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HOME CHAT

PERSONALITY AND PERFUME.

I believe there was a time when my lord, the man, used to perfume himself with sweet scents and pleasant flower odors, with the idea of rendering himself agreeable to the society in which he presented himself. And there are still men, I am told, who indulge in perfumed baths and sprinkle their locks with the essences gathered from flowers and fragrant herbs. But for the most part the men of our race limit themselves to toilet waters, aromatic rather than sweet, and if they do scent themselves they do so sparingly, leaving the profuse use of perfumes and sachets to the feminine half of the world. And the feminine half of the world has come to look upon perfume as an essential part of a woman's personality and charm. Therefore she is a woman and a woman of good taste who is fastidious and exclusive in the matter of perfume. She does well who delicately chooses the scent of some particular flower for her own—the violet, the white rose, the heliotrope, the lilac or carnation, or some delicious blend of flower odors, a bouquet cunningly blended by an expert, so that one is not sure which of the flowers of the garden or field heralds her approach, or her very presence. A perfume should be subtle, elusive, discreet, never conspicuous, never thrusting itself upon the olfactory nerves of others, but withholding itself, as it did in its flower, exhaling its sweetness only at close range, at unexpected moments stealing upon the senses, and then refreshingly, deliciously suggestive of all loveliness. Liquid perfume, distilled from the flowers, must ever be more grateful to the senses than the odor of sachets. The dried and powdered leaves used for sachets are apt to have

for their base strong smelling substances or flowers such as musk, lavender, patchouli. To many these strong heavy odors are not only unpleasant, they are distressing, and cause nausea and faintness. Only robust sense of smell can endure these powerful scents. Oris root as the basis of sachet powder is much milder and more refined, and when from Florence or Leghorn is usually pure. Its odor suggests violet, always a dainty and delicious perfume. But perfumes are costly items in one's expenditure, for they must be of the best. Better one drop of the best or no drop at all than a bottle of cheap common scent.



A Useful Case

A suggestion that has proved a great success is a week-end case. This is made of heavy linen, or fine pique (two materials that wash well), or a very dainty crotonne, and is cut about seven inches wide and about 14½ inches long, five inches being allowed for the flap that folds over like an envelope. The case is lined with white rubber and is then bound with white linen tape or wash ribbon. A pretty pattern in cross-stitch can be worked across the edge of the flap, or a monogram makes a most appropriate decoration. The flap is fastened by a loop and button, and the case is small and compact enough to fit either into a handbag or a dress suit case, and is kept especially handy for rainy day purposes. It may be made more dainty by embellishing it with ribbons of a dainty color, with bows at the corners. When it is soiled, the ribbon can be removed and the case can be scrubbed and made to look like new again.

The articles for filling such a case can be bought in miniature size at a very moderate cost. They include a hand towel, a wash rag, a cake of toilet soap, a small tube of toothpaste, and a toothbrush. Sometimes such a case is made with two pockets, the one for the towel and wash cloth and the other being divided into two or three compartments for the soap, toothbrush and tooth paste.

The Birthday Calendar

FEBRUARY 5.
IF THIS IS YOUR BIRTHDAY

You will travel with benefit to yourself, and other activities will result. Be careful of your conduct toward a friend of the opposite sex. Those born today will have strong characters and will be fond of political affairs and scientific arguments. They will be happy with congenial people and will accomplish much, but if associated with narrow minds they may degenerate into mere quarrellers.

VEAL STUFFING.

In making stuffing for a loin of veal have it very moist, for the meat itself has little moisture.

SMOKED CIGARETTES.

Wash smoked cigarettes with a cloth wrung out of water in which a small piece of washing soda has been dissolved.

PERSONALS

Subscribers are invited to write their items of personal news on this slip and hand it in to The Advertiser office.

PURE FOOD BABY IN SUFFRAGE MARCH.



HARVEY W. WILEY, JUN., son of the famous pure food expert, is to be a prominent feature of the great equal suffrage parade in Washington on March 3, if he doesn't have the croup or stomachache. Mrs. Wiley is an ardent suffragist, and is bringing up her son with the same views.

"MADE-TO-ORDER" CORSET BEST —MAY COST MORE, BUT LASTS LONGER—THE BRASSIERE

Corsets have undergone an entire transformation, not only in shape, but in materials, in the last few years. No longer does a woman have to buy one of a few styles and try to fit her figure to the corset. She now may choose from as many styles as if she were selecting a dress, and in particular type of figure she can, by a little looking about, find exactly what she needs, even to details that will correct faults of proportion.

Whether a corset is long above the waist or not depends very much on the figure. If the top edge cuts into the flesh, it is a sign that it is not the right corset for the wearer, and sometimes with it. On the other hand, every corset is long below the waist, some so long as to be skitlike. Of course, the inset supports of whalebone or other sustaining fabrication, do not descend much below the hips, but they are not needed below, the material holding the surplus flesh firmly in place.

The brassiere. The brassiere is made to match the

corsets or of eyelet-worked linen, and have seams stayed by tubular bias bands into which little supports may be inserted, and which are removable for laundering. Those to wear with a low-necked gown are on quite different lines from those for daytime wear, in some cases being attached to the corset top, and not over the shoulders and lacer.

It goes without saying that these corsets cost more than the ordinary ready-made kind, but, fitting the figure, they last much longer, and, therefore, are not more expensive in the end. The expense is more in the time taken to find the right corset for the figure, as a number of shops must be visited in order to make comparisons.

Feminine Frills

Clumps of berries, in gold, silver, velvet or satin, are fashionable for millinery. Maidenhair fern is used with most of the corsage bouquets that are so fashionable now.

The very latest Parisian touch is achieved by a combination of tulle, round wooden buttons trim separate skirts of Scotch mixtures. Accordion plaited waists are fashionable.

CREAKING DOORS.

Rub the sides and edges of creaking doors and drawers with hard soap. It is better and cleaner than grease.

"YELLOW SPRING AND WHITE SUMMER"

Writes Miss Mortimer From Paris.

[By Maybelle Mortimer.]

Paris, Feb. 5.—The new spring styles will usher in a number of seemingly original ideas. For instance, you in Canada, will surely see a number of odd loopings of the narrow skirts which form draperies only on one side of the gown.

I saw the other day a frock that consisted of an underskirt, half a pinner and half an overskirt, and over all this a whole Russian blouse. This came from the house of Marit & Armand, and was made of pink tulle. Pink, however, except in the deeper coral and American Beauty shades, will not be used quite as much for frocks as in seasons past. Yellow seems to have taken a new lease of life. You see it in every kind of fabric, and very springlike it is in appearance when combined with green in yellowish olive shades.

All shades of yellow will be worn, from the faint tint of cream to the yellow brown of the underside of the autumn leaf. Many of the new all-over designs are in yellow brown or cream yellow.

One of the new shades, which will be much in evidence this spring, is the yellowish green one seen in the pussy-willow, when it first puts out its catkins. This shade, however, is very trying and should only be worn by the woman with the irreproachable complexion and dark eyes.

Brown Coming Back.

Brown will be worn more this spring than in many seasons, and it will almost always be combined with some shade of yellow. There is also a new shade of blue, which will be very popular, a little pinker than the blue that was worn so extensively a few years ago. Taupe has run its course during the winter. This color has not enough life in it to be chosen for spring costumes when all nature is waking up to joy and love.

Green also will be relegated to the background, which is a pity, as green seems to breathe the very fragrance of spring.

It looks now as though we are going to have a white summer, the shops are full of exquisite lingerie costumes of hand embroidery and real lace.

The woman who thought she had seen the acme of luxury in last year's filmy frocks will gasp when she realizes the time and money expended on those things which are being made for this season's wearing.

Cotton Crepes Popular. Chinese crepe is beginning to make a strong impression upon the woman

who likes the individual fabrics, and I have even seen a number of gowns made of the very noticeable blue and white Chinese cotton crepe, that we use in room decoration. There are also a great many all-over designs in cotton, some of them looking like the

old-fashioned chintz which we saw in grandmother's bedroom. Rough weaves will predominate for silks, reflecting the popularity of green and ratine that have been so fashionable this winter. Cotton ratines and eponges will be used almost to the elimination of linen for heavy-tailored tub gowns. Cotton crepe, however, will be the popular novelty for wash gowns this summer. Some of these crepes are made of a heavy, finely twilled thread that gives a very decided character to the cloth and increases its coat-clinging effect.

Everything must, cling, even one's tub dresses. Starch has gone completely out of style, and women who are planning their summer wardrobe will do well to include at least one of these clinging voile or crepe dresses for dressy occasions.

A great variety of belts are being used. It is only a few years ago that we were all wearing one-piece dresses and to such an extent did this style prevail that there were a number of failures among the belt manufacturers. However, you seldom see a gown from the best designers, nowadays, without some kind of a belt.

Flat collars turning away from the neck with frills and jabots will be worn, as well as the collarless and Dutch necks. No one but a woman with a long, ugly neck will wear a high collar this summer.

FOLLOW FRENCH STYLES.

The number of hats imported into this country from France, as compared with the quantity manufactured here, is almost infinitesimal. The French hats are used only for copying and for ideas, and as long as Paris continues to hold her position as the fountainhead of style for the whole world in the matter of women's wear, apparel, so long will the steamship list be filled at the beginning of each season with the names of buyers bound for that centre of fashion, for which there has not been found any rival.—The Millinery Trade Review.

BIRTH STONES.

January—The Garnet.
February—The Amethyst.
March—Bloodstone.
April—Diamond.
May—Emerald.
June—Pearl and moonstone.
July—Ruby.
August—Sardonyx.
September—Sapphire.
October—Opal and turmaline.
November—Topaz.
December—Turquoise.

The "Winter Goods Clearance" Of Our Removal Sale Ends Saturday

THE FIRST section of our Removal Sale, i.e., the clearance of all winter goods, will end Saturday. The last few days of this big sale will see many exceptional money-saving values for you.

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Problems of the Fair Sex Solved by Cynthia Grey

[Correspondents are requested to make their inquiries as brief as possible, and to write on one side of the paper only. It is impossible to give replies within a stated time, as all letters have to be answered in turn as they are received. No letters can be answered privately.]

A Peculiar Correspondence.

Dear Miss Grey: Will you kindly answer a few questions for me through your helpful column?

1. I have got a girl chum, who was corresponding with a gentleman friend who was living in another city. Some time ago he was coming to visit her, and as she had spoken to him of me he said he would bring a friend with him. I had never met his friend, but he sent me a card, introducing himself and asking me to answer, which I did. Something happened, and they did not make their intended visit, but this gentleman and I have kept up a correspondence ever since, and he has sent me his photo. Am I doing wrong in writing to him when I have never seen

him? He says he is coming to see me.

2. I have dark hair, blue eyes and very fair skin, but I haven't much color, although I am healthy. What will bring red to my cheeks?

3. What will keep the hands white? Hoping I am not bothering you too much, and thanking you in advance, I am, AN ORPHAN BRUNETTE.

A.—1. It does seem rather foolish to correspond with a person whom you have never met, but I presume the fact of his being "a friend of the friend of your friend" gives him a prestige, as it were, that he would not otherwise have. Perhaps it would be a wise thing for him to visit your home; the result would either be a confirming of your friendship or an awakening that would do both of you good.

2. Probably nature didn't intend you to have rosy cheeks, and if you are healthy and have a fair skin, be satisfied.

3. Careful drying before going out into the wind helps to keep the skin from "chapping." A little of this lotion rubbed in nightly is a material aid in softening the skin and keeping it white: Rosewater, 1 ounce; glycerine, 1 ounce; carbolic acid, 10 drops; juice of half a lemon. Rub in well after washing the hands, and then draw on a pair of loose cotton gloves.

Trimming a Dress.

Dear Miss Grey:—Could you suggest a nice way to make a white voile (cotton) dress for a 14-year-old girl?

I thought of trimming it with crocheted lace or insertion.

A.—Bands of hand-made insertion would indeed be very pretty and suitable trimming for your dress. You could use a wide band of the insertion to form a square neck finish, and also on the skirt just above the hem.

Holding a Social.

Dear Miss Grey:—I always read your correspondence column, and find it a great help to me. So if it will not be too much trouble, I would like to ask you a few questions.

1. We, the young girls and boys, are getting up a social every month. What could we have to amuse everyone besides the program? It will not be very long. We hold it in the basement of the church.

2. What would be nice, and not too much trouble, for lunch?

3. What could we have for a valentine social, besides lunch? What games or amusements

4. I am sixteen, and also the housekeeper for two. Am I too young to go out driving with fellows?

5. What do you think of my writing?

A.—1. 2 and 3—I gave some hints for a St. Valentine social in this column on Jan. 29, and I feel sure you could use some of the amusements mentioned therein for your social evening this month. I will ask you to look these up as it will save printing them again, and space is somewhat limited.

4—I presume you mean that you keep house for your father? In any case, I should advise you to seek his approval regarding the company you keep, and respect his wishes about the drives.

5—Your letters are rather carelessly formed, and it is not necessary to capitalize every second or third word, while as to punctuation, my dear, in your whole letter of queries I cannot find one interrogation mark!

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Good Figures

Bad figures are a disgrace, according to Hazel Bess Lauenour, of the University of California, the only woman who ever swam the Golden Gate at San Francisco, and the girl who has arranged to swim the English channel next year.

Her rules for women who yearn for a good figure are these:

"If you want to fill out your chest and be well, walk. Don't walk one day and lie in bed the next."

"Coffee kills curves."

"Eat only a few things and don't mix them. Eat the things you like and eat when you are hungry. Eat often and little."

"Don't eat rich pastry. Eat plain cake if you like."

"For breakfast drink the juice of a grapefruit with a lemon in it. Walk after you eat in the morning."

"Don't eat too many potatoes."

"Coarse meat is good for you; also lean meat and green vegetables."

"Baking does not make you thin."

"I have tried it, and I've seen too many fat chorus girls to believe it."

"The majority of society women want to do only the comfortable and easy things, and one can't get a perfect figure that way. Lounging and eating chocolates will ruin figures."

"It is easier to sit up straight than to cave in, the way so many women do."

"It is a disgrace to have a bad figure because it indicates laziness and selfishness. A little self-denial, a little conscientious exercise, and any woman may have a figure that is the envy of the hollow chested."

"A pretty face fades so much quicker than a pretty figure, and it is so much more of a care."

That lemon juice and a little salt will remove all stains from white ivory knife handles.