

*demi-toilette*. The most fashionable colour is iron grey, with somewhat of a violet tint. Pelisses are made with double pelicans, and the sleeves have occasionally one *bouffant*. Nothing can be more elegant for a promenade dress, than a grey *marceline* pelisse, made as above described, and worn with a hat of green *velours-des-Indes*. Pale acanthus green is also a favourite colour in *marceline*, which promises to supersede *gros de Naples* this spring.

For evening dresses, velvet and satin are still much employed. There is a great variety of figured silks in very small patterns, which are also extremely fashionable.

The fronts of hats are made to sit very closely on each side of the face, and are slightly raised up in front: the crowns are still small and simple. Flowers are disposed in one or two bouquets; if two, the one must be larger than the other. They are fastened by a riband, which is merely twisted round the stalks without bows, and which is afterwards brought over the ears to form the strings. Very little trimming is placed under the brim; but sometimes, instead of surrounding the face by a *ruche* of blonde, the strings only are trimmed, and in the centre is fixed a rosette of riband.

The favourite flowers for hats are hyacinths, primroses, lilacs, and several varieties of green fancy flowers.

Very pretty evening dresses are made of printed silk. The *corsages* low, and with a stomacher point; short sleeves in two *bouffants*. In front of the *corsage* a drapery, and at the back a *mantilla* of tulle. In the centre of the *corsage* is a row of plain stain bows; the last at the bottom of the point, with long ends. A satin bow behind, and short bows ornamenting the sleeves. A dress made after this description, may also be worn with long sleeves.

With a low dress, young ladies occasionally wear a gauze riband, as a sort of necklace. After passing round the throat, it is tied in front in two bows and long ends, which are fastened by a broach to the top of the *corsage*.

Turbans are at present a very favourite head-dress. Some