

THE HEADRESS

The Present Tendency Towards barbarism in woman's hair--One Who Wears \$75 Worth of False Hair.

New York, Jan. 10.—It gave the husband of a fashionable young woman something of a shock the other day when he overheard his wife confide to her most intimate friend that she was wearing seventy-five dollars' worth of false hair. In the first place, her coiffure seemed too small to be made up of any such amount of separate pieces as seventy-five dollars ought to buy, according to the masculine idea. In the reign of puffs it would have been easier to have figured it out, but now—well, it did not sound at all reasonable. And how could hair cost so much anyway? he wondered.

But that isn't all I have," continued the modishly gotten up young woman "come in and take a look at my 'head-dress' table." And she led the way to a dainty and well-arranged table long and deeper than the modern dressing table. There were two quite deep compartments, and first she piled out the top one, displaying a pile of braids of various lengths and thicknesses and false pieces to serve on practically every occasion when modern woman resorts to artifice.

More Startling. The present fad for individuality and the bizarre grows more and more startling as the season advances, and women at the opera and the theatre appear in wonderful creations which, nevertheless, give them an attractiveness that could not be achieved with some of the simpler effects.

Time was when every fashionably dressed head in the glittering horse-shoe of boxes was crowned with flowers or surrounded by a stiff aigrette poised on each head at exactly the same angle as on every other head in the semicircle. Now it would be difficult to make mental note of the various angles at which hair ornaments are worn and of their striking characteristics.

The coiffure, being the foundation of these barbaric creations, is of prime importance. Each woman chooses her own style and then seems to accentuate it until you wonder how it is managed even with the assistance of a clever maid. The cap arrangement is the one most favored at present, as few women have heads of sufficient size to look well without this foundation. A few can wear a flat switch around the head with no other support than the natural hair drawn up toward the forehead, and look well balanced as to mind and coiffure. But the majority of women require a very substantial foundation before they draw the hair forward and pin it preparatory to fastening on the braid.

When the hair is rather straight or waves ever so little naturally, then the unbraided switch may be wound around the head. A decided wave or curl demands either a bun or a twist to encircle the head. With these two restrictions the rest of the coiffure may be managed as individual taste suggests.

An English fashion favors wide pins that look like buckles when they are adjusted, holding the twist of hair in place. Some of them are narrow and at least three inches long, which means that the flat bandeau of hair must be drawn out to fill the buckle comfortably.

Baroness Vaughan In Hiding Burns Incense At King's Shrine

"Queen Caroline" in Luxurious Seclusion at Own Palace in Vicinity of Paris.

Village Idlers at Menouville Nicknamed Ruler Popol and Pitched Pennies With Him.



SCENE IN THE LITTLE CHURCH AT MENOUILLE; LEOPOLD'S CHILDREN ATTENDING MASS FOR THEIR FATHER--THE TWO CHILDREN SITTING TOGETHER ARE THE DUKE DE TERVUEREN, AGED FIVE, AND THE BARON DE RAVENSTEIN, AGED THREE; THE WOMEN ARE THE GOVERNESSES, AND THE BOY IN THE FOREGROUND IS THE VILLAGE PLAYMASTE OF THE KING'S SONS.

BARONESS VAUGHAN'S BEAUTIFUL PALACE.

By Phil Simms. Paris, Jan. 10.—Twenty-two miles northeast of here, in a little corner of fairland itself, is the Chateau de Balincourt, where the "Du Barry" of Belgium, the Baroness Vaughan—"Queen Caroline," they call her—has hidden herself from the world. Beautiful as a picture, witty and girlish, small wonder she charmed King Leopold. And Kaiser Wilhelm, on hearing of the infatuation, sent a special envoy to Brussels for a portrait of the "queen." Leopold photographed a likeness and sent it on. "Yes," mused Wilhelm, critically, scanning each feature of the king's favorite, "Leopold has got taste—he's a connoisseur!"

The Baroness Vaughan really loved Leopold as any woman should love her husband. She has completely isolated herself to be alone with her grief. With her two children, the sons of the king—the tiny Duke de Tervueren, aged 5, and the tot of a Baron de Ravenstein, aged 3—she even shuns the company of the 25 servants of the palace.

At one end of a grand salon, 30 feet square, there is a huge oil portrait of King Leopold II. Before this canvas are kept burning night and day, I am told, and the picture is the woman's shrine.

Trus Love Affair. It seems to have been a true love affair, with a powerful and rich ring, cruel and despised of many, as the lover; a poor girl, of humble parentage but pretty and faithful as the sweet heart. However else they were with the world, to each other there was always tenderness.

It is an interesting but long trip from Paris to the Chateau de Balincourt, where one hasn't an automobile. One must take the train at the North railway station and leave it a few miles out, at Valmondou. From here to Val-longouard is what we know as a "jerkwater" line. Over this stretch of track a little train makes five trips a day.

At Valongouard one must hire a rig, for it is about five miles to the chateau. A mile and a half from the palace one comes to the village of Menouville, where Leopold was as well known as any of the old inhabitants who sit about the corner grocery, good American fashion, whittling cigar stumps.

"Queen Caroline's" chateau is a dream. There are over 60 rooms. The structure is of stone. A rich Jew who millions in China built it. Leopold bought it for the baroness two years ago and remodeled it for her. He made her a present of it—and a fortune said to be about \$25,000,000.

A Bower. Every room is a bower, or a salon fit for royalty. Priceless bits of art adorn nooks, pedestals and walls. Rugs of finest oriental workmanship soften the floor, leaving only occasional glimpses of the marvellously wrought, wood-inlay. Modernism is there, too, in the way of both rooms and kitchens, and here it is small wonder Leopold found his favorite retreat.

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INCREASE IN FREIGHT RATES STIRS TRADE

Montreal, Que., Jan. 10.—The question of freight rate increase is stirring the trade world here to the depths. The importers are sending the strongest delegation to Ottawa on Thursday that they can get together. The shipping people say that their situation is secure and that they have right on their side.

The latest is a cable from G. M. Bosworth, fourth vice-president of the Canadian Pacific, who arrived in Liverpool Saturday. He is here to attend a meeting of the North Atlantic westbound freight conference. He gave an interview in London saying that if some weeks ago, cannot be found. It were not for the passenger business the Atlantic lines would be in the receiver's hands. He denied that to increase the rates would be to counteract the Canadian preference to Britain.

Snead Disappears. St. Catharines, Ont., Jan. 10.—Fletcher W. Snead, husband of Ocey Snead, the New Jersey "bath tub" victim, who was discovered in this city some weeks ago, cannot be found. Snead continued at work at the new Murray Hotel till the usual hour on Friday night. Since that time no one has seen him. Snead did not report for work Saturday. His bedroom gave no indication of taking steps towards his appearance of not having been used the night before. The New Jersey authorities declared several times they did not want Snead and had no intention of taking steps towards his extradition.

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VALUABLE FREE-HOLD THREE STORY BRICK RESIDENCE, WITH BARN, No. 4 WELLINGTON ROW. By Auction.

I am instructed by D. A. Vaughan, Esq., to sell by public auction, at Clubb's Corner, on Saturday, Jan. 15th at 12 o'clock, noon, that valuable freehold brick residence No. 4 Wellington Row. Heated by hot air and containing eleven rooms with bath, everything in good repair. This is one of the best residential parts of the city. Size of lot 25 1/2 x 100 feet, more or less, with driveway from Union street. Also barn in rear. Part of purchase money can remain on mortgage, at 5 per cent. For further particulars apply to F. L. POTTS, Auctioneer, Etc., Phone—972, P. O. Box 1292, Jan. 10.

T. L. Coughlan Auctioneer, St. John, N. B., Clifton House Building.

Organ Bargains. A few Organs taken from our customers who have purchased Pianos—some of them practically brand new. 1 Stainer st-c 17 (Plain Case) \$96.00, 2 Bell-st-111 (Parlor Model) \$90.00, 3 Chute Hall & Son \$75.00, 4 D. W. Kam \$40.00, 5 New England \$50.00. FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED. Come Today and Get the Pick. The W. H. JOHNSON CO., Ltd., DEALERS IN D. W. Kam, Stainer, Thomas, Shirlock Manning & Mason & Hamlin. Market Square, - ST. JOHN, N. B.

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RUSSIA FEARS ANOTHER WAR

Altack May Come From Japan in 1912--Pending Alliance With Germany Makes Situation Critical.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 10.—The most influential circles in Russia are again regarding the outlook in the Orient with the gravest concern. They are profoundly disturbed by the long confidential report prepared by M. Glesmer, a member of the industrial delegation in the Council of the Empire, who made a tour of investigation in Japan and Russia's eastern frontier territories.

M. Glesmer went to the Orient some time before Finance Minister Kokovtzeff for the purpose of acquiring independent information in case the Government should launch a policy involving the interests of the Russian business world.

The report of M. Glesmer, which comes from one of the most eminent and most successful business men of Russia, maintains the view that Japan is again bent on taking the aggressive. He says her economic position is perfectly sound. There will be no Japanese loan in the coming year. She is reaping three harvests yearly. She has an annual food supply enough for 80,000,000 population although she has only 55,000,000.

She is preparing a military transport organization of 200,000 rickshaws and coolies, which will be much more efficient than horse transport. The spirit of the people is still resolute.

SEES FUTURE FOR CANADA

Sir John Dickson Poyndon, in England, Tells of Efforts of Canada to Build Up West India Trade.

London, Jan. 10.—"I found signs of enormous improvement and progress everywhere in Canada. Things are well on the move there," said Sir John Dickson-Poyndon, who, with Lord Balfour of Burleigh and Sir Daniel Morris, has just returned from an official visit to the Dominion, where they have been trying to arrange better trade relations between that country and the West Indies.

Sir John could not say anything about the evidence they received or the recommendations they were going to make to the Government. "But I can say," he remarked, "that we found a great desire on the part of the Canadians to do an increased trade with the West Indies. Already the preference which Canada gives to the West Indies has led to a large trade being done to the great advantage of the sugar growers."

"There is no reason why the West Indies should not supply to Canada tropical produce, just as the southern states supply the same goods to the United States. And as Canada increases in wealth and population the demand for these things will increase."

On the subject of Colonial preference Sir John said he could find no one who had any definite idea of what was to be brought about. "But," he said, "I found a great number of very staunch imperialists, who were all for closer relations with the mother country, but who neither asked for nor desired preference. And when it came to a question of admitting the British manufacturer on such terms as would allow him to compete on something approaching equal terms with the Canadian market, why then the question of preference took another form altogether."

CLEVER DEAL

How an American Outwitted a Great Jewelry Firm in the West End of London--Scorns Crookedness.

London, Jan. 10.—"Yes, sir, I think I understand your requirements, and I purchased an extraordinary fine black pearl, perfect in shape and lustre, which we would sell for \$10,000."

The speaker was the head partner of a great jewelry firm in the West End of London and the customer an English speaking gentleman, well groomed and of refined manners, who had asked to see some exceptional articles he could present as a betrothal gift to the lady of his choice.

After an inspection of the pearl, oval, spotless and unmounted, five-eighths of an inch in its largest diameter and about half an inch in its cross section, and after an unavailing attempt to reduce its price the customer agreed to take it.

He acknowledged that he had not known to the firm he could not expect to receive the jewel in return for his check, but he would draw a check and would call in a day or two and take the pearl. No, it would be useless for him to give his address, as he was leaving London in a few days, in fact was returning to the United States as soon as he was married.

The check was honored, the customer claimed his purchase, forty-eight hours later and the incident seemed closed. This ended Act I.

Act II, opens four months later. The customer has returned to the Bond street shop and has asked for the head partner, to whom he explains that he has married in the interval and his wife is anxious to obtain a second and that an absolute match would require much searching. The American gentleman suggested an advertisement in the trade journals giving an accurate description of the first pearl, its dimensions, weight and color, and expressed his willingness to go as high as \$17,500.

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WITHDRAW ACTION FOR DAMAGES AT CAPITAL

Fredericton, Jan. 10.—The January session of the York county circuit court came to a sudden ending today when Mr. Percy A. Guthrie, on behalf of the plaintiff, withdrew the record in the case of McLean vs. Stevenson. The parties in the case reside in Marysville, and the plaintiff asked \$5,000 damages on the charge that the defendant had caused a conversation with his wife, Hon. H. F. McLean, for the defendant, agreed to the record being withdrawn.

On Sunday received a long distance telephone message from the lookout for an Indian who had induced a fourteen year old white girl to elope with him from Cloverdale, which is in the vicinity of Artland, Carleton county. The particulars of the rather unusual elopement were not given and the local police do not know the names of the Indian and his "affinity." This morning another message was received from Chief Foster, of the Grand Trunk Pacific police, to say that the elopers had been captured.

\$2,500, which could be divided between the two firms, made the purchase. Act IV, is really as yet unfinished. Two jewelry firms are seeking in vain the address of a Franco-American who professed to be trying to match a black pearl. Some little bitterness has developed between the two firms because the advertisement of the one caused the other to give an exaggerated price for a pearl for which it has no particular use. Meanwhile it appears that an unknown, by investing \$10,000 in May, obtained a profit of \$5,000 in September, which works out to about 120 per cent a year, so that at least one party to the deal should be satisfied.

Serious Fire. Ottawa, Jan. 10.—There was a serious fire in Hull this morning, which destroyed the St. John Baptist school and in which several children were hurt. There were a thousand pupils in the school which has but one fire escape, when an alarm of fire was given and a panic started in one of the six rooms. The children crowded to the escape and several were trampled on and painfully injured. Eventually all were gotten out without loss of life. The building which is valued at \$30,000 was destroyed.

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