

**WASH DRESSES DRAG**

**AN INNOVATION NOT POPULAR AT PRESENT.**

**New Ideas Displayed in Early Spring Cloth Costumes - Made with Short Eton Jacket Cut Down at Neck and Short at Belt.**

New York correspondence:



UST think of it! Separate skirts of duck, denim, crash, cotton, burlap and the like are of trailing length, and at front and at sides they sweep. What can be uglier and harder to hold up than a wash skirt? And what could be more disastrous than to trail a wash skirt, which cannot be brushed but must go to the tub to be cleaned? Unless they wear them themselves, the laundresses of the coming summer may rejoice. As for other women, they are in dust and ashes. These skirts are made close at hips and front, and spring from the waist at the back with a few loose gathers. From the knees the skirt springs at front and sides, this effect being often heightened by a

the latter finished with black velvet. Many white shirt waists will be quite as complex as this, and there are to be not a few notions in them. Consequently the shops are making tremendous sales of the sorts women have been wearing. Shoppers should be a little careful because only the more expensive waists are fitted over the low straight corset and there is danger of a very poor fit. The new things are mostly bishop sleeved.

Many early spring cloth gowns are made with short eton cut down at the neck to show a yoke, and short at the waist to show a high, shaped bodice belt. As a rule, though, the eton stands well out at the edge from the belt. It is not worn over an under bodice, but is attached direct to the top of the belt, or the belt is made on a sleeveless lining bodice that serves as foundation. Shoulders and upper sleeves of the eton are usually close. Cloth dresses for early spring often are trimmed with straps of stitched white linen, duck or plaid gingham. The effect of the latter is very smart. Two dresses of this general character are shown in the next illustration. The left hand one was biscuit albatross. Stitching showed on skirt and jacket, and on the latter was piping of red cloth. The remaining trimming was white pique embroidered in red, the tiny yoke being white lawn. The other gown was electric blue cashmere. Its band trimming was silver soutache, and the bodice was silver gray taffeta. The sleeves of these two dresses give a bare hint of what is coming between hand and elbow. A mighty to-do is on in devising sleeve novelties, and the display of the output is to last all spring and summer.

There is a sudden revival of the postil-



CLOTH SUITS FOR EARLY SPRING.

shaped flounce, which usually is narrow in front and widens towards the back. Often its upper edge is scalloped or scrolled. The craze for stencil and cut-out work continues in wash goods. Skirts of blue duck are trimmed with cut-out bands of white duck in scrolls or conventional figures. In many cases shaped panels elaborately perforated are used. Flat panier hip pieces of white linen elaborately cut out are a feature of a red denim skirt. Blue and red are thus used, and green and blue. The separate wash skirt, with shirt waist, is evidently going to be a very popular early season wear this year.

In respect to the excessive length there

lon habit-back coat. It cannot be ignored and many women who at first said ruefully, "How ugly!" are considering getting one. The shield front that was so fashionable last season has been suddenly transferred to the back with good effect. The back panel is the width of the shoulders and tapers from there to a rounded postilion tab below the waist. An eton scalloped up at the sides, with such a back, is a novelty. Etons are made without collar or revers, and if the plainness is relieved at all it is by a laid-back band collar. These bands are being still used a lot. They look well in front, but are ugly at the sides and cut the neck line badly. Two other ideas



HINTS AS TO JACKETS AND APPLIED TRIMMING.

seems to be little difference between wash skirts that go with shirt waists, and more dressy skirts for which a fancy silk waist is to be the accompaniment. Short waists will appear, of course, but they're not to be among the dress-ups even for ordinary outing wear. Why designers should think that these new fancy waists should be in especial demand is hard to understand because shirt waists and waists of that general order made from diaphanous stuffs will be fanciful and pretty enough. But the waists are offered in many attractive designs, and women are not to be blamed if they take them up. A sample of these waists appears in the first picture. Nile green wash taffeta was its material, green silk embroidery finishing the edges. Undersleeves, collar and front were white lawn,

in boleros are shown in the last of today's pictures. The first was sketched in pale gray satin-faced cloth, and was trimmed with silver passementerie. With it were a white chiffon bodice and a deep bodice belt of metal gray velvet. The other was white broadcloth trimmed with silk embroidery and combined with black and white velvet. Materials for such gowns are almost endless. New weaves of silk and wool are pretty for dressy tailor suits, whipcord holds the exclusive lead for strict outing and tailor, and it is easy to spend a lot of money for the better qualities. Loosely woven homespuns are popular. Copyright, 1901. Patents on explosives have been issued to the number of 300.

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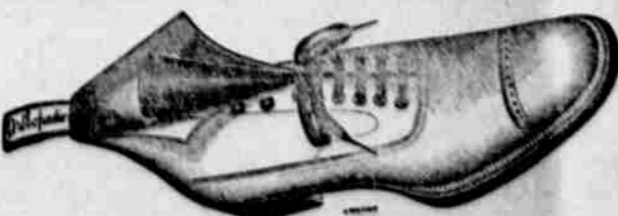
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