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Fashions and Fads.

Penkin messaline is the name given to particularly alluring silk striped chiffon cloth that favorite for blouses.

has become a fad.

Sumptuous wraps for the afternoon as loose sleeves, and many have the burnous

Scarfs of white pongee are novel and attractive. They are finished with a buttonhole edge and have more or less elaborate riffic that all the energy at i determination I handwork as well.

Two rich materials, tapestry and fur, are to be found on some lovely little turbans and the effect is beautiful. We are getting the coiffure of heavy braids

wound around the hat and the slightly parted filled hair in front. Challts are back again in lovely designs

which offer dainty colored relief from the ever-present plain white shirt waist. As trimming on daytime dresses and even-

ing robs, beards are used with great success. They are seen in all colors. Mooren is coming into favor again as

material for underskirts. It is found in a variety of colors and wears exceedingly well. Heavy mosquetaire sleeves are in vogue.

There is a fad for amber hair ornaments. Already the Moyenage style is on the

Lace is much in vogue for blouses and

Draperies are high in favor for formal

Jet aigrettes appear on some of the smar Dark sepia is the most stylish shade o

suede foot wear. Mandarin is the name given to a yellowish tan. White Corinth is an extremely

faded shade of old rose. Beads and braids combine to make some of the new and unusual cabochons on hats and gowns. They are to be had in a variety

Of Cures for Colds.

of colors.

Their name is literally legion, for hardly drug can be mentioned, hardly a substance discovered, which is capable of either being swallowed or inhaled that has not been recommended as a cough remedy. Eighteenths of all colds are mild infections, which run their course until the body has time to produce an antitoxin or antibody to stop their further progress. As this process in reasonably healthy individuals is usually carried out in from four to six days, anything which happens to be given in that time stands a fair chance of getting a reputation as a cure. The only sure cure for colds and coughs is to avoid the infections and the foul air of illventilated rooms and buildings in which they breed; to keep the body toned up to fighting pitch, by cold baths and an abundance of fresh air, especially in the bedroom; and if the infection does get a foothold, to assist Nature in her fight tromptly attended day or night.

against it by rest in the open air, and pro. moting elimination through the skin, bowels and kidneys. In fine, don't tinker with symptoms; look for the cause and remove it. Don't try to lock the stable door after the horse is stolen, but train your horse to bite strangers, attack is the best defense. Keep your body at good fighting weight, and you can defy disease. Sunlight, food, fresh air and exercise are the only cure-alls known. Don't worry about disease and what to take when you are sick, but work for health .-Dr. Woods Hurchinson, in Woman's Home Companion.

Lower Greenfield.

Edward Caldwell left for Plaster Rock last Tuesday where he intends working in the woods.

There was an oyster stew and a dance at L. Hovey's, January 18th. But on account of the rain there was not a very large crowd.

Mrs. C. H. Kilpatrick and daughter, Jennie, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of Mr. Scot McCain.

After our recent heavy rains there is but little snow left on the roads, so they are very

Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Kinney and little daughter, Gladys, called on Mrs. A. Kinney one evening last week. Mrs. I. Shannon who has been ill for about

improved in health. Mrs. A. C. Caldwell is visiting her daugh-

three weeks with a severe cold is not much

ber. Mrs. H. Crane of Bath. Miss Annie Kilpatrick left last week in company with her sister, Mrs. H. H. Mc-Cain, for Vancouver, B. C.

Why Dickens Wrote "Christmas Carol."

(From London Truth.)

I noticed a statement in one of the papers last week that Dickens wrote his "Christmas Carol" with the express object of reviving the popular interest in the Christmas season and its festivities. This is a pleasing fiction which had often been previously met with. The fact is that Dickens wrote the "Christmas Carol" in the autumn of 1843 because he was short of money and in great need of The achion of zibeline as a dress fabric £1,000. The most candid chapter in Forster's "Life" is the one (in the second volume) which relates the tale of Dickens' disappointrell as for the evening are made with wide, ment and despair when he received the "Carol" accounts, for instead of the £1000 he "had set his heart and soul upon," the sum due to him was only £230. Dickens wrote: My are bils on aid, are so tercan possibly exert will be a guired to me before I go abroad." Die . nst ltiv cleared £726 by the "Christmas a sale of 15,000 copies.

What a Singer Should Eat and Drink.

(By Enrico Caruso.)

"With regard to a 'singing' diet," says Caruso in his "Reminiscences." "I incline toward the simpler and more nourishing kinds of food, though my tastes are broad in the matter. Still, on the nights when I sing, except perhaps, for a sandwich and a glass of my native Chianti, for which I have always retained a fondness, I take nothing until after the performance, when I have a modest supper of anything which I happen to fancy, and which I have proved has no illeffects on me. But really experience has taught me that it is by no means easy to lay down any hard and fast rule with regard to the commissariat department, as this must always be to a great extent a matter of personal taste. Besides, common sense should soon teach the singer what particular diet is suitable to his own indivual constitution, and then, obviously, he has only to adhere to that regime.

"As far as smoking is concerned, although in moderation I find that the practice is not injurious to me, yet all young singers I would warn against it. Still, many great singers have been most inveterate smokers. Mario, for instance, was an inerdinate smoker, and, apparently, it did him no harm, for he smoked from twenty-five to thirty ordinary-siz d cigars a day, and in Italy where real Havana cigars are rarely obtainable, he frequently smoked as many as a hundred

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