GOWNS IN PARIS

Silhouette to Remain Same as It Has Been for Some Time Past.

Drapings of Skirts, Shaping of Bodices, Among Fine Points of Finished Outfit,

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Two gowns-one from Lanvin and one from Worth-show something of the style aims of the coming season. Paris says that, with devious variations to prove the rule, the silhouette shall remain virtually the same as it has been for some time past. It is to the details of formation and construction that the artists in dress are bending the atmost of their talent. There seems to be no end, writes a fashion correspondent, to the new forms of trimming, the novel shapings of necklines and waistlines, the drapings of skirts, the shaping of bodices, the handling of lace and the general usage of all the fine points which go to make up a finished gown.

While the Parisians are generally considered to be at the lowest ebb of their art when handling the making of sults, still in the one which Worth has designed there is every sign of all that is to be desired. The skirt is long and full enough in its width to make it comfortable for walking purposes. The peplum exhibits a slightly more abundant tendency, which gives it the proper swing above the line of the skirt. The waistline is long, reaching toward the hips, and there it is further augmented by tucks that are interestingly grouped The fur is not too lavishly used and still it serves to accentuate the line and to add to the color combination, which, in this instance, is an antique green velvety cloth with black fur. The sleeves are an interesting feature of this not strictly tailored suit, for they Gown of taffeta and tule, by Lanvin. spread open slightly at the wrists and allow the trimming to take its way up the arm until it approaches the elbow.

ithe strictly tailored variety is much belt to suggest the place where a belier style than the one which ad waistline might be located.

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being too broadly visible,

sider essentials of a woman's gowning, length of cloth of gold is arranged with trille, and the little flowers which are too, which is attached at the rather of the tulle overdress are made of free of the rest of the frock until it with golden centers. No, there is noth-upon the floor, ing decidedly new about this charm- Lace and cloth of gold or cloth of ingly simple frock, but its character allver is a very sumptious and popuis fine and its tone is one of beauty-- lar combination among the Parisians. in all that the French seem to be de The draping of lace over this shim-

the dresses that have been exhibited ed to the purposes of evening wear, at the Parisian races, where all the The French hats of the season are Where one big Machine does the work of 60 men work- style tendencies of the season to come again low and tight, hugging the head, are put forward. One of the newest so that the least of the coiffure shows. dresses seen at this time had a founda. After the general close and clinging tion of figured silk made in chemise lines of the hats have been established that showed for a space of about five at back, with a long sweep of feathinches beneath the silk hem of the ers over the lines of the neck and

the straightest of silhouette lines, but with the airiness and floating quality that lace gives.

Chemise Dress Holds Own.

The chemise dress, indeed, holds its own in a most remarkable way. Those who are returning from Paris say that nothing else can be seen on the boulevards. Sometimes they are embroidered over every inch of the surface that shows, sometimes they are merely trimmed with inconspicuous though cleverly designed rows of embroidered stitching, sometimes the embroidery displays itself in solidly worked bands of bright colorings, and, again, the chemise frock is made of simple, plainly woven and plainly colored silk Shapings of Necklines and Waistlines, or satin that has nothing but its line -its artistic and studied line-to recommend it for more than passing attention. A favorite method of embroidering the chemise frock is to carry the stitchings (hand stitchings they must



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be to be right) from the hem of the gown to the hip line and then to allow The French people believe, always, the rest of the gown to remain plain that a suit which deviates slightly from and unadorned, with, only a string

characteristics. They insist that it is, cape, is still popular among the Pain the end, a more attractively femilians. The cuts of these capes are mine thing if it always keeps in mind as diversified as the trimmings of the the fact that it is to be worn by a chemise frocks, but always they rewoman. And surely their sults remain tain the same lines—straight, except as practical as ours, which must be for a place at the front where they more closely fitted, more hardy tail are hugged about the figure. A few ored. In some ways they may be worn of the newer capes have sort of blousy For a greater length of time, for the tops with skirt section joined to them down about the legs or quite under the hips. These, with their collars of tur, or with furry edgings, are the most

graceful of outer coverings. Evening Frocks Are Draped. Evening frocks continue to be draped and draped and then draped again. A Parisian designer recognizes no law in these her noblest works of art, but she regards the figure and what is best suited to it. Some of the results are more perfect than others; a few have positive marks of genius. The silhouette is straight-yes-but every now and then one sees a bow or a puff or a frill or a flounce jutting out at the side or at the back or a some other unexpected angle.

Many brocades are seen among the newest evening gowns, and these are draped always at a new angle and in a new way. Generally speaking, it is said that the skirts of evening gowns are longer, but here a strange breaking of the rule occurs, for many of them are long at one side and shorter than ever at the other, while others are so constructed that the front and back vie with each other in unevenness of length. For the brocades there is no trimming. They are enough in themselves, and as the materials increase in beauty and richness, so do the designs, until the whole effect is something to wonder at. A draped evening gown is made of the heaviest of black satin and is held about the figure in sweeping curves. Then there are two long and flowing trains reaching far

Lace is Decidedly Popular.

Lace for evening gowns is quite the irnevenness of their design allows some thing. A lace evening gown is made slight imperfections to exist-without with tiers of flounces for the skirt. and with a low backed lacey bodice As for the Parisian idea of all that having only suggestions of short and is lovely in woman's attire, there is lacey sleeves. The lace is black and the little Lanvin model for pertinent is made over heavy black satin; then comparison. That has all the softness. under the fine meshes somewhere The materials are black taffeta and subtle definess. There is a lace train, scattered carelessly over the surface high waistline and allowed to swing eleverly twisted pieces of the taffeta sweeps for a matter of a foot or so

mering, metal foundation is charming, Much lace continues to be seen on and nothing has ever been better suit-

fashion with quite short sleeves and a then they are subject to all sorts of over the back and a face underskirt into the breeze on either side or down

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