

Fashions in Lingerie

The Fashionable Slender Figure Demands the Most Carefully Tailored Undergarments—Sheer and Dainty Materials Are Features of the Spring Undergarments.

THE combination garments that first introduced several seasons ago are crude attempts at lingerie tailoring in comparison to models recently brought out. Past seasons this term meant nothing more nor less than the petticoat or drawers joined with the corset cover by a straight belt of embroidery or beading. The combinations of today are well designed, cut and made to conform to every line of the figure without the slightest suggestion of fullness anywhere and at the same time are as comfortable and practical as they are pretty.

A Few Choice Late Novelties.

The general vogue for the one-piece dresses makes it necessary to do away with any undergarments that will mar the smoothness of the outer garment. For the woman who wears the short petticoat there are the three-piece combinations which serve the purpose of corset cover, drawers and short petticoat. A knee-length pleated drawer-skirt is one of the recent imported novelties which is well liked by good dressers. The princess drawer is another high-class novelty combination which is cut in one piece like a princess. Another departure in lingerie tailoring is the shortened waist in the corset cover and the high cut skirt-drawer is true empire fashion. The high-class combinations are also drawn to a point in front and are fitted very snugly so that garments worn over them should fall smoothly without wrinkles.

Popular Combination Garments.

Drawer and corset cover combinations are the most popular of lingerie styles. The princess skirt cut in piece or in semi-effect is another popular garment. Cover and short skirt combinations are favored by women who must wear more than one skirt. Knickers and extreme short fitting petticoats are shown only for the ultra dressers. Separate skirts, corset covers and drawers are still to be seen.

In gowns, the slip-over, low neck garments are much in evidence, while the banded empire has lost none of its vogue. Among the French lingerie the chemise is still to be seen, but the tendency for tailored underwear has done much to popularize the chemise.

Sheer Material, Dainty Embroidery.

There is a continuance of vogue for sheer and soft materials. Cross bar and striped dimities, embroidered and dotted swiss, batiste and allover embroideries are employed extensively. The high-class garments show a great deal of sheer linen, French batiste and hand embroideries in dainty floral design. There is also a wide employment of fine linen laces for the high end, while val still remains a popular lace for the less expensive numbers.

Much is done with embroidered flouncing, for drawers and corset covers are often made entirely of the flouncing. Conventional embroideries in simple designs are finding favor with all classes of dealers. The general tendency in lingerie is for dainty simplicity.

Colors in Lingerie.

One of the most pronounced novelties in lingerie this season is the use of colored embroideries. Of course, only the light and delicate shades are used, such as light blue, pink and helio, and great care is taken not to make the color too pro-

nounced. The wide use of ribbon in color has paved the way for this color treatment in the new lingerie, but ribbons can be removed during the laundering process and the colored embroideries must stand the test of washing. All white lingers, therefore, is shown in larger numbers for the colored variety is at present considered quite ultra; to be used by the overfastidious, who want their undergarments to harmonize with the general color scheme of the toilette.

Gloves.

The tendency for black and white gloves, among the high class of trade, promises to become more general the coming season. Not only for dressy wear is there such a demand for black and white, but for street wear more black gloves have been sold this winter than for many seasons. The indications for early spring point to wide demand for the short glove in glace, suede, the heavier leather and even silk, when it becomes warmer, but buyers of the large department stores seem to be pretty confident that during summer the long gloves of silk and linen will be as much in demand as ever. For early selling the large city stores have quite a showing of the season's new colors and shades for matching purposes, but as the season advances there is always a large demand for the colors that harmonize rather than match the costume. In silk gloves there is a wide showing of black and white. White especially looks very promising for midsummer selling. Tan has become a leading staple color. In weight, stitching and style of leather, there is no decided change in glove fashions. There has been a better demand for one cheap leather glove sticking in manish, glove effect by the smart dressers, but for general selling the fine glaces and suedes seem to be better liked.

Trimmings and Buttons.

For summer there is a wide showing of embroidered wash trimmings of every description in bindings, edge and medallion form. Pendants, tassels and drop ornaments made of linen are also important items in summer trimming. Soutache and embroidered effects on net are still in the lead. A great deal of metal, beaded and jeweled effects, jet, tinseled and sequin trimmings of all sorts are featured of the new trimmings. For popular selling the fancy belting and bandings are excellent, while fringe, drop ornaments, tassels and pendants of all sorts in jet, metal and other effects, are still the high class trimmings. Ball fringe and tassels are in good demand for finishing sashes, girdles and neck ornaments. Black is better than ever and the tendency for sombre trimmings with bold dashes of bright coloring and gold and silver effects is quite pronounced.

Buttons are shown in fabric covered effects, metal, enamel, steel, jet and pearl. Brides and tiny buckles for trimming purposes in steel, enamel and rhinestone effects are in great evidence.

Laces.

The lace outlook for the coming season is very promising according to fashion indications. While the figure outline has changed but little, the simply made garments of last season must give way to the elaborate trimmings that are promised great vogue. The heavy linen laces are



excellent, especially the clunies, which are now used where val was formerly employed. Irish laces, bandings, allovers, medallions, galloons and separate crocheted drop ornaments; all these forms of trimmings will be used separately and in combinations on next season's garment. For lingerie purposes, much interest is shown in the val, torchon and cluny. Net and net top laces are holding an important place in the lace department. Allover net in white, ecru, black and color is fairly strong. Much interest is shown in colored novelty effects, for there is hardly a lace in the market but that is procurable in color. Metallic effects are also very good. Gold and silver tissues in finely woven

design and pattern are seen on the finest allovers, bandings and medallions. Jetted and metal spangle nets are also to be seen among the allovers and bandings of the net laces.

Parasols.

Parasols for the coming summer are shown in plain colors of taffets, pongee and other materials. There is the usual showing of fancy effects in Persian and Dresden design, but the tendency seems to be for the plain coaching parasol in solid color. The handles of the new parasols are somewhat longer than the regulation length and are mostly of wood. Mission wood in severely plain effects is the novelty for next season's parasol.

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