

cheaper foulards the pale grounds printed with black, or the deeper grounds printed with white are stylish and effective. A white foulard, with shaded brown leaves and stalks, and pale blue and red buds is handsome. Flowers and leaves are conventional but always effective. The great variety and range of colors seen in these foulards make them suitable materials for ladies of all ages, from the girl of fourteen to the elderly matron.

**I**NDIA SILKS among light materials are still held at the close of the summer season in as high repute as ever. They are, perhaps, prettier when combined with silk of a plain color, than when made of figured silk of one design. In this way an all-over Persian design may be combined with silk of a dull red hue, and a Japanese design with blue. A white ground silk with small figure is more dressy if combined with white silk, and the ribbons of the color of the design. Gowns for summer evenings, dinner parties and receptions are most effective made of black India silk printed with Pomadour nose-gays. For the short pointed waist a corsage and sleeve-pieces of elaborate yet very light Egyptian gold embroidery in open applique are both beautiful and appropriate. A pointed girdle of gold lace is another admirable accessory, especially on a slight figure. It spoils

a flowered silk of this sort to put horizontal figures on the skirt. Shoppers may have noticed the bargains in white India silk dress patterns to be found on many of the retail counters for the past two years.

Well, these dress lengths, varying in price from \$7 to \$15, are sold largely to two classes—mothers, who use them for baby clothes, and manufacturers of coffin supplies, who make them into burial toiles. Formerly, these grave men made shrouds; now they handle suits for men, toiles for women, and habits for children, and for the last two outfits the cheap India silk is the most desirable.



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Figure 1.—Lady's Costume.

Lady's Basque (3203). Cut in five sizes, 32 to 40 inches bust measure. Price 25 cents any size.

Lady's Walking Skirt (3202). Cut in five sizes, 22 to 30 inches waist measure. Price 30 cents any size.

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**B**LACK MATERIALS show many pleasing varieties. They are in plaids, stripes, or flecked with white for half mourning, and there are also fancy black lace and brocaded woolens. The silk and wool Henrietta cloths are lovely, and so is the Drap d'Alma and other silk and woolen fabrics so delicate and soft they resemble crepe de Chine. There are some beautiful black mohairs with broché pattern borders which come forty-four inches wide, and which are a great convenience for making up after many fashionable designs that show skirts draped in straight pleats, folds and general simple lines.