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## Cutting Out Frills

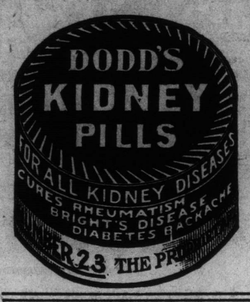
**KHAKI SUITS AND CONVICT HAIR-CUTS THE PROPER THING IN LONDON.**

That armies during war times set the fashions not only for women, but for their husbands, sons and lovers, scoff as they may at the very idea that the word "fashion" enters into their scheme of life, is being demonstrated abroad very forcibly. For instance, patent leather boots and gaiters, to which the London man of affairs for years has been proverbially devoted, have given way to heavy uncompromising, soldierly footgear, much to the anguish of the manufacturers of "high-class" boots. Khaki is the "thing" in business suits and, though barbers moan and gnash their teeth, men no longer look upon their locks as adjuncts to beauty, to be nicely trimmed, and effectively arranged. They simply have their hair cut as short as it is possible without drawing blood and let it go at that. The tendency of the British army to-day is toward serviceableness rather than showiness in dress and in every English community of any size it is very evident that this idea is having its effect on the people.

We do not usually associate trousers exclusively with warriors, and yet we owe both their introduction and reintroduction to military fashions. Originally worn by the ancient Britons, they were for a long time looked upon in polite Roman circles as a badge of barbarism. Indeed, Cicero is said to have once taunted a man with having sprung from "trusered" ancestors.

In A. D. 69, however, we read of a Roman general creating a great scandal by going to war in trousers, and shortly after they became part of the recognized military costume. Thence the fashion spread to the civil community, and we find the fact recorded that Alexander Severus made an innovation by affecting white trousers, previous emperors having all worn crimson ones.

Exactly when trousers disappeared from the legs of the male community is not known, but there is no doubt that their revival was once more due to military fashions. Introduced into the army by the Duke of Wellington during the peninsular war, and



at first known as "Wellington's trousers," their general adoption excited general opposition. The clergy and the fashionable world combined to oppose the innovation. An original trust deed, executed in 1820, of a Nonconformist chapel contains a clause of providing that "under no circumstances shall a preacher be allowed to occupy the pulpit who wears trousers."

The universities were equally firm in their opposition. In 1812 the authorities of Trinity and St. John's Colleges, Cambridge, decreed that "students appearing in hall or chapel in pantaloons or trousers should be considered absent," while Almack's, the most fashionable of the London clubs, refused to admit anyone so attired. On one occasion the duke himself was denied admission because he was wearing his favourite trousers, and the victor on a hundred fields found himself compelled to beat a retreat before the onslaughts of a fashionable clique.

But the reverse was only a temporary one. Trousers had come to stay, and the duke before long had the satisfaction of seeing this innovation forced on the legs of the fashionable world—surely his most striking triumph. It may be, however, that as knee breeches, acting under military orders, gave way to trousers, so trousers may in their turn give place to puttees or some other covering for male legs. "Our legs, as well as our lives," comments a facetious Londoner, "are in the hands of the army."

If the complexion is colorless, avoid wearing delicate greys, greens and blues.

## Steam Trawlers in Sea Warfare.

Yarmouth, Eng., Feb. 2.—The nickname of "Mosquito Fleet" applied to the navy's torpedo flotillas, should properly be given to the steam fishing trawlers of which the Government is gathering together a swarm for the three-fold purpose of mine sweeping, protecting battleships from submarines, and operating in the shallow waters of the Belgian coast against the Germans.

Over 500 of these boats were requisitioned the past week, and thousands are already out. They are found so useful that the Government evidently thinks that it cannot have too many.

Trawlers still continue their original duty of seining for menaces to shipping, as enormous quantities of mines are still strewed at sea.

Following the German raid on Scarborough and the Hartlepools, in December, as many as 1,500 mines were picked up in one week. Many boats have been lost in this work, more than has been officially announced.

These German mines, with their bristling contact points, often explode in the nets. They have enough weight attached to their cables to sink them about four feet under the surface, so they run with the tide to the shallower water, where the weight strikes bottom and anchors.

Nothing is so effective against submarines as a cordon of trawlers around a fleet. The submarine must come close to be effective, and they are easily detected by the trawlers on rising to the surface to use the periscope. There is also the chance of getting in a shot at what the navy calls "tin whales."

A large fleet of trawlers will soon take part in the Belgian coast operations, and some already are there. They carry one gun forward, another aft, and two abeam. The weapons are quick-firers, of comparatively small calibre, but the boats, sailing in close to the lee of the sand dunes, and increasing the general volume of fire, help prevent enemy guns from taking a base along the shore and making a direct target of the monitors and cruisers.

Very few fishing boats are now left in Yarmouth, out of its once great fleet and these are allowed to fish only off a small strip of coast. Moreover, it is difficult to man these, since practically every able-bodied fisher is in the navy, to which he belonged as a reservist.

The Government pays a liberal rental for the boats. If it were not for this and the pay of the men now in the navy, there would be great want in Yarmouth and all the coast towns at this time.


## McMurdo's Store News.

TUESDAY, Feb. 9. 1915.

Dyola Dyes have this great advantage over most package dyes, in that they will dye any kind of fabric, wool, cotton, silk, or a mixture of any of these with the same dye—no special packages for wool, silk, etc. This is sometimes quite a boon, and a saving of expense and trouble. And as this quality of Dyola becomes better understood, and it is realized that in other ways—in handiness and simplicity of use, in brightness of color, and in wearing and "fastness" of color—Dyola can compare favourably with any other dye on sale, there is little reason to doubt that Dyola will be even more generally used than it is at present. Price 10c. a pkg.

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**MILLION BELGIANS HAVE LEFT COUNTRY.**

Amsterdam, Jan. 29.—More than a million of the population of Belgium are now absent from within its borders, according to estimates here.

Refugees have fled into France, across the Channel to England, and across the border into Holland.

**SMALLPOX SWEEPING VIENNA.**

London, Feb. 4.—A terrible epidemic of smallpox is sweeping Vienna, the Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Co., wired this afternoon. Emperor Franz Joseph, and members of the Court are reported to have fled from the city to the Imperial Palace at Schoenbrunn. The street car service in Vienna has been abandoned because of the outbreak.

**PONDEROUS PERSONAGES— GOETHE.**

By GEORGE FITCH,

Author of "At Good Old Siwash."

Goethe is to the German people in literature what Shakespeare is to the English and what someone ought to be to America some day.

Goethe is most famous as a poet. Some men can produce good poetry by letting their hair grow long and neglecting their bills. But this was not Goethe's way. He prepared himself carefully in his youth for the business of writing poetry. He went to several universities and perfected himself in science, languages, art, architecture, the drama, medicine, politics, law, botany, geology and love. He was most thorough and painstaking in all these branches. He made important discoveries in anatomy and anticipated Darwin's theories. He practiced law and was director of a theatre. He published researches in comparative morphology which still remain authorities. Those young men who intend to leap lightly into the business of becoming one of the world's greatest poets should consider Goethe and reflect. This might encourage them to select some easier task, such as becoming president, or accumulating $100,000,000 and a torpid liver.

But all of Goethe's other labors were trivial compared with his researches in love. He was an ardent, dream, romantic man with an imagination which carried him ruthlessly hither and yon by the neck if necessary, and wherever he went he discovered the most beautiful woman in the world and wrote a series of the most beautiful lyrics in the world about her. Other poets have attempted similar careers and some of them have succeeded to some extent, but most of them have failed to produce poems of a sufficiently entrancing nature to keep them from becoming defendants in breach of promise suits. This is a very dangerous field of investigation and only a genius like Goethe, Shelly and Byron can get away with it.

Goethe was born in Frankfort in 1749. The large comfortable Goethe home still stands and is visited by thousands every year. All of the household utensils are preserved and also the pens, paper, tables and other tools with which Goethe produced some of his great masterpieces. However, those who have attempted to duplicate his successes with these same tools have fallen down thudfully. He undoubtedly has a knack of working with them which he didn't leave behind.

Goethe's greatest work was "Faust." It is supposed to typify his own emotional career. However, Goethe lived to a good old age, dying peacefully in 1832, while most of his Marguerites died, less happily, much earlier in life. Poetry is almost as hard on women as war is.


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And never did complain,
And although we're not all Carnegies
We'd do the same again.

But the principle of true Charity is
That it begins at home—
Though it's truly nice to collect the "dubs"
To send across the Foam.
But from the anguish and strife of this terrible war,
Just let our thoughts be led
To the orphans small of our "ain folk"
And give them Meat and Bread.

A correspondent writes that he was prompted to send the above by the fact that there is a Grand Recital and Concert to-morrow night (Wednesday) at the Casino by our leading artistes, assisted by the C.C.C. band; and that while doing everything we can to assist the sufferers in the present war, we should not forget our own little wee bairns in our Orphanages here.

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