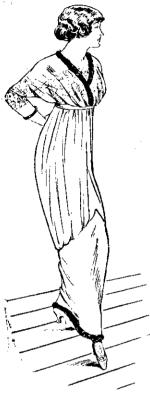
five frocks seem to sport them in one form or another. They are unquestionably pretty, but we have them in lace, in net, in lingerie stuff, in chiffon, in mousseline, etc., and the most charming of modes palls when too generally exploited. Plaited frilling by the yard is offered in many attractive forms, and the fad supplies an easily appointed neck finish. Often the frills are beautifully made by hand, and elaborated with fine embroidery, or real lace. What, on what is the woman with the ugly, scrandy neck to do when all the femiuine world form or another. They are unquestion-



will go with bare throats? Let her hie her to the beauty doctor now, for bleach ing and massage, and conscientiously take neck exercises early and late, for the Parisian designers seem to have done their best to eliminate the high collur from the programme. This spells com-fort, but it does not necessarily spell beauty. A Dutch neck frock is hideousbecauty. A futen neck trock is indeous-by unbecoming to some women, and those women will do well to defy the mode, and keep at-least a plain sheer veiling of lace or net or mousseline over their throats; but there's no denying that much can be done to make an ugly throat beautiful, and if you will wear low-cut frocks, you owe it to the public to make the exhibit as attractive as possible.

#### Fashions in Millinery.

Never has there been a time when the fashions in millinery have been so varied. fashions in millinery have been so varied. There is the large picture hat, trimmed with fur and feathers, as well as ribbon; then there are the First Empire helmets, the latter particularly becoming to the small woman, as they are finished with murrow projecting brims casting subdued shadows across the face. "Necessity is the mother of invention," is an adage which is comparable to the later. which is emphasised by the clever home milliner who recently converted a black beaver picture but into a thimble toque. Naturally the handeau was removed, and the brim slit at the back; the crease and the brim slit at the back; the crease where the crown and the hrim had been mitted was obliterated by ironing. A fancy feather mount successfully concealed the portion which had later to be joined. Very charming are the new alouette toques, their weight being quite insignificant.

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In giving you this resume of our winter millinery, I must applogise to my dear readers in Auckland for not giving them something more suitable for the exigencies of the New Zealand climate, but I must give a faithful account of our Paris fashions up-to-date; and all three models can easily be made into absolutely charming summer millinery, by substituting straw for left, tulle for velvet, and marabout for fur. bout for fur.

### Les Couleurs a la Mode.

Blue and purple are to have it all their own way this winter. We are allowed to choose our own shades, which may be to choose our own shades, which may be very light or very dark, and consequently everyone is able to join the prevailing fashion. Last spring the vogue for royal blue for feathers and last became absolutely tiresome, and we are not done absolutely tresome, and we are not done with it yet. At a recent smurt gather-ing, such widely different beauties as the young Duchesse d'Uzes and the Princesse Paucigny de Lucinge were wearing blue of various shades, and La Marquise de la Rochefoucauld was altogether in royal blue; while a sensation was caused by a foreign guest who was in a cobalt cloth tailor suit with quantities of pink fea-thers on a white hat. It sounds perfect-ly hideous, doesn't it? 'Twasn't so ugly as it sounds on paper!

## An Extreme of Fashion.

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An idea of how "history is repeating itself" in the world of dress may be gleaned from the fact that an advanced modiste is showing a model reminiscent of the dresses worn by Les Merveilleuses about 1790. This dress has a skirt of white brocade triumned with skunk, while the corsuge is of black ninon with a narrow frill below the waistline. It was not altogether attractive, except from its novelty. It is, however, the from its novelty. It is, however, the

small speck on the horizon that indicates to the initiated that the days of the blouse are by no means numbered.

Our Sketch.

The pretty little frock illustrated is delightfully simple; and just the thing for a girl in her teens. The foundation is of pearl grey satin, the under bodice and sleeves being almost entirely composed of a very fine mesh silver tissue lace. Then comes the over-dress in grey mousseline, of a shade paler than the foundation. The corsage is made on kimono lines, while the skirt is slightly gathered into a wide empiecement hemmed with black fox, as is also the corsage. (Thinchilla would also look well as a trimming, and so would swansdown or marabout.

Our Sketch.

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