

## FASHION SAYS IT IN CURVES

Some alluring nails in the coffin of austerity, in the form of creations by the celebrated designer Victor Steibel, were displayed by the House of Jacquemar. Fashion can now offer the finest flights of its imagination to women at home - at least to those with enough coupons and a purse of reasonable depth. Day dresses in wool, and off-the-face hats suitable for the modern hair-do, show that the smart woman of today is coming into her own.

(wip) After lunch comes a change into things demanded by afternoon requirements. The tulip skirt line, which made quite a hit last season, still finds favour, and the effect is sometimes heightened by a bolero jacket. Does she find that the veil attracts <sup>due</sup> attention?... Apparently! In such frocks the sophisticated young woman can attend the best cocktail parties, completely satisfied with her appearance.

(wp) Don't decline invitations to first nights, command performances or the ball because you can't think what to wear. An evening effect of extreme elegance is achieved by fine French mauve ~~brocade~~ <sup>brocade</sup>, with a bodice embroidered in mauve sequins and beads. The strapless bodice is fitted and boned - if you're technically minded. Yellow roses sometimes give a touch of colour to the waist.

(up) To these drab times the world of fashion is making a brave attempt to restore style and beauty. May it not long be confined to Bond Street. The women of this generation deserve a break.