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MODISH GOWNS.

Tailor-Mades for the Summer Girl—Trig and Dainty Shirt Waists—Natty Throat Coverings.

Although there are weeks and months in the summer when, on the most of the days, the very thought of a cloth gown is a horror, it has been proven by experience that the cloth gown is a necessity the whole year round.

Free from the too severe effect of the tailor-mades of a few seasons ago, the grace of the present drooping modes is no better expressed than in the walking and traveling costumes provided for the summer girl of 1903.

The popular features of summer tailor-mades are embodied in the costumes here illustrated.



The one on the right is a jaunty frock of Mohair Sicillienne over a sorosis petticoat worn as a drop skirt, the fashionable flare at the bottom being obtained by a curved band of hair-cloth used as an interlining. Beneath the dainty "bouffantry" is revealed a glimpse of openwork, Gordon-dyed hose and trim ties.

The gown on the left, a trifle more severe, is suitable for a trotting frock for less dressy wear and is of light tan wooltex serge trimmed in a darker shade of tan novelty braid and is finished with a binding at the hem.

The shirt waists in my illustration are two of the most popular for sythe modes. One is the strictly tailor-made with stiff cuffs and front, fastened with pearl buttons. The other of cool-looking white linen exquisitely hand embroidered.

With every addition to the galaxy of shirt waists and blouses, a need in the collar department arises, and an inventory of the fashionable girls assets in stocks and collars would reveal several —each with its own distinct charm—and whether milady possess the swan-like throat, short neck or no neck at all, the featherbone foundation is most essential to a well-fitting stock.

Not for many years have buttons played so conspicuous a part in the trimming of street frocks, and none is so popular as the pearl button, some frocks being literally sprinkled over with them sewed on with a silk thread contrasting with the gown material and harmonizing with the trimming.

HELEN ADAIR.

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Pleased. — S. E. Whitman, Esq., editor of the Easton Star Democrat, was a delegate to the convention here last week and writes thus: "It is appropriate to say that the Convention was handsomely entertained by the citizens of Chestertown, all vieing with each other to make everything pleasant for the visiting members. The town has made wonderful progress the last few years, one instance being the bringing of the Railroad station to the centre of the town, from and to which trains began running last Monday. Formerly the station was in an inconvenient location, much to the disgust of the citizens. Progress is in the air, and with its beautiful location on Chester river and high rolling lands, Chestertown is fast becoming one of the most beautiful towns in the State. It was the good fortune of the writer to be the guest of Mr. Thomas G. Wroth, who took great interest, in showing many places of interest, to our great pleasure and satisfaction. It was with regret that we had to leave."

Time For All Things

TRUE ENOUGH, "we are all creatures of circumstances." Only a fortnight since we needed a Coal or Wood Stove and fuel to keep us warm; but May has come and all is changed. Yesterday our streets and fields were covered with snow and sleet. To-day vegetation greets the eye everywhere, reminding us that we will soon need the following from

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