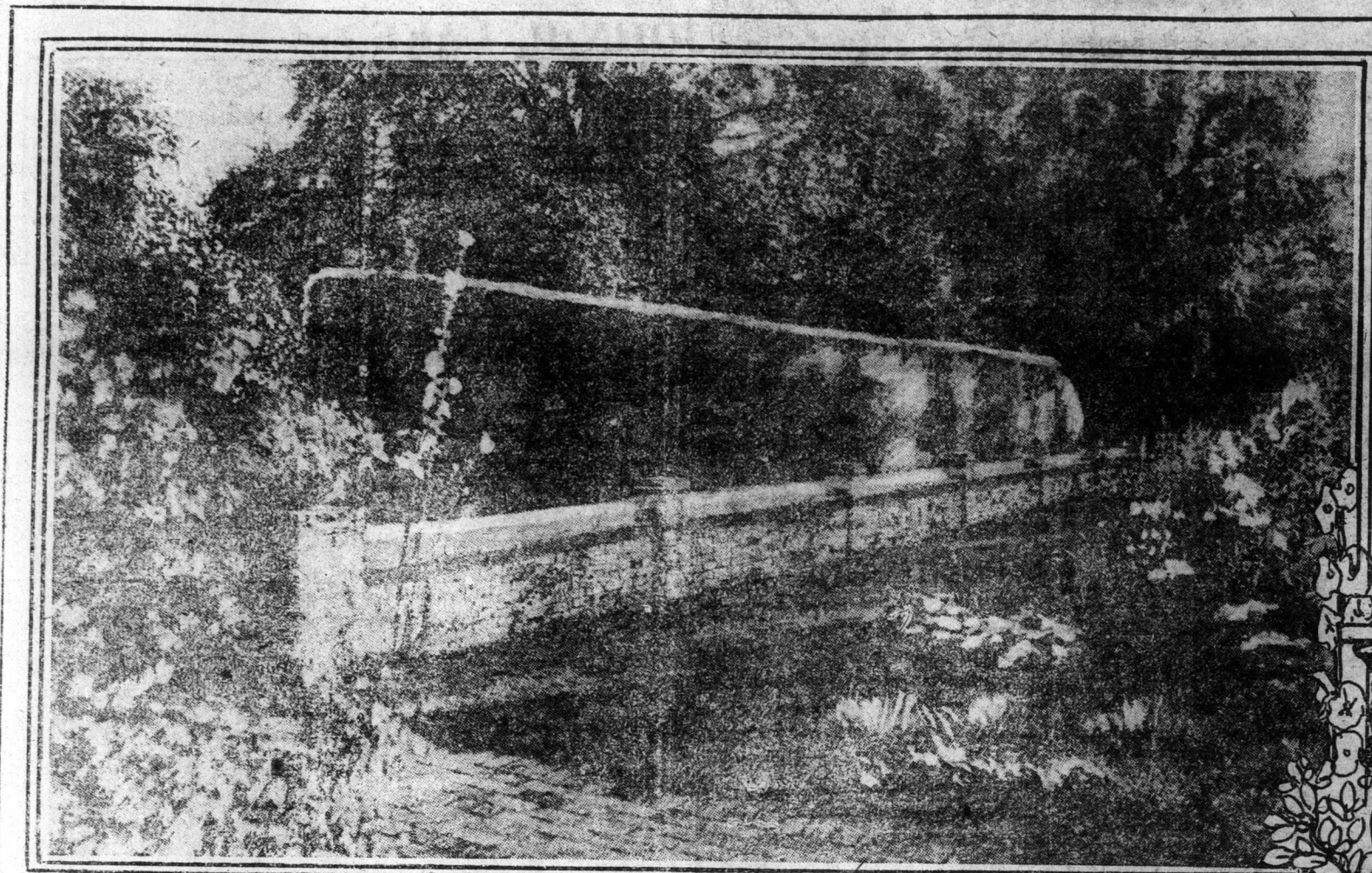


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Woman Expert Gardener of England Who Is in America to Teach the Art of Growing Flowers



THE FLOWER GARDEN



HURST COURT



MRS. PHILIP MARTINEAU

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Ever since she was twelve years old Mrs. Philip Martineau, the wife of a prominent English lawyer, has spent a great part of her time in a garden, and so learned did she become in the ways of gardening that she was recognized far and near as an authority and was called upon by friends and acquaintances to give advice. Last summer she wrote a book on "The Heriaceous Garden" which met with instant appreciation. This confirmed the wisdom of the decision she had made to abandon the ranks of the amateurs and become a professional gardener. Returning from Scotland, where she had been a member of a shooting party, recently, she found an order from Mrs. John M. Longyear, of Brookline, Mass., asking her to come to the United States and give her the benefit of her counsel in the laying out of a new garden.

Mrs. Longyear already had a very beautiful and extensive garden at her place, the Terrace, but she bought an additional lot of land across the road and decided to enlarge the gardens under the direction of Mrs. Martineau, who at once took passage for America on the Olympic, calling her acceptance of Mrs. Longyear's offer.

When seen in New York soon after her arrival she said: "I am full of enthusiasm for this work and am especially glad to come to America in connection with it. So many Americans whom I have known in England have expressed such admiration for the gardens that even the poor persons have there and the wish that there might be more of them in this country! I was motoring with an American lady through Wales on one occasion, and when I asked her afterward what was the thing that had impressed her most on our trip she replied, 'The little gardens everywhere!'"

"When I was in the United States eight years ago I motored from Boston to Worcester, Mass., and back, and there were nice little houses all along the road, but the only approach to a garden I saw was a row of scarlet salvia and a few straggling flowers. In England we have been having a great awakening on the subject of gardening and farming and country life in general, and I am glad to hear that there is something of the kind going on in the United States. I should like to do my share toward contributing to the interest and the information."

In her book Mrs. Martineau says: "I grew up in a garden. I began in a cottage at the back of a small London house out of Grosvenor place, and grew with some success carnations, lilacs, a few annuals and such herbs as parsley and chervil. My next experiment was in a country cottage that had an acre of stiff clay soil for a garden. Now I have about a hundred acres at my place, Hurst Court, in Berkshire, and have gardens of various sizes and kinds. There are flower gardens with grass walks and with paved walks, some with walls and some with hedges. Some of them have distinctive color schemes, one being a mauve garden."

While Mrs. Martineau is very sympathetic in her treatment of the subject of gardens, she is very definite in her directions. "It is of no use merely being poetic," she confided. "I tell just how much fertilizer must be used and how the soil must be worked and planted and cultivated in order to produce certain results. I have studied the matter thoroughly and

have the facts as well as a wealth of experience at my command.

"I like fixing over and building up old gardens and restoring neglected ones and improving those that are already established. There are few that cannot be made better. I have been staying recently with my sister, who shares my taste for gardening, and have been helping her in improving the old gardens at Thristane Castle, the seat which they

have recently come into possession of through the succession of her husband the Earl of Tanderdale, to the title. Trees were cut away to get certain vistas and the gardens were altered extensively. I have done over some old cottages, too, fitted them up and surrounded them with lovely gardens—a most satisfying work.

"In addition to my outdoor gardening I have devoted a great deal of time and attention to growing carnations, melons

and various kinds of vegetables, fruits and flowers under glass, and felt qualified to give sound advice in that branch of my work. I am a farmer, and sometimes my farming interests lead to valuable finds for my collections. I am especially interested in collecting old glass. Not long ago I went to a certain farm to look at a cow that was for sale. I did not buy the cow, but as I was looking about I saw a heap of rubbish and in-

stantly detected that it contained at least one old glass piece of considerable value. I asked the farmer what he would take for the lot and he priced it to me at four shillings. I at once asked upon the old glass candelabra that had caught my eye and sold the rest of the things for about as much as I had paid for all. That candelabra was genuine Jacobean and worth one hundred and fifty pounds.

"To come back to the gardens, I was talking on the steamship with a prominent American, and he seemed very eager that some way should be found of interesting the poor people in the subject. I know it is hard work; but what is there worth having that does not have to be worked for? I know of a man in England who has to get up early and walk seven miles to take a train for his work—which is of a tedious and uninteresting character—and yet he is not too tired at night to work in his garden, and has a beautiful one to repay him and has vegetables from it for his table.

"Then there are another class of persons in the United States who might give more thought to gardens with great advantage to themselves. I do not want to seem to criticize the women of this country, but they have many club meetings, read and listen to papers and have a great deal of discussion—and apparently it ends there. If they would take up the subject of gardening with a view to getting real information and planning to put it into practical effect they would have something worth while to show for their meetings. You are the first person in America who has not asked me if I am a suffragette and I am grateful. If you

are very much interested in gardening she has three sons who trouble her somewhat, and are really trying to do something to make the face of the earth more beautiful. You have not much time for suffrage, are away."

"I hope while I am in America to give some lectures and to tell Americans of the results of my years of devotion to gardening. You have seen many of them for our gardens, so I know that it is possible to get splendid effects, and I have studied those conditions here which are different from ours in England, so that I can speak understandingly of the possibilities here as well as at home."

Mrs. Martineau's book is generously illustrated with beautiful pictures of her own place and the gardens of the Duchess of Westminster, Evelyn Duchess of Wellington, Mrs. R. H. of Milton Court, Dorling, and Lady Evelyn Cottrell and others who have beautiful English places, and she will illustrate her talks with similar pictures of these gardens, as well as with plans and diagrams for the laying out of gardens.

Mrs. Martineau has another link with the United States besides the interest in gardening which she wishes to share with Americans. Her oldest son, who was formerly in the British army, recently came to America to go into business, and she is deeply interested in his work and prospects. "It is splendid for him to have the chance," she admitted, "but it is dreadful to have all my sons away from me. One is in the navy at home, one in school and one in the United States. When a woman marries she doubles her joys, but when

she loses them she doubles her sorrows. So you see it is well that I have my garden to occupy my time while my sons are away."

For the girl to whom money is no object the purchase of her clothes is simplicity itself. She has only to go to a high class tailor, have her measurements taken, state her wishes as to style and leave the order for one or a half dozen suits. Then the bill goes home to husband or father.

But for the working girl who must wear the same suit all this year and probably most of the next the selection of a suit is a quest of much importance and the object of much deliberation.

How to find a suitable outfit within her means which is at once smart, durable and becoming is the problem which confronts most working girls at this time of the year.

A few words of advice on how to go about this task will probably be of aid to many. First make up your mind just what you want. It may take two weeks' thought and study of the styles before you come to any conclusion, but arrive at a definite idea before you take your money in hand to purchase anything. Then stick to your idea. This is perhaps the hardest part of the problem, as it is certainly difficult to resist the temptations of pretty, smart suits offered by saleswomen, even though you know quite well that the style is not at all suitable or the price asked is quite beyond your means.

Now, as to deciding definitely on the kind of suit you want. It is better to allow one good sized lump sum on a suit which is worth while than to divide the money in little drops, one for a suit, one for a dress, one for a little evening frock and so on. In this way you will have a wardrobe made largely of cheap clothes, whereas the other way you will have a much smaller wardrobe, perhaps, but one consisting of good materials. One good suit is worth much more than all the other frocks put together. Make up your mind just how much you can afford to spend on a suit and do not let any cheaper, gaudier models win you from your purpose.

For the working girl dark blue or black is in the very best taste. There are several reasons why one of these two shades should be selected besides the all sufficient one of taste. One reason is that where only one suit must be worn the year through an inconspicuous model will be found much the best, because a bright color may be admired at first, but as the months pass every one, including the owner, will have tired of the same color. With dark blue or black, however, the color is so inconspicuous as not to attract attention to itself and may be worn a couple of seasons without any outsider noticing that the suit is the same one.

Then, too, little touches of different colors will lend variety to a dark colored costume. The new washing belts offer an opportunity for variety. Different styles in silhouettes, too, will give to the suit an altered appearance.

For the same reason that dark colors are preferable to bright ones subdued models are to be selected rather than freakish ones.

Five Women Finish Ahead of Men in Swim Across Paris

A TWELVE kilometre swim—equivalent to a third of the distance across the Channel—is a severe test, and the fact that twenty-three swimmers completed the distance recently in the annual handicap organized by the "Auto" from one end of Paris to the other is a remarkable example of the development of the sport in France.

More remarkable still, this number included five young women, one of whom, Mlle. Alice Pezet, a slender, dark-eyed girl of eighteen, won the contest, touching the cord at Anteuil two minutes and thirty-five seconds ahead of her nearest rival, Mlle. Marthe Robert.

The start was at the Pont National, competitors getting off in the following order:—At two o'clock, Mlle. Alice Pezet; 2:20, Mlle. Marthe Conte and Mlle. Henriette Hoss; 2:25, Mme. Clarisse Garnier; 2:25, Mlle. Marthe Robert; 2:45, Paulus; 2:50, Boudret and Blandin; 2:55, Koch and Michel; 3:00, Lefebvre and Violas; 3:05, Denieville, Joachim Quilly, Simon and Lavogade; 3:10, Villard, David Catinet and Casanovetti; 3:15, Albert Chretien, Charles Hanouet, Georges Belot, Georges Michel and Bonquin; 3:25, Jarvis and David Billington.

However, before gazing at the plump but athletic frames of the men, spectators at the start showed by their enthusiasm and cheers their appreciation of the pluck of the five graceful young women who were preparing to compete with hard veterans of the stronger sex in a stern test of endurance.

With natural cynicism, Mlle. Pezet and her feminine companions in the race preferred to hear the clock rather than to watch their shapely limbs with any kind of colored grease protection.

The two great English swimmers, Billington and Jarvis, were given a specially difficult send-off. Their task, starting from scratch, was practically an impossible one.



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So Billington evidently thought, as he of friends just before plunging: "Our leg for us at Anteuil; I must make haste about, in answer to the encouragement women competitors must be already wait—so as not to keep them waiting too long."

At the Pont Notre-Dame, rather more than four kilometers from the start, the five feminine competitors were still ahead, in the same order as at the start. Mlle. Pezet reaching the bridge at eight minutes past three. The group maintained its lead right to the finish.

A storm of cheering and clapping broke out among the crowd of spectators at the winning post, just beyond the Pont Mithras, when the first competitor came in sight and was seen to be a woman. It was Mlle. Pezet. She touched the cord at 4h. 51m. 55s., having swum the 12kil. 700m. in 2h. 51m. 55s.

She looked tired. Her eyes were red, and her features were drawn by the strain, but she clambered aboard the steamer at the finish with surprising briskness. The victorious girl was hustled off immediately by a motherly looking Red Cross nurse, to be properly cared for after her arduous efforts.

The other women competitors arrived in the following order:—Mlle. Robert, 4h. 54m. 40s.; Mlle. Hoss, 4h. 57m.; Mlle. Conte, 5h. 1m.; Mme. Garnier, 5h. 7m. Then followed Paulus, at 5h. 13m. 50s.; Lefebvre, 5h. 14m. 30s.; Blandin, 5h. 20m. 7s.; Cattaneo, 5h. 20m. 10s.; Koch, 5h. 22m. 15s.; Denieville, 5h. 24m. 20s.; Hapouet, 5h. 26m. 41s.; Chretien, 5h. 27m. 32s.; Lavogade, 5h. 28m. 30s.; Georges Michel, 5h. 31m. 30s.; Boudret, 5h. 32m. 35s.; Billington, 5h. 34m. 20m.; Violas, 5h. 37m. 15s.; Villard, 5h. 38m. 50s.; Michel, 5h. 43m. 50s.; Bonquin, 5h. 46m. 25s.; and Jarvis, 5h. 53m. 40s.

The classification according to time was:—

1. Billington 1 50 23
2. Cattaneo 2 10 10
3. Hapouet 2 11 45
4. Lefebvre 2 14 50
5. Georges Michel 2 16 20
6. Chretien 2 16 35
7. Georges Belot 2 17 35
8. Jarvis 2 18 40

The special prize reserved for veterans was won by Paulus, who covered the course in 2h. 52m. 50s.

SECOND SECTION

Sporting Comment

BY FREE LANCE

In Canadian ball, Ottawa out of any of the other clubs in the league in the season by 12,000 attendance. London received the second largest patronage, while Hamilton showed decided falling off from the previous year. Just watch the Red Sox and a crowd in 1914.

At the meeting of the Canadian Baseball League held yesterday afternoon in Toronto, the motion of A. Mahoney of Guelph, to exclude press from the meeting was ruled, as were numerous other arguments which he inflicted on the attendance.

The game at Agricultural Park this afternoon between St. Patrick of Hamilton and the Collegiate Institute will no doubt prove highly satisfactory. The St. Patrick's team is not famous in this vicinity, but they happen to put it over the boys, St. Patrick's will be remembered.

As the matter of transferring Berlin and Guelph franchises to other large cities was left in abeyance until the annual meeting which will be held in December, those interested will have a little while longer to wait before hearing "judgment" announced. It was unanimously decided yesterday that President Fitzgerald should attend the meeting of the national association of Baseball players at Columbus, Ohio, in November.

As quite a number of the young men of Echo Place are members of the Echo Place Improvement Association, it is therefore not surprising that the association are considering putting a hockey team in the Senior City League series. The Association believe they have young men who are capable of bringing honor to the society and themselves. Jim Ryan will likely manage the team. Further arrangements will be made at the next meeting of the association.

At an excellent meeting held last night in R. H. Welsh's store, West End Hockey team was organized for the season to be a good season in hockey for the senior chasers over the bridge. The team will enter the Senior series of the City League. E. Marlat was appointed manager and the officers elected were: Honorary President, W. J. Welsh; President, R. Welsh; Vice-President, George Heatley; Secretary-treasurer, Frank Roanree. The meeting will be held on Wednesday night.

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