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Signs of Coming Spring in New Dress Delights Office Furniture

bargains are to be found in all of the better shops, and if any Sec. 95 money has been saved from the orgy of Christmas buying it may now be invested to advantage.

There are still at least two months of wintry weather to be faced and there is another winter coming, though it lies beyond a distant summer. If one buys wisely, winter bargains in furs and frooks and coats picked up now will give comfort and satisfaction until spring and will come in conveniently at the opening of another cold season, but naturally one must not buy the extreme or freakish models if one counts upon wearing them another Beason

In some of the shops the prices of highclass winter coat and skirt costumes are cut in half, so that room may be made for the coming spring stock and the old stock may be cleared out, and one may obtain for \$25 or \$25 a severely tailored coat and skirt of mandish material which sold for from \$50 to \$5 early in the season.

In dressy frocks and imported models the reductions are still more sweeping, but frocks of this sort are more likely to be shopworn and solled and must be chosen with a view to their possibilities of freshening. Winter coats are quoted at prices which in some instances seem absurdly low, and the left-over hats are much reduced in price, but there are few desirable things among them and a hat made to order costs as much as it would have cost two months ago.

This last statement does not apply to frocks. A number of the smart tallors and the dressmaking departments of many shops offer tempting rates at this season of the year. The southward-bound crowd, while large, does not by any means furnish enough orders to keep the dressmakers busy between winter and spring seasons and in order to keep their work folk, yet not keep them in idleness, dressmakers put forward reduced prices for work as a lure.

Of course, there is no telling just what the spring will bring forth in the line of new fashions; but there are conservative models which are fairly sure to be modish throughout the spring and summer, even if not the last cry of fashion; and it is a sensible thing to have such a frock made now, so that one may take advantage of the between-season prices and have something ready for wear in the early spring. It seems quite probable that the leaning toward the severe tallor-made for street wcar, a tendency very noticeable last fall, will be emphasized in the spring, and a coat and skirt costume made with a conservative coat, either semi-fitting or close fitting, and finished with regulation coat sleeve and coat collar, is a safe proposition and a good thing to have in readiness, for the first mild days. For that matter, there are days all through our winter when such a costume, if not in suiting too light of weight, is comfortable.

The new suitings are not yet much in evidence in the shops; but a few light weight French suitings, tweeds and serges have appeared and are being made up for southern wear. The plain French serge of fine quality, both in white and in blue, is a favorite, and among the blue serges there are several new shades-deep, yet full of color, such as the electric blue, which has been liked in Paris this winter, and the indigo, which was introduced last fall.

The volles and panamas are being pushed for southern use and are always practical; but nothing new in materials of this class has yet appeared and now that voile is as much a favorite in winter as in summer the winter stock of such material may be drawn upon for the purposes of the sou



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ward bound.

The spring stuff most conspicuous in this early showing is perhaps the rajah silk which is put forward in many new color combinations and designs and is insisted upon with a unanimity that suggests a determination among the manufacturers and merchants to make this silk a leading feature of the coming season. A majority of the new raishs are in plaid and check effects, but there are many stripes, too, and the plaids and checks are in most cases of the line stripe variety-a plain ground barred off or checked off with lines of contrasting color.

Gray and white combinations are frequently repeated in these stuffs and, indeed, the liking for gray which has beer emphatic this winter bids fair to hold over into the spring and summer, if the color indications of the first spring showing are to be trusted. A soft, silvery gray rajah, barred off into a regular three-inch plaiding by a rather heavy line of white, has excellent possibilities and innumerable changes are rung on this theme, the size the shades of the gray varying in all imaginable ways.

There are, too, some very smart rajahs in irregular mixed plaid, such as the invisible plaids of the winter cloths, many shades of gray and lines of white entering into the composition of the plaid. These same designs are, of course, repeated in other colorings.

A ground of the soft tan, which is the natural pongee color, plaided or checked in lines of almond grean or mahogany brown or violet or dull blue, has apparently been a favorite with the designers, and combinations of white and color are legion, some of the smartest of these being in bright chestnut brown on a white ground. Some of the designs, in small indefinite checks, show several colors charmingly blended.

One of these in soft dull lavender, dull blue, gray and white is particularly harmonious; but there are other color schemes as successful. Inch-wide stripes in tan or white and some soft color, such as lavender or almond green or blue, are extremely attractive, and an effective design. not nearly so conspicuous as it sounds. shows a wide stripe of tan alternating with a Roman strips, in which dull rose and green and blue appear, but in such harmonious melting tones that there is no striking color contrast.

Plain raish is offered in all the popular shades which are likely to retain their popularity with the coming of spring, and it is said that this material is to be tromendously worn for motor and traveling coats and costumes. Certain it is that it is being made up in considerable quantities for of their models in rajah, though those summer look inconsequential. models will not be seen until later.

A few foulards are blossoming with



way that leads past the doors of the com- gram day we see ----

GOWN OF SILVER SPOTTED MOUSSELINE AND SILVER GAUZE, A SECOND OF SATIN VELOUR AND SILVER LACE, A THIRD OF MAIZE CREPE DE CHINE WITH LACE AND A FOURTH OF GRAY MOUSSELINE AND SILVER.

out including in it at least one foulard of valley lilles tossed carelessly over the stock. frock, and no other silk is quite its equal surface, the blossoms in white with faint The best of the new organdies have a though at various times other silks have palest green. elbowed it aside and it has been declared out of fashion.

The foulards already shown are onlefly of the dotted variety, showing very slight white ground, the leaf design being in lay- of the art standards among manufacturers. variations upon designs already familiar. One idea which promises well is developed, in white and dark blue, white and violet, white and gray, etc.

It has a white ground on which fine hairline stripes of color are set closely together. Over this surface are scattered dots of various sizes, from a dot the size of a 5-cent piece to a dot of the ordinary wafer size, all in the color of the line stripes, but each framed in a fine clear line of white. The of little white dalsles. It is in the ex- Or there may be a wide stripe of black effect is remarkably good, the design having character without being conspicuous and hizarre.

Other satin foulards show groups of line stripes in color set at two-inch intervals on a white ground, and down the white two-inch stripe are sprinkled either tiny rings or lozenges in the color of the line stripes. The taffetas, messalines and other spring silks put forward so far have no surprises, being merely of the check and

sirable chiefly for shirtwaist frocks. It is when one comes to the cottons that gets one's money's worth in beauty. the efforts of the manufacturers to provide rare and beautiful noveltfes for the coming sesson are most apparent. If the prelimi-

nary showing is a fair sample of the things southern use and that the manufacturers of wonderful cottons, a season which will to come this is to be a spring and summer of dust coats are planning a largo number make the manufacturers' triumph of last

Not only are these exquisite cotton stuffs the Swisses and mulls and other summery ful of sheer sliken stuffs in charm, but even he cheaper cottons are surprisingly lovely are prettier than ever, and there are several of wafer size.

class which, however they may wear-a layender dots. This combination is, by the charming lingerie frock is obtained more matter still to be determined-are unde- way, a popular one with the designers, easily and componically through the use of highly of phenomenal beauty in color and black and white fine striped grounds or such a robe than in any other way. design.

on this list. It is very sheer, though not most all of the cottons. Going back to the or girdles of lace, are numerous among satin velours, accorded a more important transparent, and of exquisite sheen, while swisses, one finds the finest of white swiss the new muslin models, and are more easily in point c: design and color it yields the with an embroldered rose design, in the accomplished by the amateur dreasmaker pedin to none of the most costly printed tinlest of pink roses, scattered over it, than are the purely princess models cut lace, in founces, showed where the skirt materials.

to a pink just a shade desper behind the harmonizing colors, such as pale pink and tricate detail, while simple of outline, and graceful sprays of apple blossoms which pale green, pale blue and delicate lay- hand embroidery and valenciennes are the are scattered over the surface, their pink ender, etc. flushed petals melting into the pink back- A tiny wreath of flowers tied with a such as Irish and cluny, frequently enter jectable little frock whose full short balers

stuffs, but hardly enough of them are in ground and their faintly green leaves giv- minute bowknot is a good design in both into the trimming scheme. of the plaid, the width of the lines and evidence to offer convincing testimony as ing just the needed touch of relieving color embroidered swiss and batiste; and shaded Little change in last season's ellhouette to their chances in the spring fashion pro- in the harmony of pink and white. Or per- dots on a white ground, while not dis- is noticeable in these first lingerie models. gram. There are women who will not con- haps you may prefer a design of fine stripes tincily new, for they were used last season, but the rise of the long shoulder line and sider planning a warm weather outfit with- in white and silvery gray, with loose sprays are among the effective designs of the new the tendency to introduce contrasting"

There is another design in which tiny rose, orchid, etc. The coloring and draw-

leaves, spraying like maidenhair fern, but ing of these flowers testifies, as do all the models. of different shape, almost entirely cover a floral designs, to the increasing excellence

the sprays it fades to a pale hus. A blue and white spider cloth has a wide vals on a white ground, and the continuity stripe of shaded blue, light even in its of this striping is interrupted by little deepest tone, alternating with a wide stripe flower sprays or ting floral wreaths in of white, and over all are thrown clusters delicate colors set into the stripe.

quisite drawing of the floral designs and alternating with a white stripe and the in the way in which they appear to melt floral motifs are set down this wide black into the background instead of standing stripe. The black and white and flower out clear cut and distinct that half the ef- color designs are always charming for

fectiveness of these new slik and cotton sheer cottons and such silks as mousseline materials lies. The printed silk mulls are beautiful, too, flower coloring are equally charming in

and the embroidered batistes and swisses connection with material in which black defy description. These last materials, at dots or stripes appear on a white ground; \$1, \$1.50 and even \$2 a yard, are frock ma- but, as has been said before, we are thorterials as costly as sliks; and a "simple oughly familiar with such effects through plaid order familiar last summer and de- muslin frock" fashioned from such stuff the sheer silken stuffs of similar design. is no inexpensive luxury; but at least one Embroidered robe patterns in batiste,

> The all-white embroidered swisses are successful season if predictions are fulalways modish and serviceable and there filled, and the manufacturers and importare many pretty new designs in these pop- ers have evidently counted confidently upon ular materials. Large quantities of these such fulfillment, for, while only a small Swisses have already been sold, and though percentage of the robe importations are there will be many more consignments already here and on view, these few are before the spring season is fairly on, it a clear indication of the emphasis put upon is doubtful whether there will be again as such materials in the plans for the new

charming an assortment as there is now. season. Embroidered swisses and batistes show- Pale blues, lavenders, yellows, grays, ing delicate color in the designs are many, pinks and whites, exquisitely and lavishly but must be seen to be appreciated. One embroidered in self-tone, are offered at In design and quality. The dimities, printed pretty swiss has a ground of white stripes prices ranging from \$30 to \$55, and since batistes, organdies and in fact all the old with closely set black hair lines and is the trimming is all supplied in the pattern favorites among cottons of modest price sprinkled with pale blue embroidered dots and the frock is so nearly made that an

entirely new fabrics of the cotton and silk Another is in pale gray and white with it together successfully, an elaborate and check grounds with a floraly or dot design

A stuff called spider cloth is conspicuous in lavender having been turned out in al- and skirts are joined by inset waistbands

Imagine a delicate pick ground shading thickly sprinkled with small dots in two ported lingerie models are wonders of in- silver roses edged the finely plaited revers

sleeves under a shoulder drapery like the body of the blouse or to cut the upper part for general utility wear in warm weather, gray shadows and the delicate stems in bar plaid of heavy white line and a colored of the sleeve in one with the shoulder of the blouse is evident in these summery design of some single large flower, poppy. models, as it has been in the late winter

> The new linen frocks also emphasize this Idea, and models which have been popular ender or green or gray, as the case may Printed batistes, silk mulls and even in cloth or other winter material work out be, and showing many shades of the one dimities show many of the designs popular very well in linen, the linen blouse being cut color, the color being deepest where the in chiffon cloth and silk muslin this win- down to show a considerable expanse of leaves are thickest, while at the ends of ter. For example, there may be groups of sheer lingerie guimpe or underblouse and fine black stripes, set at rather wide inter- sleeve caps or short outer sleeves of the linen falling over three-quarter sleaves of

the sheer lingerie material. Cluny is the lace most in use for trim-

ming linen in this first exhibit of linen models, and the most popular skirt models

seem to be those which are trimmed in deep folds or tucks set on the skirt at wide intervals and headed by inset bands of cluny insertion. Very often these tucks staft at each side of a plain box plait down the middle front and in some efand chiffon, and the border designs in fective models this plait runs up the front of the blouse to meet a low drawn fichu drapery or collar, while the blouse and skirt at each side of the plait are joined by an inset girdle of lace insertion.

Piain coat and skirt costumes of heavy linen, severely tailored and made with plaited skirts and semi-fitting coats of swiss, mull, etc., will have an unusually moderate length, are as usual much in demand for southern use, and the soft string color, straw collor and natural tone linens rival white in number and popularity.

Many dance frocks and evening frocks are being made up in embroidered swiss. batiste, organdy, etc., but the chiffons, tulles and silk muslins are still the leading

sheer evening materials, and the soft, sup-

and especially attractive are white swisses in one from yoke or shoulder to hem. Im- was slit up the left front and a line of tiny



was formed of silver gauze almost entirely and another shows a succession of loop hidden by motifs of handsome Irish lace, with a disk between each two or three. hidden by motifs of handsome Irish lace. Soft satin ribbons in warm rose relieved the white and silver.

With certain shades of gray, silver is especially effective, and the silk mousseline of the sketch was of exactly the right tone to harmonize with the lines of tiny silver roses and the sliver lace which served as trimming for the frock.

Leaves from Fashion's Notebook.

in a legitimate way, the former for dinner and reception garb, and the latter for al-most any occasion. Velvet costimes usually take on very simple lines, although often elaborated even to a startling dorten Braid

take on very simple lines, although often elaborated even to a startiling degree. Braid, ince, broadcloth and gold, silver and jeweled bands are favorite garnitures. The vogue of the bretelle and suspender effects has been so pronounced that ad-vance information classes them among the important spring fashion items. The dropped surplice in combination with the drooping biouse and iong shoulder seams will prob-ably be the outcome of this fad, and, as for that, is already predicted by the powers that be. To keep handkerchiefs a good color, in-

for that, is already predicted by the powers that be. To keep handkerchiefs a good color, in-stead of dampening them in the usual way before irroning, proceed as follows: Put two quarks of tepid water, with five drops of blue and a small piece of lump starch, into a basin, and into this mixture dip each handkerchief separately, thoroughly wet-ting it, and then squeezing it as dry as possible. When all the handkerchiefs have been treated in this way, spread them out smoothly on a clean cloth or towel until they can be ironed. The craze for Venetian jewelry is re-sponsible for the new fad in millinery. It consists of a quaint buckle, studded with giase geme of various colorings, which are introduced into a heavy foreign setting. Bright colored stones are used, such as orange, green, blue and starret, and some-times large moonstones occupy the center. On black hats the buckle is effective. The long scarf or vell, which fails down from one side-usually the left-is still seen in millinery. Bometimes the scarf reaches to the waist.

The short plaited walking skirt retain

The short plaited walking skirt retains its popularity and, worn with a jaunty belero of fur or cloth, it has a particularly smart effect. Sometimes the little coat takes the form of the new hip length, or it may be finished with a band at the waist and a short, flat basque, falling over the hips. Skirts with innumerable gores are fashionable. They are most becoming to stout figures, for they give the effect of slimness. Some skirts have as many as ninsteen gores, while others have seven-teen, fifteen, nine or seven, just as fancy dictates.

Brown is much in favor for ball gowns

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Chat About Women

Mrs. Elizabeth Espenak is a town coun-clior of Bargen, Norway, and also hon-orary secretary of the Norwegian Woman's Christian Temperance union.

Bessie Leonard, the daughter of a flour mill owner in Garfield, O., took charge of the engine and holler when the engineer struck, for she had studied engineering. In Winterset, In., Gertrude M. Duff has been elected county superintendent of schools. In Idaho, where women vote, seventeen women were elected county su-perintendents of schools at the Tast elec-tion.

tion. The income of Mrs. John Jacob Astor is put down at \$2,500,600 a year, but her re-sources are practically unlimited. Although she is now 76 years old and a great-grand-mother, she manages to retain her position in society. She is more sought after than any woman in America by those with so-cial aspirations.

cial aspirations. The Atlantic Coast line has had a rule debarring woman clerks from employment in their offices, but has now announced that after December 15 two departments, those of the car accountant and purchasing

those of the car accountant and purchasing agent, may employ woman stonographers. This is because there is a scarcity of men-stenographers. Delouris Lizabeth Harrison, although only is years old, has filled for the last two years the responsible position of engineer at her father's sawmill near Needham, Johnson county, Indiana. During the threshing sea-son Miss Harrison is often seen in the cab of her father's traction engine, pulling the big separator and water tank along the road, going from one farm to another to thrash wheat. There are now four women who have

thrash wheat. There are now four women who have leanses to navigate the waters at Pitts-hurg. They are Captains Mrs. Mary Green, Mrs. Mary Swan and the Dippold sisters. The entire Dippold family now have licenses to pilot steambeats, and the women nave all served their apprenticeship of three years in the pilot house and on the roof of Ohio steamers.

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