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DESCRIPTION AND ILLUSTRATION OF A LADIES' FASHIONABLE COAT OR JACKET.

FIGURE No. 5 L.—This represents a Ladies' coat or jacket. The pattern, which is No. 2388 and costs 10d. or 20 cents, is in nine sizes for ladies from thirty to forty-six inches, bust measure, and may be seen in three views on page 39.

An exceedingly attractive effect is here produced in this coat by a unique decoration of black braid on tan cloth. The braid ornamentation on the loose double-breasted fronts, which close to the throat with large pearl buttons, is continued all round the lower edge of the coat, and a single row of braid follows the outline of square-cornered pocket-laps that conceal openings to convenient side-pockets inserted low in the fronts. At the back a close-fitting trim effect is produced by shaping seams that give fashionable and graceful lines, coat-laps and coat-plaits being formed in the usual way below the waist-line. The braid decoration on the sleeves, at the wrists and also over the five darts that remove all fullness at the top, accords perfectly with that on the fronts, and one line is placed near the edge of the becoming flare collar, which is in six sections. The coat will present a different although quite as stylish effect if the sleeves are gathered and the flare collar replaced by one on the close-fitting military order, the pattern providing for these changes.



FIGURE No. 5 L.—This illustrates LADIES' COAT OR JACKET.—The pattern is No. 2388, price 10d. or 20 cents.—(For Description see this Page.)

The most approved lines are seen in this jaunty little mode, the close-fitting back in association with loose box-fronts being at the height of popularity. The coat, being closed to the throat, is protective as well as dressy, hence can be chosen for general wear if inexpensive chevrot in plain dark colors or in the mixtures is to be made up. Handsome coats can be made after the pattern from kersey, melton or camel's-hair, with pipings of velvet or braiding for ornamentation. A finish of machine-stitching or self-strappings is also stylish and is preferred by many to a more elaborate completion, which may be furnished by outlining the loose edges of the jacket with soft bands of mink, heads of the same fur enriching the double-breasted fronts. Fancifully shaped cuff facings made of fur may complete the sleeves; fur may also be utilized for developing the flaring collar, thus making a decidedly comfortable as well as becoming frame for a face. A coat of army-blue cloth effectively lined with bright-red taffeta, the fronts ornamented with wide gilt braid and closed in double-breasted fashion with gilt buttons will give the military air so much in vogue. The plumage trimming the sailor hat is arranged to give height and is supplemented by a small quantity of silk.

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