

# NEWS OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO WOMEN

## FIRST ROOF GARDEN SCHOOL PLANS READY FOR TENDERS

Will Have Kitchen, Dining and Class Rooms and Be Wired in Overhead and at Sides—Floor Thirty-Five Feet Above Street Level.

Plans for the first open-air public school in Canada were approved at the meeting of the board of education property committee yesterday afternoon. The school will be built on the site of the former site of the College Street Technical School grounds. The school will be a two-story building, 35 feet from the street level. The walls and top will be securely enclosed with strong wire netting. Two storm-proof class rooms, a dining room and kitchen are on the third floor. The open-air school will be an all-the-year duplicate of the forest school conducted during the past two summers at the site. The cost of the building will be \$600,000, in addition to the site. It will also contain six ordinary classrooms to afford relief to the adjacent McCaul School, where a portable building has to be used to mitigate the shortage of school rooms in the locality. The advocates of the open-air roof garden school feature a unique and a pronounced success that a demand for the same feature will become a fact for subsequent school buildings in Toronto.

## MILITANTS HURT CAUSE OF WOMEN

Mrs. Arthur Van Koughnet Refers to Them as Nerve Sick.

## NEED TO BE PROTECTED

Presidential Address at Centre and South Toronto Ladies' Tory Club.

Outspoken criticism of the militant suffragette featured the presidential address of Mrs. Arthur Van Koughnet at the annual meeting of the ladies' branch of the Centre and South Toronto Conservative Association meeting last night. The association rooms, Simcoe street. Mrs. Van Koughnet reviewed the year as one of activity, chiefly along educational lines. The meetings had held a number of meetings of which minor phases of national life had been discussed by well-qualified speakers. The fact had become recognized that one of the greatest influences for the solution of the various problems of rural life as well as industrial and urban problems was by means of the development of the Hydro-Electric System. It was most encouraging to know that 46 municipalities now participated in the benefits of the Hydro-Electric System.

Speaking of the militant suffragette Mrs. Van Koughnet declared their course was deplorable. Not only was it detrimental to the progress of their own cause, but it was a great injury to the best interests of womanhood throughout the empire. Their conduct, she said, was such that hysterical and nerve-sick women were more fitted for protection within the walls of their homes than to be trying to obtain the reins of government. Encouraging membership and financial reports were presented. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Arthur Van Koughnet; secretary, Mrs. Gearing; Mrs. Price; Mrs. Hook; Mrs. Chapman and Mrs. Price; treasurer, Mrs. Jeannette Connell; Mrs. T. W. Close.

## FREDERICTON, N.B., PAPER CO. EXPANDING.

(Special Correspondence.) FREDERICTON, N.B., April 8.—The lands of the Gibson Lumber Co. have been acquired by the Dominion Paper Co. The new property includes a vast area of the best lumber lands in the Province of New Brunswick, situated along the Richibucto River. The paper company's plans are for an extensive development on the new land acquired, and the company has secured lumber mills at Masseyville.

## ST. THOMAS CATCHING UP WITH GARBAGE COLLECTION

ST. THOMAS, April 8.—Inspector Shaw reports that he has secured the system of garbage collection and as fast as the accumulated work will permit, they will endeavor to get back on the old schedule. Mr. Shaw figures that the collections are about a month in arrears.

## FRECKLES

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## EFFICIENT HOUSEKEEPING BY HENRIETTA D. GRAUEL

### "Doctored" Water

Water everywhere, but not a drop to drink. Water in the oil well districts of the States is contaminated by having the oil seep into wells and even thru stone pipes. Cities in Pennsylvania and Southern Ohio, are asking aid from state boards of health, and in Lima, Ohio, the taste of oil in the water, and in food cooked in water, is so apparent that the city is planning court action against local oil drillers. Twelve city wells have been ruined by oil; all are affected and many persons are ill. Toronto, Canada, had a terrible experience with its water supply, although nature was bountiful in furnishing her with plenty. The waterwages of Pittsburgh are a national joke. For years and years all Pittsburghers bought water from spring owners, or carried it from open springs. The twelve million dollar filter, that refused to filter, furnished water so oily that it could scarcely be used for bathing. But Pittsburgh's condition was heavenly compared with the present water supply of Cleveland. It would seem that a city situated on the very shores of great Lake Erie should have plenty of pure, good water if any city could. But they haven't! On the contrary, Cleveland water is the vilest in the country.

The naturally pure water of Lake Erie is first made filthy by having sewage from the entire city emptied into it. After it is thus polluted it is treated with chlorine by the city doctor, the board of health and politicians, who prescribe this evil smelling drug so they can delay or prolong building garbage incinerators and proper sewage disposal plants. In the meantime the chlorinated water smells to high heaven; it cannot be used for cooking, for its taste is like acids in the food. Not even tea and coffee can be made with it. It is impossible to use city water for laundry purposes without great quantities of sal-soda, ammonia and washing compound being added. Imagine the hands of the washerwoman, the state of the clothes and the feelings of the taxpayers, for this water must be paid for even tho it cannot be used, and spring water must be purchased for drinking purposes.

The water is chlorinated, Cleveland's mayor claims, to prevent typhoid fever, but it has not been shown that there ever was a single case of this fever caused by Lake Erie water. Years ago typhoid was attributed to witchcraft and persons were hung and drowned as a cure. Lately oysters were blamed for it, and the New York State board of health had to declare officially, that they were wholesome food. An epidemic of tonsillitis, sore throat and inflamed stomach has at last grown so alarming in Cleveland that the mothers have banded together in a great "no-chlorine club." The Housewives' League and Federal Women's Clubs, numbering some twenty thousand members, are bringing an injunction suit against the city to restrain the use of drugs for purifying the water. Smaller towns that border Lake Erie have suffered too, from the polluted water, and they are urging on the suit. In the meantime the mayor's appointees are asking bids for one hundred and fifty thousand pounds more of chlorine and the medicated water continues to smell like the operating room of a hospital.

### SAVED FROM DROWNING.

KINGSTON, April 8.—Norman Johnson saved George Simmons from drowning today when he broke thru the ice in the harbor. Simmons went on the ice to release a punt which had been frozen in all winter. When he went thru Johnson crawled out on the thin ice and with a long pole succeeded in getting Simmons out.

### GOOD FRIDAY CONCERT.

Fine Entertainment Promised at Massey Hall. At Mr. Campbell's annual Good Friday concert in Massey Hall tomorrow night, there will be presented the following excellent program: Band selections: (a) Second Hungarian Rhapsody; (b) Humoresque, 48th Highlanders' Band; song, "Beyond the Dawn," Mr. Harold Jarvis; solo, "Kipling's Recessional," Miss Florence Mulholland; cathedral chimes (solo and vocal choir); "Hark the Bonnie Christ Church Bells," (introducing choral from the hymn by Beethoven); by Musician Joseph Chappell, 48th Highlanders' Band; martial song, "The Battle of Stirling" (with band accompaniment); Mr. Harold Jarvis; song, "Volcanic Song," Mr. Frederick Phillips; song, "A Perfect Day," Miss Florence Mulholland; songs of Scotland, "Faniais of Folk Songs," arranged by J. E. Lampe, introducing 14 popular Scottish airs, 48th Highlanders' Band; Irish song, "Rose of My Heart," Miss Florence Mulholland; song, "Down the Burn," Miss Florence Mulholland; Highland oration song, "Son of Mine," Mr. Frederick Phillips; song, "The Death of Nelson" (with band accompaniment); Mr. Harold Jarvis; Halle-lujah Chorus, from the "Messiah," 48th Highlanders' Band. "God Save the King," popular prices, 25 and 50 cents. All seats can be reserved. Those who should not do so today or tomorrow, and in that avoid crowding at the hall tomorrow night.

### WELLAND STREETS CLOGGED; GARBAGE COLLECTION CEASES

WELLAND, April 8.—Nearly every street in town is lined with garbage cans, boxes and barrels, but the roads are so bad that the garbage collector claims it is impossible to get around. No garbage was collected last week, and in some sections no collection has been made for two weeks. The collector has assured the authorities that the work will be resumed this week.

### DR. FALCONER AT ST. CATHARINES

ST. CATHARINES, April 8.—Dr. Robert Falconer, president of the University of Toronto, is to be the next guest of the Canadian Club dinner, to be held here on Monday night, April 20.

Lulu A. Linnett  
I think it would be hard to find a Goop who is so slow to mind As Lulu Ariosto Linnett, Who always answers, "In a minute!" She comes so slowly, when you call, She might as well not come at all!  
**Don't Be A Goop!**

## WILD FLOWERS CONDUCTED BY RACHEL R. TODD

The Skunk Cabbage, Sym-plocarpus Foetidus. "As aromatic plants bestow No spicy fragrance where they grow; But crushed and trodden to the ground Diffuse their balmy sweets around." —Goldsmith.

And yet there may be one who will deny the strict accuracy of the quotation, when first they meet the skunk cabbage. The same one may also deny its right to be numbered among the beautiful wild flowers. Nevertheless this same odoriferous plant belongs to a family famous the world over for its beautiful daughters. The arum family claims the stately white calla, whose noble grace must be acknowledged; the gorgeous golden club, without which our water gardens would lose their chief charm; the royal sweet flag, whose deep blue ever fronts the sky; the earnest little missionary, Jack-in-the-pulpit; and the far-famed arrowhead. Nor does the skunk cabbage apparently bear the slightest resemblance to the various members of the family. It is rather a difficult plant to describe, without using botanical terms unfamiliar to the general public. However, this is another plant that once seen cannot be soon forgotten. You will need your high rubber boots in your search after this revel.

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ter among the marshes. If your search is not started too early in the season, you may be startled to find every spot by the golden lights of the marsh marigold. But to leave your search too late means to lose the chance of seeing the strange colored, blunt-sharp spikes of the first twisted leaf piercing the low, marshy floor of the swamps. This first curled and fantastic curved leaf fondly thinks it is sheltering a beautiful flower spike within its wonderful veined and mottled hood. As the leaf unfolds its bright yellow-green light brown takes on a darker hue, grows purple, burns deep rusty red, lighting the slushy stretches with low-burning fires. Long before the twisted leaf (which grows to various sizes, ten to twelve inches) has uncurled, the flower spike within has vanished. This curled, strangely twisted leaf does not look unlike some rare and delicate sea shell, veined and mottled and colored as it is with living hues. Later the leaf takes on a brilliant yellow green of the marsh plants. Stumbling upon a patch of these odd marsh dwellers, unwarily, one finds oneself gazing fearfully and involuntarily across one's shoulder, lest that dread dark, furry beast, white-streaked down its back and bushy tail is stealing upon one unawares. But not so, for this hunt of the skunk cabbage is never the haunt of a strange beast.

One satisfactory fact about anemones is the point that, once established, they will flourish, develop and multiply, either by seeding or by division, until where first a single plant stood a few years later masses have grown up. For general usefulness, pure beauty of flower and color and general luxuriance of effect, dozens of other plants that can equal the anemones. Different varieties require different soils and situations. Those that are most successful in the garden, of course, been planted in fairly warm soil, last September or October. For like all spring flowers, spring bloom presupposes autumn planting. You cannot expect to plant your flower and have it at the same time. So those who read the warnings on autumn bulb planting and early flowering anemones. Anemone ranunculoides, often called the wood ginger, is a good variety, sending up early in April, dozens of gleaming deep yellow buttercups to the height of ten inches, beautifully foliaged with gray-green leaves. Do not miss this sort. Another, the fulgens, or scarlet wind-flower is another common variety that should be in every dark corner, along fence border, and such situations where the intense coloring serves to light up the shadowy spots. The flowers are both single and double, and come out quite early in April. I would have you all try anemone pulsatilla, the pasque flower. This is a native plant and an odd. The plant requires a shady situation with sandy loam and undisturbed position of its own little spot. The flowers are deep purple of the richest, royalist hue, and unusually beautiful. The whole plant is more or less covered with silky down almost hair, and the leaves are of the featherlike. One last word, anemones do not like cold feet. See to it that the soil is sufficiently moist, is well drained, with a fair amount of sun occasionally.



## The Early Bulb Bed.

The Anemones, or Wind-Flowers. The anemones are among our most useful flowers. Strictly speaking, the anemones are not bulb-plants, although popularly supposed to be so. Hardy, adaptable, brilliant and profuse of bloom, they form a family so entirely essential to every garden, whether it be a large garden or a backyard garden, that we have at last come to believe no garden is truly a garden without a collection of two or more of the various members of the family. If one wished to specialize in anemones alone, there would be little dim-