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# AS USUAL OUR GREAT ANNUAL JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE

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6 only, Fur Trimmed Suits. Three fawn, 1 sand and 2 navy. All silk lined and have sold as high as \$65.00.

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**SAVE \$40 TO \$80 ON A FUR COAT**

2 only, French Chapel Seal Coats. All silk lined with skunk collars and cuffs. These coats were regular \$165.00.

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Lesser's January Clearance Sale Price \$80.00

**PONY COATS**

3 Russian Pony Coats, with skunk sable collars and cuffs. Regular \$135.00.

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EVENINGS**

**No. 1 RACK**

29 Fur Trimmed Duvelyn Coats. All lined and interlined in all sizes and colors. This lot of coats sold up to \$27.50.

Lesser's January Clearance Sale Price \$14.95

**RACK No. 2**

40 Ladies' Velour Coats, fur trimmed with fur collars. All lined and interlined. Values among this lot up to \$37.00.

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**RACK No. 3**

29 Fur Trimmed Coats. All silk lined and interlined. Values up to \$45.00. Two Plush Coats in this lot.

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Clothing—February Like-  
ly to Call for Wraps when  
the Cold Spell Comes.

(New York Evening Post Cor-  
respondence)

Miami, Fla., Jan. 11—What to wear

at Miami is of interest to every woman who goes South, and already as shops are beginning to display their wares, and women are beginning to arrange their Southern wardrobes, there is much speculation as to what the season will bring forth in the style center. The greatest of the designers in the country make annual pilgrimages to Miami, claiming inspiration from the colorful and exotic surroundings, while it goes without saying that the clothes should be designed by those who know the resort and its life. The present vogue for Paisley and Oriental designs and printed fabrics promises to extend through the season, and many charming one-piece frocks or jackets of these fabrics are being fashioned for the season along the American Riviera.

Sports wear, of which there seems to be an endless variety, is always appropriate for those enjoying golf and tennis, and knitted dresses promise to be strong features of the season, particularly the new imports with their lovely colorings and unique features of sleeves, girdles, and designs, some very smart two-tone combinations appearing in the new models. Silk and wool are both good and of course, speaking of knitted wear, sweaters of all sorts will still be worn. The new French lead, except for stout figures, which seem to demand the long, straight lines of the Tuxedo style. The little blouses worn with these still have the round collar known as Peter Pan, and many of the lovely models are shown in the shops, while the fashionable shirt makers are featuring new styles of tailored silk or in fine French wools with real lace and embroidery.

White broadcloth or doreen capes are still featured worn with one-piece dresses or the matching skirt and jacket, the capes having collars and white caracul, white fox, or whatever fur is fancied. Much camel's hair is being shown for this season in the wrap-around skirts and sweaters and in the large loose sports coats which are so essential to the wardrobe.

Along in February the mercury frequently drops for about a week or so, and heavier and warmer clothes are quickly shaken free of their moth balls and hustled out. When this cold spell arrives it seems very cold in contrast to the usually fine weather for which Miami is so justly noted. A heavy wrap is quite essential to the evening wear, as there is often a chill in the air, especially when one goes out on Biscayne Bay to a house boat dinner or to the Miami Country Club by the river, or a spin over the Causeway to the Casino. For such occasions the handsome fur-trimmed evening wrap has a definite place, and heavy velvet dresses are also used, together with lighter ones done in satins or chiffon velvets, metal brocades.

During the past two seasons it has come to be quite the thing to make a toilette in the morning for the entire day, as after meeting at the beach, people rush off for luncheon, then play bridge, and as a matter of course meet later at the Oriental Tea Gardens at the Flamingo, so one sees lingers and laces and chiffons and frocks called by our French cousins "tres habiles" from seven until six in the afternoon.

On the other hand, there is always a background for the handsome formal toilette, and one may feel quite free here to take whatever attitude best places her being certain that she

will have at least some company in whatever she elects to wear.

Bathing suits during the past two or three seasons are more and more subject to change. Smart gingham and Russian blouse effects over gathered knickers to match vic with the popular one piece bathing, facetiously referred to by Kenneth Roberts as "two-fifths."

The new silks promise to be very strong this season, and Roshanara crepe which does not crush, the indestructible wools and soft crepes are all favored. A survey of the smartest meeting places discloses the fact that four-fifths of the costumes worn are of silk. Handkerchief linens, the heavier linens, and French wools, as well as organdies, are also in vogue; of these wools are most popular, as they do not crush. Clifton has superseded Georgette, and while more perishable and more easily crushed, it is so soft, lovely, and universally becoming that most women preparing for the season are including frocks in the new colorings in their wardrobes.

The vogue for beaded dresses does not seem to diminish, and there are handsome beaded velours for day-time wear, while many of the new evening gowns from Paris are also heavily beaded, and not a few spangles are also seen. Cloth of gold and silver brocades in every conceivable color combination, while the imported materials, such as cotton kashas, Indian prints or batiks from Ceylon and Java are promised for beach and morning dresses, along with tub silks, gingham, and the like.

The severe simplicity of many of the evening frocks is offset by the huge feather fans, the beautiful girdles, and the impressive headresses which American women are beginning to affect, while, of course, some of the most severe rely upon magnificent jewels to bring out their attractiveness.

**CHANGES PROPOSED  
IN PRIZE LISTS  
FOR EXHIBITIONS**

H. A. Porter Returns from  
Conference of Fair People  
at Ottawa—Report to Ag-  
riculture Minister.

H. A. Porter, secretary of the St. John's Fair Association, returned yesterday from Ottawa where he attended a conference on fair matters. After the meeting a committee was appointed to prepare a report and present it to the Minister of Agriculture.

Among the subjects discussed was the question of developing and extending the fair trade features of the country. Radical changes in the prize lists were discussed with the object of bringing these lists more in accord with the commercial requirements of the country. It was shown that in many cases the money of the Department of Agriculture was being used to encourage the breeding of certain animals, and at the same time the Department was carrying on a campaign of education to show that these types were not fitted for the country. It is understood that the report of the committee contains a recommendation that the Federal Government in future will be limited to three breeds of heavy horses and three breeds of horses, other than heavy; three breeds of beef cattle, three or possibly four of dairy cattle, five of swine and one of hogs; ten classes of poultry including turkeys, ducks and geese. Better provision was made for the commercial classes.

The question of judging and standardization of types of animals was discussed. It was decided to throw on the different breeding societies the onus of nominating judges, and plans were suggested for making the judges nominated more proficient and for standardizing their judgments.

The question of grants to various fairs, and the organization of a Dominion Fairs' Association were taken up. After the Ottawa convention a special committee was selected to wait on the Canadian Passenger Association at its regular monthly meeting at Montreal and present the matter of concession in rates at least to inter-provincial fairs. Consideration of this project was promised.

### ANNUAL MEETING OF BIBLE SOCIETY

The annual meetings of the St. John Bible Society and the West St. John Bible Society were held last evening. Group No. 1 met in St. John (Stone) church with Rev. A. L. Fleming presiding and Rev. R. Taylor McKim giving the address of the evening. Group No. 2 met in St. Luke's church with Rev. Dr. David Hutchinson presiding and Rev. E. P. Wright addressing the gathering. The meeting of the West St. John society was held in Carleton Methodist church with James Scott presiding. Enoch Thompson was elected president. Among those taking part were Rev. C. R. Freeman, F. J. Porter, Rev. R. G. Fulton, Rev. C. R. Freeman and Rev. W. H. Sampson. J. N. Rogers presided at the meeting of the city society in St. Andrew's church and the speakers of the evening were Rev. Neil MacLauchlan, Rev. F. S. DeWolfe, J. Hunter White, Rev. F. S. Porter, H. T. Hayes, the treasurer; Miss Emma Wesley, Miss Jane Henderson, Rev. Dr. R. H. Hine, Rev. Hugh Miller and Hon. J. G. Forbes. Dr. Percy Bonnell gave a solo.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, H. Sommerville; vice-president, Rev. Dr. S. S. Poole; Rev. Hugh Miller, Rev. Neil MacLauchlan, Rev. R. P. McKim; secretary, W. H. Whistler; treasurer, J. Hayes, M.P.P.; additional members of the executive, all the resident clergymen, J. Roy Campbell, G. R. Ewing, William A. W. Kierstead, A. W. Fleming, S. H. Davis, James Myles, F. W. Daniel, J. H. Murphy, Percy Clark, H. Usher Miller, J. H. White, Robert Reid, Thomas Graham, L. W. Simms, Joseph Allison, A. L. Law and A. A. Wilson.

**SCHOOL BOY REPRIMANDS  
PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR**

Buenos Aires, Dec. 8.—(A. P. by mail.)—Called on by his proud teacher to make an address of welcome when the Governor of the Province of Buenos Aires visited his school at Tortosa recently, a fourteen-year-old school boy jumped into fame throughout Argentina by telling the Governor of his school that he had not kept his election promises to improve the school.

The lad had a set oration to deliver when he had learned by heart, Jose was His Excellency and the education officials accompanying him listened with benevolent attention, they got the shock of their lives.

"You, Mr. Governor," shouted the boy at the conclusion of his prepared discourse, "You promised to make some improvements in this school. You promised to enlarge the building and to give us more teachers. Nevertheless, Mr. Governor, you have not kept a single one of these promises."

The boy's teacher nearly fainted, while the Governor gasped and made a hurried departure. The newspapers are asking the Governor what he is going to do about it.

**He Used them  
for His Headache**

**Now He Praises Dodd's Kidney Pills**

Martial St. Laurent Wishes He had Started Taking Dodd's Kidney Pills Sooner.

St. Anaclet, Que., Jan. 10.—(Special.)—"Your Dodd's Kidney Pills have done me a great amount of good," so states Mr. Martial St. Laurent, who is well known and highly respected here.

"My headaches have disappeared and I am able to carry on with my occupation. Dodd's Kidney Pills are the only remedy that has done me so much good."

Dodd's Kidney Pills are a kidney remedy. They strengthen the kidneys so they can do their full work of straining out the impurities out of the blood. Dodd's Kidney Pills have been used for backaches, diabetes, rheumatism, dropsy, urinary troubles and heart disease. People who use them are satisfied. Ask your neighbors about Dodd's Kidney Pills.

### MRS. WARD PAINTS WITH SKILL AT 90

From Age of Eighteen Up to  
Last Year She Exhibited  
at Royal Academy.

London, Dec. 15.—(By Mail.)—Among the older generation of women artists still at work there are few more remarkable than Mrs. Henrietta Mary Ada Ward, mother of the late Leslie Ward, the famous "Spy." said "The Westminster Gazette."

Mrs. Ward is ninety years old. From the age of eighteen to last year she has exhibited at the Academy (for thirty consecutive years) and she was represented there, and she is even now painting what charming Victorian atmosphere in her pictures that breathes less haunting days than the present.

She is as unobtrusive, old-fashioned in her tastes as in her work; recalls the days of a Chelsea now passed, and of famous friends—Dickens, Thackeray, Gounod—now dead; and lingers in the past. She is a portrait painter, and her great uncle was William Ward, A. R.

Excusable, perhaps, for, apart from her age, Mrs. Ward has other links with the past. Her husband was E. M. Ward, R. A. (whom she married when she was sixteen), her grandfather was James Ward, R. A., animal painter to the King; her uncle was John Jackson, R. A., portrait painter; her great uncle was William Ward, A. R.

During the trial it was declared that dealers sell thousands of pounds worth of antiques every year to American buyers visiting England, and that probably less than five per cent. of the purchases are real.

The methods of the antique dealers in faking their wares are carried out so skillfully that the experts differed widely in their opinion of many of the pieces brought into court. The favorite system of the crooked dealer is to take a genuine antique of a certain period, for instance a chair. This he will take apart and reconstruct each one containing a section of the original chair. It was shown during the hearing that an antique headboard had been taken to pieces and that the twelve duplicates fashioned in accordance with this system had sold for \$5,000 each.

In faking china the work is more difficult. Here the dealer must use copies conforming minutely to the original and bearing the maker's signature. This requires a skill which few persons possess nowadays.

It is estimated that sixty per cent of the antiques now being shown in London are not what they are represented to be.

Since the winter began St. John has been covered with a blanket of snow. (Owing to the absence of rain or thaw most of it is still covering the ground. Nineteen inches have fallen so far this month.)

Reed furniture is becoming an important Pacific coast import from the Orient.

### FUTURE WARSHIP CONTEST OF WITS

Vision and Skill of Designers  
Rather Than Dollars  
Will Determine Effectiveness,  
is U. S. Belief.

Washington, Jan. 11.—Treaty limitation by the Washington conference compact on the ships of war craft has changed the conditions of competitive building among sea powers, but in the judgment of naval experts competition will continue.

Already it is pointed out, competition in capital craft designing is under way. The British, as permitted under the treaty, are preparing to build two post-turret battleships, the first post-turret capital craft to be designed and built since the treaty was signed.

There has been no official disclosure of the plans for the two new British ships. Frequent rumors recently in the British press, however, have given what appears to be a clear, general picture of the ships, which presents vessels so strikingly superior to anything now afloat that they will be queens of the seas until 1934, when new American replacement battleships can be commissioned.

**Weight of the New Ships.**  
Under the treaty the new British ships will have a maximum size of 35,000 tons standard displacement as defined by the treaty. That means ships weighing 35,000 tons without fuel or extra feed water aboard. By pre-treaty measurements such ships would have been rated at from 38,000 to 40,000 tons, depending upon the cruising radius for which they were designed and the consequent amount of fuel storage provided. Press accounts indicate that the new British ships will be of this maximum treaty size.

The American battleships Colorado and West Virginia, to be retained under the treaty, displace 32,000 tons with their full complement of fuel, stores and crew. Roughly speaking, they are 5,000 tons or more smaller than the probable size of the forthcoming British craft. The monster American battleships not to be completed under the treaty are rated at 42,000 tons, or roughly, 5,000 tons larger than the British indicated design.

The Colorado and West Virginia each carry main batteries of eight 16-inch guns, mounted three to a turret, with a maximum range of well over 30,000 yards. The unofficial reports credit the new British design with nine 16-inch guns, mounted three to a turret, which would be the first British adoption of this American practice.

With the main battery consolidated thus in three turrets, it is indicated that the British designers are preparing to use the huge deck sweep for airplane take-off, landing and storage. There has been some hint to the effect that the British would be on the forward deck, giving up the entire after deck to a potential airplane carrier as well. There is no official confirmation of this point.

**New as Big as The Old.**  
The indicated length of the British ships is close to 680 feet. The American Colorado class measures 624 feet over all and the abandoned Idaho class 684 feet, so that if the unofficial forecasts are correct the British craft will be virtually as big to look at as the American ships which are to be scrapped under the treaty. The Idaho class would have carried twelve sixteen-inch guns each, however.

Whatever may be the facts as to the

new British design, it is certain that they embody every lesson the British learned in the war and represent the judgment of British experts as to the most likely developments of the next naval engagements to be fought. When the United States may, under the treaty, lay down new battleship keels, it will not be possible to put superior ships in the water merely by increasing the size and adding to offensive and defensive equipment, as has been the case in the past. It is only by refinement of designs, by saving weight in the ship herself to permit increase in her fighting power, that an advance can be made.

And it is here that the vision of naval experts comes in, for they must gamble on the soundness of their conclusions as to what future naval battles will be like. If they guess correctly and stress what is to prove the dominant factor when the clash comes, whether it be speed, armor, guns, torpedos, protection, aircraft capacity or the wise combination of all these elements, the ships they plan may some day have a deciding voice in directing the course of world history.

**A BILL-OF-FARE FOR CHILDREN'S FOOD**

Thirty-six mal-nourished New York school children were started last Thursday on a three weeks' scientific feeding regimen which Health Commissioner Copeland hopes will be an object lesson to parents of the 200,000 under-nourished children in this city. Here is the bill-of-fare for the first two days, and Dr. Copeland recommends it as suitable for any child:—

1—Breakfast, prunes, poached egg on toast, cocoa with milk; lunch, boiled rice with sugar and milk, dates and peanuts and milk; supper, chopped beef, creamed potatoes, stewed carrots, apple sauce, bread and butter and milk.

2—Breakfast, cornmeal and syrup, bread or rolls and butter and milk; lunch, spinach or corn soup, cheese, bread and butter and milk; supper, boiled or creamed fish, macaroni, stewed tomatoes, bread and butter, dates and milk.

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**ENTERTAINED AT BRIDGE**

Mrs. R. Murray Sinclair was the hostess at two very enjoyable bridges recently at her home in Princess street. On Friday evening she entertained at a small bridge, at which the prize-winners were Miss Olivia Gregory and Mrs. Clayton Teed. The rooms were very prettily decorated with rose candles, carnations and narcissus.

Among those present were Mrs. Kenneth Campbell, Mrs. Freeman Ham, Mrs. Paul Cross, Mrs. A. F. Blake, Mrs. Teed, Mrs. Rex Gantner, Mrs. Lloyd Drew, Miss Olivia Gregory, Miss Faith Henderson, Mrs. W. Stears, Mrs. D. Lawton and Mrs. Roy Lewis of Montreal.

On Monday evening Mrs. Sinclair entertained at a bridge of five tables. The prize-winners were Mrs. Hugh Gregory, Mrs. Albert Brown, Robert Patterson and Edwin Armstrong. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. John Gillis, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. W. Grant Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brown, Miss Marion Belyea, Miss Zella Parlee, Miss Marion McLean, Miss Marjorie Sanction, Miss Sybil Barnes, Dr. J. C. Doore, Charles Secord, Arthur Rankine, Edwin Armstrong and Robert Patterson.

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At a meeting yesterday afternoon of the buildings committee of the Municipal Council the matter of the restoration of the old courthouse in King square was discussed. It was decided that it would be better to erect a new building than to attempt to restore the one destroyed by fire. Nothing definite, however, was arrived at.

The officers who served last year were re-elected at the annual meeting of the Fredericton Board of Trade last night. They were as follows: President, J. A. Cain; vice-president, W. J. Osborne; secretary, B. H. Simonds; treasurer, J. H. Brookes.

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