WHAT TO WEAR.

It is a perplexing question. Fashions ers rapidly changing, plain skirts and large sleeves being nearly out of date. Skirts are shown in a variety of styles, the wide skirt, having a circular ruffle at the toot, varying in width from a few inches to knee depth, is a leading favorite, as is also the scantily draped | that the metal has united with the acskirt. Another modish skirt exhibits the center seam at the front, a style especially adapted to stripes and plaids. The old-fashioned skirt, such as our grandmother's used to wear, beruffled from hem to waist-line, is again seen, while panels, foot-bands and simulated overskirts are being worn.

Sleeves while steadily diminishing in size are still a part in the decorative scheme of the costume. For street fashion, it should always be made in gowns they are braided or otherwise heated stoneware. An ordinary cheap embellished, while for dressy toilettes they are shirred, tucked, ruffled or variously decorated with applied trimming. Epaulets are often omitted. Col- ware. Let the housekeeper rememlars are of abnormal height. Some of fearfully and wonderfully made. Stocks | made, but it requires care in selecting of velvet having large bows at the front | the coffee, and in boiling the water. spreading ties and smart cravats of ivory satin or corded silk are all popular. Odd bodices of silk plain or plaid, are popular for dressy wear. The sleeves and collar are of solid tucking in many decorated at the yoke or front to correspond. Waists of light plaid silk, with skirts of plain cashmere or ladies' cloth are strictly the thing. Shirt waists of black satin, with ivory-white four-inhand ties are worn with excellent ef-

and diminutive bows, but majestic, long, sweeping, regal affairs, made of the richest materials and decorated in every corceivable manner. We noticed one made of light blue satin duchesse, edged with blue chiffon ruffles, made of the material doubled, and the ends and girdle were trimmed with narrow garnet velvet ribbon, put on to form a lattice pattern.

ted lining to hold the blouse in shape. form of moral cowardice is causing The more elaborate ones are made of many families to live beyond their inblack velvet and trimmed with fur, and comes. They can face debt, and forfeit passementerie. The collarettes, made their self-respect easier than they can of electric seal, astrakhan, coney, Per- face the unfavorable comment of their sian lamb or any fur, are worn with friends and neighbors. The extent to the heavy, tailor-made suits and if one which this imitation of others is caris the possessor of an old-fashioned fur | ried would be ludicrous did it not cape they can have it remodeled into a bring so much unhappiness in its train. very stylish collarette. Two or more It is frequently the direct cause of the varieties of fur are often used in the discord and discontent and debt that to conclude that education should be same wrap with very pleasing effect. have driven happiness from the family They are made with a high storm collar hearth-stone. Let us have a standard reaching well up around the ears. Red of our own, based upon our own tastes, is being worn a great deal as the win- our own incomes, our own needs, and ter advances, and many stylish jackets let us cheerfully and bravely adhere of bright and mahogany red are bor- to this standard, heedless of that dered with Persian lamb and have a dreadful bugbear, "What will the storm collar of the same; either a scroll neighbors say?" trimming of black braid on the sleeves or the sleeves are plain and the jacket body covered with a trellis of braid forming squares.

A variety of shapes, both large and small, are shown in millinery. Bird for trimming. Indian bird heads, owland pheasant, and the plumage of these same birds are used with most charming effect. Flowers are going to be worn especially violets. They are seen in half wreaths or clusters, tucked under the rim or among the feathers and velvet rosettes.

DOMESTIC RECIPES

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Pork Cake.-Chop half a pound of fat salt pork; pour over it a gill of water, being secured by drawing or other phenomenon which enlightened statesa cup of molasses, half a cup of sugar, a tablespoonful of cinnamon, half a tablespoonful of cloves, at level tablespoonful of soda, a pound of seeded raisins, chopped, and three and a half cups cover with a thin mastic varnish: of flour. Bake slowly at first and increase the heat gradually, to give the cake a chance to rise.

Apple Pudding.-Mix a cup of chopped apple with a cup of chopped bread crumbs and another of currants. Beat three eggs very light and add five generous tablespoonfuls of sugar. Season with lemon and nutmeg. Put into a buttered mold and steam three hours.

Serve with cream and sugar. Apple Pie.-Mix a cup of chopped apples with the juice of a lemon and half its rind, grated, a cup of sugar and the yolks of two eggs. Bake with an under crust only, and cover with a meringue made of the whites of the eggs. Brown delicately.

COFFEE MAKING.

It is easy for a kitchen to be cumberad with too many utensils, which take up room and serve no useful purpose. An embarrassment of kitchen supplies is almost as bad as a scarcity. Manufacturers are continually introducing cooking utensils which flatter the housekeeper into the belief that it is stretched upon the floor select a piece wife's took sick, and as me and her ter, sending scores of disguised detection. not her own blundering or the stupidity of firm, thick cloth, as near like the is very religious, we wants ye to come tives into all the districts from which of her cook, but the want of proper carpet as possible, or better still, tools, that has made her coffee flavor- piece of the carpet a little larger than we both has an abidin' faith in th' less, or pastry a failure, or her sylla- the place to be mended. Round off power o' prayer to cure all diseases bub a liquid. She goes forth and pur- the corners and turn the edges under wich us poor sinful mortals ischases a new "coffee pot," when the all around. Spread thickly on the best coffee that ever was "brewed," wrong side, a thick paste made of can be made in as eld-fashioned stone- flour and cold water. Lay it over the strictly cash in advance. ware plakin, costing less than 10 cents

dish of baked clay, a material which has been in use for kitchen utensils since the days when the Israelites made brick for their Egyptian task-masters.

When you serve the coffee it can be strained into a heated coffee pot of as esthetic stoneware or porcelain as you please. Such a dish would be too frail to boil it in. Do not trust a coffee pot of metal of any kind. The black coating on the inside of a metal coffee pot that has been used a few times shows ids of the coffee more or less and affected the liquid made. The best of coffee is only made from the first quality of coffee bean. The bean should not be browned over twenty-four hours before it is used and it should be browned just before using .The coffee may be easily spoiled even if these conditions are fulfilled, by boiling it in metal. Coffee made in a pot that contains on the inside the successive deposits of many days' brewing has a rank flavor. When coffee is dripped, in French pitcher will do to make it in, but it is easy to find picturesque German coffee biggins that are not expensive, made of brown or of blue and white onionber that it does not require anything but the cheapest and simplest pot to ation, and the alleged fact that

YOUR OWN STANDARD.

gone when one keeps house for one's proof, and a few have gone to work of the newest, the waist portion being own comfort, and not for the comment to explain the phenomenon, and remove of one's neighbors."

moral force to set up a standard of our be a greater own based upon our own incomes and highly civilia han in a primi The new fashioned sashes are things expenses by the income of some one latter are undeveloped, and the tempof beauty. They are not the little nar- else. If the Browns across the street row bands of ribbon, with floating ends hang up expensive lace curtains, we are discontented until lace curtains have gone up to our windows, no matter how that of the Browns. If the Smiths put down a velvet carpet our neat and pretty ingrain becomes an eyesore to us. We are extremely mindful of what our neighbors will think about many things that ought not to concern them in the The Russian blouse is one of the most least. We have no standards of our popular of the winter wraps, but there own. Our dress, and even our tables are blouses and blouses, and unless they must be regulated by the standards of are made just right they have more of others. We have not the courage nor the appearance of a shapeless bag than the independence to be indifferent to anything else. They should have a fit- the comment of our neighbors. This

TO CLEAN PICTURES.

ing, put it on a smooth board, cover heads and feathers are in great demand it thinly with common salt finely powportion of it; elevate one end of the will always multiply. Slowness of proabout forty-five or fifty degrees with criminals. The remoteness of danger the horizon. Pour on the engraving is with them almost equivalent to esboiling water from a teakettle until cape from penalty. Some of the laws the salt and lemon juice are all wash- both federal and local, which were made ed off; the engraving should now be with the best intentions, have failed perfectly clean and free from stains; of their purpose, and should be amend-It must be dried gradually on the ed in the interest of society. The rapboard or some other smooth surface, id increase of crime is a temporary pins. If dried by the fire or in the manship will gradually eliminate. sun it will be tinged with yellow.

Chromos-Dampen a linen cloth slightly and go over them gently. If the varnish has become defaced, Oil Paintings-To clean them, first brush them free from dust; then wash story. them with warm milk diluted with water; rub with a piece of flannel dipped in turpentine, and then with a dry flannel.

Gilt Frames-Clean them with flour or sulphur has been stirred. Or, wipe with a sponge wet with tur- sat down, greatly puzzled.

water until warm, then clean with got one. strong soapsuds and rub with old linen cloths until perfectly dry.

Alabaster-Strong soap and water is good for cleaning alabaster; if too much discolored, make a paste with quicklime and water, cover the article with it, and let it remain all day; wash of with soap and water, rubbing hard where stained. Or clean with diluted muriatic acid, having previously washed it well.

GOOD WAYS TO DO THINGS. To Patch a Carpet.-While it is hole and press until dry with a hot for the two-quart size. No pot of tin the patch. Patches put on in this way or for two dollars.

as good for this purpose, as this simple sweeping and do not show as much as a darn or a patch that is sewed

> To Put a Pie Togother- We all know how provoking it is when, upon opening the oven door we are greeted by a mess of sizzling, smoking pie juice, to say nothing of soaked crusts and waste of sugar. Experience has taught me that this may be avoided by taking a little extra pains when putting them together. Roll the top crust real thin around the edges. Put of persons apparently drowned were onto the pie rather loosely and trim, having previously moistened edges of recovered from the Seine in the single lower crust. Pull the crusts away from the plate enough to fold the top crust under all around the edge. Then press down firmly with thumb and linger or whatever you use for the purpose, and the probability is that the juice is going to stay "put."

INCREASE IN CRIME.

Greater Variety of Crimes in a Civiliza Than in a Primitive Community.

The somewhat startling increase crime along with the spread of the neck decorations now on sale are make the best coffee that ever was increase is largely among the educated, has given rise to interesting and useful discussion. Some have drawn conclusions unfavorable to the growth of education; others have ascilled the He was wise who wrote, "Half the rapid increase of crime to decadence sting of poverty or of small means is of which they say it is most striking whatever anxieta it may have created Deny it as we will, few of us have the in the public and. That there should iety of crimes in our own particular home environment. tive community coes without saying. We commit the folly of regulating our The tastes, functions and needs of the tation to commit a large number of

crimes is wholly wanting. Education and luxurious surroundings beget longings which men will seek are not properly educated, and many crowded. damage or with very little damage to robbing and maining by day as well their distorted moral sense, and make them positive enemies of society. growth of education and culture, or restricted.

cident. The sound so greatly outnum- blows from sandbags and brass knuckber the unsound that the latter would not be noticed did not their eccentricities injuriously affect society. The remdey is to study criminology, and draw the necessary practical lessons from it. It is a slow process, but must avail in the end. Meanwhile, there are Engravings.-To clean an engrav- causes for the increase of crime which can be removed without any special study. The loose administration of the laws in some portions of the country dered; squeeze lemon juice upon the demands correction. When criminals salt so as to dissolve a considerable feel safe in defying the courts, crime board so that it forms an angle of cedure is a potent force in making

A HINT TO MEDICAL MEN.

Doctors who are in the habit of using long words when visiting patients may take a hint from the following

An old woman whose husband was not very well sent for a doctor. The doctor came and saw the old man. When he was departing he said to

the old woman. "I will send him some medicine, which the conclusion that of the fifty-three brush dipped in rain water, in which must be taken in a recumbent position. After he had gone the old woman

A recumbent position-a recumbent Bronzes-Plunge first into boiling position! she kept repeating. I haven't At last she thought, I will go and see if Nurse Town has got one to lend

Accordingly she went and said to the old nurse:

you can lend me to take some medicine The nurse, who was equally as ignorant as the old woman, replied: I had one, but, to tell you the truth,

have lost it.

TOO MUCH FOR FAITH.

an' pray fer her. We know y'r pray- complaints came. With each new reers has cured many a one afore, and port from his detectives, the situation Faith Curist-I will go to her at

PARIS SUBURBS INFESTED BY A ARMY OF THUGS.

More Than Fifty Bodies of Their Victims Recovered from the Same in Three Months - Desperate Fight of the Police to Break Up the Organization - Women in the Gangs.

In the months of May, June and

stretch between the towns of Suresnes and Asnieres, both suburbs of Paris, to renewed efforts and the campa writes a correspondent. Many of these bodies bore traces of injuries sufficient to have caused death, such as deep were surprised and taken. This cuts and fractured skulls; but these was commanded by a young woman sounds, it was thought, might equally virago, whom it took six policenes been the result of impact against abutments and laceration by the blades was not only the leader of the gam of propellers; in any event, none of but held an important place, in the to determine the exact cause of death. crimes and of being the inventor It was assumed that the persons were various murderous implements with suicides-by drowning or by jumping which the footpads were supplied on from a bridge after the infliction of of these was a Y-shaped tool used a mortal wound. Color was of course lent to this assumption from the fact resistance. It had been used a number that many persons are led to destroy of times, as the injuries of persons at mselves in the months named, and tacked by the band showed. Seven that more often than not they choose the river as the means. But a suspicious that the fact indicated nothing, as t fact was overlooked by the authorities eyes might have been eaten out by field either from carelessness or to save trouble-the fact that the rate of mortality from suicide has jumped some- of slashing the soles of his feet with thing like 500 per cent. for the speci- a knife, so that he would be unable to fied months and for that particular pursue the robbers-even if he wen part of the Seine over the ascertained ratio for a long series of years. The police, however, contented themselves with saying that the fact was extraordinary; they guessed that more persons than ever were

TIRED OF PAYING TAXES.

much smaller our income may be than to gratify. Those who are properly ed- last summer, and that they were seekucated and properly balanced will seek | ing a quiet place down the river in to gratify their wishes in a legal and which to get rid of themselves because proper manner only, but all persons the Paris waters were already too speak of several murders. With this last

of the latter are not susceptible of | Contemporaneously with the finding that kind of education. There are per- of these bodies complaints began to sons in every community, be it cul- come to the Prefect of the Seine rela- unfortunately the feeling of security tured or primitive, whose minds are tive to depredations by a band of highincapable of a broad moral view upon way robbers, who roamed the streets any matter. Uneducated and uncul- of Nauilly, Suresnes, Puteaux, Asnitured, they pass their lives without eres and other suburbs of the city, the community and the state, but edu- as by night. After nearly a hundred more cation and culture may set in motion of these complaints had been filed the police started an investigation. Within would be ridiculous because of this to a week they were able to find sixty charge the increase of crime to the persons who had been robbed by this band within an area of one square mile north of the Bois de Boulogne. Fifty The development of human imper- of these persons had been injured so fections by education is merely an in- badly by bullets, knife wounds, and les that they were confined to bed in hospitals or at their homes A number had fractured skulls, and of these several subsequently died.

In the early part of August a battalion of police, despairing of catching the malefactors by any other method, made a concerted round-up of the infested district, arresting half a hundred suspicious characters. Thirty of these, all youths between the ages of 16 and 25, were armed with revolvers, knives and other implements of footpads. Young as they were, they included a number of notorious criminals, the leader of the gang, knows as "Coco," having spent more than half of his twenty years in duress. They were to have kept you waiting so long, Mr. promptly tried and "put away" for Spoonamore, but it has taken me longshort terms, and the police congratu- er than usual to get ready. I look like lated themselves on having rid the a fright in this hat, too. community of a dangerous band, for attime at least.

A SIGNIFICANT FACT.

and one which seemed to surprise the police exceedingly, was shortly remarked. The suicides, which had been maintained at the high average of the early summer until the very day of the arest of the bandits, immediately went back to the normal rate and remained there. This fact, together with some disclosures, wrested from the less hardened members of the gang set the Prefect of Police to thinking. The result of his thinking was this: He reached bodies found between Suresnes and Asnieres at least forty were those of persons, who had been robbed, killed, and thrown into the river, afterward by the precious young devils forming the band he had broken up. Forty murders | 000 lbs., or about 4,000,000 gals., of tell committed in the public highways at the gates of Paris, without hindrance by the rest of Europe, North and South or detection by the police! This intelligence was conveyed to the public bined. through the press. There was not a Have you got a recumbent position | single newspaper commentary; apparently the news was taken as the most ordinary imaginable.

Although the murders stopped, or at least diminished, the robberies and assaults were as numerous as ever with- Curious stories are affoat as to the nain a few weeks. The police were active, ture of the final quarrel, but probably but as their efforts were more or less none are reliable. Lord Charles has a sporadic, the effect was hardly notice- blunt tongue, and it is apt to say able. The new Prefect, M. Blanc, came things which, however, honest and true Mr. Greatfaith-Please, mum, my a thorough investigation of the mat- ford appears to be rather feared by grew more alarming. Finally, he awak- that is now under sentence is the man ened to the fact that he had not to of narrow, tortuous and filthy street deal with a single band, of desperados, at the back of Limehouse Church once. One dollar please. My terms are organized, and subdivided into compan- "Fellowship Porters." frequented by but with an army of them perfectly where Dickens laid the scene of the Mr. Greatfaith—One dollar? Hang ed by an experienced criminal. This Friend." In it also was located the of ies of twenty or thirty, each command- Rogue Riderhood in "Our Mutual iron or irons, according to the size of y'r faith cure! I kin git a reg'lar doc- army of toughs formed a complete um den that figured in "The Mys chain about Paris, having camps and tory of Edwin Drood."

tifications in the secluded parts of Bois de Vincennes, and even in suburbs. All told, they numbered far from four hundred, youths young women, most of them disch jail-birds, or malefactors convicted crime, but free under suspension sentence.

The Prefect promptly set to to rout this army, For two we large forces of

DISGUISED POLICE

scoured the outlying districts July, of last summer, fifty-three bodies hardly a night passed without after between them and the cutthroats, or the police were worsted, but times they bagged a sufficient no ber of the enemy to encourage was kept up. An important was shortly made when over members of a band operating in Cli subdue; even then they were had mauled. This girl, but 22 years of odies was submitted to an autopsy councils of the confederation of land She boasted of having planned may gouge out the eyes of the victims a robbery if they made a dangerou of the bodies found in the river wen also eyeless; but the police had though es. Another invention of the girl consisted in depriving a victim of his show and stockings after robbing him, an

otherwise able, which was not often The capture of this band was the ba ginning of the end. The police dres the lines closer and closer around the remaining bands and gradually the weaker of them began to give up, disheartened. Finally a few days ago the last gang of any importance, that of "Little Peter" of Neuilly, was captured, with scarcely any resistance This consisted of twenty-eight young men and four girls, the oldest of the lot only 23. They have to their account about forty highway robberies, not to contingent safely behind the bars, the suburban residents are beginning to breathe freer and are turing into the streets after dark. But will endure only for a little space Nothing very serious will be done the captives, and after a interval of seclusion they will be once new gaings organized as good, or better than the old. It is the history of the suburbs of Paris for a century and

SPEAKS WITH AUTHORITY Depend upon it where there's smoke there's fire.

Why do you say that? I've proved it. It was against the rules to smoke in our office. I smoked and was fired.

A POWERFUL INSTRUMENT.

Acquaintance-I hear your sister has a new piano. Is it like the other! Little Boy-No, this one is a pianofort. You just ought to hear her

STUDIES OF CHARACTER

Character Student-That man ahead is a spendthrift.

His Wife-How do you know? As he walks along he keeps his eyes on the store windows.

THE CONCLUSION OF A ROMANCE. She, arrayed for the theatre-Sorry

He, vaguely desirous of saying something complimentary-It isn't the-er -fault of the lovely hat, I am sure Miss Hankinson.

TOO MUCH CIVILIZATION.

Tenderfoot, out West-Is it necessary to go armed in this section? Native-Wall, thet depends. Wot's er business?

Tenderfoot-I am a music teacher. Native-Huh! Now you're here, I spose every gal in town 'll be raisin' Cain till she gets a pianer an' begins practicin' five hours a day. I reckon you'd better go armed.

TEA-DRINKING IN BRITAIN.

The United Kingdom consumes 600; every day, which is as much as is used America, Africa, and Australia com-

It is said that the breach between Lord Charles Beresford and the Prince of Wales will never now be healed

The slams of London are disappear ing one by one, and among the latest INDEST

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