

LIVITNOFF'S DOMESTIC HALF



Charming picture of Madame Livitnoff and son, Master Mischa Livitnoff. Papa Livitnoff (inset) has been designated Russian Ambassador to London. Photo taken at their London house.

KINDNESS BIG PART OF CURE AT THE WOMEN'S PRISON FARM

Some Remarkable Cases of Reform Are Accomplished—Bill of Fare Is Appetizing and Meal Costs Only Six Cents—Short Term is Drawback, Says Matron

(Toronto Star.) Dinner at the men's jail farm, followed by tea at the women's institution, was the enjoyable and extremely interesting experience of a Star lady reporter, who had been detailed to visit the new women's building. Not knowing that there were two separate farms, several miles apart, she had alighted at Stop 44, and was more than a little dismayed to be told she was at the men's prison farm. "The women's place is over there," said the driver pointing vaguely with his whip to the distant snow-clad hills. "However, I am taking this sleigh-load of prisoners to our place, and if you want to come along, hop in. There may be someone driving over to the other farm this afternoon. With a fletting glance at the car disappearing down the white track, she jumped in and shared the rug with the new prisoners. The morning spent in looking through the splendidly equipped men's buildings was most interesting—and the dinner which followed—well, it is a wonder there is not a line of applicants waiting to be sent to jail. Potato scramble, with means three big potatoes, and a very substantial piece of meat covered with brown gravy, a very generous helping of parsnips, bread, tea with sugar and milk, and carrot pudding, was the menu, and such a meal costs the institution only six cents! Everything is grown on the farm and prepared by the inmates themselves. Taken for a Prisoner. After the very entertaining morning, a three and a half mile drive in a big

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very careful handling. Once she loses her own self-respect, no punishment will ever effect a reform. We should be able to have her here with us long enough to build up a new self, and that cannot be done in a few months. When a young girl comes before the judges they say, 'Oh, first offence, and they give her only a short term. That is the girl who should be given the path of immorality and punishment, but as an opportunity to come back to decency before she slips further down the path of immorality and loose living. We ought to have her with us until both the girl and ourselves are confident that she can stand on her own feet and resist the lure of her old life and her old associates.'

After visiting the new, splendidly equipped building into which the women will move next week, the Star was given the opportunity of going through the little old farmhouse where the women are now stationed. Certainly conditions will be much better in the new roomy building, as the women are cramped in their present quarters. But everything here glistens with cleanliness, from the little coats with their bright blue counterpane and snowy pillow covers, to the shining utensils on the kitchen cupboard. The dinner is set on the scrubbed boards and the little serving maids in starched blue dresses with white kerchiefs, apron, and cap, take turns in waiting on tables. One of the aims of the institution is to teach the women economy and thrift, and in the very short time at their disposal to endeavor to give them some one trade to which they can turn when they are released. The heads of the institution put their whole selves into their work, and take a personal interest in each girl. Kindness is a big part of the treatment.

Have Some Disappointments. "Though we have many disappointments we have some success, which certainly encourages us to continue our work," said Miss A. L. Carson, the assistant matron, and she told the story of some girls who were sent to the farm last week. Miss Carson said that one girl who had been sent to the Toronto jail as unmanageable, but Miss Carson managed to get her out of the jail. "At her best time," she said, "I used to go to the fields with them every day. In the heat of the summer we would sit at the trees and eat the dainty lunch that would be sent us from the house. Such cozy chats we had, and great rewards the girls learned to unfold their secrets and troubles. Then we would go to work with renewed vigor. Those girls, I guarantee, did as much work as so many men. In the evenings we would march back, singing, to the farm house. We pretended that we were college girls just being at our work, and it used to please them so. One of this group was an exceptionally pretty girl of about 19. She came to us with her moral nature absolutely depraved. She had been given the longest time anyone can get—two years less a day. By the end of the first year the open, free life here and the treatment she received had so strengthened her that we were able to put her in service as a domestic under supervision. She is doing wonderfully well and her employers love the girl. She is not allowed out alone, we feel she is not quite ready for that yet, nor is she allowed money. We collect her wages and bank it for her, but every week or so we take her down town and buy what she needs. She sent us her photograph the other day, and we put it as one of the dear rewards of our service. She wrote me that she looked back now with horror and loathing on the tragedies in which she had once played a part. "We have been able to do good work with her, as we have been able to do for our seeds to bear fruit. Short terms with the evils of a fine option are the greatest handicaps against which we have to contend. Even yet the magistrates continue to regard the sentence here as punishment and offer the option of a fine and costs. It is reformative we want, and paying a fine can never effect that."

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CLOUDS OF STEEL GUARD LONDON AGAINST GERMAN AIR RAIDERS

American Correspondent Views Great Defences of British Capital From Seat in Battle Plane—Yankee Aviators on Duty There

(Correspondent of The Associated Press) London, Jan. 8.—Flying at a speed of from 80 to 140 miles an hour and at a height of from 2,000 to 8,000 feet in one of the latest and fastest British battle planes, a correspondent of The Associated Press inspected the outer defences of London on a crisp morning recently.

Few Americans have any adequate idea of the magnitude of these defences and their present high state of efficiency. Millions of pounds have been spent on them and an army is constantly employed in manning and maintaining them.

A motor car took the correspondent to "somewhere in the outskirts of London," where it passed through roads camouflaged by shrubbery to a great aerodrome, one of the finest in England. This aerodrome boasts several American-made fighters, but it is not permissible to give their names. Upon the party's arrival England's crack daredevil flier put on a "show." This man, who looks more like a sleek, mild-mannered drygoods clerk than a wizard of the air, put the machine through a series of performances that made even some of the veteran fliers who watched from below hold their breath. Looping the loop, nose diving, banking, volplaning to within a few feet of the earth and then pointing the nose of the machine skyward for a rise at express train speed were but a few of the moves this pilot went through with his observer. When he came down the correspondent was taken up in the same machine, but with another pilot for a ride through the clouds and a bird's eye view of the outer defences of this particular part of London.

This machine was a fighter. The type of machine mounting a synchronized machine gun has earned the reputation of being perhaps the most reliable of the fighting planes turned out by the British manufacturers. The pilot on the trip was a young member of the Royal Flying Corps, who was to go to France the next week. The night before this flight he had been up fighting with German Gothas at a height of between 11,000 and 12,000 feet. The best view of things below was had at 2,000 feet. Aerodromes with battle planes ever ready for the German raiders could be seen dotting the landscape. Batteries of anti-aircraft guns could be discerned here and there. The flight around the outer city was made at an average speed of eighty miles an hour, over factories and suburbs, a great arsenal, a famous school and a town best known for its American colony. Up aloft the weather was typical of the New York autumnal day. There was just a hint of frost on the roof tops, which made them show up more plainly than usual through the light mist. All was quiet and peaceful in an area which the presence of the Gothas would in an instant transform into a battle front, encircled by the barrage from the anti-aircraft guns thousands of feet below.

RECEPTION TO PASTOR.

A reception was given in Knox church last evening to the pastor, Rev. H. C. Fraser and wife. The large Sunday school room was filled to its capacity by the members of the congregation who had assembled to bid welcome to their new pastor. All the other Presbyterian clergymen were invited to attend and many of them were present. Rev. J. A. MacKeigan of St. David's church, Rev. F. S. Dowling of St. Andrew's, Rev. Mr. McLeod of the Courtenay Bay mission were present and delivered addresses of welcome to Mr. Fraser, expressing the good wish of their respective congregations.

AUSTRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER ASKS ALLIES FOR NEW PEACE TERMS



Count Czernin says recent speeches by Lloyd George and President Wilson contain certain principles acceptable by Germany; but says the concrete proposals were unsatisfactory. "I am just as good. She—I can't accept your affection. He—I'll be just as well satisfied if you will return it."



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By The Editor

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tions and hoping that his pastorate would be long and fruitful. Mr. Fraser made a very fitting reply in return, thanking them for their kind wishes. The reception was organized by the ladies' society of the church and at the conclusion of the programme refreshments were served by them. The musical programme follows: Voca christ; vocal solo, Miss Grant; voca solo, Mr. Stenhouse; quartette, Mrs. Godsoe, Miss McArthur, Mr. Dunn and Mr. Stenhouse.

The Great-West Life Assurance Company

Table showing financial statements for The Great-West Life Assurance Company. It includes columns for 'Business issued, 1917', 'Increase for the year', 'Business in force Dec. 31st, 1917', 'Income for 1917', 'Assets, Dec. 31st, 1917', and 'Mortality, including war losses'. The total assets are listed as \$2,505,337.