

And it was true, for her face, turned as with fever.

Mary looked grave and troubled as she entered the room of old, black hair.

"Why, miss, your neck is quite hot," she said, "Oh, miss, you're quite a doctor."

"I have, said Lena.

"I am bringing my bed into your room," said Mary. "I don't want to leave you."

(To be continued.)

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### The Evening Chit-Chat.

BY RUTH CAMERON.



I want to lift up my voice to-night against a good custom that seems to be fast becoming an evil one—in other words, against the frenzy of formal gifts into which the present day seems to have plunged. Every possible occasion now

as is made a gift-giving time. To-day for a month beforehand it seems as if the whole world were working itself up for December 25. People who give and receive twenty or thirty gifts are legion, and I know not a few whose gift-giving and receiving mounts up into the forties and fifties.

Almost everyone spends more money, time and energy than he should upon his gift giving.

Christmas eve finds many of us with worn-out bodies and frazzled tempers instead of in the "peace on earth, good will towards men" frame of mind that ought to prevail on that beautiful birthday.

In a report of a committee that investigated those abominable salary loan associations which lend at exorbitant interest on the security of salaries and get many young men hopelessly into debt, I found it stated that the need of money for Christmas gifts was one of the things that most often got young men into the clutches of the loan sharks.

Birthday giving is growing more elaborate each year. Charles Lamb spoke of the children of his day as thinking of their birthdays as occasions to be made note worthy by "cake and orange." Imagine the child of to-day who would be satisfied with anything less than

cake and ice cream and half a dozen gifts on his birthday.

New Year's giving is running a close second to Christmas in some communities. Easter is, rapidly becoming a gift-giving day. St. Valentine's day is the occasion of more or less gift exchanging, and last Thanksgiving a florist told me that he sent out quite a few flowers as Thanksgiving gifts.

And in addition to these gift-giving days, we are constantly finding new gift-giving occasions. To the old-time wedding gift has been added the engagement and the shower gift. If any of our friends goes on a journey there must nowadays be a going-away gift for him. Once upon a time when a girl graduated from high school or college her father and mother gave her some little thing. Nowadays all her relatives and intimate friends also contribute.

All this isn't normal. It isn't healthy. It isn't sane. If all these gifts were the spontaneous expression of the love of the giver, this abundance of gift-giving would be the sign of a rapidly approaching millennium.

But you know they aren't. Some are simply slavish obedience to society's formalities. Some are simply foolish and even wicked ostentations.

If you are the most generous being living I am willing to wager that there have been occasions in the past year when you have said, "Oh, dear, I've got to give so-and-so something."

Haven't there? And is a gift given in such a spirit a true gift?

What are you going to do about it? Nothing, probably.

But I'll tell you what I wish we could do.

I wish we could all make a resolution to make it our ideal to be worked towards, to give generously when we feel a real desire to give, no matter whether there is any especial occasion or not, and to refrain from giving when we do not genuinely desire to give, no matter what the demands of the occasion may be.

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Cloth coats, to be worn with a skirt to match, and a dressy chiton, satin or net blouse, are made very much shorter than they have been for several seasons.

Utility capes are made of cravenette, various, reversibles, serges, rubberized goods, homespuns, tweeds,

kerseys—in fact, of every fabric used for storm coats.

It seems very likely that the over-skirt is to come in again and that it is often to be of figured or braided or otherwise trimmed fabric, worn over plain skirts.

Satin bands are used as a finish of many of the handsome evening scarfs. There is, of course, no lack of spangles, whether in the shape of sequins or bugles.

Skirts of new corsets are long and close, and they are pulled further in the usual way by stocking supporters at the front, add sides, and often at the back.

Chiffon, gauze, velvet and ribbon are now all found with moire surface, and sometimes lace carries the rippling water mark. All these are being lavishly used by dressmakers.

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cry in neckwear, but to be extremely smart it must have a turnover or frill at the top; cuffs matching the stock also have frills.

Net of all kinds, from tulle to heavy fish net, is simply the rage of the season, and must be made up over satin, a princess of this being excellent to build the outer fabric upon.

Pleated and fancy taffetas are in demand for waists and petticoats, and are further going into the new plaid silk kilted costumes that are among the fashions of the hour.

A growing fad is for running a bias seam across the coat from the collar bone under the reverse to the hem back of the knees. It is a marked seam, in the French fashion, with the welt on the outside.

Coat fabrics most popular are moire, velvet, seal plush and broadcloth, in the order named. Fur collars, shawl shaped, and extending to the waist, with fur cuffs, are on some of the most excellent creations.

No matter how full may be the skirts or draperies that are coming, they must fall limp and as straight as possible. Therefore the lines of the natural figure must be kept in as close confinement as for the past two or three seasons.

There are many novelties among the new foulards. One is so printed as to resemble jersey silk, and is shown in small figured effects. Another is a diagonal in appearance, while a third shows the peking stripe, overfigured in many designs.

To fit present fashions, the top of the petticoat must be perfectly fitted, with a little or no fullness at the back. It should fit closely to below the hips, and then gradually flare out to considerable fullness at the hem or bottom of its flounce.

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"Is Washington a good place to live in?"

"Capital."

"How did you find Chicago?"

"Didn't have to. It was there when I arrived."

"How were the mountains back of Denver?"

"Rocky."

"How did they treat you in New Orleans?"

"All the time."

"Well, I'm glad to see you're back."

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"How does what look?"

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