

# THE WORLD OF FASHION.

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Sales are now on, and what good news this is to womenkind in general. On every side my friends tell me that they hate sales. Whether they do or not, one thing is certain, they always go to them, and another still more certain thing is that they purchase at them. Perhaps they do not purchase everywhere, but it would be indeed a strong-minded female who has not collected all sorts of odds and ends during this February.

In reality, there has never been a season when greater bargains were to be obtained, partly because the season has been a late one, and the hot weather has only come to us with February.

Muslins this year are prettier than ever, besides being cheaper, and everyone can be well dressed. Of course, a great deal depends on the making, but as simplicity is the order of the day, we can be nicely gowned

at small cost, providing we bring individuality, taste and skill to bear.

At the same time, some of the most lovely gowns show an amazing quantity of work in tucks and insertions, and these when in muslin, crepe-de-chine, or batiste, can only be effective when done by the master hand and untouched by a machine.

Traveling cloaks will soon be in request, and these must be of a sensible kind. These wraps are made

long enough to cover the skirt of the gown, not a thread of which should appear below the edge of the wrap. The latest shape is copied from a Russian officer's coat. One such in clay coloured silk is perfect of its kind. It has a hidden plait held in by a black suede strap at the back, and a turned-over collar of black Persian lamb, with huge cuffs to match. Most of the Baglans and semi-fitted coats, be it noted, are provided with inside



A Seductive Evening Wrap.