

Novel Hat and Costume.  
Vexing Problems Solved.  
A Church Money-Raiser.

# WHAT EVERY WOMAN WANTS TO KNOW

Read Cynthia Grey, Sure.  
Feminine News in Brief.  
Here and There at Home.

"Glorified Derby" Is This Paris Hat;  
Costume, Too, Is Novel.



This is one of the very latest ways of wearing the new velvet coats with cloth or satin skirts. The jacket is not very long, neither does it button together in front. There are two buttons, one on each side of the short velvet coat, and a cord fastens across.

The skirt is plain, rather long and very narrow, and the over drapery is caught up with a cord. The skirt comes up high under the bust and under it is worn a soft French embroidered blouse. The model of this gown is of light brown wool velvet with a black velvet jacket. By the way, all shades of brown will be very popular this season and will be more worn in Paris than taupe, which seems to have first call over here.

Please note the hat worn with this dress. It is a glorified derby, first worn by the men, and it is put on from the back of the head, leaving the forehead to show.

## DUTCH FAIR A MONEY-RAISER

A Dutch fair, or Kermis, properly falls about Christmas time. The women should be dressed in full black skirts, having under them as many petticoats as can possibly be worn. It is no uncommon thing for a Dutch peasant woman to wear as many as a dozen underskirts, for the wealthier she is the more she wears, until her dress stands out as if stretched over a hoop. A blue gingham apron hides the skirt all around except a few inches at the bottom. Some of the aprons are of checked material, one-third of the way down, the remainder being made of plain goods. A plain bodice, with light sleeves, half-way to the elbow, and the neck cut V shape, with a tight-necklace of many strings of coral or garnets belong with this costume. Add wooden shoes and a little tight cap of lace or lawn. The men wear trousers so loose that they hang like bags, and sometimes are caught in with a band at the bottom. Loose coats are put on over negligee shirts of blue or white, with turned-down collars. The inevitable wooden shoes are worn.

The Decorations. Make the decorations in blue and white, the colors of the Netherlands, with orange-yellow added for the reigning House of Orange. Around the sides of the room have shallow boxes of sand or sawdust in which artificial tulips—white and yellow, with green leaves—are planted. When the tulips have been made, dip them in hot, melted paraffine for a second and let them dry thoroughly in order to get the proper waxen effect. The green leaves need not be dipped and are put on afterward. If the surface of the petals gets cracked, hold them close to a light until the heat causes the paraffine to soften and cover the break. On the last night of the fête these tulips are sold, one by one, the purchaser finding a little souvenir tied to the roots of each.

Appropriate articles for sale at a Dutch Kermis are wooden kitchen utensils—spoons, bowls, etc.—and wooden shoes. Another booth may contain imitation blue and white Delft china. At the chocolate booth sell plain chocolate for eating and serve cups of hot chocolate, with little dry cookies cut in the shape of birds and animals which are known as koozjes. A marshmallow makes a very good substitute for whipped cream on the cup of chocolate.

At the cake booth poffertjes and waffles are made. The former are very like our buckwheat cakes, but very light and thin and about three inches in diameter. The waffles are made like ours, but thin and dry. Both these cakes should be served when very hot, buttered and sprinkled with sugar.

Hopjes, a very hard chocolate caramel, is a favorite Dutch candy and should be sold from a separate table.

## The Birthday Calendar



IF THIS IS YOUR BIRTHDAY

You are fortunate, and pleasant days with friends and general prosperity are in store for you. Cupid will influence you strongly. Those born today will be fortunate in many ways. They will gain by inheritance, and influential friends will help them forward. Added to this, a restless ambition will carry many of them to the crest of success.

## Social Problems Simply Solved

Don't, when you drink, elevate your glass as if you were going to stand it, inverted, on your nose. Look into your cup or glass when drinking.

When seating yourself at the table unfold your table napkin and lay it across your lap in such a manner that it will not slide off onto the floor. A gentleman should place it across his right knee. Do not tuck it into your neck like a child's bib.

Celery, cress, olives, radishes and relishes of that kind are eaten with the fingers. The salt to be eaten with them should be placed on the plate if there is not an individual salt dish—not on the cloth.

A family dinner, even with a few friends, can be made quite attractive and satisfactory without very much ex-

tra effort. It may consist, first, of good soup, then fish garnished with suitable additions, followed by a roast; then vegetables and some made dishes, a salad, crackers, cheese and olives, then dessert. If this meal is well cooked and nicely served it is pleasing to almost any one.

Drink sparingly and gently during the actual progress of the meal. Never drink with any food in the mouth.

The knife should be grasped freely by the handle only, the forefinger being the only one to touch the blade, and that only along the back of the blade at its root.

## 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.]

I have received two interesting letters this week, one from a young man setting forth his ideal of what a woman should be, the other a protest against some of the letters recently submitted on this same subject, and published in this column. I forbear making any remarks in regard to either.

### A Suffragette's Protest.

Dear Miss Grey. In commencement let me thank you briefly and sincerely for the time and effort you expend in making your corner of The London Advertiser most interesting and helpful.

When reading the letters of a few of the young men of this city I noticed that almost invariably the young man says he wants the girl who will not allow him to spend too much money on her. If the average "Five-Dollar-a-Week" bank clerk did not carry with him the air of "Big Man" and would be satisfied with spending on a girl what he could afford, the girls would not be timid about refusing to let him do too much. Young men of today consider themselves deeply affronted if told they cannot afford this or that and soon find another girl, who will not be so outspoken. Is it the young lady who asks her gentleman friend to take her to two plays in the same week? No. "Big Man" with his five dollars a week, asks, yes, persuades her to go, even when he knows that some good fellow would lend him the price to procure the best seats in the house. Is it the quiet, unobtrusive little girl that the twentieth century young man likes to take about? We will admit that in the long run he comes to her for a wife, but in the meantime he spends his last cent to gratify the whim of some girl who thinks him a "good sport."

In closing, I ask the young men, before denouncing their lady friends, to look fairly at both sides of the question, and carefully consider who is greatly to blame for their being "dead broke." SUFFRAGETTE.

### Must Be Helpful.

Dear Miss Grey—Some have asked what kind of a girl a fellow likes, and I think most girls would like to know. I will now give a glimpse of my ideal to all who read this:

First, she must be a jolly, good-natured girl, who thinks of other people than herself. She must not take two hours fixing up, trying to please the fellows, and look nice when she would please them more if she would fix up in one hour, and help her mother the other. I like a girl with pretty blue eyes and nice hair (her own hair, of course), and done up without rats; she can't sit like that, but do not leave short ends hanging around the face and neck. Next, I like rosy cheeks, but not painted, and very little powder, if you please. She also must have a neat-fitting dress, but not too tight; she can wear a hobble skirt if she wishes, but must not leave any hooks unfastened. And do not try to wear shoes a size smaller than your feet; it will make you look cranky, and at least, do not think you will spoil your hands by working in the garden or learning to cook or sew. What good is a girl if she cannot get a meal for a fellow? CLOSER.

### Parent Is Wiser.

A—G. G., your letter is too long to print. No doubt your parents are endeavoring to do what they think is the best for you. They know all the circumstances. I know a very few, and then only as you, a sister and a sympathizer, without experience of the world, see them. As a rule the parent is wiser than the child. As a rule the parent acts with the greatest kindness toward the child looking ahead for her or him, over the road he has already traveled, and stumbled upon. Try to persuade your sister to listen quietly and kindly to her father and mother. If the young man really cares for her he will certainly do his utmost to make a man of himself, to earn a living sufficiently large to keep himself and a wife.

### She Is a Nurse.

Dear Miss Grey—I am under stress of a great deal of mental anguish and want your sincere advice. I am a good-looking, neat, dark-haired surgical nurse in a small sanatorium.

For several years I have been adored and sought after by a lovely young man who has a good position, and who treats me as though I were the only one he ever did or will ever love. His name is Elka Ferra N. Tamboraski, he has given all her money and beautiful home to the Red Cross Society, and has been at the front doing excellent work leading the hospital corps.

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## LADIES' LONG-LENGTH COATS

Of Extra Good Quality English Beaver Cloth, in Black Only. Semi-Fitting Style, Self and Velvet Collars. A Good, Stylish, Warm Winter Coat. Sizes 38 to 44 Only. Worth \$12.00 to \$15.00, for

# \$8.50

## Tweed Suitings, Going at Cost Prices Saturday

\$1.00 AND \$1.25 SUITINGS FOR 79¢ YARD.

Tweeds, chevots, worsteds, diagonals and zibelines, all new materials this season. All choice goods but the stock is heavy and we must clear them out. The colors are navy, brown, red, grays and green, 54 and 56 inches wide. The regular prices of these goods are \$1.00 and \$1.25. Clearing sale price, yard, . . . . . 79¢

## Fancy Huck Towelling

22-inch width, yard, . . . 35¢ and 50¢  
24-inch width, yard, . . . 40¢ and 50¢  
15-inch, guest towel width, at yard, . . . . . 25¢ and 30¢

## Fancy Huck Towels

HEMSTITCHED—A big assortment of patterns to choose from. Make good Christmas gifts. Prices, each, . . . 35¢, 40¢, 50¢ and 75¢

## White Vestings

New assortment just arrived of very good designs in white vestings. Prices, yard, . . . 15¢, 20¢ and 25¢

## Kimono Cloths

A kimono or dressing sack makes a very fine present for a girl or a woman. We have still a splendid assortment of patterns and colorings, at yard, 15¢, 18¢, 20¢, 25¢, 30¢

## Millinery

Millinery prices are now at their lowest ebb. Our prices are exceptionally low, as next season we expect to be in our new building and will carry nothing over. Untrimmed Hats of all kinds. You will find remarkable values.

OUR DRESS HATS in the very best styles and trimmed according to fashion's latest dictates are clearing at half prices and less.

READY-TO-WEAR HATS — One table of Ready-to-Wear Hats. All new styles and pretty shapes. Special price . . . . . \$1.50

FELT SHAPES—The final clearance of our Felt Shapes, in white, black and a good range of colors, all 79¢

## Misses' Winter Coats, \$7.50

15 only Misses' Winter Coats of fancy reversible tweeds, with collars and cuffs of reverse side. Belted backs and close-fitting collars; sizes 14, 16 and 18. Colors are tan, brown and grays. Worth \$12.50, for \$7.50

## Black Suits, Large Size, \$9

7 only Ladies' Black Cheviot Suits, coat lined with silk twill, semi-fitting and 32 inches long. Tailored skirts with panel backs and high waist-line. These are splendidly tailored and the latest of this season's styles. Sizes are 40 and 42 only. Regular \$18.00, for . . . . . \$9.00

## Ladies' Suits, \$5.00

8 ONLY (5 black and 3 gray) LADIES' SUITS of good quality vicuna cloth, coat semi-fitting and lined with mercerized twill, plain tailored with inverted pleat back. Splendid winter Suits for stout people. Sizes 40, 42 and 44. Only 8 in the lot. Saturday at . . . . . \$5.00

## Children's Coats

Another lot of Warm Winter Coats for children at almost half price. These are made of blanket cloth and heavy quality chevots. Some are lined with red flannel. All are prettily tailored and trimmed. Colors are navy, brown and saxe blue. Sizes 6, 8 and 10 years. Special Saturday at . . . . . \$4.00

## Corset Covers, 25c

(In Whitewear Dept., Second Floor.) 12 dozen Corset Covers of extra good quality English cambric cloth. Very prettily trimmed with lace and lace insertion and baby ribbons. Saturday price, each . . . . . 25¢

## Christmas Linen

Even this store, now noted for its Linen Department, has never had such a large range of good gift suggestions as you will find in our Linen Section at present. Doilies, Centre-Pieces, Table Cloths, Fancy Towels and Fancy Linens of all kinds in a big range of values.

STAMPED TOWELS—This is the last lot we will be able to get of these Stamped Towels.

Very large size, 25x44 inches, in four designs, very fine huck linen, at each . . . . . 50¢  
Medium size, 18x36, six designs, at each . . . . . 30¢

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150 DUNDAS STREET.

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LADIES' READY-TO-WEAR  
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## TIT-BITS

A rich Serbian lady named Mme. Elka Ferra N. Tamboraski, has received the name of the "Florence Nightingale of the Balkans" because she has given all her money and beautiful home to the Red Cross Society, and has been at the front doing excellent work leading the hospital corps.

Detroit women, led by members of the Housewives' League, are running a co-operative system dairy, their object being to fight the milk trust.

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hind the stage-obscuring aigrettes will bless this new rule.

Some of the new evening slippers are pinched in at the inside corners of the heels, the idea being to prevent catching on the skirts.

A short fingernail crusade has been started in France as an outcome of investigations made by two noted medical authorities of Paris. Many fear-some germs were found beneath the nails of general servants, grocers' assistants, and others who handle food.

There are 618,600 dressmakers in Great Britain, and, in fact, more women workers in proportion to its population than any other country.

A school teacher in South Norwalk, Conn., has donated the low white pumps and white silk stockings which she promised a man friend to wear all winter if Wilson got in for president.

TITLED BRIDE A DIANA.

## London's Best Drug Stores

Not the biggest—oh, no!—but the best. Best for you because of the high quality of the goods we handle, and of the service we give you—because of our careful work and prompt delivery.

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THE PROGRESSIVE DRUGGISTS.

left London for Africa with her husband in quest of big game. The marchioness was Lady Eileen Butler and married the heir to the dukedom of Sutherland early this year. This will be her first experience of big game shooting, but she is known already as a huntress. The Staffords' party is en route for Mombassa, and later on will go to Nairobi.

TO WASH MUSLIN CURTAINS. To wash muslin curtains so that they will have a sheer look, boil two quarts of wheat bran in six quarts of water for half an hour and strain and mix in the water in which the curtains are to be washed. Unless the curtains are very soiled, use no soap, for this infusion or starch either, for it both cleanses and stiffens, pinse lightly in clear cold water.