

Of Interest to Women

THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN GO HUNGRY TO SCHOOL

A Pitiable State of Affairs Revealed in the Great City of Berlin.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—The municipality is face to face with a very serious problem in connection with the supply of food to thousands of virtually starving children attending the primary schools in Berlin, whose numbers have been greatly augmented this year in consequence of the industrial inactivity.

Hitherto the Children's Canteen Society has been able to cope with the task in a fairly satisfactory way by means of subscriptions from private sources, but the call on its funds is this year so great that it will be unable to supply many of the children in the first week of December, according to official statistics, from 245 out of the 285 primary schools, no fewer than 11,947 children without breakfast, and in all cases without the prospect of obtaining a midday meal at home. Of those 4488 receive a simple daily meal from the 14 canteens belonging to the above mentioned society, the other 7449 being totally unprovided for.

The question of the city's responsibility for the children has now been raised by the Socialists in the municipal council, who propose that the council should in future undertake the task.

The Kaiser's Christmas.

Thirteen Christmas trees stand in the new palace at Potsdam for the members of the imperial family. There are two large trees in the centre, with five smaller ones on the one side and six on the other, diminishing in size according to the age of those for whom they are intended. The two large trees are for the emperor and empress, and the others for their six sons and daughter, the wives of Crown Prince Frederick William and Prince Eitel, and the two children of the crown princess.

The emperor's Christmas begins after luncheon to-day, when he will walk through the grand park Sans Souci, with several hundred marks in coin freshly minted in his pocket, bestowing five or 10 or 12 mark-pieces upon poor persons whom he may meet.

It is never known what paths the emperor may take, but as it is an annual custom of his, plenty of the poor are distributed through the park on the lookout for his majesty. On such occasions he continues his walk to the barracks of the first regiment of foot guards to attend the celebration of the so-called "life company," of which the

emperor was captain as crown prince, and after him the present crown prince, but of which Prince Eitel now is captain.

Every Christmas the emperor is present at the distribution of presents and to join in the fraternal glass of punch. Every company in the German army has its own Christmas tree, for which gifts are sent from the men's homes.

The imperial family gathers at 6 o'clock to give each other their presents. Then the officials of the imperial household come into the shellroom, where the trees stand, to receive theirs. The members of the imperial family give, but do not accept gifts from members of the household. The emperor has been summoning dealers to Potsdam almost every afternoon since his return from England, and has been giving them Christmas gifts, sporting goods, saddlery outfits, gold-mounted or jeweled riding crops and other appropriate articles for the 20 or 30 ladies and gentlemen attached to his household. He also gives portraits with his autograph richly framed, porcelain and jewel boxes, of which he is exceedingly fond.

The crown prince and Prince Eitel have establishments of their own, at Potsdam, to which they repair after the family gathering to have similar distributions of presents to members of their official households.

A Presentation.

Monday afternoon the spacious parlor of the south annex of St. Michael's Hospital, which was beautifully decorated with ferns and red and white bunting, the colors of the school, was the scene of pleasure and enjoyment where the graduate nurses of the year 1907 of St. Michael's Hospital Training School assembled to present their matron, Miss Gordon, with an exquisite mahogany dressing-table, the gift of the nurses of the school. The following address was read by Miss Korman:

"Dear Miss Gordon:—We, the 1907 graduates of St. Michael's Hospital Training School, and members of your class, cannot leave this festive season of the year to pass without expressing in small measure our sincere appreciation of your constant kindness and love to us during a long and close residence. In small measure we know can still with confidence appeal to you in their many difficulties and troubles, and ever with love and loyalty, guide, philosopher and true friend."

"We regret that one of our number, Miss Gordon, by reason of the thousands of miles that separates her from us, is not here on this auspicious occasion, but we know, and we are sure, that you will believe that her warm Irish heart beats in unison with ours, and

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- 14 only Heavy Winter Skirts, ladies' sizes, were \$4.50 and \$5.00, for **\$1.98**
- 6 only Best Quality Peau de Soie and Chiffon Taffeta Silk Dress Skirts, were \$18.50, \$20.00 and \$22.50, for \$12.50 and **\$10.00**
- 7 only Black Silk Moirette Underskirts, highest grade, beautiful quality, were \$4.50, down to **\$2.50**
- 8 only Ostrich Feather Boas, in white, grey and black, were \$4.90 to \$8.50, for **\$2.98**
- 130 Felt Dolls' Hats, assorted colors, for... **10c**
- 84 Heavy Leather Hand Satchels, were \$1.00 and \$1.25, for **50c**
- All our 15c, 20c and 25c Embroidered Turnover Collars, at **10c**
- Ladies' Silk Scarf and Fancy Collars, 75c to \$1.25, all at **25c**
- Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, 25c for 15c, 50c for 39c, 75c for **50c**
- 64 Irish Linen Hand-Drawn Lunch Cloths, 36-inch, regular \$2.25, for **\$1.49**
- 38 Irish Linen Hand-Drawn Lunch Cloths, 45-inch, regular \$3.75, for **\$2.25**
- 72 Honiton and Battenberg 18-inch Squares, exquisite work, regular \$1.25, for **59c**
- 167 Deep Shoulder Collars, Plauen lace, were \$1.00 to \$2.75, all at **50c**
- 44 Lovely Silk Belts, assorted colors and black, \$1.00 and \$1.25, for **50c**
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Persian Lamb Jacket—Gibson style, ermine collar, lapels and cuffs. Brocade satin lining, fancy buttons. Regular \$200 **\$165**

Canadian Mink Jacket—Double breasted bolero style, ermine fancy collar and cuffs. Regular \$450, for **\$287.50**

French Seal Bolero, Princess style, fancy buttons, regular \$90, for **\$72**

Extra quality Broad Tail Fitted Sack, 38 in. long, natural Hudson Bay sable collar and cuffs, trimmings natural heads, tails and paws. Regular \$400, for **\$320**

Astrachan Motor Coats, 50 inches long, black satin lining, deep storm collars. Regular \$100, for **77.50**

Extra fine Natural Canadian Mink Bolero, with adjustable stole fronts, 40 inches long, beautifully striped, finest workmanship throughout. Regular \$550, for **\$440**

White Mufflon Stoles, satin lined, 55 inches long, with tails. Regular \$7, for **\$4.75**

Imperial Muff to match, regular \$6, for **\$4.50**

White Thibet Ties, satin lined, 60 in. long. Regular \$7, for **\$4.50**

White Thibet Imperial Muffs to match. Regular \$6, for **\$4.50**

Blue Thibet Stoles, 70 inches long, paddle ends. Regular \$10.50, for **\$8.00**

Blue Thibet Imperial Muffs, to match, large and fluffy. Regular \$7.50, for **\$5.50**

Mink Sets, 60 in. throw-over tie and large Imperial muff to match. \$50, for **\$40**

Persian Lamb Sets, extra large Alexandra muff and short cravat. Regular \$43.50, for **\$34.50**

Misses' Grey Lamb Capereins, deep storm collar. Regular \$10, for **\$7.00**

Children's Natural Opossum Cravats, satin lined. Regular \$3.50, for **\$2.75**

Children's Natural Opossum Pillow Muffs, shirred silk ends. Regular \$4, for **\$3.00**

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Luncheon was served immediately after the presentation. The Misses Waldron, Foley and Reilly presided in the tearoom. Miss Groves leaves for her home in London to-morrow to spend her Christmas holidays.

Personal.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Houston, with their little daughter, will spend Christmas with Dean and Mrs. Houston, Niagara Falls.

Mrs. Hadyon Horsey is staying with Mrs. Mulock. Mr. Horsey will come up from Montreal for Christmas Day.

Mrs. Reeve will be at 544 Huron-street for the next three weeks, during the absence of the bishop, who has left for Athabasca Landing, where he will dedicate the church which will be a memorial to the late Bishop Young.

Lissant Beardmore will leave his position as tenor soloist at the Church of the Redeemer in a month's time.

Viscount Middleton and Viscountess Middleton and the daughter, the Hon. Sybil Brodricke, arrive in Ottawa about the 28th inst., and will be the guests of

their Excellencies the Governor-General and Lady Grey. Lord Middleton, as Right Hon. St. John Brodricke, was secretary of war during the Balfour ministry.

Charles Clover has arrived from England by the Mauretania, and is staying with Mr. and Mrs. George Bell, 106 St. George-street.

Court Dominion, No. 202, C. O. F., at its last regular meeting 20th inst., elected the following officers for 1908: C.R. P. Hot; V.C.R. A. Beaton; F.S. W. E. Robson; R.S. P. A. Bolte; treasurer, A. Hodgins; chaplain, C. Brock; S.W. A. Patterson; J.W. T. E. Chapman; S.B. A. Eagan; J.B. G. E. Sykes; physician, Dr. A. Noxon; trustees, D. McEachern, Wm. Shand, James Barrie, auditor, J. H. Jackson.

Aura Lee Club will hold its annual dinner at the club rooms, Avenue-road, on Thursday, Jan. 2. The principal speakers will be Chief Justice Sir Charles Moss, Rev. Canon Welch, Jas. Lawlor of The News and James Edmund Jones and C. Forsyth Ritchie, president and vice-president of the club.

The annual ball of the employees of the King Edward Hotel takes place on Saturday evening next.

High Class Upright Piano for \$225.00. Ordinarily the piano that Heintzman & Co., Ltd., 115-117 West King St., Toronto, offer for \$225, would cost \$375 or \$400—a beautiful upright piano, in use only about three months, and bearing the name of a well-known maker. Terms suitable to almost any one.

AGED AND PROSPEROUS WOMAN IS THIEF

Mrs. Lottie M. Scott, 65 years, who owns her own house on Markham-st. and has money in mortgages, was found guilty of stealing from the T. Eaton Co. in county criminal court yesterday morning.

"Why did you do this?" asked Crown Attorney Drayton. "I cannot explain why I did it. I only did it once in my life before. I took two pairs of gloves about two years ago. I gave both pairs away." "What did you take this time?" "I took a silk handkerchief, a purse, a pocketknife and three combs. I put them into my bag. I said I would pay for them, as I knew it was wrong. But I did not meditate about it."

Judge Winchester suspended sentence, taking a surety of \$500 for her future good conduct.

Preacher's Sudden Death.

ROCHESTER, N.Y., Dec. 23.—Rev. Peter Lindsay, D.D., pastor of North Presbyterian Church for more than 20 years, died suddenly Sunday night of heart failure. He had preached in his church in the morning. Dr. Lindsay was born in Scotland.

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Deported a Hundred.

MONTREAL, Dec. 23.—H. and A. Al-ian state that over a hundred able-bodied men have been deported from the port of Halifax arrived by the steamers of that line, because they had not the requisite sum of \$50 in their pockets, or because they had not secured situations before leaving England.

Get N. B. Pulpwood Lands.

BANGOR, Me., Dec. 23.—The already large holdings of New Brunswick forest lands by American pulp and paper manufacturers have been increased by the purchase of a tract of 550 square miles by the International Paper Company. The land lies in the Dalhousie district on the Restigouche River and contains about 250,000 acres of heavily wooded spruce lands.

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