



STYLISH COSTUMES.

FIG. 1.—House toilet of the black Genoese gros-grain silk, "Cachemire Marguerite," trimmed with different widths of velvet ribbon. The design illustrates the "Carmina" walking skirt, and the "Arcno" basque which is a simple model with three points in the back separated by inserted box-plaits, a deep point in front and cut short on the hips. The underskirt is trimmed with a succession of gathered flounces, each having one wide and three narrow bands of velvet ribbon on the bottom. The apron and back drapery are edged with a silk and chenille fringe, and the long pointed panel on the left side is

trimmed with rows of black velvet ribbon to match the underskirt. Plaited ruffles of flat Valenciennes lace at throat and wrists. Price of basque patterns, twenty-five cents each size. Skirt pattern, thirty cents.

FIG. 2.—Visiting costume made of plain and woven broche "Nonpareil" velvet in the Prussian blue shade. The trimmed skirt, modelled after the "Serena" walking skirt, has an apron front and back drapery of the broche, while the plaited panels are of plain velvet and the bows upon the skirt in front are of blue satin ribbon. The "Arcno" basque, the

same design that is shown in Fig. 1, is made of the broche velvet, as also the "Zora" cape, the latter trimmed with "rattail" chenille fringe of the same color with plain velvet collar and satin ribbon bow. Hat of French felt in the same shade of blue, faced with velvet to match and trimmed with a velvet scarf, large steel buckle and gray ostrich plume. Gloves of pearl gray suede. Price of basque patterns, twenty-five cents each size. Skirt pattern thirty cents. The pattern of the "Zora" cape is in a medium size. Price, fifteen cents.

A WIFE'S ROMANCE.

A Burlington Lady Elopes From Her Husband Expecting a Jolly Time.

The Davenport (Iowa) Democrat thus tells of the escapade of a young married lady of Burlington, in that city, and, no doubt, from a perusal of the article many will be able to determine her identity:

There is one young woman in Iowa who has been cured of romancing the past week. It was on Wednesday last the wife of a prominent physician engaged the services of a young woman who was quite agreeable in appearance, and who was sent to her from an intelligence office, for housework. She gave the girl, who appeared to be about twenty years of age, general directions as to the work to be done and when the girl told her that she could cook, the lady told her what to get for supper.

The doctor came home for his tea, and the wife went into the kitchen to see how pro-

parations for the evening meal were progressing. There sat the new girl with a pan of apples in her lap, but there was no fire, no sign that preparations for supper had been commenced, even. And the lady was was struck by the sad countenance of the girl. She asked the stranger the cause of the delay in arrangements for supper, and why she looked so downcast. The eyes of the girl filled with tears.

"Oh, madam," she exclaimed, "I am in such trouble! I can't tell you how wretched I am!"

The lady convinced the girl that she could confide in her—and out came the brief story.

"Oh, madam, I have a husband in Burlington—as good a husband as any young wife ever had—and I have run away and left him!"

"But why did you do so?"

"I don't know hardly—we had a little misunderstanding, and I became very angry,

and thought I would punish him by leaving him, thinking he would hunt for me and beg me to return. I took the cars and came to Davenport, determined to earn my own living; but I want to go back so much. I can't work, can't do anything, but I want to go back."

The wretched young wife sobbed like a child, and besought her new employer to assist her in returning to Burlington. She thought such an adventure would be romantic, and it would be nice to have her husband hunting for her until he could find her; but now she said she believed she was the most foolish and miserable woman alive.

The sympathy of the physician and his wife went out for the wretched creature, and she remained in the house until morning, when the doctor placed her aboard of the south-western train for Burlington, and also wrote a letter to her husband, in which he stated the circumstances in which the wife came to his house, and of his belief in her

bitter repentance of her folly. She left her home full of gladness over her prospects of a gay lark—and left for home with broken spirits, and in fear and trembling.

FASHION NOTES.

Fanchon bonnets will remain in vogue. Leather bonnets are among millinery novelties.

The Shaker poke is the latest fancy in big bonnet.

Epaulet trimmings are much worn by young girls.

For theatre wear the Fanchon is the favorite bonnet.

Cheuille appears in various forms on hats and bonnets.

White bonnets are restored to favor for evening wear.

Shot silks and stripes of velvet and satin are worn by Parisians.

Birds' wings, pompons, algrottes, and ostrich feathers are all fashionable.

The high looped, very full overskirt is the prevailing style for ordinary wear.

There is as much variety in millinery ornaments as there is in shapes and materials.

Some leading dressmakers are trying to introduce the straight unlooped old-fashioned overskirt.

Kid and alligator skins are used in the natural colors and in dark green and brown shades for bonnets.

All kinds of hats and bonnets, large, small, and medium sizes, and in every imaginable shape, are in fashion.

Felt, cloth, velvet, chenille, wool braids, leather, kid, cashmere, and worsted embroidery bonnets are worn or will be worn this winter.

White velvet, white cashmere, shot and dotted with silver and gold, and white brocaded stuffs are the materials used for white evening bonnets.

Black, White and Gray

There are many ladies to whom colors are distasteful, who still do not wish to be considered as wearing mourning. For those the choice lies between black, white and gray, a range which is not so restricted as it appears, when the tints of white, the varieties in black, and the shades from steel and iron to ash in gray, are taken into consideration. One of the best costumes for autumn wear of this description is a fine black camel's-hair, made with narrow kiltings, glove-fitting basque, and graceful drapery, the front of the basque tucked and outlined like the narrow standing collar, with plaited lace. The cloak may be long, gathered at the back, and with high sleeves, a ruche of lace at the throat, and jabot down the front.

A lady who possesses a fine figure may construct a pretty and effective toilet out of soft surah, and a silk jersey by gathering the surah flounces and placing them upon a skirt which is attached to a deep, well-fitting bodice of twilled silk. Over this a silk jersey is drawn like an elastic and yielding skin, and outlines the figure beautifully besides forming a lovely basis for finish of lace at throat and wrists.

A beautiful dress in black and white is arranged with handsome satin duchesse and fine inserted platings of ivory satin, veiled with black lace, the upper dress forming a coat, the lower a demi-trained skirt with triple-plaited black. A simple but very stylish reception dress is of ivory armure brocade, the bodice pointed front and back trimmed a long square with embroidery on ivory satin, edged on both sides with exquisite Mechlin lace; sleeves to the elbow, also trimmed with embroidery and with lace. Skirt draped slightly in front, and arranged at the back as a very graceful train. A pretty steel-gray dress, with bonnet to match, is of cashmere and satin, the latter forming the kiltings, the former the upper dress, and the foundation for delicate, star-like embroidery of steel and chenille.

Miss Helen Gladstone, the Premier's daughter, and the Vice-President of the North Hall, Newham College, is a dark-haired, quiet looking English girl, who looks as if she might be twenty-five.

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