

Blouses with Jabot Trimming



Embroidered Taffeta and Yoke with Jabot

THE newest blouses are made of every conceivable shade and material—chiffon, silk, satin, flax net—and all of them have introduced somewhere in the decorations the omnipresent fall of lace or material named Paris the jabot.

A blouse of violet chiffon is finished in front in three deep tucks, which at both sides of the front breadth is bound in satin and the jabot of lace is introduced. The same idea is carried out in the undersleeves, while the yoke of the blouse is made of the lace used to make the jabots.

A blouse of blue chiffon taffeta is trimmed with flax net, covered with a design in bands of silk, while the linen underblouse is fastened from neck to waist with a jabot. It gives the same effect as the ruffled white blouse of just a year ago, except that the middle pleat on this new creation is but one-half inch wide. In speaking of last year, the jumper and ruffled blouse are combined in these latest waists, which is shown by the last illustration. This is made of white taffeta, heavily embroidered in white silk flowers, while a band of net, covered with orchids, holds the shoulder straps together at the front. This shows the jabot in the ruffle of the underblouse, while the tiny buttons used down the front are covered with taffeta and finished around the edge with a trim of lace.

Violet Chiffon and Valenciennes Lace

Few women realize what really beautiful effects may be obtained by using Hamburg or machine embroidery. The only important point is to see that the material for the foundation is fine and of good quality.

Of course no one can expect to use any of this year's models unless one is willing to do most of the sewing by hand, for this is the one little detail that makes a blouse.

So deservedly proud, says the Westminster Gazette. When the King began breeding nearly forty years ago the Sandringham farm lands were in an almost hopeless condition, barren and barely capable of cultivation. Today, according to Rider Haggard, "it is a wonderful farm, for nowhere is there so much high-bred stock to be seen on the same area."

But probably nowhere will you find such an array of plates and cups won at shows as that which Sandringham boasts. At a single exhibition his Majesty once won no fewer than fourteen first prizes. In 1903 he captured five first prizes and cups, in addition to numerous seconds and thirds; in 1904 his prizes numbered twenty; in 1905 he won a champion plate, a challenge cup and eighteen other prizes, including four firsts, while last year he took at the Smithfield show ten firsts, nine "second" cups and plates, six other prizes and several "highly commended," and every prize-winner he has bred himself.

Blue Silk with Yoke of Lawn

derblouse of lawn. Flax net, too, might be used for the foundation of any of the waists.

established army practice, but is now the navy.

The chief ships' cooks will be required to pass a qualifying examination, under which they must prove their ability to take charge of the galley and bakery in ships' complements of 500.

With the introduction of the new system is to come more varied menus, comprising soup, fish, entrees, joints, and sweets. It has been found possible to do this where general messing applies.

SIMPLIFIED MODELS

All of the elaborate blouses of the illustration are beyond the power of the home dressmaker. But a little ingenuity can accomplish wonders, and a reproduction of model garments does not necessitate an exact copy in materials. The design of any of these blouses may be carried out in cotton, particularly the one trimmed with embroidery. This waist would be charming made of dotted swiss, the wide bands of the shoulders done in white embroidered linen. The ruching down the front is for sale in any shop at little cost.

The other two may be made in dimity or lawn—in fact, flowered dimity would be a charming binding for the blue waist—and valenciennes lace is not an expensive article.

The violet waist is really designed for China silk, and pompadour ribbon might be used as a trimming, making the un-

CHIEFS FOR THE NAVY.

Every Warship to Have Staff of Trained Cooks.

No longer is the bluejacket to have his digestion spoiled by dinners of his own preparing. The British Admiralty announced recently that it had been decided to provide every warship with a trained staff of cooks.

Dr. Ferguson immediately sued the city, which fought the case, taking as its defence the fact that the water responsible for the outbreak had been drawn from a disused reservoir, and that Dr. Ferguson had no business to use it.

The case passed through the courts, until it reached the King's Bench. There Mr. Justice Lawrence recently decided that the city was guilty of contributory negligence and awarded a verdict in favor of the applicant.

The costs of court, which the city was ordered to pay have reached \$50,000, in addition to the damages awarded to the extent of \$37,500.

The case has been appealed and may go to the Privy Council.

JEWELLER MADE BARON.

It must have been an interesting spectacle, the bargaining and dickering between the jeweller and Louis XIV. over the handful of stones. The end of it was that the royal treasury was enriched by the addition of the entire collection and impoverished to the extent of 2,500,000, in gold coin, and in addition Tavernier left the royal presence no longer plain Andre Tavernier, jeweller and traveller, but Baron d'Aubonne, with the right to hold his head as high as any nobleman in Paris.

Rough and unshaped as it came into the possession of the French King, the Tavernier diamond weighed 113 1/2 carats. It was badly formed, and when it went to Amsterdam, where then as now the diamond cutters held sway, they had to chip and trim it into shape until only 67 1/2 carats were left. But what a gem it was when they finished their work! Of a deep sapphire blue, it sparkled and gleamed resplendent from

EDWARD VII. AS A FARMER.

He is One of the Most Successful in England.

The rich crop of prizes which the King's cattle and sheep have won at the Bingley Hall show, Birmingham, is the latest demonstration of his Majesty's success as a farmer, of which he

THE MEAN THING.

His wife (writing)—Which is proper, "disillusioned" or "disillusionized?" Her Husband—Oh, just say "married," and let it go at that.

FAMOUS HOPE DIAMOND

IS IT RESPONSIBLE FOR DISASTER TO ITS OWNER?

Tragedy Enough Surrounds Its History to Almost Warrant Such a Conclusion.

Ridiculous the fancy that would endow a crystal of carbon with sentient qualities, or believe in the occult power of jewels to curse or bless, one must own that in the careers of those who have been so fortunate or unfortunate as to possess the great blue stone they call the Hope diamond there have been death and disaster enough, and more than enough, to make a peg on which to hang a tale of imprisoned evil reaching out to blight whom its baneful rays may reach.

Hidden in the lost lore of the oldest East lie the earliest chapters in the great gem's story. Imagination might run riot in tales of lust and blood with the blue stone for their motif. Fancy might imbue it in the epoch of Prester John or gather it into the treasure hoard of Genghis Khan, but behind a modern, tangible date, the day when Andre Tavernier looted overland back from the Orient with jewels enough, if not for a king's ransom, at least for the price of a barony, in his wallet, any attempt to trace its history lies in the realm of pure speculation.

Cunning in traffic was Tavernier, "the King's jeweller." More than once he went out from Paris to the East and, matching the clever Orientals at their own game, returned with spoil of gems and gold to grace a crown or garnish a mitre, King and Cardinal, bourgeois and Bishop; Richelieu, Colbert or Mme. de Maintenon—these were the customers of Tavernier, the jeweller. He knew the goods he could sell.

So when Tavernier came to the gale of Paris on that day in 1688 he knew that he had with him what, in spite of the outpouring of royal treasure in the invasion of the Palatine, would capture the royal fancy and win him not only gold but that which he had long coveted—the title that would place him on the plane of those he dealt with and lift his children from the bourgeoisie to the nobility. Twenty-five diamonds—nothing else—were in the leather pouch that, strapped under his arm, next to his skin, never left his possession night or day. But among them was the gem of gems—the great blue diamond, still in the rough, but even so a jewel that overshadowed every gem that Christendom then knew.

STONE MAKES OWNER FAMOUS.

As the Hope diamond, the blue stone leaped into fame. Perhaps the fame of the stone was reflected to its owner—perhaps that is just what the banker was calculating on when he bought it. At any rate, Henry Thomas Hope soon became as famous as his diamond, and when his daughter, Henrietta Adela,

married the sixth Duke of Newcastle in 1861, besides the millions in gold from her father's treasure chest she took with her as dowry the Hope diamond.

Of her two sons, one became Duke, the other got the diamond. Of the troubles of Lord Henry Francis Hope Pelham-Clinton-Hope—a special—royal warrant gave him the right to add his grandfather's surname in honor of the diamond—much has been written. His a sensation throughout the English speaking world. The great Hope diamond graced the tithra of the former concert hall singer on more than one occasion during the brief duration of their married life.

Fortune dealt so adversely with Lord Francis Hope that in 1899 he tried to sell the diamond to satisfy the most urgent of his creditors. His family objected, and he appealed to the courts. At that time the gem was estimated to be worth about \$125,000. It was not until late in 1901, only a few months before his divorce from May Toke, that he finally was permitted to dispose of the stone. Whether or not he ever blighted his marital and financial difficulties on the diamond, they ended simultaneously with its passing from his possession.

Simon Frankel, of New York, bought the stone. As on the occasion of its last previous sale, the amount involved was not made public. Rumor got busy again, and placed the price at \$200,000—a carat—\$148,800 for the stone. Whatever the price, Mr. Frankel brought it to New York, and here it has remained, since. Millionaire after millionaire has looked at it, discussed its purchase and almost "bought" it—then turned away, leaving it in the hands of the merchant. For more than six years it has lain in a vault, eating up interest on the purchase money at the rate of \$7,500 a year.

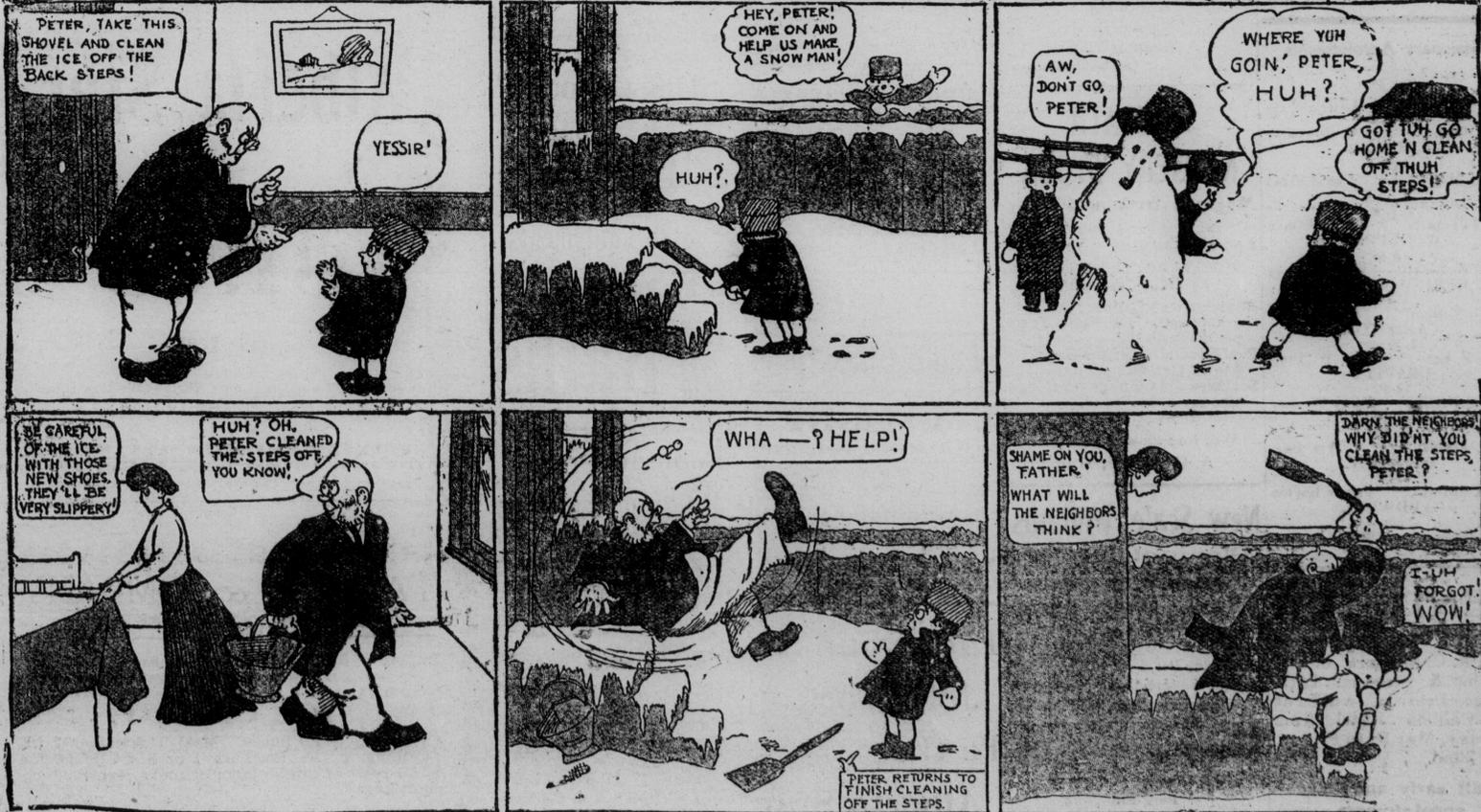
Just lately came the news of the financial difficulties of the Frankels, prominent among whose assets is the big diamond, held at a quarter of a million and so listed on their books. While there is every reason to believe the affairs of the diamond dealers are not badly involved, as was at first reported, and that they will be soundly on their financial feet, again before long, there are those who say they will never regain their old position of pre-eminence in their trade so long as the Hope diamond remains in their ownership.

Other fragments, or what are believed to be other fragments, of the Tavernier stone, have had a less eventful history. Speculation as to what had become of the pieces cut off when it was reduced from the size it bore in France to that it had when sold in London were partly set at rest by the disclosure in 1871, at the sale in Geneva of the effects of the Duke of Brunswick of a diamond of identically the same sapphire blue color weighing 10 1/2 carats, and some time later Edwin Streeter, of London, bought a blue stone of the same quality weighing about one carat for \$2,500. The Brunswick diamond fetched only \$3,200. Taken together, these two and the Hope diamond, allowing for waste in cutting, would just about make up the weight of the Tavernier diamond of the French crown.

Records of valuable gems are more carefully kept to-day, and it is not so easy for a famous gem to disappear as it was in the troublous times of the past. Future history of the Hope diamond may be more easily noted:

No man can think well of himself who does not think well of others. Love may make the world go round, but it takes a little jealousy to accelerate its speed.

PETER PUT OFF---HE ALWAYS FORGETS



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