## \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Frills of Fashion.

Fashion on grand parade, with horses incidentally thrown in as a background, has been the dominating amusement of the past week The two presumably most beautiful objects in the worlds, women and horses, equally oblivious of each other, bave been on exhibition at the Horse Show once again in close competition for the maximum of ntion. Which wins in this sort of contest has been demonstrated many times before, and the result this season was no exception to the rule. To be sure, the horses get a meagre share of ing is in evidence across the shoulders in glances, but it is the costumes of the women that absorb the feminine interest.

represented at the Show this season, it was an actual opening of winter dress which has been in a state of unfinish at the dressmakers ever since the first importations appeared. The Horse Show is quoted as ments. the leading sartorial exhibition of the autumn season with the latest novelties at the head, and it certainly was a display of dress sufficiently gorgeous and extravagant to retain any tame it may have acquired in former years. A close inspection of this back and sides. The skirt with the double latest development of tashion does not re- box plait at the back, very narrow at the veal any very striking changes; but one rather encouraging feature is that every the foot, is especially graceful with the possible phase of the mode between reck- Eton coat. A new costume of this sort less extravagance and careful economy is exhibited in some degree of elegance.

the choice of fashionable women for wear at the Horse Show seems to have very tume, white seems to have the lead, yet all little importance now, except in regard to the pretty light colors are worn and tuckthe kind of simplicity which is brought | ing and stitching are the prevailing decoraabout by the most extravagant means. tion. Lace gowns, both black and white, and black with deep applications of white lace, med, covered with embroidery, spangles were very much in evidence in the even ing, and gowns spangled in both steel and jet, and jet and gold made a glittering train of elegance through the line of march around the ring. The novelty in these gowns seems to be the combinations worked out by using contrasting effects in sequins, and employing two or three kinds of lace in one gown. Wide insertions of lace are set in waved bands in a chenille dotted net skirt, or finely spangled net as you prefer, and the effect is much more striking than an entire gown of either material alone. A wide shaped flounce of heavy lace around the feet with net above is in good style, and sometimes the lace is cream color, with a black net for the upper skirt, while cream lace forms the yoke and bands in the sleeves. Steel and jet combined form a large showy flowered design on black net in one gown, and elaborate gold embroidery with a jet background appears on another.

So much for the showy gowns. The daintiest things of all were the crepes de chine with a satin finish and the satin-taced cloths in the pretty pale shades of gray, tan blre and pink. All the early predictions as to the coming popularity of cloth gowns were fully verified in this gala procession of dress. In these days of complex dress decorations it is rather difficult to draw the line between the tailor made gowns and the cloth costume made by the dressmaker as each seems to have invaded the territory of the other in the treatment of cloth. The dressmaker is quite as successful with the fashionable stitched bands as the tailor can be, and he has branched out into dressy effects of trimming which he never dared to touch a few years ago. The consequence is an elegance of detail and finish that far surpasses anything we have had be-

There are two extremes of elegance in the new cloth gowns, one, elaborately trimmed with lace, embroidery, braiding and applique decorations of various sorts, for afternoon and evening wear, and the other almost severe in its simplicity, but well decorated with the perfection of machine stitching. This is sometimes done with white silk on black in waved lines or Grecian pattern, outlining the hem in many rows and extending up the back and down either side of the front. Gowns of this style worn at the Horse Show in the mornng and the afternoon as well, [were made with the plain skirt, closely fitting around the hips, and just long enough to touch

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the floor all around. Little Eton coats cu with rather long spade shaped fronts are worn with this style, and again the stitchalmost a yoke effect. A feature of these little coats which seem to prevail was the Whether or not the cream of fashion was fur collar and revers in chinchilla, sable or fox. Sometimes the broad flaring collar is covered with fur and the revers with velvet or braided cloth, but some fur seems to be a necessity for the style of these short gar-

The coat which falls a little below the waist with scalloped edge is quite as much worn as the Econ, but it is very little more than a waist. Some of these coats are tucked like a bodice and belted in at the top and spreading out into broad folds at made of black cloth, had several rows of waved stitched bands over-lapping each All the talk about simple gowns being other around the skirt. For the fancy silk waists to wear with the coat and skirt cos-

> The naty little bolero, variously trimand lace, is a fashionable addition to gowns of all kinds both dressy and plain. Another old fashion revived again is to make the sleeves like the skirt, and the bodice of a different material, usually lace in one instance the bodice was of pale gray panne, so pale that it was almost white, and the main portion of the dress was of dark gray cloth, the white panne formed a band two inches in width sround the skirt, just below the belt of dark gray, to the box plait at the back, which was made of the panne spreading out into a wide fan shaped division. The sleeve unlike the bodice in color is never a pretty fashion, but it bobs up every now and then all the same. A notably stylish gown worn by a woman with hair which almost matched the pretty shade of reddish brown, was trimmed with an applique embroidery of black velvet stitched in two or three shades of green and outlined with black chenille. It was made with a princess tunic overdress open ing down the front over a green velvet skirt and edged all around with sable.

> The special feature of trimming this season is the use of fur in very narrow bands merely as a finish for the edges of other more elaborate decorations. You want a little fur on your new gown, whether it is made of lace or cloth, even though it is only a bit on the waist. The kind of material does not matter when fur is under consideration, and the more diaphanous it is, the prettier the contrast. Another conspicuous feature of decoration is the rosette bow, a knot with fringed ends which is fastened at one side of the bust on every other dressy bodice you see. It is made of panne, soft satin, and velvet and nearly always in some striking contrasting color. The prettiest illustrations of the fancy are shown on the white or pale neutra! tints, where blue, pink and heliotrope shades are so effective. On the pretty lace waists, either black or white, this bow is sometimes a colored tulle resette, with a shining rhinestone ornament in the centre

> Among the fashionable colors in dark cloths are the chestnut browns, petunia reds, and a dark brilliant shade of blue. A gown rather unusual in the last color has an underskirt with a shaped flounce of white cloth covered with an open embroidery edged all through with a stitched band of the blue cloth. The long overskirt, with a Watteau plait in the back is edged with a very narrow band of this white cloth embroidery and many rows of stitching. An Eton jacket with spade fronts, similarly trimmed, with the only visible bodice. Bolero jackets, which extend well down nearly to the waist line, and are cut out decollete fashion to show the blouse underneath are a pretty fancy which adds variety to the bodice. A pretty dark violet gown made in this way had a bodice of pale mauve panne embroidered in oriental designs with silver and gold thread, and the bolero was fastened at one side with three handsome buttons. Black stitchings were the finish on the skirt and jacket.

Something quite new in combination is a light tan cloth gown, with a knike plait-

ing of tan silk of the same shade, and fully fitteen inches around the skirt. This is edged and headed with a stitched band of cloth an inch wide. Just above this, with a space between, is a diamond shape band of the silk plaits edged with the stitched cloth. The bodice of cloth is finely tucked in groups, and square, rather narrow, revers of plaited silk finished chemisette vest, over which are little crossing straps of turquoise blue velvet fastened with a

Slashes and bands cut and arranged to show a darker or much lighter tone of color underneath are an element in decorative effect which is sometimes very good. One example is a circular flounce of a pale tan cloth gown, joined to the upper portion of the cloth with long, narrow strips of the cloth pointed at the upper end, where they fasten with a tiny crochetted button. They meet where they join the flounce and narrow toward the top, showing a white satin skirt between. Two circular flounces the lower covered with cream lace, the upper finished with stitching, and both edged with sable, are the pretty feature of a petunia-red cloth gown . A collar band and a narrow yoke of a deeper red shade of velvet covered with cream lace gave a chick touch to the bodice, made in an odd bolero shape in front, and rounded up on one side and pointed down on the other and edged all around with fur. The opening is well over on one side, and is filed in with white satin covered with black tulle stripped with a black beading. This, with a tiny black satin fold at the head, outlines the little velvet yoke showing an inch and a half above the bolero front, and extending around the back which is quite plain below. The beit is a wide fitted one of black satin, which drapes a little around the figure where it fastens, and crosses at one side with a knot and fringed ends. Three tiny black satin bows with one fringed end fasten the

Some very severe modes for robust figures appear among the light cloth gowns, one of which in strawberry pink is cut from the knees down in a series of vandyke points corded, and piped on the edge with pink velvet. These apparently lap over one another, but the effect is more as though the cloth was not cut at all, and the cording and piping set in in points. This trimming ends at either side of the box plait which spreads out in graceful folds at the back and appears again on the bodice, covering it entirely. Cords and pipings are set in straight lines around one skirt in as many as twenty-five rows, and here the pipings are of white satin. A pretty cloth gown in pale gray, has the new fichu effect of cream lace forming a yoke over white satin, and the soft lace draped around below is edged with tur. A knot of pale blue crepe de chine carried down at the side into long soft sach ends with fringe, gives the touch of color. Another pretty model shows the effect of

stitched bands with pointed ends overlapping one another down the front, a stitched collar, and velvet revers caught down with tiny bows of black sat'n with fringed ends. Applique bands of stitched satin in a darker shade are the trimming on the next gown, and here again is the koot with fringed ends of satin at one side. The special feature of the bodice, which is part of a tan cloth gown, are the reversshaped pieces of blue cloth edged with sable which are set in underneath the front edges and turn toward the centre over a tucked white satin vest. A collar effect turning back over the shoulders is made of pinked cloth, unlined, and cream lace.

Among the pretty waists is one of pale blue tucked panne, with white chiffon vest and lace collar, the material cut in points at either side, stitched and caught down with buttons. A pretty model with double revers collar shows again the effective use of French knots. A tucked bodice has a voke effect overlapping stitched bands, while another of panne run all over with tiny tucks like a cord is finished with stitched bands of taffeta of the same color. A lace bodice has a tucked satin vest, lace revers edged with fur, and a band of coral pink velvet down either side of the front. One thing very evident in the evening at

the Horse Show was the popularity of the long coat for an evening wrap. It is made in black velvet, pale gray and tan cloth, both so pale that they are almost white,

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tervals trim some of them, and again lace | crown which is the novelty. This hat has is the decoration, as in the one shown in a brim, of course, tilted a little to one side the illustration, where the deep circular flounce is of cream lace finished with a plaited frill of chiffon edged with a tiny ruche. The bolero jacket effect is of lace edged with fur, but some of these coats have a lace yoke and high rolling collar edged with a chiffon ruche. The threequarter length coat in tinted, almost white cloth was another variation of the long loose coat, and this is quite plain with stitching on the edge and in rows around the shoulders giving a yoke effect.

Notes of Fashion.

The latest novelty in fur jackets is aunty little affair of broad tail finished around the edges with stitched bands of velvet, velvet revers and a high flaring collar of chinchilla.

Panne velvet in Oriental coloring and designs makes a fashionable waist, with a cream lace vest and yoke.

Evening capes of automobile red cloth are one of the smart things worn at the Horse Show. They fit the shoulders closely, fall within twelve or fifteen inches of the bottom of the dress, and are made with the new round bood of lace and a high rolling collar, or with the collar and one revers which fastens the garment over on one

Birds of all kinds are well represented in millinery, but the pigeon and seagull are quite the most stylish of all, and especially with chinchilla, which torms many a pretty winter hat.

Fur toques and turbans tipped well over the eyes were the prominent variety of hat worn in the afternoon at the Horse Show, and chinchilla and sable were the favorite furs. Some were almost entirely of fur with a large tulle or velvet rosette at one side, others were combined with velvet or cloth, and decorated with a bird or wings, and again a rosette bunch of violets, or rich dark red velvet roses was the trim-

The daintest little]confection among the trifles of fashion is the new muff made of chiffon in three shades of one color, or three distinct colors which harmonize prettily. The chiffon is gathered up closely in tucks, and chiffon frills edged with a tiny rouche are the finish at the ends. A jabot trimmed with chiffon, with very dressy effect combined with tails for a bunch at one side, and used as a frill finish around the opening.

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and in varying degrees of elegance as to crowns are becoming very popular here. lining and trimming, undulating bands of but the latest advices from Paris assures stitched panne or cloth set on at wide in- us that it is the bat with the broad low and is trimmed with ostrich feathers or bunches of violets.

> A coat back with basque effect and a bolero front forms one of the new bodices on an imported gown.

> Camels hair cloth, very soft and fleecy is one of the dress materials very much liked for morning wear.

> The smart form of the fashionable lace sleeve is a mitten finish over the back of the hand, kept in place by a very narrow band around the thumb or one of the fingers. Several small buttons fasten this sleeve at the wrist.

> Velvet gowns were a part of the parade at the Horse Show. And one very pretty model in black, showing a plain skirt, had a wide E npire belt of black satin, a short bolero and an inner vest of white satin elegantly embroidered in silver and colored silks.

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While engaged in this pursuit she de voted much of her leisure to the music and drams of ancient Egypt, Greece and Rome. She put her knowledge to practical use last summer in Paris, where a wealthy family gave an Egyptian night. In this the host and guests took the parts of bow of chiffon, with orchids or violets form Rameses, Set, Osiris, Isis, Anubis, and a trimming at one side. Fur muffs are also Miss Picton that of a singing girl of the

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