

PAINT ON TAFFETA

Easy to Produce Novel Effects on Parasols.

Simple Accessories Easily Transformed into Things of Beauty—Smocks to Be Feature of the Fall Dress.

The sketch presented today shows a graceful, long-handled parasol on Japanese lines, made of dull blue taffeta and hand-painted in purple and black. The handle is black wood. Novelty parasols are decided additions to the summer wardrobe and by the use of hand-painting it is possible for a woman to possess one, or a number for that matter, entirely different from anything the shops may be able to offer. A plain parasol purchased at a nominal price may be easily transformed into a really rich and apparently expensive article by decorating it with painted or embroidered designs. Floral effects are most frequently seen, but vividly plumaged birds are effective. The surface of one lovely parasol noticed recently was pretty well covered with round dots in various sizes and colors, the general effect suggesting floating balloons.

The smock shown may be made of georgette in any preferred color and embroidered with heavy wool in contrasting shade. Smocks now being brought out for fall emphasize the strong hold this garment has acquired. The Cosack smock is an interesting model. This is cut on straight lines and is somewhat longer than the conventional smock.



Hand-Painted Parasol and Modish Frock.

The Jersey weaves either in silk or wool (fiber silk is more frequently employed than pure silk) are popular fabrics, and brilliantly contrasting silk floss, heavy wool or chenille is used to embroider the garment.

One of these smocks will be found excellent for sport wear during the late summer or early fall days. The young college or high school girl will find such a garment matched with a plain wool fabric skirt very useful.

Preparation of the wardrobe of the girl who goes away to school should be begun early. Fortunately fall styles have already been sufficiently settled so that making up simple dresses, blouses, etc., for school wear may be done along next season's specifications.

IN STRIKING COLOR SCHEME

Rainbow Effect Employed for Many Things Besides the Costumes for Brides and Parties.

Rainbow effects are much in vogue, and there are rainbow weddings now at which the bridesmaids all appear in gowns of the same design, but each in a different hue. And there are rainbow party dresses that are much in demand among the younger girls. But these rainbows are not always of the regulation sort. The people who plan them have a different color scheme.

Take, for instance, a very charming trousseau set offered in one of the smart shops. It contains, aside from the usual supply of lingerie, so-called, all sorts of dainties for the boudoir—chaise longue covers, clothes hangers, shoe trees, cushions, bags, etc. These are developed in a rainbow that consists of pastel green, yellow, blue, ivory white and shell pink. Not a bad combination of colors, to be sure, and perhaps under the circumstances a better color scheme than nature's own.

BOTH PRETTY AND DURABLE

Home-Knit Towel That Was a Favorite in the Days When Grandmother Was Young.

This is the kind of towel used by our ancestors, the directions for making it being copied from a Godey's Magazine, dated 1850.

Buy or spin a few skeins of balls of heavy cotton yarn. No. 4 weaves well, but finer can be used if desired. Cast 65 or 70 stitches on long needles; knit plain back and forth until you have it the desired length.

A pretty colored border can be knit in if you wish to have it quite fancy; blue or pink or yellow, or all three in stripes make a real pretty border. Heavy lace can be crocheted on each end if preferred. These towels if well knit of good yarn will last for years used for a bath towel. Do not knit too tightly.

Use for Waste Lands.

Every state in the union has some part of the swamp and wet lands that for the entire country have an aggregate area of 102,800,000 acres—larger than Iowa, Illinois and Indiana combined and three-fourths as large as France. The agricultural value of these lands varies considerably, but specialists of the United States department of agriculture believe that large areas, if properly drained and cleared by public or private co-operation, could be transformed into productive farms.

Worth More Than That Now.

On June 20, in 1632, the patent of Maryland, granted to George Calvert, Lord Baltimore, was after his death made over to his son, Cecilus Calvert. King Charles signed the new patent and gave to the grant of land the name of Maryland, in honor of his queen, Henrietta Maria. While Lord Baltimore held the grant he paid for it yearly to the crown of England two Indian arrows, which are still on exhibition at Windsor castle, England.

Women Senators of Old.

Rome, as early as the year 218 A. D., recognized a senate of women. This senate, though differed from most others by confining its considerations and its discussions to matters of etiquette and dress. The assembly had the approbation of Augustus and held its meetings in the Quirinal. Cruelty, extravagance and vice were the outstanding characteristics of the reign of Augustus. Hence, the necessity of having conferences of the sort.

Koreans Well Advanced.

The Koreans are much superior to both Japanese and Chinese in culture of heart and in mentality. They are progressive on constructive lines; in economics they equal America, and their spiritual side is well balanced, both men and women being eager for knowledge on ethical lines. They are ardent and refined in their moral nature.—Chicago Daily News.

Famous Name in Boston.

Three Josiah Quincys have filled the office of mayor of Boston. The first Josiah Quincy to become mayor served six years, from 1823 to 1829, later becoming president of Harvard college. His son, Josiah Quincy, Jr., was mayor for three years, from 1840 to 1848, and he was the grandfather of the Josiah Quincy who was mayor for four years, from 1890 to 1899.

Effect of the Circus.

After all, civilization is sometimes a bore. The circus carries us back to the freedom of the great beginning. Wherefore, even psychologists forget their trades in such days and become for the moment grown-up children like the rest of us, responsive to the wild blood of their remote progenitors.—Baltimore Sun.

The Hindus and the Lotus.

The Hindus compare India to the lotus, the petals representing Central India and the surrounding leaves the divisions of the country. The design is much used in eastern temples and architecture generally, and the plant is cultivated in public gardens. A pond in the Taj gardens at Agra holds pure lotus blossoms.

Powerful Nitroglycerin.

The greater part of the world's output of glycerin is used for nitroglycerin, prepared by the action of a mixture of nitric and sulphuric acids on glycerin, which forms the chief ingredient of many modern high explosives and smokeless powders, used for military, mining and agricultural purposes.

Must Have Been Moving Rapidly.

One day I sent Ralph to a store several blocks away. In the meantime it rained, and immediately at the close of the shower he returned and I asked him anxiously: "Why, Ralph, where were you when it rained?" He replied: "I wasn't anywhere—I was running."—Chicago American.

Birds With Brains.

Naturalists have arrived at the conclusion that the brain of birds is large in proportion to the body. If it is admitted that intelligence depends upon the weight of brain, then the goldfinch must be placed at the top of the list of birds; the brain weighs one-fourteenth of its whole body.

Napoleon's Temper.

Defeat was so distasteful to Napoleon that, so it is recorded, when he found an opponent at chess getting the better of him he would with a quick movement sweep board and pieces off the table to the ground.

Electric Shotgun.

A patent has been granted for an electric shotgun in which sparks discharge cartridges that may be filled with an explosive gas or liquid as well as powder.

Lighter Than Cork.

Sunflower stalk pith, which is about ten times lighter than cork, is used in a life saving apparatus invented by a Russian.

Optimistic Thought.

He deservedly loses his own property who covets that of another.

FACES PERIL AT SEA

Wife of Son of Ex-President Hayes Tells Experiences.

Shipwreck, Storm, Maddened Lions and Tigers Among Her Adventures.

New York.—Shipwreck, storm and peril from lions and tigers that were driven insane with fear were among the adventures recounted by Maud A. Hayes, wife of Scott Hayes, son of former President Rutherford B. Hayes, who arrived here with her husband from a trip to South America.

Mrs. Hayes sailed from New York May 20 on the Chilean mail steamer Limalari. On June 8 in a calm sea the Limalari went aground off Santa Rosa, on the north shore of Peru. Passengers and crew took to the boats and a few hours later encountered a violent storm which Mrs. Hayes said lashed the waves to a height of 30 feet and tossed the lifeboats about like cockleshells.

The refugees were finally rescued by the Peruvian ship Mantaro, but only to be confronted with a new peril. The Mantaro carried a traveling menagerie and the lions, tigers and monkeys were driven frantic by the jolts and dreads. The larger animals made desperate efforts to break through their cages and their hoists added to the terrors of the storm, while the monkeys actually did escape, and fled chattering wildly, to all parts of the ship.

Mrs. Hayes arrived here on the Santa Luise from Valparaiso.

Capt. W. T. Crossley commander of the ship, said that 300 persons lost their lives in the storm, which ravaged the port of Valparaiso July 18.

The Santa Luise was taken 100 miles out to sea to weather the storm, which sent to the bottom about ten ships, including some interned German liners which had remained in port.

MRS. WILLIAM E. APPLETON



Mrs. William E. Appleton, an American who has lived in London 11 years, has just returned there for a six weeks' visit after 15 months in America. She says the English women's success in industry during war has not threatened home life.

"DRY" LAW CLOSES OLD INNS

Hostleries Where Washington and Lafayette Were Entertained Are Hit.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Inns in existence since colonial days are among those closed by the wartime prohibition law. One of the most noted is the Gen. Wayne Inn, on the Montgomery pike outside of Philadelphia, which was opened in 1704 by Quaker settlers as the Wayside Inn. "Mad" Anthony Wayne used the inn as his headquarters during the Revolutionary war and it has been a polling place for more than 200 years.

Turk's Head Inn at West Chester has closed its doors. In Revolutionary times it was visited by General Washington, Lafayette, "Mad" Anthony Wayne, Colonel Taylor and many other officers of Washington's army.

Men's Heads Bigger? Bosh! Say Scientists

Philadelphia.—"Pish! Tush!" said psychologists and anatomists of the University of Pennsylvania, commenting on the statement of hat manufacturers to the effect that men's heads were growing larger.

"It's all rot!" said Dr. R. Taft McKenzie, in charge of the physical work of the university. "The theory could not possibly be sustained by facts unless," he added, "with a twinkle in his eye, 'unless it is a reflection from Germany. They seem to be suffering from swelled heads just now.'"

"The fact is interesting if true," said Dr. Lightner Witmer, head of the department of psychology of the university. "I can't think of a reason in the world for the fact, if fact it is. I'm very much inclined to doubt the truth of the statement."

Division of Samoan Islands.

By the agreement of December 2, 1899, among the United States, Great Britain and Germany, the Samoan islands were divided between the United States and Germany. Great Britain retiring and accepting compensation for her retirement in the form of colonial concessions elsewhere in the world. This agreement ended a long series of outbreaks and disorder in the islands amounting to a state of civil war, due, it was charged at the time, to the intrigue and aggression of the Germans.

Taking a Plebiscite.

Plebiscite is a political term borrowed from the French, meaning a vote of all the electors in a country taken on some specific question. It is from the Latin plebiscitum, a decree of the plebs, or law made by the common people, and is somewhat similar to the referendum. A notable example of the use of the plebiscite in French history was in 1852, when the memorable coup d'etat of 1851 was confirmed and the title of emperor was given to Napoleon III.

Instructing Grandpa.

"I was talking to my little granddaughter over the telephone the other day," said an old man recently to a few of his friends at a hotel, "and when I ended I said, 'Here, Dorothy, is a kiss for you.' She replied, 'Oh, pshaw, grandpa! Don't you know that a kiss over the telephone is like a straw hat?' I said, 'Why, no, sweetheart, how's that?' 'It's not felt, grandpa,' she said."—Blighty (London).

Good Rules for Life's Conduct.

Those that are perfect men do not easily give credit to everything one tells them; for they know that human frailty is prone to evil, and very subject to fall towards. It is great wisdom not to be rash in the proceedings, not to stand still in thine own conceits; as also not to believe everything which thou hearest, nor presently to relate again to others what thou hast heard or dost believe.

Exercised Discretion.

Richard, on his first visit to the country, climbed the fence into the field where a Jersey cow was grazing. The cow, being somewhat of a pet, greeted him with a loud and joyous moo, whereupon Richard bent a hasty and disorderly retreat. "No, I wasn't exactly afraid," he explained; "but when she kept saying, 'Move, move!' I thought I'd better keep a-movin'!"

The Biggest Mummy.

The largest mummy in the world is that of an animal, the Beresovka mammoth, in the Petrograd museum. The species has been extinct for thousands of years, and the Beresovka mammoth—which was found embedded in the frozen earth near the Beresovka river, in northeast Siberia—probably lived fifty thousand years ago.

First Chief Justice.

John Jay was the first to hold the office of chief justice of the United States and received his appointment in 1789. He was born in New York, December 12, 1745. John Rutledge was nominated by the president and was the second chief justice of the United States. He was born in South Carolina in 1739.

Unmistakable Signs.

Charles was looking through the hedge at the new neighbors who had just moved into the house next door. Suddenly he turned and ran in to his mother and said: "I bet the kid that's moved next door is a good sport, all right. He has freckles and has his big toe done up in a rag."

Wax Figures of Ancestors.

Many ancient families in England have stored away life sized figures in wax of their ancestors, made at the time of the original's death. The Duke of Norfolk has the figures of three wives of one of his ancestors, which are kept in a glass case at one of his country seats.

World's Largest Crater.

Dr. B. F. Griggs, who has been exploring the volcano of Mt. Katmai, in Alaska, for the National Geographical society, announces that this is the greatest crater in the world, being no less than nine miles in circumference and 3,960 feet in depth.

Make It Brief.

It may not be of much interest to you, Mr. Visitor, but the fellow who asks you how you feel today doesn't want to listen to a lot of symptoms. Remember that.—From (Hot Springs) Arkansas Thomas Cat.

Uncle Eben.

"Some men does hate to give anybody credit for anything," said Uncle Eben. "They can't throw a bouquet without tearin' off de roses an' handin' out mostly stickers."

As Usual.

"Will you have another cup of coffee?" the landlady asked the boarder. He shook his head. "The spirit is willing, but the coffee is weak."

Daily Thought.

Every man is like the company he is wont to keep.—Euripides.

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