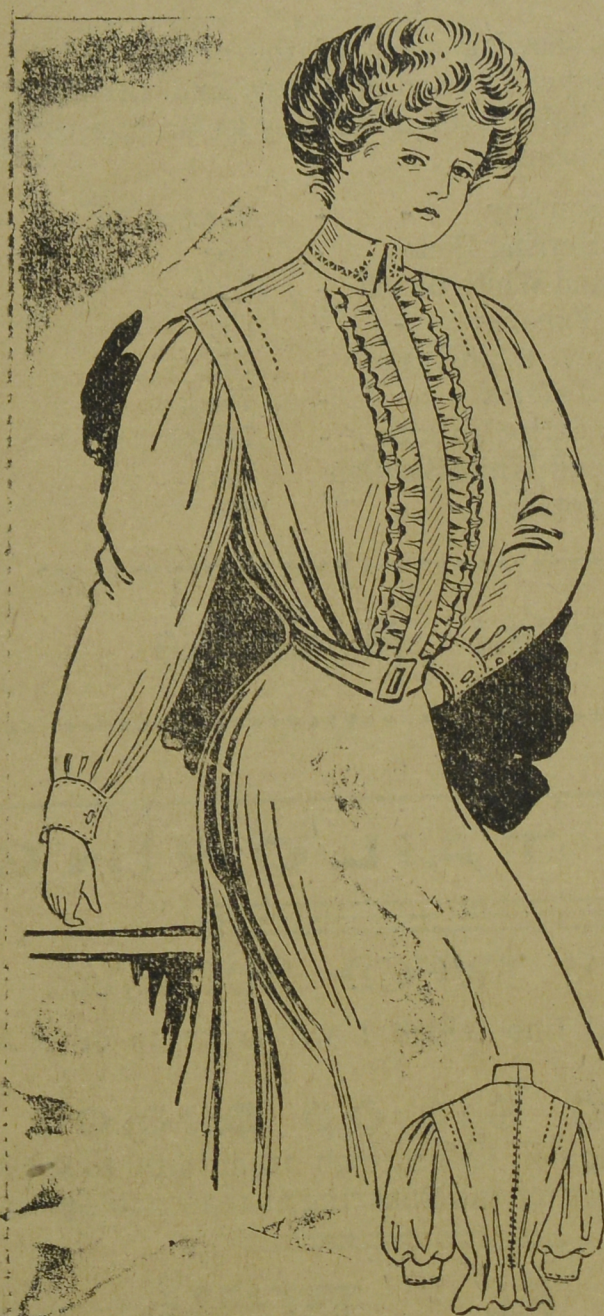


Today's Suggestion by Ellen Stan.

PLAIN SHIRT WAIST POPULAR.

ON all the spring costumes one will notice a great deal of hand work. It is not so much the cost of the material, however, but of the hand work that is put upon the goods. The costumes will be remarkable for their very fine finish and for the attention to each small detail. There are two ways of conforming the straight shirt waists at the waist line. Some women put a narrow linen tape through a facing and draw in the fullness after the skirt is on, adjusting it in the right places, then pinning the middle of back down to the corset well under the skirt belt.



Another method is to wear a belt of narrow white elastic, on the end of which is a tiny buckle such as men use on the back of their vests. This is pulled in as snug as one can stand it, the shirt waist adjusted under it and the back pinned down to the corset.

The best way to make any shirt waist is the one adopted by the good tailors and worn by well dressed women. It is cut like a man's shirt, without belt, reaching nearly to the end of the corset, with the fullness cut away after it leaves the waist. No amount of washing makes any difference in it, whereas when a belt is used and the fabric shrinks the belt goes up with it. This necessitates the constant renewal of the waist line.

And another point to remember is that the new method of using link buttons is to put them through both thicknesses of the cuff—that is, the under and upper side of cuff have each a buttonhole and link buttons are run through both.

This shirt waist can be made with long or three-quarter sleeves and with or without a lining. The pattern is cut in seven sizes—from 32 to 44 inches bust measure. To make this garment for the average person it requires 2½ yards of material 36 inches wide or 2¾ yards 44 inches wide.

Any reader of this paper who desires to procure this pattern may do so by sending 10 cents to this office. Give the number, \$3.35, state size of pattern desired and write full address plainly. Pattern will be forwarded by mail promptly.

BRITISH TITLES UNDER FIRE.

Commoner Says They Are Bestowed For Election Funds.

An unusual scene was provoked in the House of Commons recently, in the course of a debate on a motion introduced by Hilaire Belloc, Liberal member for South Salford, regarding the secret administration of party funds.

Mr. Belloc said he had no charges of maladministration nor startling revelations to make.

He didn't say that evils even existed, but he expressed the fear that some might arise, and in order to avoid dangerous possibilities he proposed that the party funds be publicly audited.

Another Liberal, Hugh C. Lea, who seconded Mr. Belloc's motion, contended that the practice of conferring peerages and other honors on those who had contributed to the party funds was essentially wrong.

He remarked that some months ago a sensation had been created by a vehement attack upon the Government for what was called its "traffic in peerages" and other honors.

It was a matter of common knowledge and gossip in the House of Commons, he said, that the titles and decorations in vogue were as lacking in dignity, prestige, and moral worth as were the methods by which they were obtained, and were just as loathsome, corrupt, and nauseous.

"Putting aside the Garter order, and other tomfoolery of that sort," continued Mr. Lea, "the present Government has made twenty peers, thirty-three barons, and ninety-five knights, of whom thirty-seven were members of the House of Commons."

Mr. Lea gravely advanced the theory that this high percentage suggested the idea that some of the members entered the House with a view to social advancement.

Nobody expressed any doubt of the accuracy of this view, but Mr. Lea considered it useful to support his contention because of a story that had come within his personal experience.

He was, he said, a member of a Commons' committee, the chairman of which had been a knight. One of his colleagues refused to congratulate the recipient, remarking that it was a matter for commiseration rather than for congratulation.

"Imagine the knight's feelings," exclaimed Mr. Lea, "when eight months later the man who struck the jarring note was himself made a knight."

The House made merry over the story, and an Irish member, Swift McNeill, added to the jocularly by saying that he considered that peers and peerages were like faith—the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen.

As Judge Cullen had said years ago, there was a market for peerages just as certain as there was a market for pigs.

Personally he would have a tariff

not-stress, and would require the garter and put them on both legs.

Mr. Lea's anecdote, however, was too personal not to provoke a response. Everybody knew that he referred to Sir William Randal Cremer as he is the member for Haggerston to whom Mr. Lea had specifically referred in a communication he made to a newspaper last July.

Sir William then arose and gave Mr. Lea's statement a most absolute and direct denial, and eventually Mr. Lea was squelched by the Speaker insisting that he withdraw certain terms he used as unparliamentary.

It is a matter of fact that Sir William, who is a Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur, declined a knighthood in 1906, but when the offer was renewed the following year he accepted it.

Village Strikers' Humor.

The moorland village of Wors-thorne, near Burnley, was the scene of lively proceedings this week in connection with a strike of weavers at the village mill. This mill is run on self-help lines, and most of the weavers are shareholders, but the remainder have no pecuniary interest in the concern, and it is amongst those non-shareholders that the dispute has arisen.

Putting themselves in possession of a donkey and cart they drove about the village with a large card which bore the words: "I am an ass but not a knobstick." Subsequently they put in an appearance with the carcass of a large pig reared up in the cart. On the flanks of the animal were the words, "No surrender." The cart was followed by a procession of strikers and their children, and all proceeded to the mill and awaited the dispersing of the operatives, who were hooted as they left. At night the pig was out up, weighed into equal portions, and distributed amongst the strikers.

There was much feeling, and with a view to preventing violence a special detachment of police has been drafted into the usually peaceful village. Printed circulars have been issued bearing the words:

Mary had a little lamb,
It loved with her to roam;
And when she went a knobbing
It ran away from home.

Will Attack Headheads.

The proposed attack on the "free list" is the subject of general discussion in theatrical circles in London, as well as among the "deadheads" whom it is proposed to abolish.

Inquiries at the West End theatres show that the power of the "dead-heads" is even greater than most people imagine. Several managers who resent the encroachments of this class of patrons on theatrical business estimate that 5,000 free seats are sometimes given away in a single week for West End amusements, and they do not consider \$7,500 an excessive estimate of the face value of these tickets. There are managers who say that this undervalues the case.

To enumerate the classes that supply "deadheads" is, a manager, to

planned, unnecessary; all except the very poor are included. Well-known people in society are in the ranks, as well as actors, barristers, solicitors, friends of actors and people who through some cause or other had had their names and addresses given for free tickets. Tickets are sent to banks, to hospitals, to printers, advertising agencies, hotel staffs, club staffs, and boarding houses.

Life in Lumber Camp.

Camp No. 7, where Mr. Tower and I spent our first night in the woods, was typical of all the others—a small clearing and a group of rough log-houses on the borders of a frozen stream. First the habitation of the men, a building of considerable dimensions—some fifty feet square and calculated to house sixty men; then the stable, also of generous proportions; and finally a storehouse or two and a small office for the foreman and manager; all so buried and dissimulated under seven or eight feet of snow that only a door, an odd window or two, and a few superimposed logs here and there were visible.

It was dark when we arrived, the men were crowded about the great box-stove laughing and chatting, and the steaming bowls of pea-soup had just been placed on the long tables. Never shall I forget the delicious fragrance and savor of that wonderful soup. The boiled pork and bread which followed were equally welcome; and even the thin hot tea, flavored with molasses, seemed all that an epicure could ask. We cavilled not at battered tin mugs for the tea, nor at fingers for the pork, but filled ourselves and were thankful with the great thankfulness that comes only of ten hours in a temperature forty degrees below.

The Head of the Department.

The story is told in London (Eng.) of how a question arose as to the cost of heating one of the Irish law courts. A consequential Treasury official was detailed from London to look into the matter.

When he introduced himself to the judge within whose jurisdiction the matter lay, the judge, who, by the way, frequently evinced a great scorn of red tape, smiled with suspicious blandness.

"Certainly," said his honor, "I will put you in communication with the person immediately in charge of that department."

Whereupon he scribbled a few words on a piece of paper and gave it to a messenger. In a short time an aged charwoman entered. The judge then arose and, as he left the room, said: "Rosie, here is the young man to see about the coal."

ANOTHER GREAT DISCOVERY

A well known gentleman in Black Back, Ont., Mr. John Cowan, has discovered an absolute specific for rheumatism, and writes: "I was affected with Sciatica and chronic rheumatism which I contracted years ago. The disease had a great hold in my blood and it was hard to make any impression on it. Reading at Ferrozone I was convinced of its merit and it's certainly the best I have ever tried. Why it just drove away the rheumatism. Even stiffened joints sufferers will experience quick results. The reason is that Ferrozone acts through the blood and thereby destroys the cause of the disease. Price 50c. per box at all dealers."

Laughter and Indigestion.

"I don't know whether nature fitted me out with a different sort of digestive apparatus from the average man," remarked a magazine reader, who looked up from the printed page. "Here is a writer who sets it down as a solemn fact that laughter and good cheer are enemies of dyspepsia. Now, whenever I go to a dinner where a lot of good stories are told or amusing speeches made and I laugh more than usual the result for me is an aggravated attack of indigestion. More than this, and, although I never drink anything in the way of intoxicants, I am certain to have an attack of hiccoughs as a result of laughing, which always amuses my friends who are aware of my nondrinking habits. I present the anomalous picture of perhaps being the only man at the table who has not taken a drink of any kind, and yet my actions are those of a man who had decidedly too much liquor. You can't make me believe that old saw about laughter being good for digestion in spite of the solemn gentleman who wrote this article."—New York Press.

Damascus.

Though Rome is called the Eternal City, the name by right belongs to the city of Damascus, in Syria, which is the oldest city in the world. As long as man has written records the city of Damascus has been known.

A Dirty People.

The Veddahs of Ceylon never wash, uncleanness being part of their religion.

Hands and Feet.

There is considerable difference between the size of the hands and feet and, curiously enough, on opposite sides. Thus, while the right hand is generally larger, it is the left foot which is the bigger and stronger of the two. This is probably due to the fact that we stand habitually on the left foot.

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Norah, the "green" cook, poked her head in at the dining room door. "Please, ma'am," she asked, "an' how will I be knowin' when the puddin' is cookin'?"

"Stick a knife into it," said her mistress, recalling the cook-book instruction. "If the knife comes out clean, a wee pudding is ready to serve."

"Yis, ma'am."

"And, oh, Norah!" The mistress had had an afterthought. "If the knife does come out clean you might stick all the rest of the knives into the pudding."—Everybody's Magazine.

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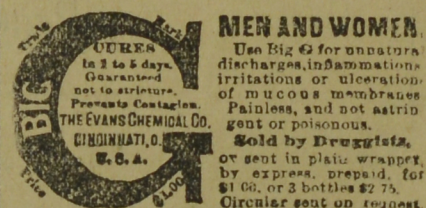
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J. W. MCCREADY,

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