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All the pretty somethings which the

ladies wear now and which are so ea-

thrailing to brothers and husbands

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are merely up-to-date "dressing

sacques" of exquisite materials, cut on

They are made from short lengths

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pretty. Brocaded satia makes a dia-

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ed into a matinee. This garment

usually is made on flowing lines, from

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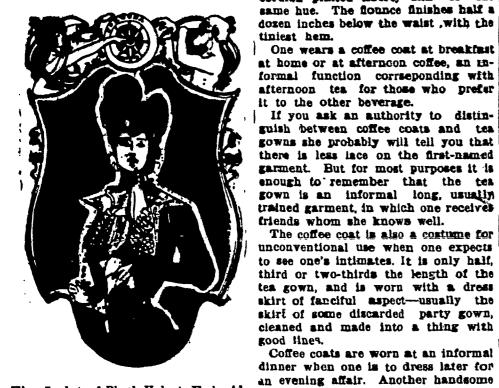
Returning to Faver.

Imported models show that the Eton eket is returning to favor. One of the latest models is of Venetlan croth. in gray, with embroidered collar and cuffs. The revers are of blue panned Telvet.

Anothir Eton model is of black velget, with an embroidered double collar and embroidery on the sleeves and at the elbow. The hat is of chiffon and AITER.

"Women ought to save money this month." observed the man, her cosuin with the air of one in thought. "Why?" she questioned.

"Nothing they need to buy, is there? Presents all bought for another year; t isn't the time for new clothes, not even the month for getting new fursiture and curtains and things. Should think they could sit right down



Eton Jacket of Black Velvet, Embroidered Double Collar. Hat of Black Chiffon and Plume.

and rest for a good four weeks." "That only goes to show how little ted with black French knots at inch

busy months in the whole year in the negligee look which is associated with shops. Not to mention that it is the mere lace and ribbon. A chou of season when the household linen of black chiffon at the corsage further every sort is going over, repaired and adds to the budice appearance of the gence iny before her in the shape of

THE FARMER'S MAID.

Merry little farmer's maid Thre' the redropped clever weat; Nut-brown transic locusly stray Thend her is a charmine way. Pairer maid weat a cost aron In a field of yiel and grown : The brings butter mills to-day Par thirsty lade a making bay.

(t the purate branke blow Soft the generic broase blow Where the star-even deletes grow, They them all the music dock ye To where the lade are invite the start where the start Throw thy life, where to state, There is law to ge a herping.

Many isile, with love grown hold, To this muld their take hath told; Answered she, in mocking give; "Life is happiest when free," Thus to day, such lad is growed.-Rach her summy shile received; None among them all could may He was favored more than they. -S. E. Han

KITTIE'S APPOINTMENT.

ia man in bachelor chambers, an

The merchants in January pile open letter in his hand, an emused tempting heaps of materials suited for expression on his face, with a susthese and other items of negligee picion of gratified vanity, and a vague where the ladies may and them read- hint of indulgent contempt. This was the letter:

"Probably you have forgotten me. A luxurious coffee cost shown in the glass case of a dealer whose wares I was but one amoug the many you go toward setting the fashions has a danced with at the 8- ball a week yoke of forget-me-not blue panne ago; I know that you did not hear my name. To me that dance was an veivet and a shimmering fall of acevent-an era. Of course, I am transcordion plaited liberty silk of the cordion plaited liberty slik of the gressing the ordinary rules of society same hue. The flounce finishes half a in writing this; but I have a strange dozen inches below the waist , with the feeling that you ought to know it. I would like to speak to you once

One wears a coffee coat at breakfast | more; then, perhaps, you would not at home or at afternoon coffee, an in- whink too hard of what I have done. formal function corresponding with I shall be at Regent's circus, at the afternoon tes for those who prefer hortheast corner, the day after to-it to the other heverage. morrow, at 4 o'clock. I shall wear a If you ask an authority to distin- pink rose at my throat."

Certainly this was very advanced. guish between coffee coats and tea There was some excuse for the amile gowns she probably will tell you that of gratified vanity and half-conthere is less ince on the first-named temptious indulgence on the young garment. But for most purposes it is man's handsome face. He tried for a enough to remember that the tea few moments to recall any one among gown is an informal long, usually the half-dozen strangers to whom he trained garment, in which one receives had been introduced at the S. ball likely to commit herself, but failed. The coffee coat is also a costume for Then he bastly wrote a reply, for it

unconventional use when one expects was growing late, and he had more to see one's intimates. It is only half, than one engagement that evening: "I am deeply interested. Certainly tes gown, and is worn with a dress I will be at the place you mention, skirt of fanciful aspect-usually the and at the hour. It seems that you know me, and require no mark of cleaned and made into a thing with recognition, but I shall wear a button-hole of mignomette."

As he folded the letter it occurred Coffee coats are worn at an informal to him that he might be the subject dinner when one is to dress later for of a hoax, but the half-timid words an evening affair. Another handsome had the ring of truth, and he disexample of the handy and becoming missed the idea. He addressed the garment was of alternate widths of envelope, as directed to a circulating pink taffeta ribbon an inch wide and library where lebbers were received. of Cluny lace. The silk strips are dot-

A girl sitting in a morning-room, men know," was the reply. "Why, intervals. The design makes a smart just forty-four hours inter-a very this is one of the most interesting and effect and takes away a little of the pretty girl, young and innocent-looking, too, but one of whom might be predicted divergence from beston tracks.

The result of the first serious diverman's letter addressed to

The noor opened and a second girl

head and round her curs in unorimped

"Oh, Edytha, you darling! how sweet of you to come this afternoon."

and threw her arms around her friend's neck. She was impulsive in all

The gray-gowned girl jumped up

"I haven't long to stay, Kittle-just

half an hour. I must go down Ox-

ford street to do some shopping. Can't

Kittie hesitated; her letter was in

her pocket. "No, Di," she said slowly; "not this

afternoon. I-I have a toothache. I

"Poor little girl! Can I do anything

"No; Favart's, I think. I saw one in

"Oh, Dytha! why don't you go to

"No one. I am just going to put it

her window that I rather liked." A sudden inspiration came into Kit-

don't think I shall go out."

Madame Teresa's?"

a well-shaped head.

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"I am glad," as said softly, "that you have not desceptiated me: I have lived in a state of expectancy whole I succeived your means." The young hady in the Scorway brought back har over their ver are in search of research has not age in scarce as a second to a second at him indiguantiv

"I ber your parten, herr can thele be? Did you not mention for herr the place-

"I say again you make a mistake If you persist I must call for assist. suce. 1-1 am walting for a friend." What did it all mean? Involuetarily his band clasped the lapel of his cost just below the mignomette. Seeing that he still stared and did not more, she retreated indignantly

The mean walls was still sitting slope in the morning-room in M-square. She was wondering how her plan and progressed; whicher the young man with the mignonette in his button-hole had, indeed, been there, and if he had taken any notice of Edvina

She would certainly hear the whole story. Ediritia was so correct and staid; she would be dreadfully indignamt. Would she, Kittle, ever see the thero of ther first dream again? Now that she had lost her chance she was half sorry and half inclined to wish she had taken it.

It was at a morning concert that Edytha Vansittart again met Dick Willourboy.

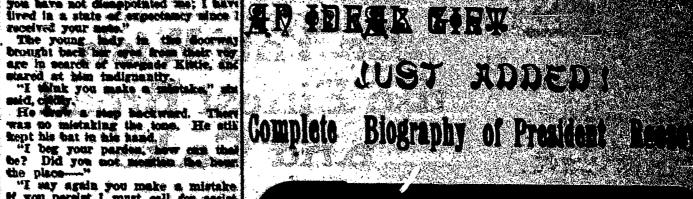
He had, in fact, some there with a friend who happened to know Miss Vansittart slightly, in the express hope of sceing her and gaining an introduction; and he succeeded.

Kittle was sitting in the stall behind, but Dick never noticed her; he was entirely occupied by his desire to repair to Miss Vansitiart his unfortunate mistake.

He saw that she was completely innocent of any design in wearing the pink rose. He did not care to explain the hidden meaning of the strange coincidence; partly on account of the weakness of his own ultra-credulity, partly from a sense of honor towards bis upknown correspondent. He still thought it possible that the letter might be genuine. If, on the other hand, he had been

tricked, it was water to pose before Miss Vansitart as a villain than a victim. Therefore, he strove to make his peace by humble avowal of folly and abject promises of amendment. 'She had tought him 'a legon," he mid.

Three weeks later Edytha Vansithart came into the morning-room of the house in M--- square with the news of her engagement. She was very content and prosperous and happy; very reasonably fond of her Dick. Dick Willoughby was rich, and



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partment of clothing for cooler weath- dinner coat mentioned before. er. It pays to buy now and put away. The influence of the Japanese kim-Some of the hardest shopping of the one on American negligee is marked in Regent street. She had no cause to year is done for coats and suits to lay every manner of garment. The loose fear any difficulty in keeping her apaside-everybody grabbing them at the back and flowing sleeves are distin- pointment. same time. You would be surprised guishing features. To be sure, the to see two or three women of more or Japanese woman belts in her loose full entered-tail, fair, aristocratic. The less refined appearance clutching at back with a pretty sash. We ignore first was fair also, but her hair was the same jacket, each vainly trying to the sash altogther, but wear the poattract a saleswoman.

"No, I should not say that this is an inexpensive month, by any means. Buying to put away takes a good deal of money, because you don't know just what you may need, and when you see things going for five dollars this month which were ten last, it would be foolish to miss them, wouldn't it?

"Of course, some women show , uod sense in these January bargains. The woman who has chosen one suit for her own, and wears violet, blue or Dink when she puts on any lighter fue, is a great gainer by the January sales. She cannot go wrong in buying the least or the biggest thing, so long as the pink or violet, or whatever it may be, is in her shade, because she can use it with anything else she has.

"The woman who usually wears black finds a costume mine in the sales at the first of the year. A fresh black skirt is never amiss. Nor is a black coat in a conventional style, nor one odd enough to be individual."

The man was anxious at this point to admit that he probably had spoken without very much knowledge on the culiar bell-shaped sleeve, and it is Mme. Mathilde's? I like her style so subject.

about 'short lengths,' which, after all. it? Brute! Toen II you will excuse wraps. A women might attract "Ob, will you? That's a untillement of a street gown might attract "Ob, will you? That's a untillement me I shall make out my list of bar- a part of a street gown might attract "Ob, will you? That's a untillement me I shall make out my list of bar- a part of a street gown might attract "Ob, will you? That's a untillement me I shall make out my list of bar- a part of a street gown might attract "Ob, will you? That's a untillement me I shall make out my list of bar- a part of a street gown might attract "Ob, will you? That's a untillement me I shall make out my list of bar- a part of a street gown might attract "Ob, will you? That's a untillement me I shall make out my list of bar- a part of a street gown might attract "Ob, will you? That's a untillement me I shall make out my list of bar- a part of a street gown might attract "Ob, will you? That's a untillement me I shall make out my list of bar- a part of a street gown might attract "Ob, will you? That's a untillement me I shall make out my list of bar- a part of a street gown might attract "Ob, will you? That's a untillement me I shall make out my list of bar- a part of a street gown might attract "Ob, will you? That's a untillement me I shall make out my list of bar- a part of a street gown might attract "Ob, will you? That's a untillement me I shall make out my list of bar- a part of a street gown might attract "Ob, will you? That's a untillement me I shall make out my list of bar- a part of a street gown might attract "Ob, will you? That's a untillement me I shall make out my list of bar- a part of a street gown might attract "Ob, will you? That's a untillement me I shall me I shal

witching details of the latest things a decided leaning toward half-fitting well to Kittle the latter took the "La in dinner coats. Truly double-faced is effects with flat applications in place France" from her glass. he; for the mere sight of a dinner of the frills of former periods. Lace "What an exquisite rose, Kittiel coat-on a pretty woman-calls forth appliqued and embellished with em- Who gave it to you?" different vocabulary.

The dinner coat is no 'coat' at all. in the usual sense. It is a luxurious All choice is permitted in coloring; Four or corn and source the state of stood outside Mine. Mathilde's looking the store of the store the neck, but made with ample tinguishing it from the bodice of a for- a dash, but that much insures style. mai dinner costume. And it is worn without jewelry other than simple black velvet embroidered with pink. Some one else came, half stopping, buckles for fastening.

A bewitching dinner jacket suited for use even at a family dinner when outsiders are invited informally is of the costume has a Watteau back? modern lace, white with black stitchery, made over a lining closely fitted conservative a gown as one would be from Miss M, with the aristocratic, at the back, loose and cutaway at the likely to wear for negligee. front. The lining is white liberty satin. The chiffon which forms the

fom from boned waists. And clever averaged \$17,:50 a day.

renighed and that takes no small COIICO COSL amount of head and hand work. We The sleeves are fitted from shoulder Miss M., and she was regarding it have to look at the new wash mater- to elbow, from which point they hang with somewhat rueful countenance. ials and decide what to get later. And long, in "angel effect." There are no That she had made preparations to most of all, we have to buy much of face ruffings anywhere about the gar- carry out her part of the programme our spring and summer lingeries, be- ment, however. The neck is slightly was apparent from the perfect bloom sides negligees, tea-gowns, coffee turned away, but by no means de- of "I.a. France" languishing in a coats, matinee and dinner coats. This collette. A lace coat with low neck is specimen giass beside the letter. The room was in a house in M--- square, is a bargain month, too, in every de- quite a different sort of garment-the and there was still an hour and a half before her presence would be

required at the particular corner in irrepressible, and fell over her fore-



then more like the original garment much better. At any rate, you might "I can tell you a great deal more than it is similar to anything else. try. And now I think of it. I will Kimono sleeves are on many of the come; but I must call at Mrs. Bond's are the tidbits of January sales. You house gowns of fair women. For out- first. Papa told me not to forget. I are quite ready to take my word for door use they are confined to carriage will meet you outside Mme. Mathilde's it? Brute! Then if you will excuse wraps. A woman who wore them as at 4 o'clock."

It is an unfeeling cousin of a man English tea gowns (it was the Eng- we'll go to Fuller's for tea." who can refrain from listening to the lish who invented the tea gown) show when Edytha rose not intervards to bid a temporary farefulsome adjectives from his lately in- broidery stitches is a modish method. Embroidery without lace, gimps, ga- in your dress. You want just a touch lons. ribbons laid flat, are new effects of color."

in decoration. All choice is permitted in coloring; Four o'clock and Edytha Vansittart black somewhere," suggest the fash- for Kittle; the pink rose still in her sleeves. The size of the sleeves dis- ion authorities. It may be more than pale blue gown, nestling among the tinguishing it from the bodice of a for- a dash, but that much insures style. black lace at her throat, and no Kittle In stole effect are two pieces of came.

> "pearls" and ending with black tas- stared a moment, passed, and came sels; a pretty fashion of the midcen- back-a strikingly handsome man, tury revived. Has it been said that well dressed, with a modest button-Otherwise it is about as studied and

Souvenir postal cards are used at the fichulike drapery rose-pink. The chif. rate of 1,446,938 a day in Germany,ac- too complete for mistake; they were ton also is used for frills in the pago-da sleeves. cording to a count of them maintained there; time, place, flower and the lady by the government every day for a herself, evidently booking for some

The dinner coat is a strike for free- week. The postare Luid on the cards one. He lifted his hat: it was strange

Edytha was already planning her trousseau; she was to have a few gowns from Worth. Edytha was married at the end of

the eccon, and Kittle was one of the. bridesmalds,

It was at a ville at Arcachon that she met Dick Willoughby again. She had been ordered abroad for the Winter, and Dick and his wife, lingering south on their bridal journey, came there to see her.

Kittle iny by the open window, her face smaller, more childlike than of old, her eyes larger. Dick Willough-by sat by her side. Edytha had gone into the town; they were leaving Arcachon on the morrow, and she had some purchases to make.

waves and curls; that of the new-"You will come back quite strong comer was drawn tightly back, and for next season, Kittle." twisted into a smooth knot behind, on

The girl was ellent; then turning her eyes upon him, patient and full of tears. "You have been very good to me, Dick, and I want to tell you that I don't think I shall come back again."

"I have done nothing for you, ohild." There was a huskiness in the man's throat.

He went away from her side for a moment, moving restlevely about the room. On the davenport lay a letter directed in Kittle's handwriting to her father. She wrote few letters now; her correspondence with Edytha had been carried on lately through the friend who acted as her chaperon and nurse.

for you? I wish you would come Dick stared at the envelope, then though, Kittle; I have to get a bonwent back to the sofa, excited, eager, expectant. "A bonnet? Where are you going-"Kittle," he said, looking at her

steadily, "tell me, were you at a ball at S- last spring? I have fancied all along that I had known you somewhere before."

tie's pretty head. She leaned forward, There was no answer. A little thin The sparkle came back to her gray hand crept up to shield her eyes, her eyes, the curves to the corners of her TACE.

The man knelt down by her side and drew the hand away. "Darling, tell me, was it you who

should have worn the pink rose?" It was a mere breathless whisper.

Still there was no answer; the red blood waved right np to the soft rutfled hair, but she would not lift her "Oh, my love, my little love! Why have I known too late?" His voice

broke almost to a sob. Kittle never spent another season in town. When the spring came there

was a newly made grave in the Eng-Hoh quarter of the cemetery at As cachon, marked by a white cross and planted with "La France" roses. The doctors said that she had inherited consumptive tendencies, which no care would check.

marriage with Dick Willoughby. Legitimate affairs sometimes necessitated his crossing the Channel, and on these occasions he only remained a few days, so it was scarcely worth while for her to accompany him. Her children and her house occupied much of her time, and she had implicit confidence in Dick. He did not feel it needful to tell her that these journeys led him, before his return, . further than Paris-to Kittle's grave -Sala's

Tynly Western.

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Edytha had no cause to regret her

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haughty figure in the doorway of Mme. Mathilde's bonust shop. He came back because the incidents were

hole of mignonette. He hesitated and paused, because it was difficult to reconcile the letter

