## SKIN TIGHT SKIRTS.

THEY ARE SAID TO BE BAD STYLE



they do not pass out of date. But

the wheat-colored taffeta are finished lace is not possible. with Irish point lace. And the same desirable lace, made up with white The hats are more becoming than Liberty chicon, is draped in fichu ef- usual-perhaps because they are smallfect at the corsage. Pastel pink tai- er-and there is less striving after a feta, done with four clusters of tucks picturesque effect. A great many hats in front, and a vest of the taffets are still worn down over the face, and finely tucked is another lovely blouse others, which stand off the face, are to slip on with pink skirts or white made conspicuous by high, nodding ones, either, as you fancy. Nothing is plumes; but there are also small hats smarter than the necktie which of tulle and net that evidently are inmatches the walst, whether silk or tended to be becoming, for they have linen. Beach tulle hats are favored something to do with the lines of the with separate waists.

Spring is a hard season for women coming angle. who take pride in being well gowned, for the planning of the summer wardrobe is tedious and difficult. This year it is harder than ever, if economy has to enter into the family, for, unless the ready-made gowns are possible, the prices for smart gowns made to order are simply impossible.

Dame Fashion has been wonderfully kind, however, this season in one respect at least, and that is that she has made it possible to wear last year's gowns, provided they are remodeled. To be sure, the remodeling is likely to cost as much as a new costume, but still the woman who does it satisfactorily always has the serene consciousness that she is economical. It is surprising how well some of last year's gowns look when compared with those of this year.

are a great many colors blended; but they are well blended, and there are in many of the winter costumes. The tended for young girls; for until a wono matter how much beer is swilled. tight-fitting skirts can either be obposed to wear strings, and even then iently placed for the steins to be set jectionable or exceedingly attractive. wears only narrow ones. The bonnets in when emptied, and the pipes, con-In the best style of gwns othey are the latter; for, while they fit closely they were and are still worn back of through them. A German with a half around the hips, there is sufficient width to prevent the ugly, skimpy look that so many of the cheap gowns have. The excessively tight-fitting skirts are emphatically bad style, and the best-gowned women are not those who have discarded petticosts and put on tights, that their skirts shall size, and never has been but one ocfit like a plaster, but the women who cupied by any considerable population have had their petticoats carefully from which women is absolutely ex- authorities, is nearly ready to comfitted and with all the fuliness around

Never before has the petticoat played such an important part in the femi- bachelor's Arcadia is situated on a the fashionable drives of the city. The nine wardrobe. It must needs be made bold plateau between the old penin- electric carriage was fresh from Paris, on a deep yoke and as much care taken sula of Acte, in the Grecian archipela- and attracted a great deal of attention in the fitting of the yoke as though it go, and the mainland. Here, in the from the fashionable who were taking were an evening gown. The petticoat midst of cultivated fields and extensive an airing along Fifth avenue and is made as narrow as possible, but has woodlands, dwells a monastic confed- through Central Park and Rivers.de extra guesets put in the front breadth, eration of Greek Christians, number. Drive. At the Metropolitan club it was so as to make it wide enough to walk ing more than 7,000 souls, and not one inspected by a party of gentlemen bewith comfort in it. The lower part of the monasteries dates from later fore starting, and pronounced to be of the petticoat is a mass of ruffles and flounces. An accordion plaited flounce, on which is sewed several ruffles, is one of the best designs, for it holds out the skirt. The white petticoats are made like the silk ones just described. only the flounces are covered with lace.

Lace, by the way, is used by the yard with a reckless disregard of expense. In every thorough outfit there are included, besides the white petticoat, four or five silk ones; the light ones to wear with evening gowns and the darker ones for the street, and all are lace trimmed. Economically disposed women are using up their old ball gowns for petticoats, and consequently one sees beautiful brocades and satins, es well as silks, made up into these petálcoats.

Everything in the way of gowns this year seems to be made of the transparent materials. Net, grenadine, chiicon, mousseline de soie and lace are used to make the most fascinating of gowns. Gray is the favorite color, and in the lighter shades.

A charming gown of gray veiling made up over gray taffeta silk is trimmed with bands of white chiffon, on which is outlined an applique of black and white lace. The skirt is close fitting and has several ruffles edged with black and white lace, while a band of the embroidered chiffon is put just above the top ruffle. The waist is tight fitting in the back, and in front is full and loose, with a narrow vest of white chiffon. On either side of the vest there are bands of the embroidered chiffon, and at the throat there is a bow of black and white lace. With this gown is worn a bea of gray estrich feathers, so arranged that it is high at the back of the neck, and in front is inentary." tied with a gray satin ribbon.

A fascinating gown of wood-colored cress de chine is made with a long! overskirt that opens at the left side and milk for his daily drink. Now, really, ledged the promise, but maid that he statement under outh and it, was an in fastened with bows of black val- dan't that entirely too much?"

vet ribbon and tiny rhinestone buckles. The overskirt is trimmed around with Irish point lace, put on with as finish the underskirt. The waist is made with a series of tucks at the lower part, while the upper part hangs The Best Gowned Women Avolu That loosely from the shoulders, and is made Fun With Hear Drimkers—Another Story Shrimpy Appearance-Dainty Fashions almost entirely of the Irish point. It in Summer Frocks-The Separate Shirt is fastened at the left shoulder with little bows to match the overskirt. The sleeves are small, and are tucked the Separate waists entire length and have flaring cuffs of almost might be the lace fastened at the wrist with a called that, be- black velvet bow. The belt is a narcause, unlike other row strip of black velvet ribbon fasphases of fashion, tened with a rhinestone buckle.

Some of the smartest gowns are of that is a fanciful the thin black materials, trimmed with supposition, and openwork jet or with black lace. There the separate waist is one material—a sort of nun's veiling continues to be \_that has little polka dots of satin all engaging garment which may through it. This makes an excerdnot be worn with a particular ingly smart gown, and the fad is to skirt. There are no two alike have a satiu or slik coat to wear in the better grade of blouses, and no with it. Then there are the nets, emgeneral description gives any idea of broidered in different designs in chetheir beauty. But you might care to mille. Many of these are studded with taffeta the color of ripe wheat, made some black lace, either around the with five overlapping scallops, edged overskirt or on the waist; indeed, with white satin cord. Vandykes of there is no gown this year with which

face and require to be worn at a be-



tive, and are rather coquettish in the are of flowers and leaves.

There is only one territory of any cluded. Yet such a place exists to day mence business in this city. A trial and has existed for centuries. As far trip of the first automobile carriage back as history reaches, to all females operated by the new company was it has been forbidden ground. This made the other day, the tour being of time than the twelfth century. A few the handsomest equipage in the city. soldiers guard the border of this anti- The new company has plenty of female land, and no woman is allowed money behind it and it is said that beto cross the frontier.

Mrs. Merington's Philosophy. Of Irish birth and Scotch upbring. ing, Mrs. Merington had lived in Lon- profits of the street railway. don, Paris and Vienna, and had had in her day opportunities of studying men : afforded to few of her sex.

below is to limit your wants."

"Soft hearts are the world's pincushion." "To succeed in life be selfish and

"If a man wants to make a name he It is of the perfect type, such as will must learn to take fate by the throat." "Some men die without ever having lived: some women without ever hav-

ing loved; some critics without ever having praised." "The Thevitable is invariably dis-

agreeable." "Telling the truth may be the worst of treachery."

"Nothing is more astonishing than the badness of good people and the goodness of bad."

"It is finer not to suspect evil than to excuse it." "Hard words break no bones, but they often break hearts."

"It is impossible to be both jealous

and just.". "The pleasure to be had out of making changed into an open victoria. a fool of one's self is at best but mo-

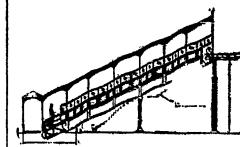
It All Depends.

"The Coctor" mid the young mother, "says baby ought to have one cow's

MOBILES.

of Russell Sage-Blarmitude of the Oyster Trade-Wonders of Electricity-Elevators for the Stationa.

It is not believed that the decision to change the motive power of the elewill in itself be sufficient to restore to it the business which it has lost, and other means are to be resorted to. During the past year, the elevated roads carried 35,000,000 less passengers lions of dollars. It is believed that the introduction of the inclined claystors at many of the stations of the road will materially assist in restoring its lost traffic. Plans are now being prepared for the introduction of some of these elevators. The Reno inclined mention two in particular which are jet and require little trimming, but elevator, which is the only one in made in the best style. One is from there always seems to be room to use practical operation in this country to-



Sectional Diagram of Blevator.

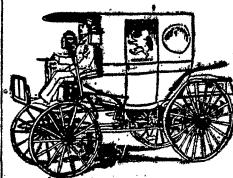
iny, may be said to fill the void beween an ordinary stairway and a vertical elevator, or, more correctly, be- years ago the Shrewsbury oysters were tween the latter and the moving sidewalk, such as was used with much success at the Chicago World's Fair. It can be constructed of any width. reasonable length, and at different angles to suit conditions, can be erected against a wall or in an open space. may be made to carry passengers up or down, and may have the hand: all either to the right or left hand side or both. One has been in constant operation at a New York store ten hours per day for the last ten months, and has carried up without accident upward of one million passengers, chiefly women and children. The directors of the L road think that hey see in the adoption of these elevators a

The bonnets are particularly attrac- rons of an uptown beer garden. He The business done in oysters and reway in which they are placed on the bottom. These being set upon a ta- year ending May 1, 1899, will reach head. A few have bonnet strings that ble, connect with lead pipes, and the about \$3,000,000. The sales of two of are to be tied under the left ear. Oddly valves open, filling the steins from the the largest firms aggregated nearly enough, those with the strings are in- bottom, and keeping them always full, half a million, man is middle aged she is not sup- Vulcanized rubber trays are convenare a little, longer over the ears than necting with the cellar, operate the pompadour. The prettiest are jag trying to understand why he canmade of tulle and net, although a few not empty his stein is the most comical creature in town.

The General Carriage company which secured a charter from the Legislacure which gives it power to run its carriages on any street or road in the State without the consent of the local fore many months it will have public carriages running all over the city. There is talk that the fair will be so low as to seriously interfere with the

The First of Hundreds

As a part of the General Carriage and manners, love and life, such as are company—and an important part—some description of the new method of trans-About life she had many characteris-, portation may be of interest. It looks tic sayings, of which these are a few: exactly like the handsome private car-"The only rule for happiness here riage so familiar on Fifth avenue, ex- more than \$20,000,000 the first day at cept that it has no steaming horses in front. The outside is of a deep rich efforts were made, and millions adred, almost black, and the interior vanced to sustain prices. The market cushions and trappings are of the same good-tempered, confident and indiffer- color. There are two seats, and four or five persons may easily be carried.



An Automobile.

be used in club life, or for small theatre parties, where privacy is expected in transportation from club or home to Speaking of those who are carried some public place. Should an openaway by impulse and have cause later air drive be desired, the box can be to regret their impetuosity she said: removed and the family carriage

It would not be in order for a week to pass without a new story on Mr. Russell Sage. He is said to have subscribed \$5,000 toward the Grant Montiment Fund, and was called on by the committee for the mah. He acknow-

NOTES FROM GOTHAM. trust communy to got the money: 4 they would call the next day he would be ready. They called, and he went falls over the two deep ruffles that CHEAP CAS FARE IN THE NEW AUTO- through the same rigamarole, pleasing pressure of important financial affairs; would they drop in the day after tomorrow? At the third wish they urged him to action, and he actually started with them to the trust company to deliver the goods. The door was nearly reached when he throw up his hands, crying piteously: "Gentlemen, I can't do it! I can't do it! I Amply can't do k!" And he didn't do it. vated trains from steam to electricity He could not find it in his great heart to part with so much money.

> Wanders of Electricity. Some of the marvels of electricity are being revealed at the electrical show in Madison Square Garden. One than the year previous. This is an of these is the transmission of sound enormous falling off, for it represents on a ray of light. The radiaphone is a loss in income of nearly two mil-the name of the new instrument which successfully transmitted sound from a booth in one corner of the great building as accurately as though every into actual use. The ray of light used was produced by an ordinary five-horse power search light. Uning a mirror as a transmitter, the vibration of the looking-glass accurately went and allowed the reception of distinguishable sounds over a space of hupdreds of feet. This triumph was a part of the electrical exhibition now progressing in Madison Square Gardén,

Magnitude of the Oysier Trade. of the oysters that were handled in New York came from Virginia waters. and the Blue Points and Virginias were then the popular oyster. Now there are probably not a hundred bushels of Virginia oysters handled in that popular and much in demand by the best class of consumers, but these oveters have deteriorated in quality and few of them are found in the market. The perfection and extent to which oyster culture has been carried in the waters of New York in the last decade has wrought marked changes in the husiness. Few people have any idea of the volume of business tranthat have been seen bobbing around in the water at the foot of Perry street About 400 boats are engaged directly in the oyster business around New York; these include steamboats, naphtha boats, schooners and sloops, and \$31.75 IS BUR SPECIAL OF DAYS PAR nearly all the oysters that this first stayether seeman offer was never made better prospect of successful competition with the surface roads.

Fun with near Drinkers.

An ingenious practical joker has been making lots of fun for the pat
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> Mr. Flower's Benth A good many people think that Mr. Flower was killed by the strain of bolstering up a tottering market. After the serious slump just before his death there was a hurried consultation between James Stillman, president of the City National Bank, Mr Flower and representatives of the Standard Oil company, at which it was agreed that prices must be sustained at whatever cost. Accordingly the bears were tossed unmercifully the following day. and a panic was averted. But with BEARS, MORBUO Mr. Flower's death came the opportunity of the bears and they used it to the fullest extent. The combination



known as the Flower stocks shrunk ter his death, although extraordinary has been feverish ever since, but if is gradually recovering, and if the efforts to sustain the prices of these stocks are kept up a little longer, public confidence will do the rest.

The Investigation

The Mazet committee has resumed its sittings and there is consternation in the Tenderloin again. One of the most important withesses called before the committee was Mayor Van Wyck. The purpose of calling the mayor was to inquire into the motives which prompted the removal to the two police commissioners, Messra, List Honiiton and Phillips. The theory Mr. Moss is attempting to sustain or the evidence, is that these commissioners were removed, and certain appoint ments made by the new commission in the interests of the gamblers. The mayor became very indignant when Mr. Moss asked him if a man named Van Wyck was interested in the poolrooms. He indignantly denied that he was interested in them or in any other the state of CUE illegal business. In giving his reasons for the removal of the commissions. he reflected on their character severely and charged Mr. Hamilton with having blackmalied one of the large theatre managers. Mr. Hamilton inslated upon the privilege of denying within was too being just then to go to the corded him on the following day.

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