

Woman's Viewpoint

BLUE VELVET AFTERNOON GOWNS.

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 NEW YORK, January 4.—The dyers found an admirable tone of dark blue to dip velvet in, and we now see the result of it in many good looking frocks. It is well that the modern weave of velvet is supple and light or we should be too burdened with it to walk. When full skirts and velvet came into fashion together the air was filled with a feeling of discouragement. Women have never overcome their



have already learned to eliminate diamonds in the morning and emerald in the afternoon and we should learn to keep fine velvet for a fine occasion.
 The French designers are probably responsible for the overflow of velvet costumes among women this winter, but it is a happy fact, one for congratulation, that cheap velvet suits are not conspicuous in the morning.

When Blue Velvet Is Good.

There is a discussion of opinion concerning the use of brilliant, dark blue velvet in evening gowns; silk net is considered much better, for it is not so heavy in appearance, but no one cavils at this shade of velvet for afternoon frocks. We have developed a pattern for many afternoon entertainments; even those who do not dance and those who are not in the habit of taking tea in a restaurant to music, find themselves very gayly occupied between the hours of 4 and 6 in the afternoon.

This custom prevails throughout the country; it is not limited to large centers. These are the hours for entertaining, when the American women wish to foregather, and this national characteristic brings about a wide demand for elaborate afternoon costume.

Among these costumes this new shade of bright blue velvet has taken a strong hold. There is always an argument as to the desirability of silk velvet on account of its wearing qualities, and another disadvantage that can be brought against it is the fact that it can be worn only in the winter; it is not a fabric that survives the other three seasons of the year, as do satin and net.

The sketch shows one of the new French gowns that promises to be widely copied in this country. The shade of blue has nothing metallic in it, as have so many of the satins and taffetas, and, therefore, it is more becoming to the average face. This new blue has depth to it, like the ocean on a very clear day; it is usually called Mediterranean blue.

Simplicity of the Bodice.

The entire gown is cut on simple lines; otherwise, with its lavish addition of fur, it would be ugly. But the interesting note in it for the average woman is the stern simplicity of the bodice. It seems to belong to the ages when no one knew how to fasten garments, has a straight front and back, with long, small sleeves and a slight décolletage edged with fur. The waist is where the nature intended it should be, the belt which outlines it being made of black satin and held in place by large, carved ornaments. Admirable as this bodice is on certain figures, and much as it is beloved by the artist, it is not the fashion for the majority. It takes a slender, flowerlike face to stand such severity of cut. The American woman stands a square décolletage better than any other, but it must be as deep as her prudence permits it.

Needlework for Winter.

To be really smart this winter one's sport scarf and hat must be embroidered in wool in gay colors. There is something singularly fascinating in this wool embroidery, and there is no reason why some of the expensive sets couldn't be copied at very little cost, if one has a slight knowledge of embroidery. The crude colors are used for flowers, and a very stiff, conventional spray is chosen for the hat and scarf ends.

The scarf illustrated is made of mustard-colored wool, and the hat matches



A SCARF AND HAT FOR THE WINTER GIRL.

it, in felt; the flowers are embroidered in crude purple wool with bright green leaves. The centers of the flowers are filled in with small stitches of the wool similar to French knots, and altogether the effect is so gay that one thinks instinctively of skating and coasting and all sorts of cheerful winter pastimes.

Dance Caps and Ornaments.

A cap of black maline supports a lattice of small rhinestone bands and is mounted to a narrow headband of black ribbon, which is entirely covered with rows of the rhinestone bands. It is finished with a bridle and long loops of narrow black ribbon tied in a bow at the left side. The sparkle of rhinestones against the background of black is very effective.

A popular cap is made from a band of black buckram one and one-half inches wide wired at both edges with fine shirring wire and covered with thin black silk. A jetted band of the same width covers the outside of this foundation. A single row of rhinestones is sewed along the center of the jetted band. A spray of black paradise is mounted to the band under an ornament of jet above a tassel of jet beads. Foundation bands for the hair are wound with silver, gold or light-colored satin ribbon far many of the less expensive ornaments. Flowers and spangled butterflies, rhinestone ornaments and metallic roses are used on them, and maline is used in standing fans or loops on many of them. The heavier gold and silver ribbons or braids in narrow widths, used with small silk or ribbon flowers, are effectively used for pretty ornaments.

Brittle Finger Nails.

Brittle finger nails should be treated with olive oil or almond oil. Dip them in the oil and keep them there for five or ten minutes. This will keep them soft. Never pull hangnails off. When absolutely necessary, cut them with small curved scissors. Pulling them is injurious and it will only make them sore and more painful than they were.

The present fashions are so varied that a woman can feel quite sure of finding something to suit her own personality.

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BLUE VELVET AND CHIFFON FROCK TRIMMED WITH FUR, BLACK SATIN GIRDLE WITH SILVER ORNAMENT.

fondness for the royal fabric and there is no reason why they should. It is a pity that they do not put limitations to their liking. The demand for a fine quality, the appropriate use of it and the choosing of a becoming shade are the limitations needed.

LITTLE JOURNEYS INTO FASHION LAND

When a woman begins to put on flesh she also begins to complain about her additional pounds long before she takes the trouble to reduce them by ordinary means or in a way to become her changed style of figure. This design of a dress, whether used for the whole dress or only for the skirt, is particularly becoming to the stout woman because it reduces the apparent size of her hips and waist, and the flare below the slot-stitched pleats accentuates the appearance of slenderness above.

LINGERIE MAKING.

The art of making lingerie at home has changed greatly in the last few years. There was a time when any woman who liked to embroider could have lovely lingerie. She could spend spare moments embroidering handkerchief linen or batiste or nainsook and a seamstress could make it up, with laddering and beading, lace edges and insertion, tucks and gathers, into beautiful underwear.

But things have changed, in the world of lingerie as in everything else. Today, although we wear some embroidered underwear, we wear more that is not embroidered.

Petticoats, perhaps, offer the biggest field for the home maker of lingerie. They are quite billowy, and may be loaded with lace and fine tucks, and even puffs and shirrings if one likes to take fine stitches.

The petticoat of chiffon and crepe de chine for bodice wear is truly a delight to the maker, and some of the petticoats to wear with evening frocks are also made of pale pink or blue chiffon or crepe de chine, with trimming of lace, tiny flowers and ribbons.

Underbodices still hold a prominent place in the ranks of lingerie. We wear fewer transparent bodices this year than last, but we have grown so accustomed to the charming little underbodies of chiffon and lace and other sheer, soft fabrics that we still wear them. Then, too, there are brassieres, but those we usually buy ready made. There are, however, some good patterns for underbodies that are made to serve the purpose of brassieres as well, that can be easily followed at home.

It is possible, of course, that white lingerie will gain a place it hasn't held for years because of the ever-troubling dye situation. It is getting more and more difficult for manufacturers of all lines to get dyes. War has cut off our foreign supply and we are unable to be able to make them ourselves. So more and more we must take what we can get. We can always get white, and therefore a fashion of white lingerie may return.

Of course with some of the frocks of the moment well fitted lingerie is a necessity; therefore we have the tailored type of lingerie. Sometimes it is carried out in taffeta, sometimes in satin, sometimes in cotton cloth. It is distinguished by simplicity and perfect fit.

Whipped-Cream Secret.

Heavily whipped cream, if allowed to stand, is apt to become watery and thin at the bottom of the bowl, the sugar having the tendency to separate in the form of a weak soup. This is especially true if the cream was not very heavy before being whipped. To remedy this, to every pint of whipped cream soak a scant tablespoonful of granulated gelatin in enough cold water to barely cover it, until it is soft. Then add a small half teaspoon of boiling water and stir until the gelatin is completely dissolved, after which add three or four drops of sugar and whatever flavoring you intend to use for the cream. Turn this into a cold bowl and beat with an egg-beater until it is white like marshmallows and begins to become firm, and just as soon as it has reached this point, but before it has commenced to grow stringy, beat it by spoonfuls into the cream, which has already been beaten stiff.

This will increase the bulk of the whipped cream and will not only sweeten and flavor it, but will keep it firm for any length of time. Care must be taken not to use too much gelatin lest it taste of the latter and make a sort of charlotte russe mixture instead of the whipped cream desired.

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