

IN THE DOMAIN OF WOMAN.

SENSIBLE WRAPS FOR WINTER.

Distinctive Features of Late Offerings—Other Winter Garments.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—The inclement weather is responsible for a sensible change in street wraps, the smartest of which are on the raglan order. The materials, quite generally impervious to rain, are as stylish as serviceable. Made three-quarter or skirt length, the preferred coats are of cravenette in the quiet Oxford gray worn this long while, with here and there some effective models in novelty wool.

A booming coat on this order is in shepherd's cloth, a shaggy gray and black material which somewhat resembles boucle. The model of the coat is the prevailing box shape with skirt flaring widely. The sleeves are flowing and ornamented with a stretched band and two black bone buttons, five of which also appear upon the smart shoulder cape. Three fasten this detail at the chest, and two join the pointed ends of the high Medici collar.

Another long coat with this same easy looseness, which is required of all wraps nowadays, is in Oxford gray cravenette, with black and novelty braid for ornamentation.



NOVELTY WOOL GOWN, SELF-TRIMMED—GRAY SQUIRREL STOLE.

This decoration appears only in a limited quantity, as the best of such coats depend mainly upon the cut and a solid-finish for effect. The narrow bands of the velvet are applied to the military collar and turnover cuffs, the braid joining them with a novel scalloping. A scant coachman's cape covers the shoulders, and the front of the coat is pressed to hang in heavy pleats.

Covering slightly trained skirts in many varieties of wool, these three-quarter coats are worn for shopping and other morning excursions. They are rarely lined, the materials being already heavy enough for warmth, and if a contrasting effect shows at the inside, it is generally because the stuff is double-faced.

Uster Shapes.

Useful usters in stouter and less pretentious materials show the popular Norfolk girdling at the waist.

Norfolk suits consisting of a short skirt and a very loose jacket are much liked for practical wear, and if the throat is dressed stylishly and a becoming hat is worn, much of the masculine touch is avoided. For no matter how much the world may preach, short skirts and mannish effects have their drawbacks, as well as their virtues. No man would be so bold as to wear them, but we are not gathering germs or supplying odd ends for the sport of wrestling winds, but we must look pretty as well. Therefore, remember that it is the elegance and attractiveness of the accessories which makes the Norfolk suit. With those in rough gray or black wool, a stole and muff of gray squirrel are dressy fixings, and if the stole is worn stock fashion—close to the throat, with the ends crossing at the back of the neck, the effect will be even more suggester. Superior squirrel is the old name for this stylish pelt, which the women who read Godey's in ancient days admired immensely.

A becoming short jacket is made of plain cloth with the whole garment in stitched pleats. This also shows the Norfolk influence, in that it is belted at the waist above quite a long skirt. One smart garment in this model was of gray satin-finished cloth, with gray and black braid shaping a stylish, suggester at the front. Upon the close cuffs, which finished the full pleated sleeves, was placed one of the braid ornaments. This coat also showed a shoulder cape in three layers, with the bottom edges stitched with black. All the pleats of the coat were treated in the same way.

Reception Gowns.

Combinations of velvet, lace and fur distinguish some of the reception gowns, with which it is a fad just now to wear white furs, no matter what the color of the costume. White fox and ermine sets are seen on all sides, and the hats going with them also generally show a touch of the same effective skins. To get the fur into the millinery without clumsiness requires much coaxing and the most gifted fingers to boot; and to achieve the lightness necessary some part of the hat must be of lace.

A stunning hat with the brim of white fox and the crown of Bisantine lace—a thin silky web of great effectiveness—accomplished at every point the requirements of fashion.

Accompanied by a huge white fox muff this dazzling headpiece was worn with a black velvet and lace dress. The lace was put over white silk and formed a deep skirt

and the best part of the bodice. An edge of black lace, headed by a band of black velvet ribbon, bordered the blouse, which was topped by a deeper band of the fur. All the body of the waist was of the lace, with deep shoulder caps falling over puffed velvet sleeves finished with lace cuffs. White velvet in a highly ornamental stole trimmed the front of the bodice, both this and the white stock being softened by an edge of black.

Jetted and spangled laces, in conjunction with fur and velvet, also appear in elegant reception gowns, and some of the effects of color in them are truly wonderful. For example, a black velvet costume, with insets of black net spangled with metallic blue, fell over a silk lining with the reflection of blue steel. Under the gauzy insets of long, slender gowns, were placed brightly-colored linings, the figures of the insets breaking and mottling them into a blur of color.

Silk and Lace.

Medallions of hand-painted silk, with frames of lace, are frequently set in white cloth costumes intended for elegant service. These pictures—for one can only call them pictures—display single flowers, urns with trailing vines, and even Watteau figures.

A pair of court lovers in azure satin garments and rose-garlanded hats danced over one exquisite lace and cloth frock intended for reception wear. Five of the pictures, showing long, slender gowns, were placed in the cloth skirt, with points of the deep lace flowing running up to frame them. Four smaller ones ornamented the lace and cloth bodice, and a narrow rose garland of the painted satin in detached flowers between others of lace fell in a bertha around the shoulders.

This is a fashion too splendid for the ordinary world, you will say, but please remember that any novelty which calls for individual gifts can be turned to economic account. Nowadays six women out of every dozen paint to some degree, and if they cannot do this, flowered silks may be cut out and employed in the same way.

One wise girl who knows the value of always seeming to be in the swim has made with her own fingers what she calls a Watteau bodice. Made of pale blue chiffon, she has introduced in this an all-over treatment of lace insets, the pattern of these stiff baskets or flowing with flowers. The flowers she hand-painted in natural tints and at the hands of each basket a lace head was applied to the chiffon to form a French bow knot. Pale pink panne composed the belt and stock of this daring conception, which is worn with a plain white silk skirt with pink and blue chiffon dust ruffles. It is for high dress, of course; for smart dinners, evening receptions, etc.

Practical Toggery.

Coming down to more practical toggery, there are some thin figured wools the market which it pleases fashion to make up self-trimmed. Except at the throat and waist, where a contrasting velvet is sometimes used, rarely does a thread of other trimming appear on these frocks, which are as swager as they are inexpensive. Sometimes the material is shirred at some point, sometimes it is tucked, sometimes pleated. These modest tricks relieve plainness in skirt and bodice panels, hip yokes, sleeve caps and yokes. Hand-some buttons, in any of the popular designs, may fasten the front of the waist and with a chambray underwelt and fur stole the neat get-up is ready for any weather.

Pelrine capes and stole bands are the favorite models for fur shoulder fixings, but here and there one sees a short cape



CHINCHILLA SHOULDER CAPE.

of equal attractiveness. A stylish model has a short back and scalloped fronts reaching a little below the waist. Tails, attached by the same ornaments which fasten the front, hang over the arms, and at the throat the cape mounts to a high collar. Persian lamb, ermine, black fox and monkey skin are some of the pelts used for these shoulder coverings, which, like all such trappings, should be accompanied by a muff to match. But whatever the skin employed, the tails used at the shoulders or at the front—for some of the capes also display them there—are always of fur, and to judge by the different colorings in these appendages, the fox is a many-hued animal, for blue, black, brown, white and gray tints are seen.

Discarding Petticoats.

For the coldest weather many women of good sense are discarding petticoats entirely, stoutly made knickerbockers of black cloth taking their place. The knickerbockers button snugly below the knee, and though such details admit of little change, everything is done to make them attractive. Braids are put in military stripes at the outside legs, and, if a silk lining is used, it may be in some brilliant color.

One pair of black cloth knickerbockers had the silk on the outside (black in this case) to facilitate the easy drop of the skirt. At the waist the heavy pleats were inserted in a bias hip yoke, fitting skin tight. All of the cold weather trousseaus show these tail yokes, which are necessary for the smooth fit of the skirt.

All of the pattern houses sell the knicker

patterns. If you buy them ready made they are dear—\$12 the pair, at least.

MARY DEAN.

WOMAN WITH A SMILE.

And the How and When and Why She Does It.

The most beautiful woman is the cheery, perpetually pleased woman who smiles constantly and who looks at you inquiringly when she meets you on the street.

There is, perhaps, nothing more exquisitely painful and cordially humiliating to a man than to be told by a member of the fairer sex: "I would to you on the street two or three times lately and you would not speak to me." Young men do not mind this much and they are seldom



RECEPTION GOWN OF BLACK VELVET AND CHANTILLY LACE—WHITE FOX MUFF.

chided for such a childish delinquency, but men who are a trifle grizzled and who rush to the barber shop frequently to be shaved—not because the stubble is more irritating than formerly, but because it is gray, and gray stubble is a little-fool—feel that their native gallantry has been impeached by the infirmities of advancing years. One in ten of these men can recognize woman on the street, or could recognize his own wife, did she of his heart and home change the manner of dressing her hair, wear a bit of unusual color or exploit a ribbon or a rose in some unwonted fashion. The result is that he is continually in misery, bowing and scraping to women whom he does not know and who do not know him, and ignoring the salutary glances of women he knows and who are his friends.

It would be a great blessing if the woman who smiles would remain from doing so at long range and adopt the old revolutionary method of restraining her fire until she "can see the white of the enemy's eyes." Men are not as highly sensitized and delicately adjustable as a Marconi instrument and when a smile is sent scurrying through space, every son of man reaches for it and tries to get a strangle or half-Nelson hold on it.

WHEN ALL TOOK BEEF.

How a Resolve Against the Beef Trust Was Wrecked.

They walked into a small women's restaurant—where a lunch costs only 20 cents, but where the menu is limited—and completely surrounded one of the small tables. Roast beef and ham and eggs were the meat dishes of the day, and the em-

ergetic looking woman groaned audibly as she read them off.

"Why don't they have more variety?" she complained. "I simply can't eat ham. It is too indigestible."

"Well, take the beef," suggested the other woman instantly.

The energetic looking woman drew herself up, and her face shone with noble resolve.

"Not a morsel of beef will cross my lips so long as the trust keeps up the price," she announced. "I shall not add one cent to the booty. Why shall I enjoy beef for my lunch when the hard working women and sickly children of the poor may not taste it from one year's end to the other?"

There was an abashed silence at the table. The other women looked like children caught in mischief. The nervous little woman was the first to find courage to speak.

"But I am so dependent on beef," she said. "I really think I should injure my health if I didn't insist on a nice, juicy piece of beef at least once a day."

"I would be perfectly willing to give beef up," another woman chimed in, "if there was a general, organized movement to do

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A horrible suspicion has arisen in connection with the loss and prompt recovery of Miss Van Alen's watch, says the Philadelphia Press. The Cumberland county bar presented her with a testimonial for the watch, chain and keys, and she hinted darkly that the pearls are bogus, otherwise even the thrifty Miss Van Alen might have seen her way to adding a cipher to the reward.

On Thursday, January 1, Miss Rena B. Hikes, the first of her sex ever appointed a deputy prothonotary in Pennsylvania, completed her three years' term, says the Philadelphia Press. The Cumberland county bar presented her with a testimonial for the watch, chain and keys, and she hinted darkly that the pearls are bogus, otherwise even the thrifty Miss Van Alen might have seen her way to adding a cipher to the reward.

Mrs. Zimmerman of Minneapolis runs a hospital for injured wax figures. The latest halt, blind and seedy images that have been seen too much life at the milliner's, the hairdresser's and the dry goods shop are restored to wholeness and beauty under her skillful ministrations. Mrs. Zimmerman worked industriously under a capable wax figure maker until she had mastered the details of the business and for several years now has practiced successfully in her peculiar field.

Fris of Fashion.

Manicure sets of golden copper with silver trimming are new and pretty.

Ivory combs for the hair with carved tortoise shell and silver trimmings, Astrakhan tuile, one of the season's novelties, is said to be an admirable substitute for the genuine skin.

Chrys-rose with its apple green coloring is introduced in some of the art nouveau designs, particularly in belt buckles and clasps.

The Persian trimming fad has extended to pajamas and some fetching suits in delicate tints are edged with bands in Oriental coloring.

Sash pins and brooches of iridescent copper with applied decoration of sterling silver are included in the collection of inexpensive novelties of the year.

Bells of brass for the table are imitations of old French designs. One is of a woman, the voluminous skirts forming the shell of the bell, the head being movable. Another bell has the figure of a quaint little man.

Attractive things in card cases are covered with Japanese silk, an upholstery material, which is pretty, besides wearing well. The inside is of a leather not to be seen in American or European articles, a queer brown Russian leather and a soft light mottled leather.

The American Indian has decorated pillows and draperies for a season or more. He has been promoted and now figures on a brooch. One such ornament of gun metal was adorned with the figure of an Indian painted in colors.

Rings are worn more generally this winter than in many years and women are not obliged to cling so persistently to gloves in the evening at balls the wearing of gloves is optional. Rings are more elaborate and showy than ever. The most popular design is a bulky diamond affair that reaches from joint to joint, while an ingenious Parisian jeweler has sent to this country one of the long rings with hinges, covering almost the entire finger. The use of the hinge is not required, because the hinge acts in accordance with the movements of the joints, while the finger is one glittering mass. Some fashionable women wear the wedding ring only, but the tendency now is to smother this sentimental jewel in a riot of diamonds. In some instances gloves have been slit at the seams to display rings.

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