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**The Ladies' Column.****FASHIONABLE UNDERWEAR.**

Although this section of feminine apparel is not so subject to the sway of passive fashion, still there are some variations in the shape or style of trimming introduced every season.

Some fashionable night-dresses have wide turned down collars, edged with frills of fine longcloth, embroidered and edged with scalloping, worked in white or coloured ingrain cotton. The deep gauntlet-shaped cuffs and the double frill down the front are ornamented in the same way. A pretty shape fastens down one side instead of in the centre, and the fullness in the front is gathered at neck and waist with several rows of fine cords, while another style has a yoke made of alternate strips of open insertion and satin-stitch embroidery on the longcloth itself. Embroidery on the material is, indeed, replacing added trimmings in a great measure, and it is certainly very serviceable. For smarter night dresses, however, Valenciennes lace is lavishly used, through which rows of coloured "baby" ribbon are run and tied in many-looped bows at the throat and wrists. Pale pink and blue zephyr are used for undergarments, although to old-fashioned ideas nothing is so nice as white. This year, too, washing crepe in pale colours, and even printed art-muslin, will be worn during the hot weather! The ready-made slip-bodices of fine stockingette have almost entirely superseded those of calico, and very comfortable they are, either in wool, silk, or cotton, as they fit closely to the figure, and are yet perfectly elastic.

It was prophesied that white hose would be once more worn this summer, but it does not seem at all probable that the prediction will be fulfilled, for women have discovered of late years how much more becoming dark-coloured and black stockings are to the foot. Stockings with embroidered fronts of all kinds will be popular, and so will those having narrow perpendicular stripes in red, gold-colored, or heliotrope on black. Some rather startling check and tartan designs have been brought out, but they are not likely to become really fashionable. Silk and Lisle thread hose for evening wear have elaborate insertions of lace, real or imitation, on the instep and up the front of the leg.

Some of the new designs in pocket-handkerchiefs are very pretty notably those with pale heliotrope borders embroidered in white. Others have large indistinct checks in delicate colouring all over while a simple pattern has a wide hem-stitched border, with a very narrow stripe of colour just within the hem.

Shot silk petticoats are still worn, but there are some very pretty ones of striped alpaca edged with three narrow gathered

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flounces, which are less expensive and more useful. White petticoats are most elaborate, some of the smarter ones being trimmed with countless tiny flounces edged with lace; while others are cut up into tabs all round the hem, showing a fine kilting of lace. A thin make of the old-fashioned moreen has been brought out lately for useful skirts; it is particularly well suited for the purpose, and the slight silk-like rustle it makes is a great recommendation to some persons.

**TORONTO.**

Tripe is generally regarded as a "vulgar dish" in this country, though our European neighbours rightly esteemed it a luxury. Here however, is a novel mode of sending it to table, which may tend to popularise its consumption. A thin piece of dressed tripe is rolled up tightly; a tiny wooden skewer is thrust through the roll about a quarter of an inch from one end, and a "slice" half-an-inch is cut off, which, transfixed by the skewer, looks something like a catherine wheel. A dozen or two of these "wheels" are brushed over with yoke of egg, masked with savoury bread-crumbs, fried a golden-brown, and served up very hot, with a plentiful garnish of blanched parsley. A few drops of lemon juice are squeezed over each wheel; and it is considered the proper thing to eat them by holding the projecting ends of the skewers in the fingers.

**BEEF BALLS.**—Chop cold corned beef evenly and quite fine; put into a saucepan a cup of drawn butter, having for its foundation some of the liquor in which the meat was boiled, flavored by stewing a little chopped onion in it, then straining it out before adding a great spoonful of butter rolled in one of browned flour; while hot stir in two beaten eggs, then the minced beef. Season with pepper, only if the beef is well salted; stir all over the fire (there should be about two cupfuls of the chopped meat) until very hot; set away to get cold and stiff; make into round balls about an inch and a half in diameter; roll in beaten egg, then in pounded cracker, and fry in boiling fat. Drain the dish.

Nothing vexes a woman who goes out shopping more than to find what she wants at the first place she calls at.

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