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Fashion Hints

Summer Style.

Taffeta, crisp and cool looking though recognized only in its simple qualities, has a certain buoyancy that gives it the necessary appearance for this summer's style. A letter from abroad speaks of several new taffeta outside garments that are being made by Parisians, one a sport or sweeping coat, whichever you may be pleased to call it, and the other an elaborate coat to go over modish summer afternoon gowns.

The sport coat, with its blazer stripes of color and white facings, though utterly inappropriate for the city street, has the necessary garish quality to cope with nature's strong colors of country or Shore scenery. It has just the dash that shows up well on the tennis courts, in the shady lanes against the white sands of the bathing beach. Such coats are made in plain bright colors. The belt or sash is always tied or fastened, whether the coat edges are left widely open or simply buttoned up to the chin.

Something is lacking in the style of the ensemble, however, if the wearer does not have a rakish looking sport hat matching the coat in color. Boylike straw sailors with turned-down brims are worn like the seat of a canoe seat chair and must certainly be worn on a dark day or a moonlight night by one does not wish to be sun burned in polka dots.

There is something naive and young about these latter hats with their over-bound brims and narrow ribbon band and long streamers to the waist.

A coat that is between a sport and an elaborate afternoon coat has just been made by a New York dressmaker. It is of white taffeta, built exactly on the lines of an up to date masculine coat of to-day and modified just enough to follow feminine contours. This sort of coat has the advantage of adapting itself to any time of day or, costume a thing in which American fashions still differ from those on the Continent in times of peace.

Lengthening a short bolero taffeta top by an added full skirt gives a most attractive shape for an outside coat and one that an extremely stout woman can wear by modifying the skirt part into a scant corded flare.

Putting a band of ribbon or a tulle fold on the edge of a hat as if to overbind it, and then setting the lower edge fall free, is a new wrinkle in millinery.

Brim facings of silk, straw or whatever may contrast with the hat material itself are almost a rule in this year's millinery. The Alsatian hat has its flatness a little disguised by a heavy velvet overturn facing, tulle ruche or overlay of tulle or chiffon. Cloth beads, or rolled strands, often replace the grosgrain ribbon on the medium-sized type of summer hat, these strands hanging in rather short streamer ends, with tops of the beads forming tassled ends.

DOG ANTEDATES MAN.

Discoveries Show Great Antiquity of Canine Species.

There probably is not one farmer in a hundred who ever gives a moment's thought to the past or the future of the animal he is interested in. All in this strenuous time are devoted to the present, and outside of a superficial study of the comparative recent history of the breed they are interested in made for the purpose of breeding to the best advantage and an occasional glance into the future to see which variety Dame Fortune is to make her favorite they are but little interested in these subjects.

Most people have a hazy and general idea that man is responsible for the dog and that it is, comparatively speaking, a recent arrival in the animal kingdom. It is generally believed that the dog is only a modified and domesticated wolf, a possible infusion of fox and jackal blood and that he owes every his existence to his lord and master.

Geology, which has taught us so much of the early history of this globe and its inhabitants, has, however, brought forward some evidence which seems to disprove this seemingly natural and long cherished theory. French scientists, whose activity along these lines always has been great, recently have exhumed fossil rock of the Pliocene era near Puy, fossil remains, displaying remarkable resemblance to the dog of to-day. In fact, a jaw-bone shows unmistakable tooth formation of the dog of to-day.

This would seem to prove that the dog was an inhabitant of the earth before man made his appearance here, for the Pliocene strata of rock is of the last of the tertiary age or the age of mammals, which precedes the time [illegible] of the advent of man, and it will be necessary to go still further back into prehistoric ages to discover the parent root from which the wolf, the jackal, the dog and their cousins have come.

Young Folks

Fairy Twinkletoes' Wish.

"Is it true?" Twinkletoes gave a [illegible] as she spoke. "I don't [illegible] of the other fairies. Not once have I wished to come [illegible]

"I don't forget what [illegible] another fairy [illegible] that it happened [illegible] hundred years, [illegible] when the last [illegible]

"Now, here we are: Twinkletoes, one by one—and [illegible] a rustle of their [illegible] the fairies tripped [illegible] time and bent [illegible] Well. As they [illegible] cast a white pearl [illegible]

[illegible] Fairy Twinkletoes [illegible] sparkling with [illegible] seemed to be en[illegible] of her own all [illegible] she has case in [illegible] ran back [illegible] they all turned [illegible] Palace.

[illegible] I've got such a [illegible] my legs. They [illegible] Fairy Blue[illegible]

[illegible] Fairy Circus, [illegible] happening [illegible] stared at Fairy [illegible] shooting up [illegible] in the spring."

[illegible] yourself. And [illegible] and [illegible] doing [illegible] gasp [illegible] that [illegible] the last part [illegible] speech [illegible] wail[illegible] mare [illegible] heavy [illegible] their [illegible] of the [illegible] I believe [illegible] of us [illegible] that we [illegible] whispered [illegible] stay like [illegible] some [illegible] for [illegible] wish [illegible] Then [illegible] said, [illegible] never [illegible] turned [illegible] at [illegible] spoke [illegible] noted [illegible] down, [illegible] This [illegible] Twinkle[illegible] Help [illegible] had [illegible] her [illegible] fairies [illegible] turned [illegible] fairies [illegible] smile [illegible] reward [illegible] the [illegible] help [illegible] their [illegible] of the [illegible] have [illegible] of us [illegible] that we [illegible] who pe