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Review of Fashion

Sealskin, sable, marten, lynx, chinchilla, ermine, beaver, Persian lamb and blue lynx will be the fashionable furs this season.

Fine fur garments range in size from the tiniest little boleros to stunning Marchal Nest ulsters, which actually trail the floor! The former are jaunty garments for the promenade on mild days, while the latter are most luxurious carriage wear.

Then there are the more useful coats, which are to be the "sellers." The lengths are three-quarters or short.

Tucked fur is the very latest and smartest fad in fur fashion, and you can find the woman whose waist is a large and tender point for her give a despairing sigh for a luxury in which she is indulging. The furriers have reached that pinnacle in the fashioning of garments where the smooth and fluffy skins are moulded to the figure exactly as velvet and cloth are used by the best modistes.

There was a time when a fur coat was worn wholly for its warmth. The skins were sewed together with very little regard to symmetry and gracefulness of outline, and the result was a clumsy, ungainly garment. But the Marchal jacket is exactly the sort of tailory coat we have all longed for. The front is laid in long tucks, sloping toward the centre of the waist, with a blouse effect.

Furriers make a distinction between the different skins of Persian lamb, according to the age of the animal, and incidentally there is a marked difference in the price. Mature Persian lamb is the skin of the baby lamb, and when the lamb has grown beyond babyhood and its fur has assumed a decided curl it is then known as Persian lamb plain and simple. Broadtail is so styled because the lamb has really a broadened tail.

The tall girl will find great delight in long and graceful lines of the new pelermine and scarfs.

The muffs of shorter fur are lined with the same for two very good reasons—because they are warmer and do not soil so readily as linings of satin or silk.

Furs of some kind are one of the necessary elements of an elegant outfit in winter, and they keep pace with all the other things of fashion, so far as the changes in modes are concerned. The one feature of fashion in furs which is at all lasting in these days is the fur itself, which remains in favor for many years. You are obliged to change the form of it from year to year, but you can at least derive some satisfaction from the fact that the animal itself has not gone out of fashion.

Broadtail is made up in a variety of styles, of course, but one of the pretty novelties is a short bolero coat, which fits the figure rather closely and curves up in the back to show one of the wide Empire belts of panne velvet in either white or black. Gold braid and Oriental metal brooches are held used in the finish. In fact the fur is treated exactly as if it were cloth.

The hat novelty of the season is a three-cornered shape, resembling the old continental, called L'Aiglon, an exact reproduction of the one worn by Bernhardt in her play of that name. As it is necessarily a boy's shape, it is only becoming to young and plump faces but for those seeking new things this is the latest. The old standards, for the more conservative for utility wear, felt trimmed in velvet or taffeta, are still on hand.

Panne velvet is by far the most used material of the fall, and is to be had in innumerable handsome shades and effects. Peacock breasts are prominent among the latest trimming novelties, as are also pompons of coque feathers and pompons of chenille in white.

new hosiery for the very best wear has a gold gleam about it. The very latest black silk stockings have the latest scattered with butterflies and bow knots and certain pastel tints are the only tones to be avoided, for the well dressed woman prefers something at once warmer than the pastel tints and more original than blue or pink.

Out of respect to these sentiments, the makers of beautiful clothes have evolved a sort of schedule of color arrangements for collars, and with a brown gown a green neck band is considered the most tasteful combination with a blue gown the dominant tone near the face should be Burgundy red, and with a red gown black and white and a touch of gold is the preference. Just what form the neck band should take is not far or difficult to discover, for a broad, straight band is universally preferred to any of the eccentric shaped collars, within which devoted womanhood suffered and was silent. But, after all, the true charm of a neck band depends on its decoration, and none but a pessimist could fall to approve of at least five out of the seven charming designs for collars given here.

One department of fashion in which we can have absolute confidence for one entire season is that devoted to children's dress. The modes in general are certain to remain in style until the garments have to be replaced by new ones, and there is a satisfaction in that fact which every woman can appreciate in these days of rapid changes.

For boys' clothes there seems to be very little that is new. There are the same sailor suits, the Russian blouses with the hose trousers band in below the knee and the short Eton coats for older boys. Gold buttons



Chapeau of stitched felt edged with velvet. The crown is encircled by long ostrich plumes which are arranged on one side, from a fancy buckle placed directly in front.

Chenille is an important item in millinery this season and millinery was never more beautiful. A hat greatly admired at a recent gathering was rather flat made of black chenille and ermine, having the full crown trimmed with folds of velvet in a delicate carnation tone. Choux of the same velvet arranged on one side where the brim turned up fastened with large paste buckles, while a long black ostrich plume, starting from the largest buckle to one side of the front, curled gracefully over the crown. The brim was faced with cream gauze lace.

The new hats are all rather large, the toques quite full and important looking. A handsome toque in a rich saffron red velvet had a crown resembling the best-eater style, which was caught up toward the front with a jet bow and black quills. A pretty toque in pale gray beaver velvet had a full round gathered brim veiled with soft cream lace, and this was caught up on the left side with a twist of dark blue velvet held by a steel buckle, a curled quill bending over the crown. Quite a pretty hat in brown felt was ornamented simply in bows of soft glass silk in brown and in heliotrope in three tones each.

The gold craze is also the fad in millinery this year. There are black velvet hats with the brim of cloth of gold veiled with lace and there are sailor shapes with both crown and brim of gold, while the most fetching of toques are made of gold lace threads. And of course as the year's fashions do not stop here. Even the

small gowns, but it is made of velvet in the plain round cut or finished with plaited frill and worn over a blouse waist of thin, white silk sometimes embellished with fine tucks and hemstitching. The accompanying skirt has bands of the cloth and metal buttons in graduated sizes. Quantity of material required, 50 inches wide, 7 yards.

Parian costume in pebble cloth of the above model is of heavy lace over white satin. Velvet is applied together with bands of the cloth and metal buttons in graduated sizes. Quantity of material required, 50 inches wide, 7 yards.

The woman who has had dresses ruined by the beautiful blossoms resting against her corsage will welcome the cuff bouquet novelty. It is hard for the uninitiated to believe that the effect would be so entirely satisfactory and charming but such is the case, nevertheless.

The arrangement is very simple, the flowers being attached upon a cuff fashioned of stiffening and covered with large white ribbon to match the flowers used. A large bow of ribbon is caught in the midst of the trailing mass of blossoms. It is to be worn on the left hand and increases the artistic effect of a gown, however beautiful. A stray look from an ungracious coffeee may be arranged by the flower decked arm without inconvenience.

Excluding warships, there were 499 vessels of the Royal Navy under construction in the United Kingdom at the close of the quarter ended June 30th last.

A mournful procession, comprising a baby, a butler, a nurse, two servant maids and four children attended a funeral at the Dog's cemetery, in Hyde Park, the other week.

The post of town clerk of London is vacant. Mr. Stewart, the holder, has been tempted by the offer of the management of the Alloppe's business at a salary of £25,000 a year, against the £2,000 given by the London City Council.

Stockport boasts the largest Sunday school in the world, nearly 5,000 children being on the roll of the institution. The recent annual procession was a gigantic affair, old scholars travelling long distances to join in the walk.

Notwithstanding the great enlargement of the city of Liverpool in 1900, when out-districts all round the city were added to the municipality bringing the population up to the estimated total of 700,000, a movement is on foot for further extension.

At Ipswich a few days ago, a timberyard foreman found in a timber stack near the dock a signal shell, otherwise a rocket, and without examination placed it beside a workman named Arthur Branch, who made an effort to examine the interior of the rocket, and was immediately killed, while two other men were so badly injured that they are not expected to recover.

The Home

SOME GOOD RECIPES.

Cream of Celery.—Take one pound of celery, cut into small pieces, top and all, and boil in salt water till tender. Boil one and a half pints of milk, to which has been added one teaspoonful and a half of cornstarch or flour if preferred, to make a cream. Add one teaspoonful of butter. Drain the celery and stir into the cream and serve.

Baked Trout.—Cover the bottom of a small oval paper form, with a few very thin slices of fat bacon, out down the back some nicely-washed small trout, and having removed the bones, lay the fish open flat upon the bacon; sprinkle with chopped parsley, pepper, salt, a little mace, and two cloves finely pounded. Bake 30 minutes in a quick oven.

Veal Cutlets.—Melt a piece of butter in the frying pan; put in the cutlets with salt, pepper and some onion; move them about in the butter for five minutes; have ready some mixed herbs and mushrooms chopped finely; sprinkle half over one side of the cutlets, and when fried enough turn and sprinkle them with the other half; finish frying and add the juice of a lemon; set them round the dish with the seasoning in the center.

Roast Potatoes.—Pick, draw and truss them, keeping on the feet. Chop the liver with some parsley, and crumbs of bread, pepper salt and a little butter; put this stuffing inside. Split one of the legs, and slip the cutlets through it, skewer and roast them half an hour; baste them well with butter. Serve with brown gravy in a boat and bread sauce.

Creamed Sweet Potatoes.—Select one dozen large, smooth sweet potatoes; bake until just done; cut a hole in each large enough to admit the handle of a teaspoon; through this aperture remove the inside, whip with fork, add a little butter, salt, and very little pepper; return to skin, put back in oven long enough to heat through. Serve.

Mince Pie.—Take equal weights of tender roast beef, suet, currants, raisins and apples which have been previously pared and cored, with half their weight of soft sugar, one ounce of powdered cinnamon, an equal quantity of candied orange and lemon peel, and citron, a little salt, and 12 sour almonds blanched and grated. Chop the meat and add the flour gradually, then the wine, brandy, and spice; add the fruit just before it is put in the pans. It takes over two hours if the loaves are thick.

Orange Ice Cream.—One quart cream three quarters of a pound of sugar, juice of five oranges, rind of one orange. Put half of cream in double boiler; add sugar and stir till dissolved; add remainder of cream, and when cool add juice and rind of oranges. Turn into freezer and freeze.

Fruit Cake.—One pound of flour, one of sugar, three quarters of butter, two of raisins, two of currants, one of citron, a half an ounce of mace and a wine glass of brandy, one of wine, eight eggs, stir the sugar and butter to a cream, add the flour gradually, then the wine, brandy, and spice; add the fruit just before it is put in the pans. It takes over two hours if the loaves are thick.

ECONOMY IN EGGS.
At this season of the year, when eggs are scarce, it is well to remember that exactly the same result can be obtained by dividing eggs and despoiling the yolk only in omelettes and desserts, and salad dressings demanding a thickening of eggs. The whites of the eggs are then left for sweet cakes, meringues and other dishes where the white of the egg is the essential part thereof.

It should be remembered that the yolk of the egg gives rich, delicate consistency, to a baked or boiled omelette, and one made with it alone is not so liable to curdle as one made with the white also. Pumpkin pie, like omelette and lemon pie, are just as nice without the whites of the egg. In the case of omelette and lemon pie the whites should be used for a meringue.

In hot breakfast, cakes or muffins, eggs are an element that often toughens the bread without adding any desirable quality. Do not use more than two eggs, as a rule, to a pint of milk in wheat cakes. One is generally enough. The quantity of eggs to be used in corn-meal cake, varies with the taste, as this meal is so granular there is no danger of making a tough cake from it. A sweet cake made of the whites of eggs can be as easily rendered tough and unfit for food by too liberal use of eggs as a cake can be made heavy and greasy by too liberal use of butter. Where eggs are used in a cake like sponge cake, which has no butter in it to render it tender, the juice of a lemon should be added. The yolks of eggs do not make a nice icing, imparting an egg taste very disagreeable to most people. The whites of eggs should alone be used.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.
If you want your windows to be clear and bright add a little ammonia to the water and wash thoroughly. Use no soap as it leaves the glass of a milky color. You cannot obtain satisfactory results by wiping them off with a wash cloth. They must be washed with plenty of water, dried with clean cotton cloths and polished with olive or soft paper.

An excellent material for a clothes-line is the ordinary telegraph wire which is now sold for that purpose in hardware stores. It will outlast a

dozen hempen lines. When it is properly put up by a strong man, it does not sag like the other lines, it does not break, and it is not unightly because it is so fine that it is hardly noticeable against the wall.

Try thin slices of pork on the breast of fowl when it is roasting. It is not necessary to baste fowl or poultry when this is done.

Sliced beets make a lovely pink coloring matter for any article of food and a bit of saffron will produce a pretty yellow that is harmless. Spinach leaves make a good green, and the yolks of eggs a gold tint. Vegetables if put in cold water half an hour before using will be freshened up wonderfully.

Do not work at cake as soon as it is taken from the oven. If it is slightly fastened to the pan allow it to stand five minutes then turn it on a sieve, allowing the air to circulate around it. If you use any of the patent pans, however, allow the cake to remain in the pans till quite cold. These pans are, of course, ungreased.

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IN MERRY OLD ENGLAND.

INTERESTING NEWS OF JOHN BULL AND HIS PEOPLE

Record of Occurrences in the Land That Belongs to the Commercial World.
Bristol has been given £70,000 for a free library and museum.
Manchester is organizing an improvement scheme to root out stoma. Manchester is paying 5s. per ton more for gas coal this year, or £100,000.

Proposal to tax cyclists are growing in favour with the English railway councils.
Col. Balfour has temporarily withdrawn his resignation of the command of the London Scottish Rifles.
Sir James Chalmers has initiated a contribution of £20,000 to the endowment fund of Birmingham University.

The Duke of York has been appointed colonel-in-chief of the Royal Fusiliers, City of London Regiment.
A new theatre in London is to be opened at noon and kept going till midnight—a sort of animated picture gallery.
If Orders have been received at Portsmouth dockyard to prepare four 40-ft. steam pinasses for service in Chinese waters.

Although one of the richest men in the army, Lord Kensington looked almost like an ordinary "Tommy" whilst on active service.
Over £200,000 is to be spent on a new dock at Chatham, which, when finished, will be the largest on the banks of the Medway.
Sir John Bridge, of Inverness Terrace, Surrey, late Chief Magistrate of the London Police Courts, has left an estate valued at £66,381.

The late Isaac Gordon, of money lending notoriety, has left £24,000 in cash, £70,000 in bonds, and about £500,000 in outstanding debts.
A wonderful talking machine has been constructed, and is said in a trial at Brighton to have made itself heard at a distance of ten miles.
Lord Salisbury's son, who played so gallant a part in the defence of Mafeking, is to receive a special decoration at the hands of the War Office.

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