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less' is an old toast that would not be accepted with much favor by the women who strive for correct fashion effect this season. In fact, the efforts are being made by all to reduce the shadow to a minimum. The silhouette effect is the one dominant note of all the gowns, dresses and suits for this Spring and Summer, and never before has one style been so uniformly accepted as this one. Figures, hairdress and even the natural walk have been altered to conform with the present styles. How long this fashion will reign is speculative, but it is safe to say that all this season and well into the next the Direction. plative, but it is safe to say that all this season and well into the next the Directoire and Empire styles will obtain. They certainly are graceful and picturesque, and one color idea from head to foot keeps well in hand the woman who in other days was prone to inharmonious color combinations. The long, close-fitseen in everything in the shape of gown or dress. This style in itself insures simplicity in effect. This is always artistic welcome, When we adhere to the graceful lines of Nature we are much closer to graceful symmetry than we were with the exaggerated sleeve effect and accentrated waist and hips of a few seasons back. Therefore, remember to be in accord with the season's edicts you must adopt the close-fitting sleeve, the high waist line and the narrow skirt. A skirt two yards and a half wide is the sirictly proper thing, but if you insist upon exacting a greater degree of comfort, fashion conciliates by allowing you to go to the extent of three or even four yards, but there you must halt, for beyond that you are permitted to choose between two effects, the close or semi-fitted princess that clings or to the draped were with the exaggerated sleeve effect yond that you are "outre." In your gowns you are permitted to choose between two effects, the close or semi-fitted princess that clings or to the draped effect made with, soft, limp materials that will do the clinging for you. Either of these styles will give you the tube or silhouette appearance so arbitrarily demanded. Another marked tendency of the present styles is noted in the evening tollettes of the decollette effect. The square decolette effect is for the time being supplanted by the V shapes. In these gowns the fuller drapery effect under the bust is conspicuous and is a welcome compromise to many who found the severe flat effect very trying, but in the hipless feature of the skirts there are no concessions made. The nearest thing to a concession is in the overskirt and double-skirted styles, which, however, must be draped to preserve the clinging effect. This is accomplished by the use of supple materials and by draping the over part high up on the figure or by making the front short and the back long, or vice versa, to conform with individual preferatent. The old Greek peplum styles are very fashionable just now, with the top of the overskirt coming well over the bust, and what little fullness, there is being drawn in at the waist and then allowed to fall in soft folds over the hips and at the sides. To make the overskirt costume successful the underskirt should be long, if not with trains at least'n couple of inches on the ground. For early Spring wear and for evening gowns, however, trains are the thing. Even for affectnoon costumes the fishtall trains, or what has been called the mermald effect, are being shown in the smartest clordes. Greek and Roman draped effects are shown on nearly all the gowns. In some of the smartest gowns brought over recently there is a decided dip at the back and a noticeable sioping at the front of the tunic, designed to reveal the directoire sush, trimming the underskirt and ending in a fancy bow in front. The sosh is put on after the skirt is completed and is caught a

AY your shadow never grow adhere to the color scheme of the bodies collar, which are very effective with women of slender necks. Some are also made collarless, to be worn with separate ruffs. In all these coats severe tailored lines are the most fashionable and coverts and broadcloths are the materials most favored. The lengths will vary from \$2 to 42 inches, according to the style of the garment. Advance styles indicate that 36-inch lengths will be the most popular. In two and three-piece suits the semi-fitted coats and hipless skirts are correct. The coats are all cut in a manner that makes them shortwaisted and are of the gutaway style with rounded corners. They show one, two and three buttons and mock buttonholes. All these coats hang loose from the bust and are from \$2\$ to 36-inch lengths. Sleeves are of the ceat shape, without fullness at the top. In these suits there is a tendency toward plain fabrics, although self stripes, mixtures and regulation fancies are widely shown. Lapels are shown on everything. The Napoleon collar is a feature of the new garments. It is made of the same or contrasting material, gold embroidery effects being very fashionable. It is very high, rolls over in a huge sweep and fastens with a scarf. The skirts are finished in habit style, and the best effects are fastened in front, for the back panel and belt are cut in one. Buttons are the most favored trimmings. In many models the sides hap over a narrow front panel in plait fashion and the skirt fastens on the left side under the plait. The

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skirts just clear the ground, but as the season advances there is no question but what shorter skirts will be in vogue.

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is particularly conducive to girdles,

are, in a large measure, of enameled

able, the latter especially so on hats. In girdles and fancy belts satins with fringe or tassel ends are quite a feature of the Spring styles. By the way, the true more fetching range of styles than during the present season. The current styles are especially adaptable to the directoire girdle laces or fastens at the side. The well-dressed woman spends a goodly portion of her allowance on pretty belts. For the severe tailor-made type, the plain leather belt is most desirable; there is a variety of width, color and use of accessories. The directoire trend the shaping of the buckle. Very pretty effects are in colored moroccos, with leather thongs of a contrasting shade threaded through. Buckles covered with soft leather, studded or embroidered with gowns, such as green, blue and rose. The button trimming is a strong feature of the new gowns. Gold buttens, burnished and dull oxidized silver effects are

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Belt pin noveltles are taking the place of girdles in many quarters as the new style tendencies are to conceal the waist line rather than to accentuate it. Hat pins are chiefly shown in gold and sil-

skin and pin seal are also extensively shown. Linen hand bags, shaped like the old carpet bags, are novelties of the season that may catch on. There are many novel shapes shown in the shops in various leathers. One is keystone shape, another fan shape, but it is preity safe in getting a good durable bag that is to last a couple of seasons to stick more to conventional designs. Chain purses and bags in gold or silver mesh are still very smart. The old-fashioned portemonnals is again in vogue and is shown in Commenced. shown in German silver, carved sterling silver and gold. In tollet articles and boudoir pieces, nickel and ebony are now more popular than silver, the former

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of fashion that women should be daintily perfumed these days. Essence is not of fashion that women should be daintily perfumed these days. Essence is not used as much as sachet. There are now small silps of papier mache about the size of a visiting card which are sold a dozen in a box. They are perfumed with flowers and are of a delicious fragrance. They are to be put into the lining of the coat or gown, hat, blouse and scattered around the bureau drawers. They will impart a subtle fragrance to hand-will impart a subtle fragrance to handwill impart a subtle fragrance to hand-

kerchiefs, neckwear, bags and veils.
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