



***Dressed for Life and Leisure
on the Narrow River
and Beyond***

1870 – 1920

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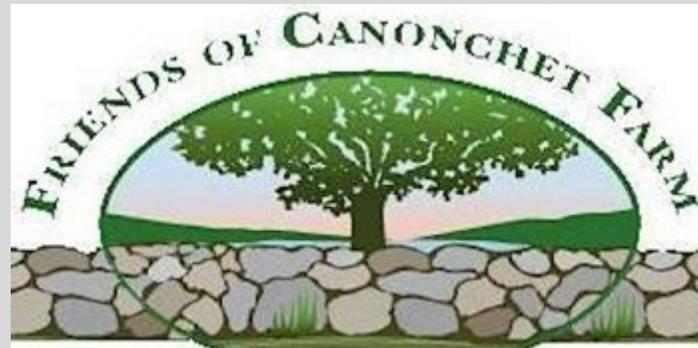
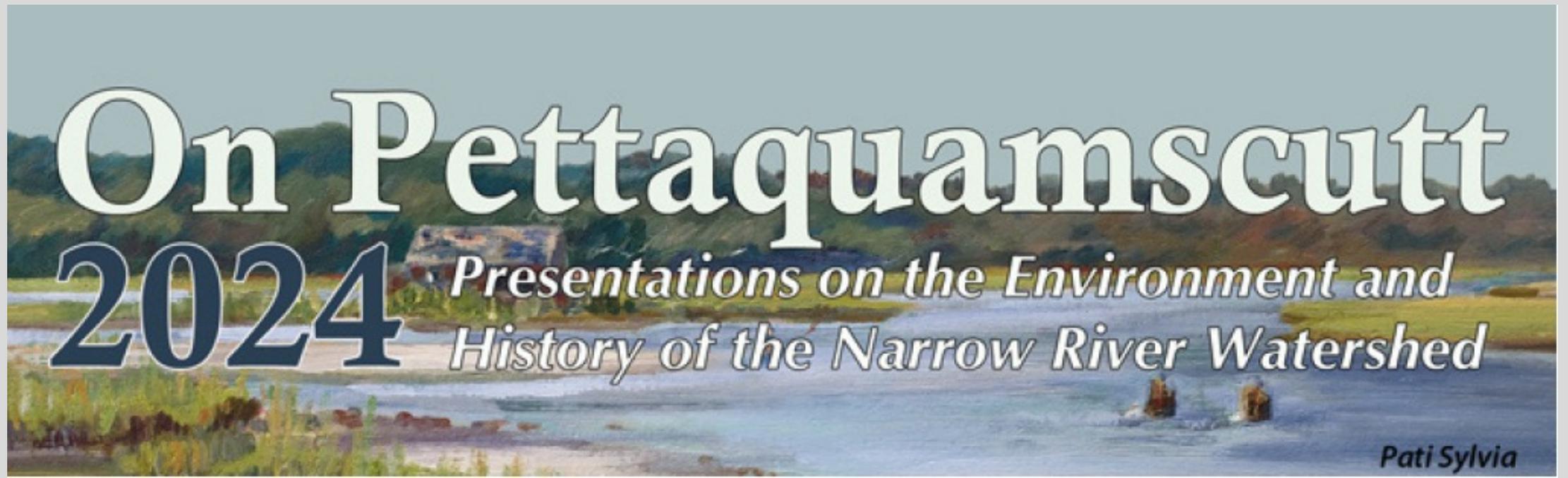
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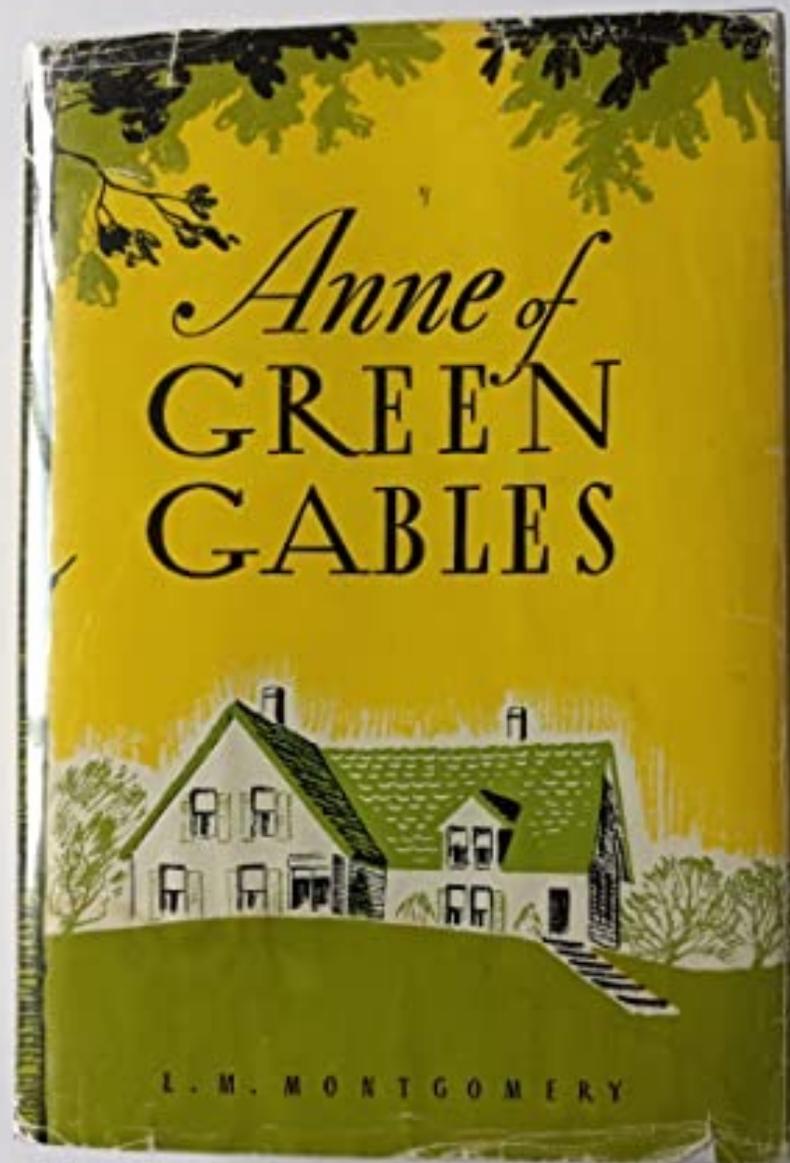
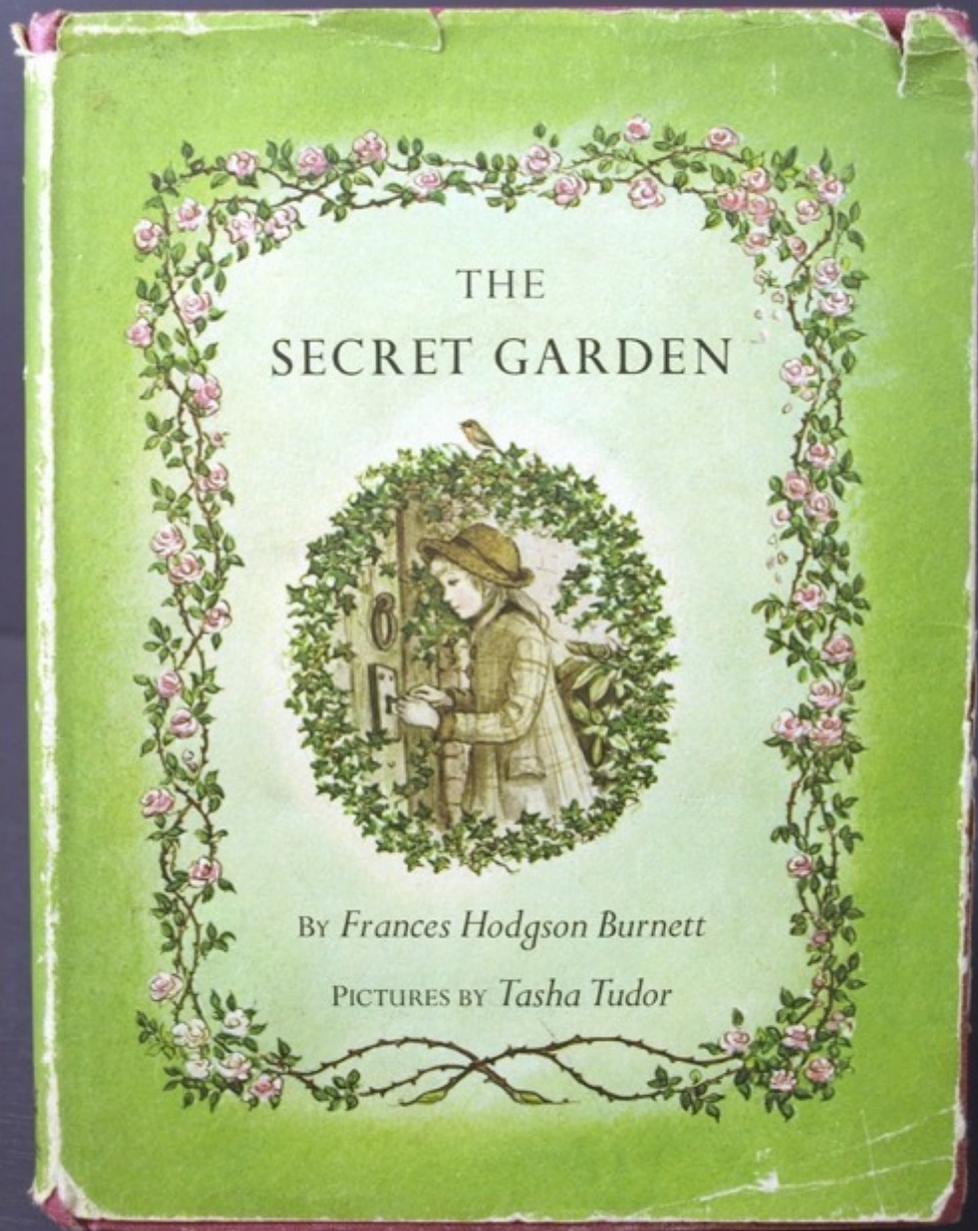
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Film Still: *Little Women*, Gillian Armstrong, 1994



Film Still: *The Age of Innocence*, Martin Scorsese, 1993



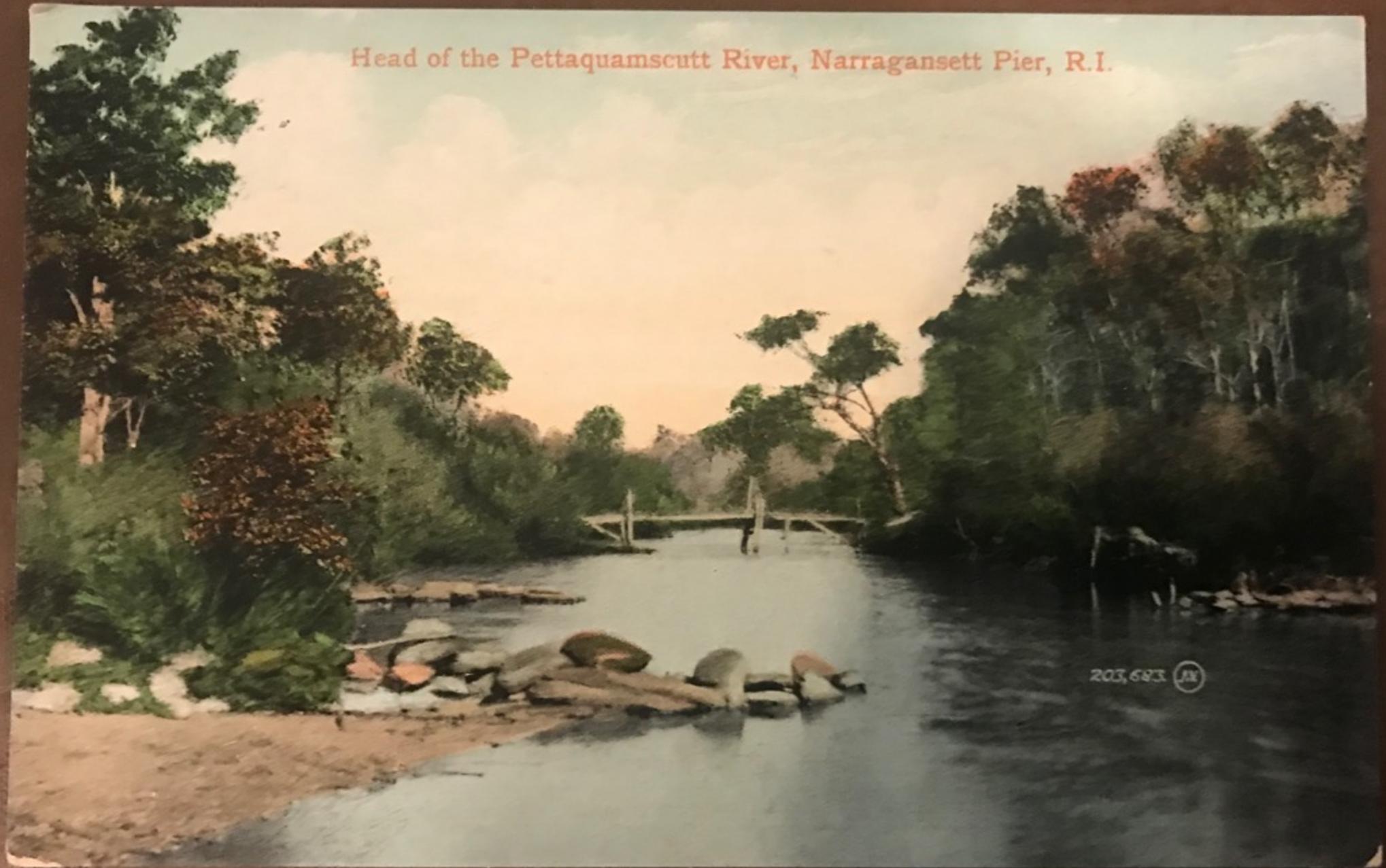
Animated Giff – From *The Age of Innocence* Film, 1993



The Magic and Myth of Standing Stones

Television Still: Outlander – Claire time travels through the standing stones

Head of the Pettaquamscutt River, Narragansett Pier, R.I.



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THE BUSTLE PERIOD

c. 1870 - 1890



Corset and Bustle, late 19th century, *Undressed* Exhibition – Frick Pittsburg

Portrait of a Noble Women, c. 1530

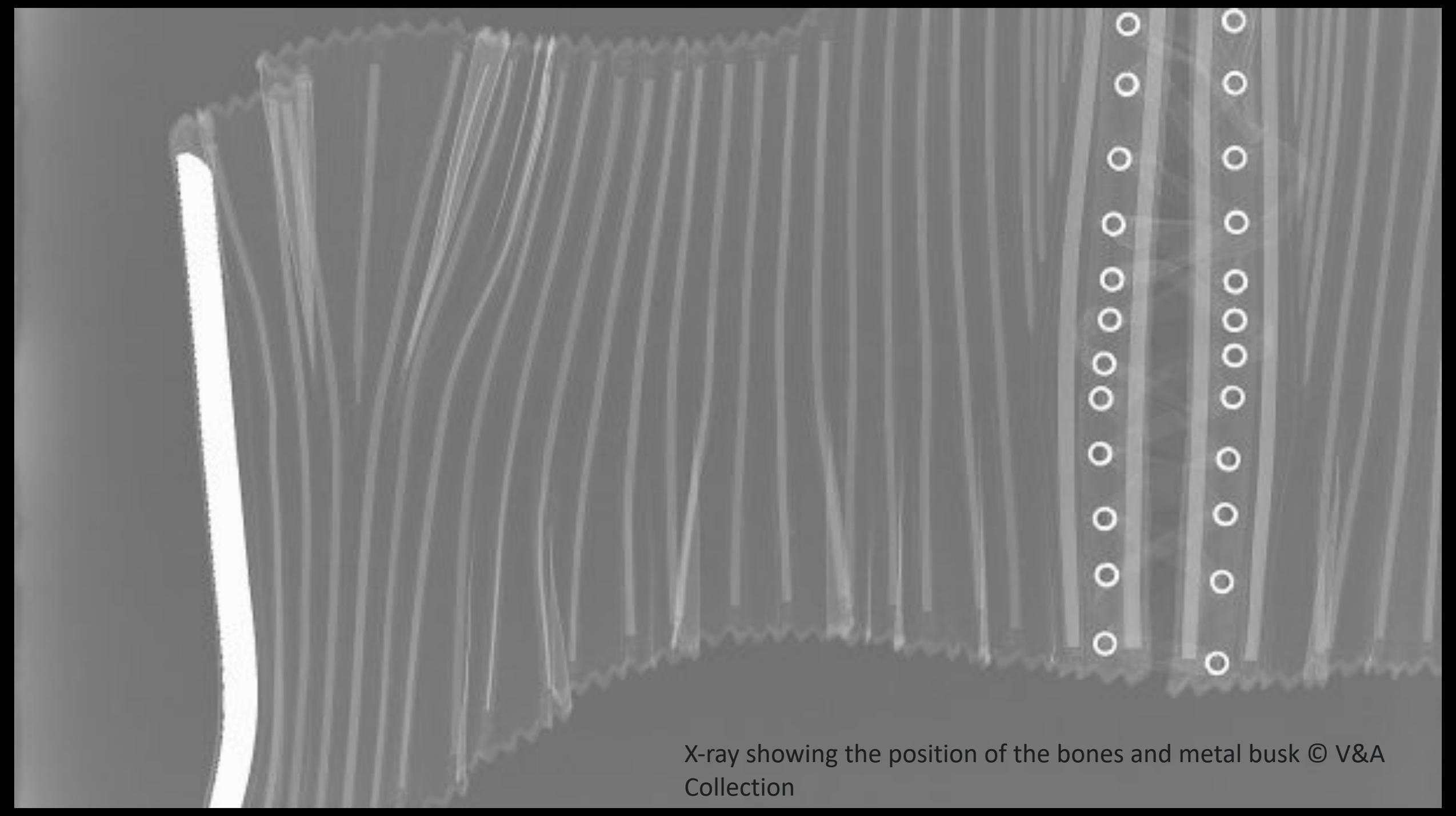




Corset and Hoop Skirt from the Victoria and Albert Museum, c.1750



Scrimshaw Busks, Colby College Museum Collection. C. 1800



X-ray showing the position of the bones and metal busk © V&A Collection

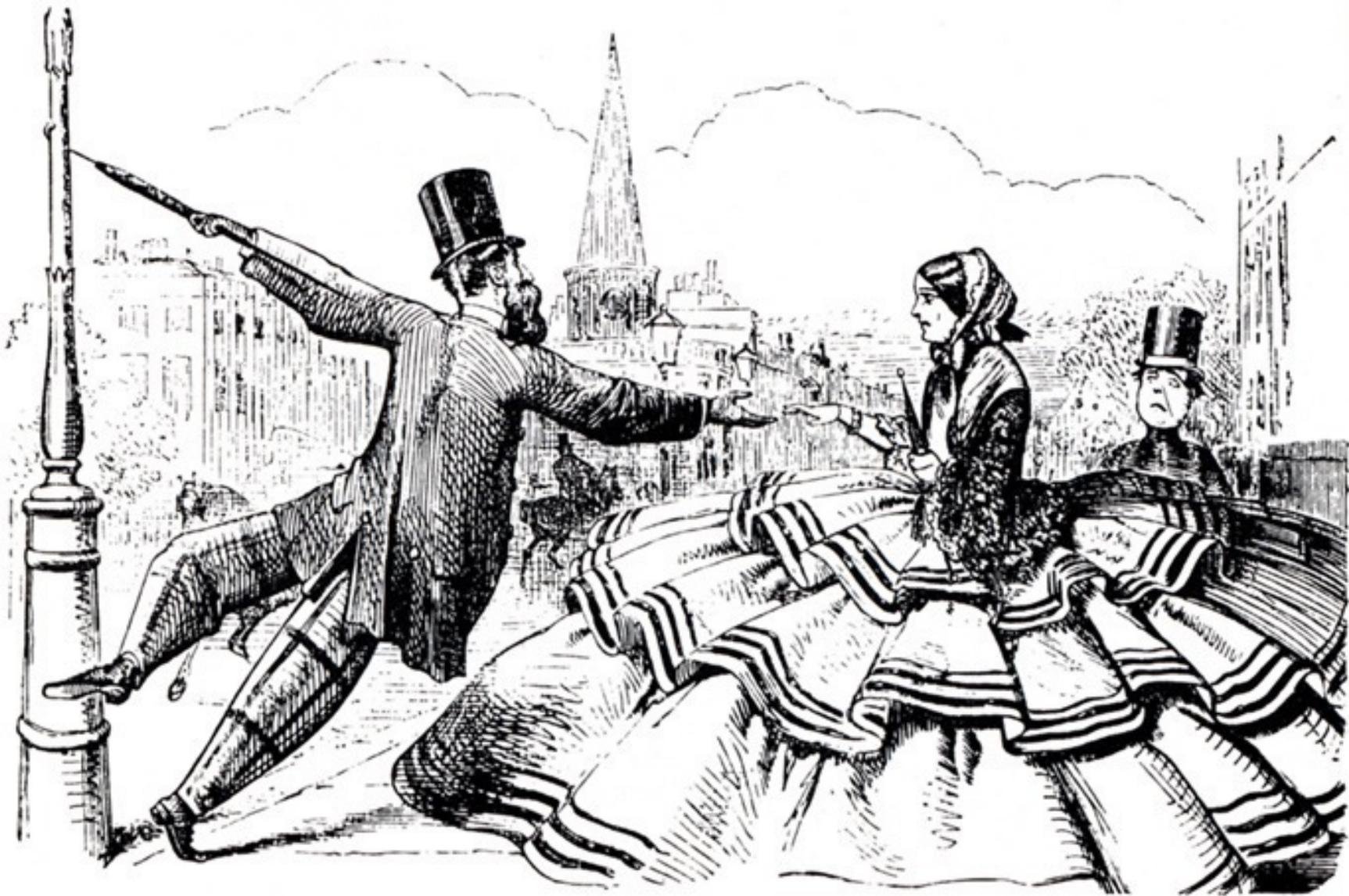




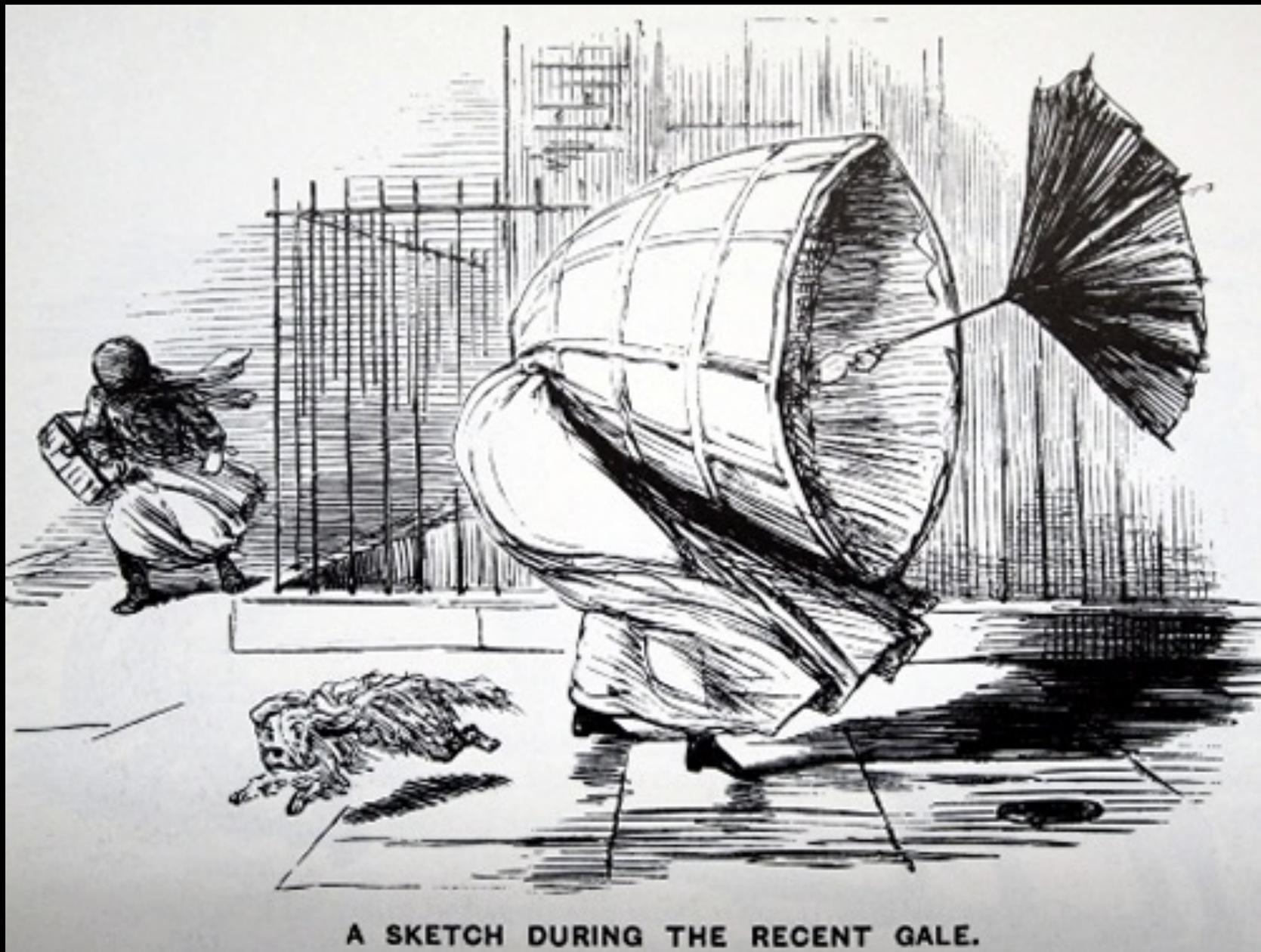
Amelia Bloomer, chromolithograph, c. 1855.



NEW CONTRIVANCE FOR LADY'S MAIDS, ADAPTED TO THE PRESENT STYLE OF FASHIONS.







A SKETCH DURING THE RECENT GALE.



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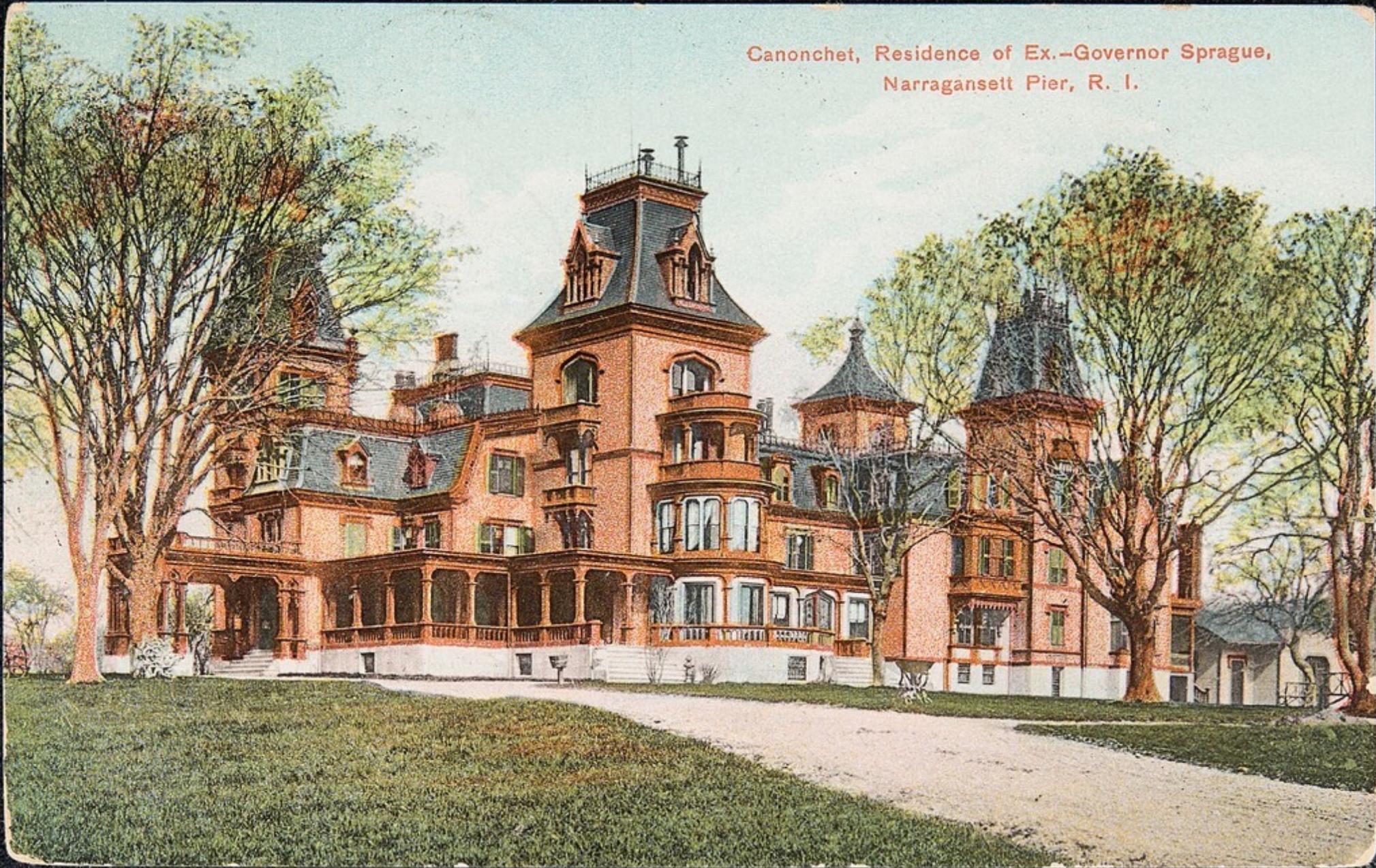


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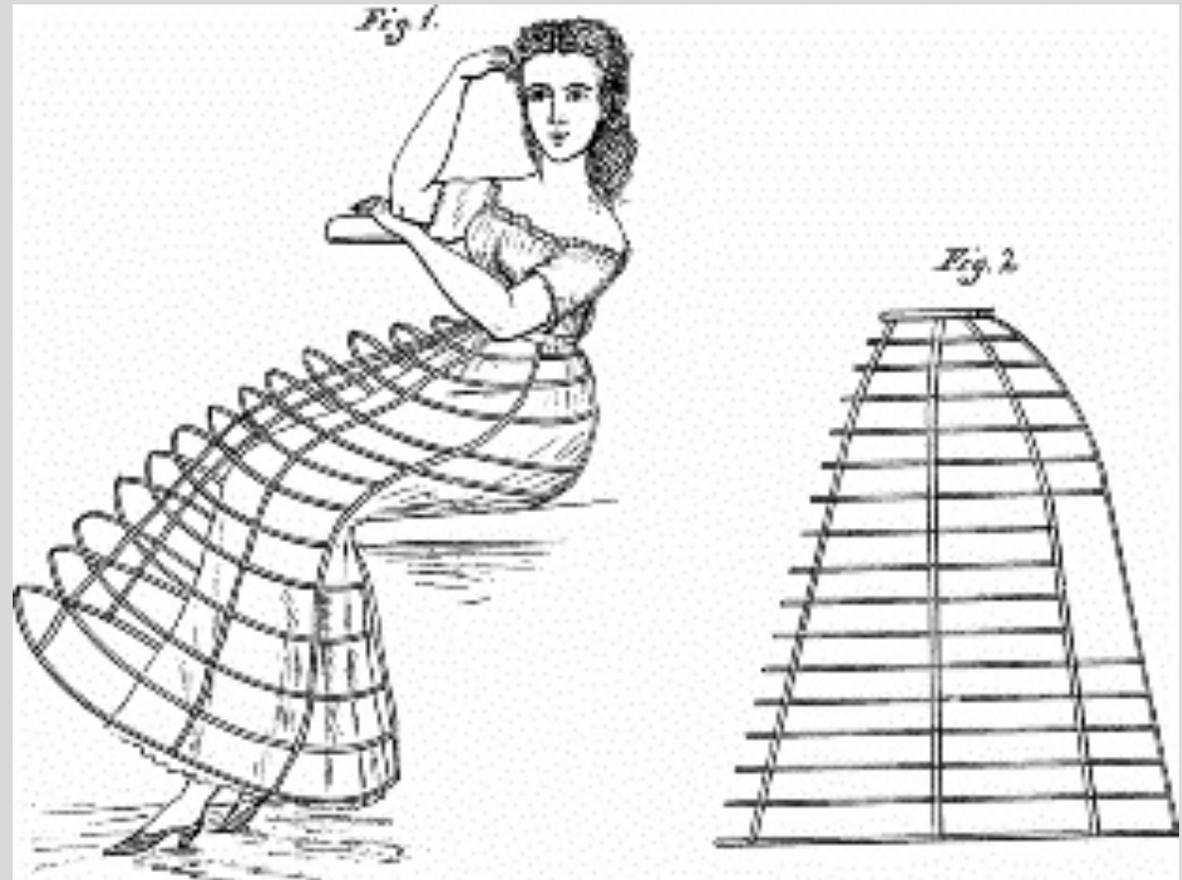
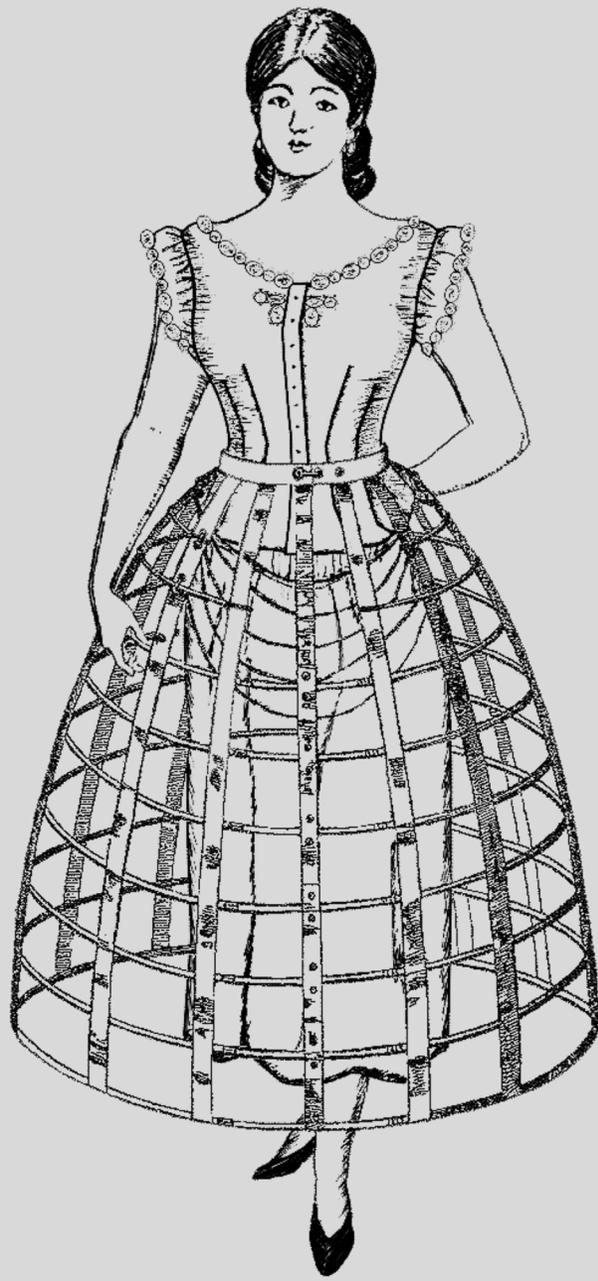
Kate Chase Sprague - photographed by Mathew Brady Studio, early 1860s

Canonchet, Residence of Ex.-Governor Sprague,
Narragansett Pier, R. I.





William and Kate Sprague. Photo credit: Mathew Benjamin Brady - U.S. National Archives and Records Administration





Pop Star - Dua Lipa at the 2024 Golden Globe Awards



The Past is Present





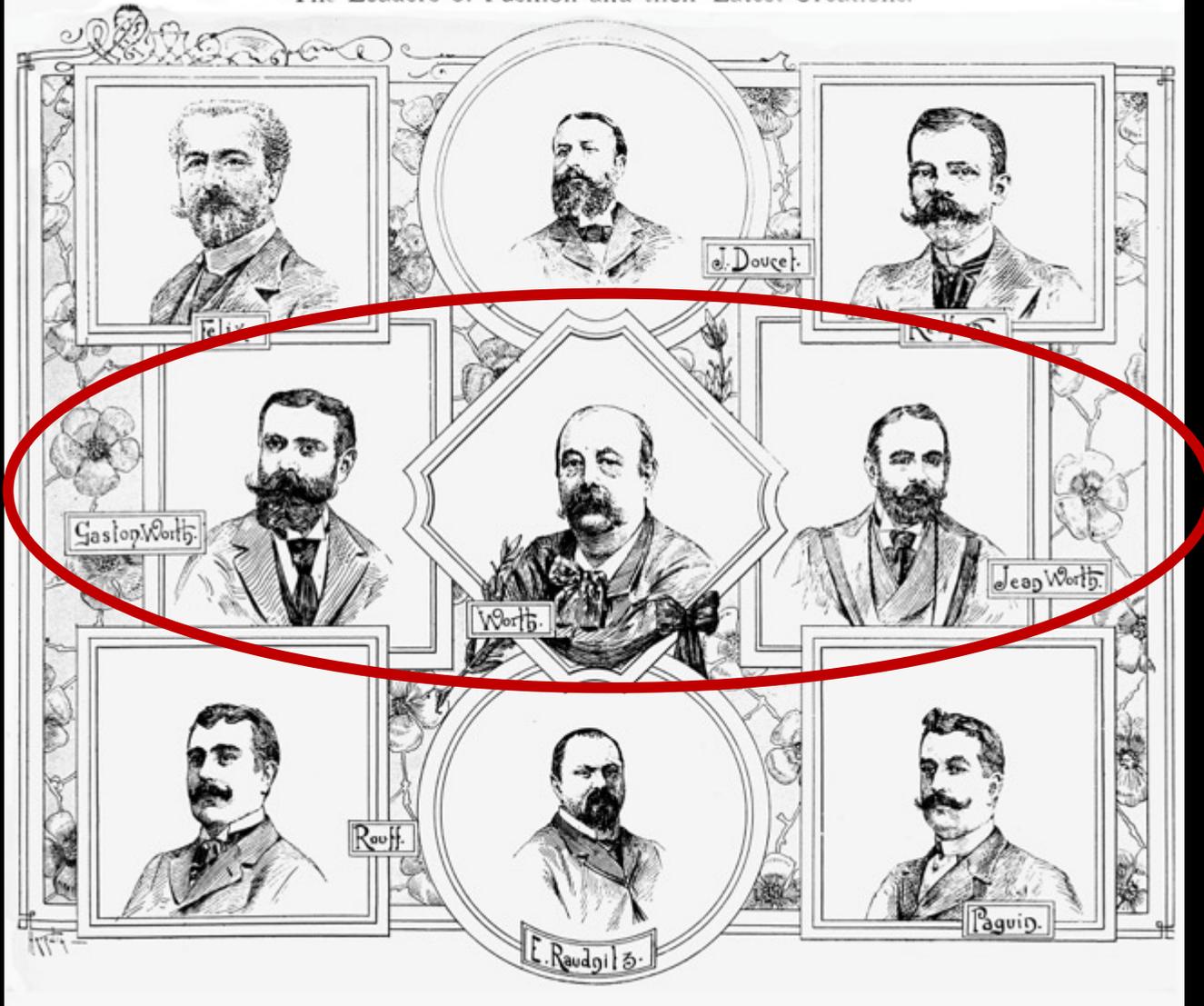
Crinoline and Bustle Style Dresses, The Metropolitan Museum of Art Collection



THE NEW YORK HERALD, PARIS, SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 1896.—EASTER NUMBER.

THE GREAT DRESSMAKERS OF PARIS.

The Leaders of Fashion and their Latest Creations.





Les Createurs de la Mode, 1910 from PMA collection – part of the internet archive.



1882, Evening Dress by Worth, Metropolitan Museum of Art.



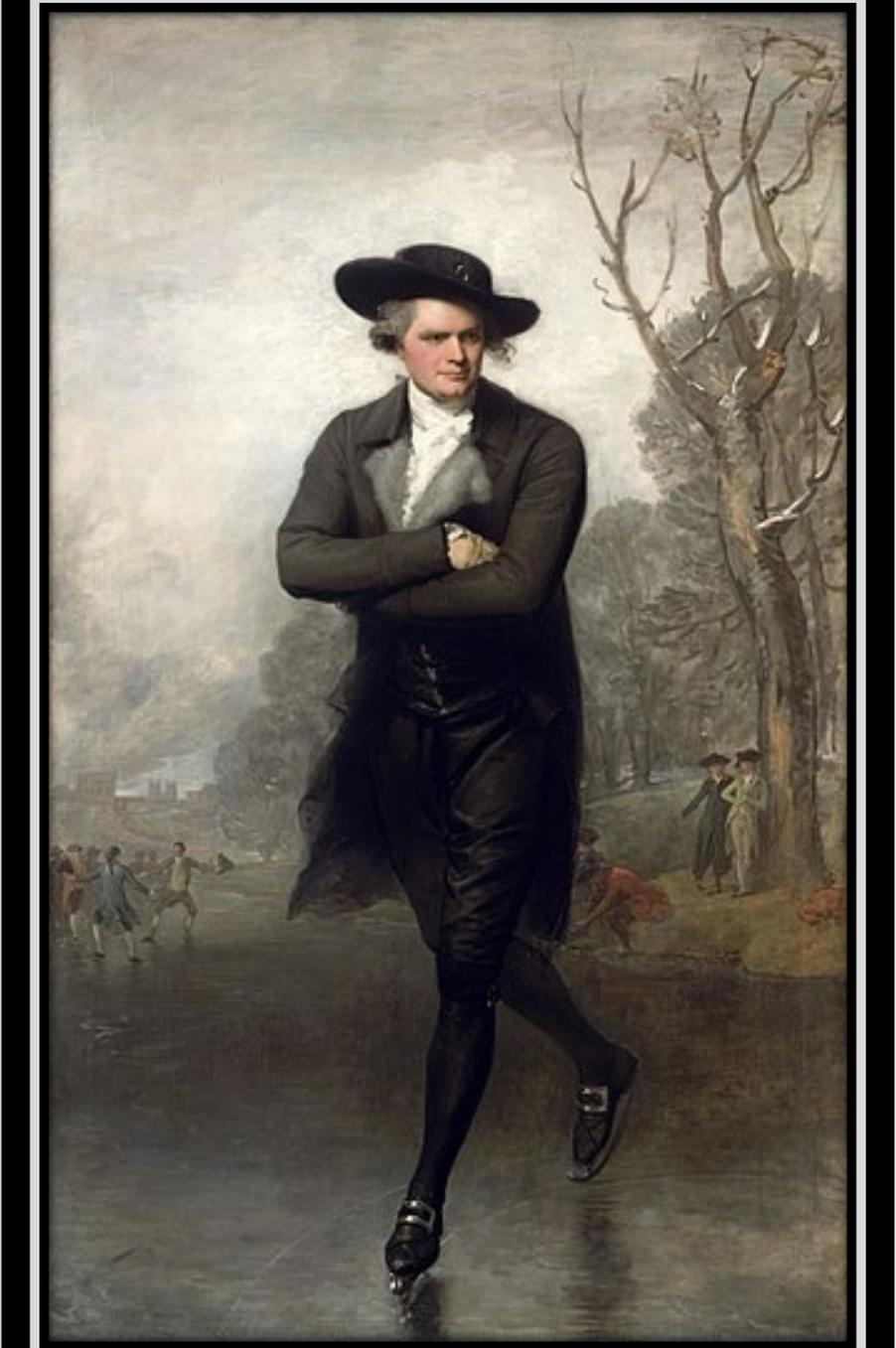
1887, Evening Dress by Worth, Metropolitan Museum of Art.



Engraving, *Le Monde Illustré*. "Croquet on the Beach." 1882. Courtesy of The Newport Historical Society.



Union Pond in Williamsburg, 1863. Illustration by Thomas & Eno



Portrait of William Grant by Gilbert Stuart - *The Skater*, 1782
The National Gallery of Art, Washington D.C.



Ice Skates – South County Museum Collection



Skating Costumes, c. 1860 – The Metropolitan Museum of Art



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Exhibition Still - Sporting Fashion: Outdoor Girls 1800 – 1920

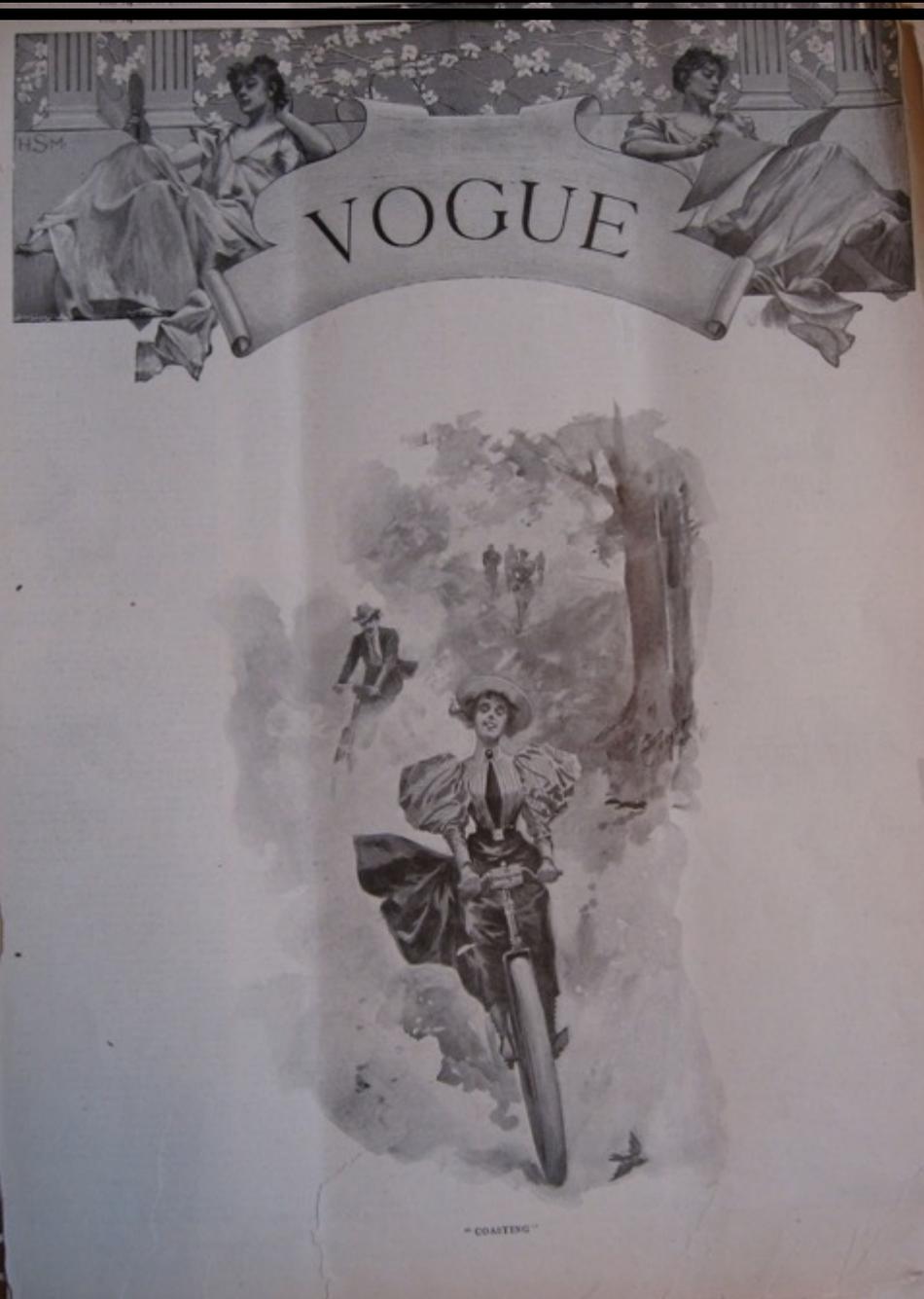




Roller Skating c. 1905
Library of Congress Collection



*Exhibition Still - Sporting Fashion:
Outdoor Girls 1800 – 1920*



Vogue cover 1895, NYPL



"COASTING"



Cycling suit, c.1896 – Collection of The Metropolitan Museum of Art

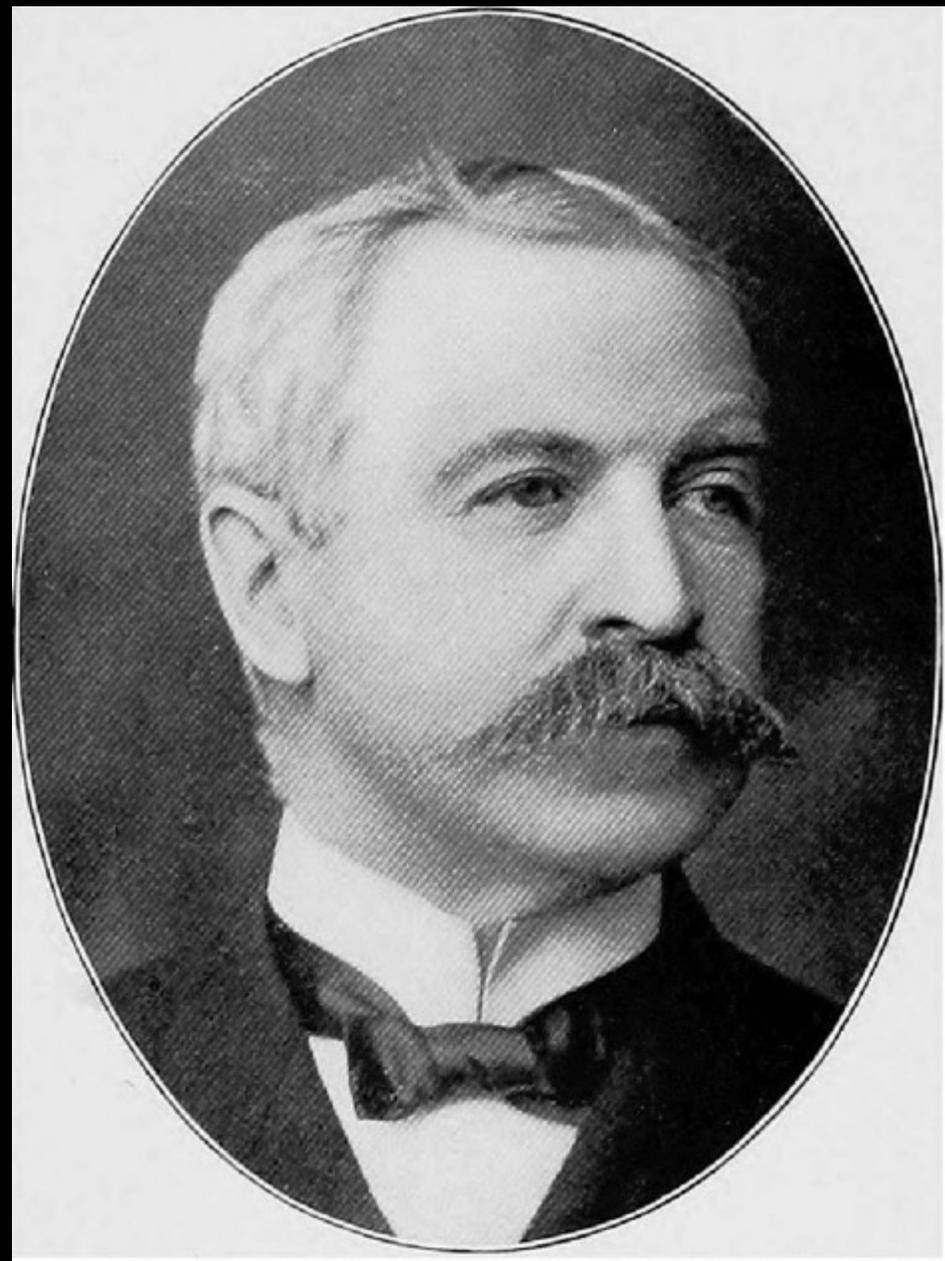
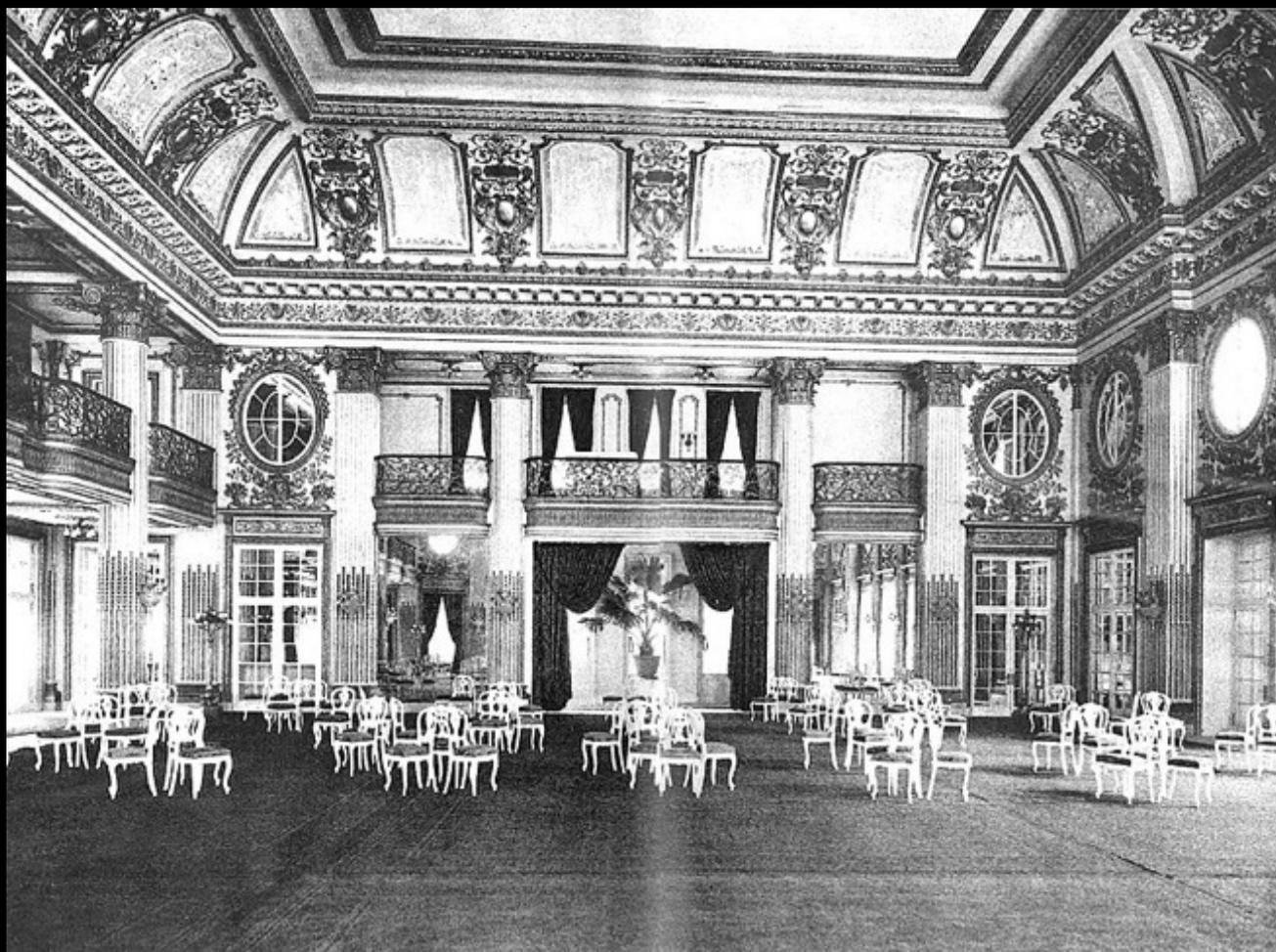




Ice Harvesting Southern RI, c. 1925 – Photo credit Providence Journal

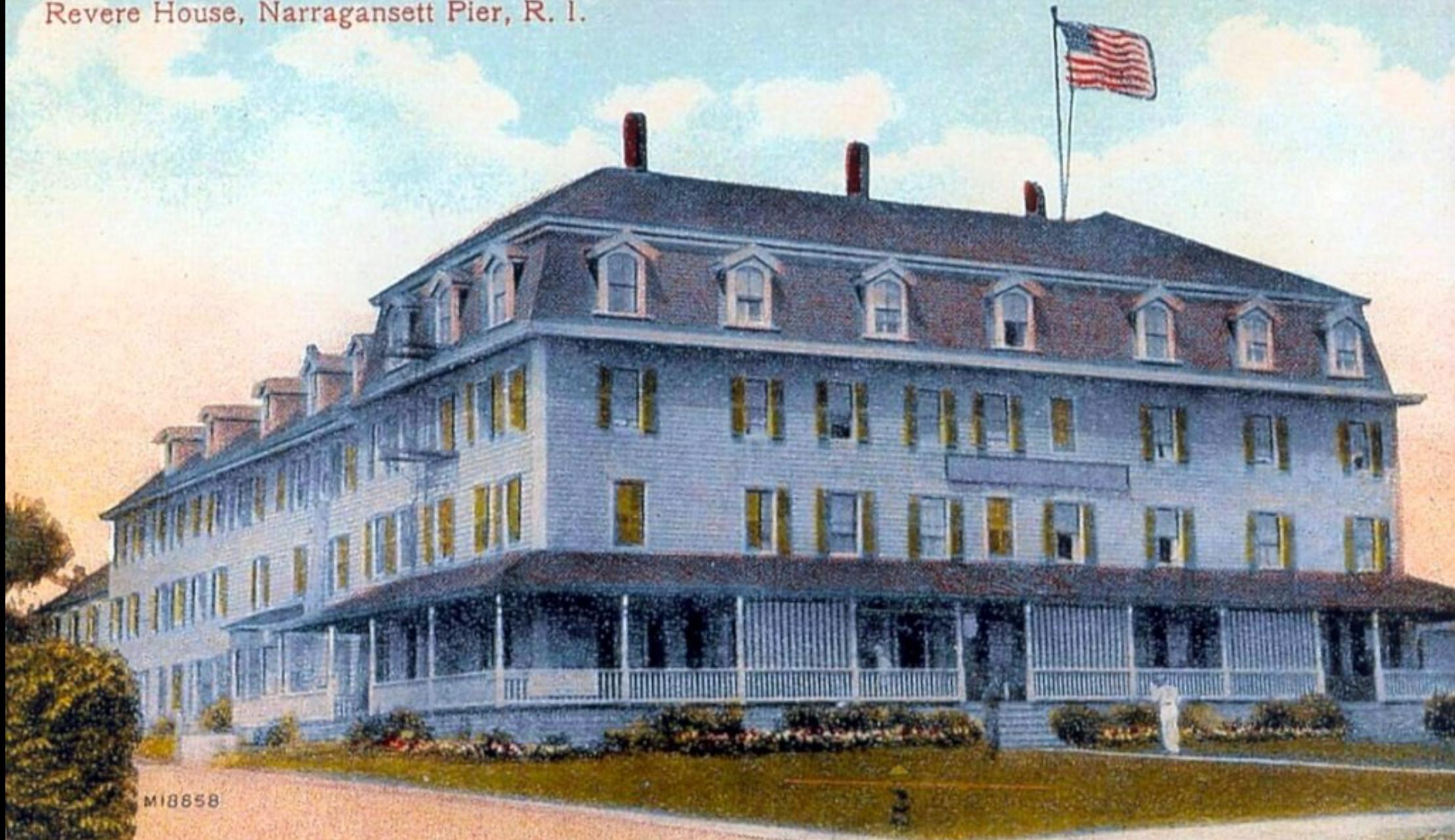
Bathing Pavilion, Narragansett Pier, R. I.





Louis Sherry and his New York Restaurant

Revere House, Narragansett Pier, R. I.



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Ice Harvesting Southern RI c. 1925 – Photo credit Providence Journal





Oldest known pair of Levi's denim jeans c. 1873







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Photo Credit: Apron Museum – Luka Mississippi



Indigo Studies at The South County Museum Fiber Shed



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South County Museum Postcard Collection

Old Casino, Narragansett Pier, R. I.

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**THE ST. NICHOLAS,
DAILY NEWS BLOCK, NEWPORT.**

Advertisement from, Lee, Henry,
Pub. *Lee's guide to Newport, the ocean
city*. [New York, H. Lee, 1884] Pdf.



FIGURE No. 18 A.

FIGURE No. 28 A.

FIGURE No. 38 A.

FIGURE No. 48 A.

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FIGURE No. 68 A.

GARMENTS FOR SPORTING AND OUTING WEAR.

(For Descriptions of these Styles see Article on Pages 242 and 243.)



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Exhibition Stills - Sporting Fashion: Outdoor Girls 1800 – 1920



2338—Point Judith Polo Club, Narragansett Pier, R. I.

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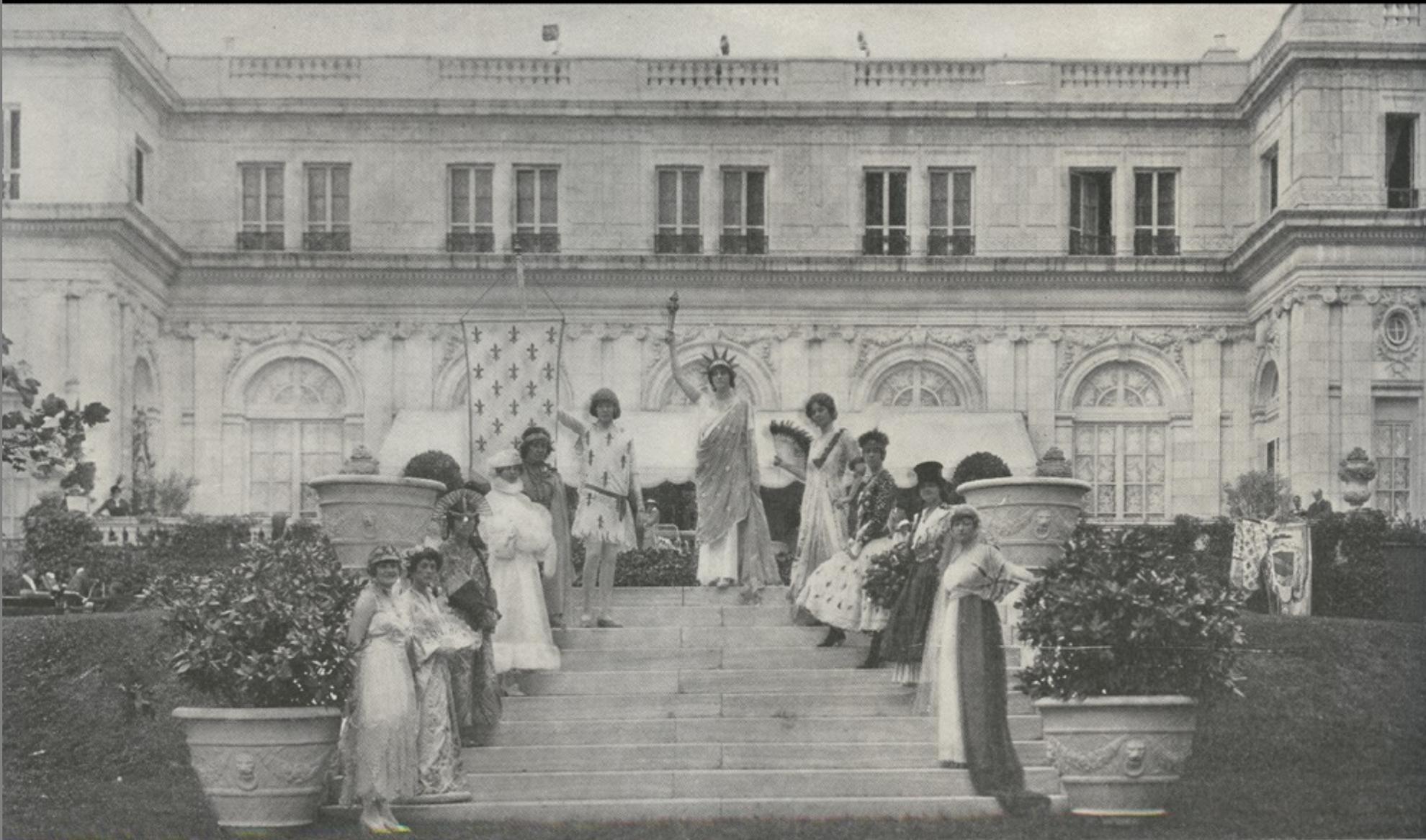
Polo Suits by Hickson "Fashions Passing's Show" at Newport -
Vogue September 1, 1915

FASHION FÊTE



Programme
Twenty-five cents

New York Fashion Fete Nov. 4-6th 1914



A fashion fête at Rosecliff mansion during the summer of 1915 - The grouping of nations tableau from "Fashions Passing's Show" at Newport -*Vogue* September 1, 1915



"Golf Knit" and "High Ball" were the names assigned to the new suit in "A Girl and a Girl in Sight." "Golf Knit" is of white material, and "High Ball" is of black and white material. "High Ball" also is of new jersey. Models from Nardini

Over the very thin and markable blouse which composed "A Summer Day," a warm blanket coat, striped in orange, green, red, and yellow and fawn. The white broadcloth hat was dotted with yellow and bordered with brown-striped ribbon. "The Queen of Sports," at the right, is a flannel shirt, and a velvet Mackintosh, green silk crepe, topped by a hat of green tulle and white felt. Models from Abercrombie & Fitch



Looks by Abercrombie and Fitch, Golf costume by Nardini and Bathing attire by Bonwitt Teller



Lydia Lopokova Dancing at the Newport Fete



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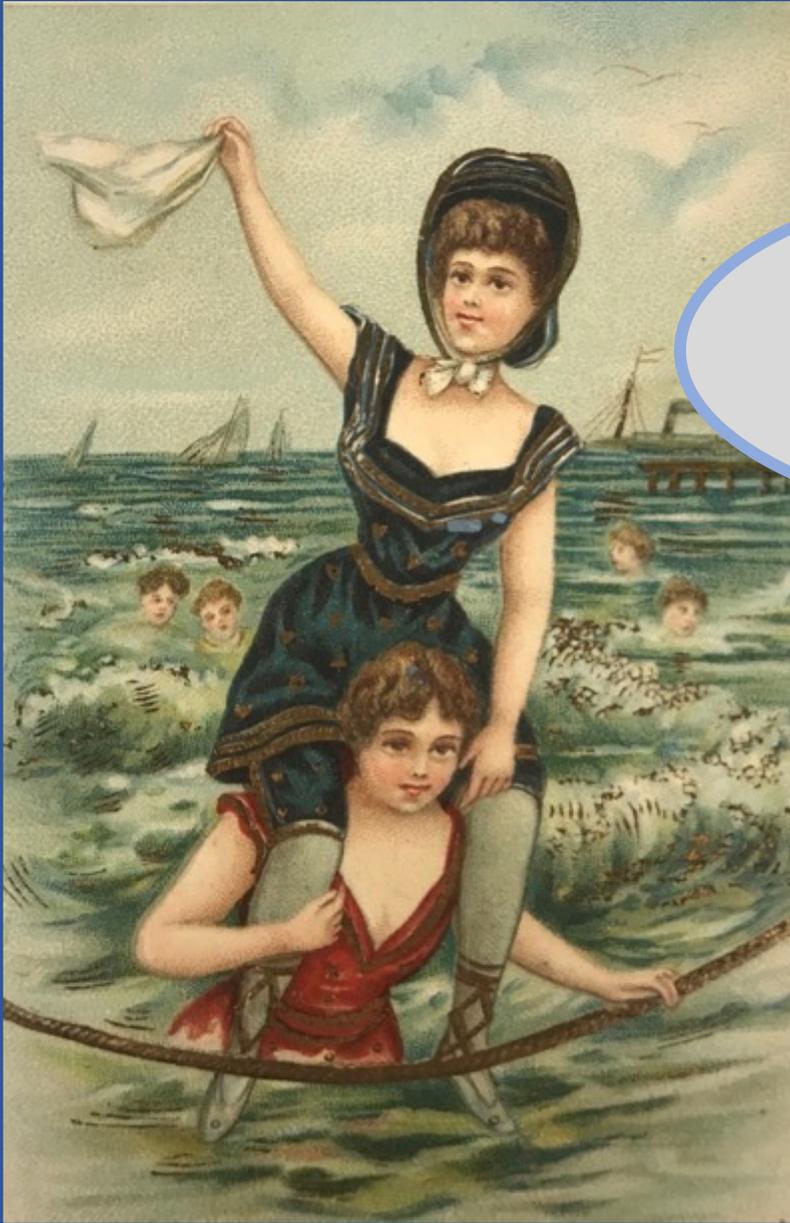
South County Museum
and School of Craft

On the Pettaquamscutt River, Narragansett Pier, R I.



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