthday." "Why," returned she, "It is mine, too." The boy's face clouded with perplexity; and a ter a brief silence he exclaimed 'How did you get so much bigger'a me?"-Primary Education.

"NONE TO SPEAK OF." friend that a mutual acquaintance ish exhibition in London. She was im was not at all popular, saying: "She has no friends to speak of,"

when the little fellow chimed in with the well put inquiry: "What does she talk about, then?" -Philadelphia Record.

A Kansas carpenter has patented a device to be attached to a saw to blow away the sawdust. A piston, home, she was in bed, and the lights struck by the wood being sawed. were turned out in the nursery. But sends a current of air through a

SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY

The Mexican government in importing from Bohemia motor tricycles, to

be used in the collection of letters. It has been estimated that the eyelids of the average man open and close no fewer than 4,000,000 times each

Electric railways of the United States have attained a trackage of over 40,000 miles, nearly one-fifth that of the steam

A company is being formed at Bellefonte, Pa., to manufacture brick, the chief ingredient of which will be fur-

Great Tom is the name of the bell, weighing about 17,000 pounds, in the tower of the Tom gate of Christ Church, Oxford. It is tolled every night at ten minutes past 9, closing

A Turkish women's paper, with a woman as editor and with women as contributors, has been in existence for several years. It informs its readers that "any contribution that is la accordance with Mussulman faith and with Ottoman morals will be gratefully received." Mrs. W. W. Crannell is the editor of

a new quarterly, the organ of the New York Association Opposed to the Further Extension of Suffrage to Women. The new publication contains only four small pages. Miss Harriet May Mills edits the News Letter, the official organ of the New York Woman's Suffrage Association, a magazine with twenty-odd pages and a subscription list said to be larger than that of many

It was telegraphed from Sydney that the American sailors were "much attracted by the novelty of pretty barmaids." The barmaids of Sydney and Melbourne are the prettlest in the world. They are mostly recruited from Tasmania, the insular state of the commonwealth, which has been nicknamed the "Circassia of the Colonies," on ac count of the surpassing loveliness of its daughters, several of whom have married titled Englishmen.

Miss Annie S. Peck, of Providence R. L. who has just succeeded in climb ing Mount Huascan in the Andes, is graduate of Michigan University, class of 1878; studied in Germany and Athens, and was for a time professor of Latin in Smith College. She is believer in woman suffrage and declares that if one woman has perseverance to tain, the sex in general ought to b able to get the right to vote. It has long been known, theoretically,

that the tides act as a brake on the rotating earth and tend to lengthen the day. The effect, however, is so slight that it can not be measured in any length of time at man's disposal. It may be estimated with the aid of certain assumptions, and, using the data available, W. D. MacMillan has recently made the necessary computation by the formulas used by engineers. He finds for the increase of the length of the day one second in 400,000 years.

A little book, called "The Care for studio as it is to the housewife." the Goat," has recently attracted some attention in England. The writer urges that great advantage would be found by small proprietors, laborers and rural residents in keeping goats, "the poor man's cow." Goat's milk, he says, often possesses twice the richness of cow's milk, is very valuable for children, and may be practically guaranteed as free from the bacillus of tuberculosis, Goats are cheap and cheaply kept, since they readily find food, and they demand little room.

The expedition organized by the American Museum of Natural History, which has been exploring the Fayum What is the difference between a desert, in northern Egypt, seems to have located the place of origin of the elephant in the Tertiary age. Remains of the ancestral form of elephants, called the Moeritherium, were obtained and restorations have been made by Charles R. Knight under the direction of Prof. Osborn. From Northern Afri-What would you call a boy who ca, it is affirmed, the elephant stock migrated south through Africa, north into Europe and east and northeast through Asia to America.

Mrs. Emily Treat, of Hannibal, Mo., is said to be the first woman to be employed as an official court reporter in this country. Some thirty-five years ago she accomplished one of the great est feats a shorthand reporter had ever performed up to that time. She report ed and made the transcript of the testimony in a railway lawanit involving a large sum. It required something over alx months for her to complete the transcript, but when it was done she received high commendation for the excellence of her work and the sum of and putting them both in her pocket, \$2,000. Mrs. Treat is still in active

The William Smith College for Women in connection with Hobart College has just been formally opened. The funds for the new college were given by William Smith, of Geneva, N. Y. One of the speakers on the occasion of the opening said that if the new institution had been made co-educational be was sure there would have been much opposition to ft, but as it was co-ordinate he had not heard a single word in objection. There were several women among the speakers. One of the dormitories is named for Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell, the first woman to graduate from a medical college in this country, an alumna of Hobert.

Dolls have been and are the national heritage of the child of all ages and races. Not long ago a little English girl, carrying a doll, was taken into the Ceylon village at the Franco-Brit nedlately surrounded by a chatterin crowd of small Cingalese girls and boys, all clamoring to have a look at her plaything. She gave it to one little girl, who immediately rushed all over the village, showing it to every one she met. A further discovery that the doll could shut its eyes made her almost delirious with joy, and a small boy, wild with envy, looked pathetically from the doll to the little donor of it. pointing to himself, and said the only English word he knew; "To-morrow F 100

Girl's Envolupe I ed together under the arms. in what is known as env are much in vogue just now w possess a great many advantages made from washable material easily be opened out and li and in any case they are simple, involving very little labor very little time in the making



one is adopted to all childish materials, the simple wool ones as well as the washable sorts, but as illustrated in made of blue linen chambray w banding of white embroidery. There are also bands of the material over the shoulder seams that are stitched and finished with pointed laps to give a novel effect and the sleeves are oddly

and prettily shaped. The above pattern will be mailed to your address on receipt of 10 cents. Send all orders to the Pattern Departs ment of this paper. He sure to give both the number and size of pattern wanted, and write very plainly. For convenience, write your order on the

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WONDERS OF NEW YORK CETT. Over 250,000 people work at night Copey Island is sometimes visited 500,000 people a day. New York City spends \$21,820,000

annually on education. There are 132 department stores, em ploying over 10,000 people. During the last year New York City

consumed 3,845,000 tons of ica Electric elevators are to be in in New York's tallest structure Over 476,000,000 gallons of water are used every day in the greater city.

and a death occurs every seven minutes In 1895 New York had only eight millionaires; now it has There are 112 theaters and

A child is born every four