#### LOVE OF THE BEAUT! FUL

BYERY YOUNG GIRL SHOULD BE INTERESTED IN HER CLOTHES.

No One Cau Afford to be Indifferent to the Seductions of Dress—The Child Dude and Precoclous Injant an Abemination—An Ingenious Young Gir).

I never could understand why a fondness for pretty, and becoming dress in a young girl should be regarded as a sign of moral degeneracy, by strightlated old people, who, having no charms of their own can well afferd to be indifferent to the seductions pretty clothes. It is a fact nevertheless garded by many people who should know better, and they was their heads over every manifestation of interest in their personal appearance, that the luckless young folk show, and prophesy all sorts of evil which is to be betall them in punishof children, for although it is perfectly natural that every healthy child of the ninine persuasion to take an interest in her pratty new hat, or new dress, nothing is more abtorrent to all sensible people than the child dude, the precocious infant who thinks of nothing but dress, and only lives to outdo her little companions, in that respect, who talks fashions and has anced opinions about what she will, or will not wear, and flatly reluses to go to church in a cotton dress. This develop-ment of nineteenth century culture is an abomination and should be rigidly repress-ed. But the school girl in her teens, the little maiden standing—"where the brook and river meet" is an entirely different person, and one who is well within her rights in taking a large amount of interest in herself, and her clothes! Indeed I don't know of anything sweeter than the pretty school girl of fourteen or fitteen who takes such an interest in her sppearance that she is always neat and dainty, and keeps her clothes and her whole person as fresh and sweet as her bright face, and her pure soul. Such a girl always has her hair not only well brushed, and tho ougly clean, and if a ring or two sparkles on her fingers, looking rather cut of place for one so young, the fingers themselves are sure to be daintily clean, and the nails well trimmed and free from objectionable borders of

ward form and raiment expressed the inexpression began very scon, long before the woman ceased to be a child, in fa t. A refined mind is sure to find expression in a love of dainty surroundings and the girl who is fond of spotless collars and cuffs, and tresh s' irt waists, that sooner than do without them she will learn to do them up herself, and be independent of the laundress, is pretty certain to develop into a lamps originally used by the Hebrews, the helpful useful woman, who is self reliant. independent and probably a first class ekeeper. At any rate she will always be able to make the most of a little, and therefore succeed, where others would fail, and that in itself is a strong argument in favor of a fondness for dress in girls, since it might almost be said to be her liking for dainty clothes which first s'arted her upon

her career of usefulness.

It is a curious thing how the artistic temperament will triumph over all obstacles and assert itself in a child in spite of the most adverse circumstances. I knew a child once—knew her very intimately in fact—who was born with the most pathetic love of the beautiful and the least opportunity of gratifying or cultivating it that ever fell to the lot of any poor victim of circumstances. Her family had a rigid contempt for everything that was unnecessary in the shape of decoration or clothing; there was not a scrap of fancy work in the bouse, not even a soft cushion, and as little drapery as possible, such things were useless in themselves, and ttey caught the dust and were unhealtby, and made unnecessary work. Flies and dust were the two great evils in life to be dreaded, in that household, so the sunshine was excluded most of the time, and the house kept cool and dark. There was also stated and solven in the sunshine was excluded most of the time, and the house kept cool and dark. There was also stated and solven in the composition of her career of usefulness.

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nothing that pale solemn child could no do it she tried; and by the time she was fourteen she had emerged from the chrysalis state of her brown and green garraiment of her own making. Give that child a yard of white muslin, and a skein of embreidery cotton, and behold her next embreidery cotton, and behold her next embreidery cotton. white dress a bewildering array of em-broidered flowers and ruffles. A tew skeins tormed her winter dress into a thing of beauty, while a bit of linen, or cotton, if the linen has not torthcoming was soon of 300 metros. The only possible enemy of a balloon is the shrapnel shell. Experitransformed in ner hands into a set of ments with these shells have been made collars and cuffs, and these were always with balloons at elevations ranging from fresh and clean, because she had 200 to 800 metres and at a distance of from fresh and clean, tecause she had taught herself the art of laund ring them to perfection. Skirts, dresses, blouses, were always in such order that it was hard to believe they were not new." "I never let anyone else starch or iron my things now," abe used to say. "Because no one can do it as well as I can myself." Before that G-rmans made twenty holes in a balloon girl was really grown up she w.s an exp rt milliner, dressmaker, and laundress, as well stells. But when the air ship was 800 as excellent in embroidery, and all fancy work; she could easily have earned her living at either dressmaking or millinery, and many a dollar she did earn by making eighty shells during the experiments las her triends dresses for them.

She has a profession of her own now.

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Strongest Rope

Given an equal number of strands to make up the rope, and each of the same circumference, it may be readily shown that circumterence, it may be readily shown that wire twisted into rope form, will make a rope so strong as to admit of no comparison even with the best white hemp rope. Twisted hempen cords will sustain 8,746 pounds, if the rope be one inch thick; but one-eight of an inch in diameter of iron will sustain more than one inch in circumferance of hemp rope. No rope, whatever its material, could bear comparison with an inch rope made of piano steel wire, such a rope being able to bear not less than 268, 000 pounds, or nearly 120 tons, before it could be torn by a dead weight.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The aerial spy has for some time closely studied by French, German, Austrian, and Russian officers, and the results escape of gas is insignificant. This has metres in the air and the firing distance 5, 000 met es, only two balls struck it out of

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that but for her love of pretty things, and
the rinsbility to get them except by her own
exertions, she would never have risen
above the dead level of ordinary girlhood.
And yet I saw a letter written by that girls
mother, to a bosom friend, in which she
described ber daughter thus—"Mary is not
pretty, but she is very Irosh looking, and
bright, she is remsible and clever enough as
girls go, but I am sorry to say she already
shows signs of being fond of dress. Perhaps however, she will improve as sh
grows older!"

And the moral of this little story is, girls
—don't let anyone persuade you that it is
wrong to take an interest in your drest j
loon't be a milliner's doll, thinking of
nothing else, and there is no teed for you
to be either vain, or conceited, that you
have to choose tetween being what the
girls call a "dude", or a slattern, by all
means choose the former, and it may lead
you to many pleasant possibilities, which
the latter will never do.

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