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Answers to Correspondents

FASHIONS.

RETA—(1) The crepons in best quality (pure silk) are still worn. They are very expensive and not likely either to go entirely out or to become common. The tirely out or to become common. The cheap quality crepon—an inartistic thing-

is not to be seen.

(2) The plaid belt is very pretty, and promises to be the fall fashion. It should be of pure silk.

AMATEUR. - Make your skirt close-fitting about the hips; it may be of average width at the bottom, but the tendency is toward sheath skirts.

MRS. E. C.—The present sleeve is close-fitting to the elbow, and full draped at the shoulder. But the draping is perfectly soft and droeping. The bishop sleeve is still much worn. It has a certain artistic grace; but requires care to prevent this degener sting into slovenly effects.

New Wheelwoman .-- You had better a medium length skirt, say about eight inches from the ground. This, since you are living in Canada, where, in spite of their dowdy effect, long skirts continue on the wheel. Did you live over the border I should emphatically suggest a shorter skirt. But it is not desirable to be conspicuous.

SEAMSTRESS.—Whata nice old-fashioned name you have chosen. We have quite lost our seamstresses in 'modistes,' 'costumiers' and other awesome folk. It is difficult to say at this early date just what kind of dress material will be the most fashionable. I had a real advance hint this month that the manufacturers are thing lovely broadclaths ready. But this month that the manufacturers are getting lovely broadcloths ready. But risking a trifle, and with the little prophecies that have come to me, I should suggest a pretty dark grey, brown or navy blueskirt, of boucle or broadcloth material; a plaid silk blouse in bright colours, and a jannty Norfolk or Fton coat to match the jaunty Norfolk or Eton coat to match the skirt. Such a suit of good material and well made should carry you through into December, especially if you add a little fur trimming—which is going to be worn—about the first of November.

CARLETON JUNCTION.—You gave me no name, so I take your post-office address. I'm afraid I can hardly discuss the ethics of 'bargain days' in this column. Someone has to suffer for these sales under cost, I suppose. If by refusing to purchase, you or I could correct the wrong, why then our course would be clear. But I am not sure that this would be the case. I imagine the root of the evil is overproduction; and that is a phase of the labour question too stupendous for you or me to handle. But the fact remains that some splendid bargains are to be had on bargain days, and in as far as I know, the big stores keep their advertised word

JESSIE K. - We do not usually undertake sample we will find out where the best match in colour may be obtained; also the width and price, so that you may order. Enclose stamp for reply.

HOUSEHOLD.

MRS. W. K. Merritton.-The household page contains this month the latest hints page contains this month the latest hints and recipes concerning fruit canning and preserving. Very often the failure in keeping fruit is the fault of the fruit itself and not of the method used. The same recipe followed two successive years may produce quite different results, because of the difference in the fruit. In 'putting down' truit, housekeepers should first look well to its quality, flavour and degree of rigeness.

A Discussion Woman.—Try white of togg and quicksilver. Apply with tip of

feather. Make the application daily, in every crevice, for a while. They are hard to get rid of; but you must persevere—or

I have discovered this season that the I have discovered this season that the odor of carbolic acid balls, used to put in the clothes closet among furs and flannels, acts as a wholesome deterrent of mosquitoes, flies or any insect. My bedroom, which is very light, has been perfectly free of flies on account of the slight odor coming from one or two of these balls lying exposed on the closet shelf. Some people may prefer the flies to the odor of the balls, but I do not.

BOOKS.

A. F. J .- I do not know. Write to the magazine in question. The Editor—a small monthly published in Franklin, Ohio,—would give you much useful information concerning the standing of newspapers and magazines that accept and pay for contri-

JESSIE F.—The author of "The First Violin" died several years ago. The name is Jessie Fothergill. It is the best 'musical novel' I have read. I shall be glad to know of new others. know of any other.

A Busy Woman.—I know of no better magazines for your general reading than Review of Reviews and Current Literature. The first gives a comprehensive outlook into practical current events of the world. The second is a readable selection of cullings from the day's literature, scientific religious and Satisfal. tific, religious and fictional. These magazines are monthly.

C B .- Type-written if a story or sketch. If you are sending brief paragraphs, news items or jokes, they will be just as readily accepted if written clearly with a pen.

ART.

We acknowledge the ronowing words from M. H., who writes concerning the poem, 'Sweet Pea Blossoms,' which in the August number. "Your We acknowledge the following kind the poem, 'Sweet Pea Blossoms,' which appeared in the August number. "Your 'Sweet Pea' maidens were charming illustrations of the pretty poem. I shall never again see sweet peas without thinking of it. I consider poem and illustration simply perfect, and am delighted with it."

A LITERARY SOLUTION.

We stood in the bookstore together, She chatted of this and of that; My heart kept the time with the feather That clung to her Gainsborough hat, On Stevenson, Stockton, and Kipling, And poets galore she enthused: But how to propose to her, rippling With music and laughter, I mused.

On this one and that one the tarried To label their place on the shelf:

This How to Be Happy Though Mar-

Absurd!" and I thought so mysell. But those who have tried it may surely

Be trusted to know," I replied. I tell you," she said, "it is purely The tone of the age to deride."

The task for solution," I ventured, "Is, how to be married, though poor;" I know that I ought to be censured She looking so sweet and demure:

Her voice was so low, 'twas the border Of thought where it breaks into word: We might," she said, "solve this, in order To prove that the book is absurd,"

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