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Our Weekly Letter.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
Montreal, Feb. 10th (Delayed in Mail).—In every place you'll find "the lazy individual" who takes life easy and seems to live in "a happy go lucky way." Work doesn't seem to bother him, for he grows too slothful, and when an opportunity to find work comes, he shrinks it, for it now becomes distasteful and repugnant to him. Such qualities are bad enough in a single person, but when a man has a wife and children to be fed, clothed and educated, and refuses to provide them with all the necessary things to sustain life, it becomes a crime before God and man. The following is a case in point:—

A man with a wife and seven children under 12 years of age, described to the court as "skeletons," last week was sentenced to six months hard labor for non-support, in the face of his wife's pleas that her husband is a good fellow.

The case surrounding Auguste Maury, who lives in the north end, was characterized by welfare societies

and by the Rev. Father Alarie of the parish, as one of the worst that had come to their attention. Three weeks ago, Recorder Semple was told, three of the children could not walk; milk was sent to the house, and now they are toddling.

One of the contributory causes to increasing the price of milk, seems to come from the carelessness of servants or housewives in breaking or keeping for utilization purposes, a milk bottle. Last year four of the leading dairy concerns in the city were forced to purchase 500,000 milk bottles at eight cents a piece, a cost of \$40,000. More than 100 arrests were made last year in connection with Article 490 of the Criminal Code, that no dealer shall use bottles belonging to another firm. One man, appointed by the Merchants' Association of Montreal under whose jurisdiction the Milk Bureau works, goes around the city every morning in the year between two and three o'clock, and inspects every milk rig he meets. Should the milk be found in bottles belonging to another firm a report is sent to the Association and a summons issued against the offender.

I asked a leading Osteopath, one I have known for a couple of years, and who has effected some great cures with people that the medical men failed with, and his opinion was, that he did not believe that cushioned chairs would remedy the spinal diseases so prevalent among school children. Think of it, in our Public Schools, cushioned seats. Why our Trustees or School Commissioners here in Montreal would take a fit if they had to furnish their schools like a Pullman car. Every year they have to borrow money to run their schools. Pullman classrooms would be a very expensive item costing in the vicinity of \$1,000,000. Under the Catholic School Commission of Greater Montreal there are about 250 schools. In each school an average of 12 classrooms, making a total of 3000 classes, with 40 seats in each class, at a cost of \$9 a chair, swells the amount to the million dollar mark. From my own experience I don't think we'll ever have such grandeur and comfort for our pupils, for at the present time, I am using desks that are 43 years old, many of them far too high for the pupils. In a recent report sent to the Catholic School Board by the School Visitor condemning the desks and showing where the children's health was being injured by such desks, yet there is "nothing doing."

The campaign against the peddlers and addicts of narcotic drugs still continues, and every day the Recorder's Court has several cases before it. Since the Royal Canadian Mounted Police began to work on such cases they have rounded up hundreds. The most sensational case occurred last week when a man describing himself as a harrier from Toronto was arrested by Corporal Churchman. The prisoner said that he had three ounces of cocaine in his possession and that he was taking the stuff with him to the United States for his own use. The judge told him when he pleaded guilty that the charge was a very, very serious one and that being a member of the Bar his case would be very harshly dealt with. The prisoner in reply said that it was his first offence, and he was then advised by the judge to enter a plea of "not guilty." His trial will take place in a few days.

Two boxes of nine bigdecks, were found in a house in the East End, hidden under the floor protected by the oilcloth and firmly nailed down, but the police had the house under observation for two days, and saw the men making decks in the room. Though it took the officers several hours of searching for the boxes, their efforts were at last rewarded. A fine of \$200 and costs or six months was the punishment.

Osteopathic views on Spinal Diseases among school children were expounded at the Convention of the International Osteopathic Research Society held at the Windsor Hotel, Feb. 2nd, 3rd and 4th. According to Dr. F. P. Millard of Toronto 72 per cent of all school children possess some degree of spinal curvature. He attributes this to faulty posture and imperfect school seats. The desks, he said, while reaching towards perfection, are still far short of it. He advocates well upholstered seats such as those found in the smoking rooms on Pullmans.

"Imagine the discomfort of a perfectly hard seat in a theatre," he said. "Where patrons sit from two to three hours during a play. Now school children spend about five hours a day in these hard seats, and we are not surprised that 7 per cent. of spinal curvatures exist in school children."

It is proposed to hold a Spinal Curvature to enter a plea of "not guilty." Canada, and an effort will be made to have a semi-annual examination put into effect in the schools.

The Taschereau Government secured 62 seats, the Conservatives 21, and Labor 1 seat at the Provincial elections held Monday, Feb. 5th. At the dissolution of Parliament Taschereau had 74 followers, Arthur Sauve 5. The Island of Montreal dealt the Government a heavy blow when it returned 33 members out of 15. Eight Liberals and two Labor men lost their \$200 deposit. One Minister, the Hon. Aurele Lacombe, Minister without portfolio in the last Cabinet, was the only one of the Cabinet defeated. The two victors for the Government were Alderman W. J. Hushion, an Irishman, and P. Bercovitch, K.C., a Jew. The Irishman may never occupy his place in Parliament for, according to his opponent, Denis Tansey, he is going to contest the election through the courts. He was defeated by 670 votes, but claims that there were at least 1500 telegraphed votes cast in the division of St. Ann's, commonly called "Griffintown." It was not "Griffintown" proper that beat Tansey but St. Joseph's Ward, the place that elected Alderman Hushion to the City Council. Looking over the names of the 62 Government supporters, I find only 4 English Canadians, the others being French Canadians. Some of the strongest men as speakers, organizers and workers for the Liberal Party went down to defeat at the hands of practically new and untried men. The defeat of the "Old Guard" who thought they held the different Montreal Divisions in the hollow of their hands, was a crushing blow to the Government, and came as a surprising surprise of a very surprising kind. The reason of the defeat was, that the Government was bleeding the city, taking big revenues in taxes from Montreal to support the Province, while it paid absolutely nothing in return. Montreal got the title of being "the Milk Cow" for the Quebec Government. The Liquor Commission laws, the John H. Roberts' case, and other things also militated strongly against the Liberals in the Montreal divisions. Premier Taschereau announced on the day of nomination, that if Sauve, the Opposition leader, would win ten seats he would resign. When the Government Leader was asked at Quebec, the day after the

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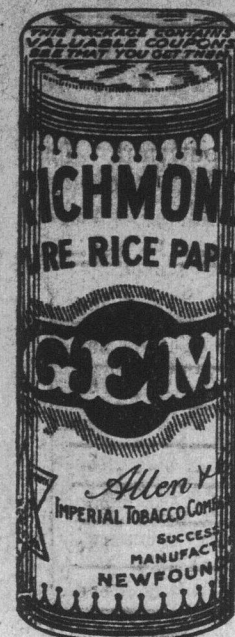
Fads and Fashions.
The Oriental silks have taken the place of foulard. Silk poplin is in favor, and cotton velvet appears in sports garments.
A pair of white pumps designed for Palm Beach wear are trimmed with plaques of black patent leather and black stitching.
Beadwork on fabric frocks has been much noticed. The girle is oft-times worked in the same manner as the neck and sleeves.
Monkey fur and gold cloth are combined most effectively in a formal evening gown. The lines are straight, no belt being featured.
The sports suit of camel's hair will be a special spring feature. It is generally plainly tailored, and the coat is lined with a soft tan crepe.
The twisted girle, generally made by twisting contrasting fabrics together, has remained in favor and is being featured by spring models.
Vividly colored crepes are being combined with dark velvet or duvety in some charming frocks. The crepe makes the blouse, the velvet the skirt.
An interesting sleeve is one invented by Lanvin—light, with double ruffles in a contrasting color, one placed above and the other below the elbow.
Many spring frocks are hand cross-stitched in colors. For instance, a pale tan linen is cross-stitched in an all-over design in blue, red and brown.
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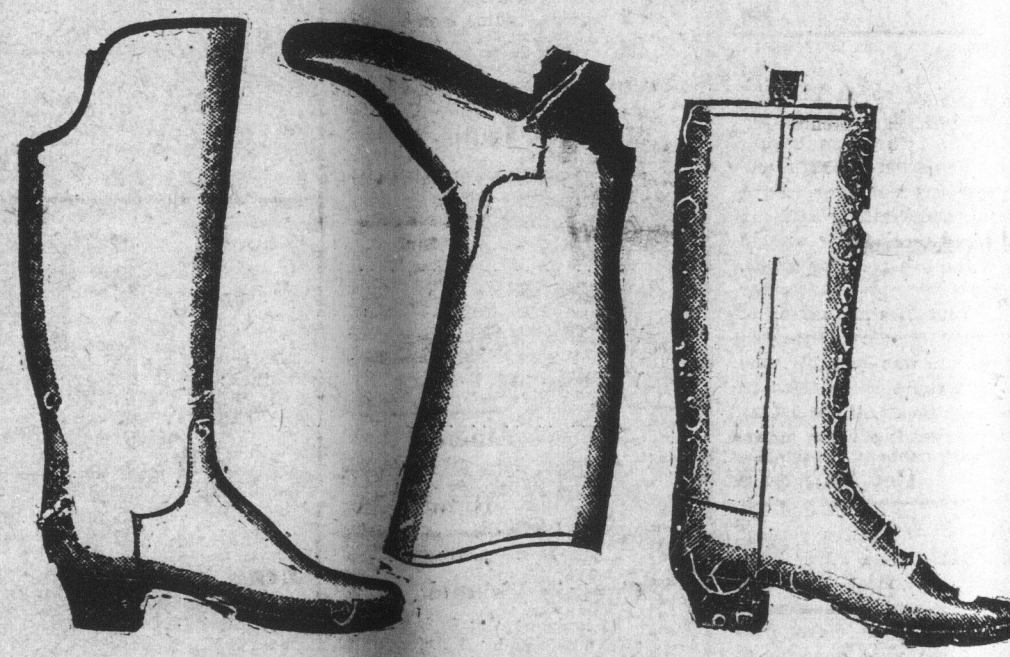


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It is rumored that these printed fabrics of rich colors will even be used for street frocks. Scarf and hat must match, says sports fashion. Both are made of the same material and embroidered with the same figure. For instance, a jade parrot appears on a tan wool hat and the same jade parrot guards the two fringed ends of the tan scarf.

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The foundation of a new religious community in Montreal to be known as the Congregation de Notre Dame de Bon-Conseil, and to have as its aim the well-being of women in general, and girls in particular, has been sanctioned by Pope Pius XI, according to information received by Mgr. Gauthier, administrator of the Archdiocese of Montreal. The new society will be a new religious departure for Canada, there being only one other society on the continent, in the United States, and two others in Europe.

The very cold spell seems to be getting up to higher standards all over Canada, showing that February will hit the mark as being the worst on record. In Ottawa the beginning of this week, the thermometer read 35 degrees below, in Sherbrook 43 below; Saskatoon 41 below; Prince Albert 40 below; Montreal 23 below, Quebec 20 below.

Three firemen were injured and several more had to be dragged to open air by comrades, and damage estimated at \$100,000 was caused by fire which damaged nine stores and a billiard parlor at the southeast corner of St. Catherine Street west and Bleury Street at 3.40 Monday morning, Feb. 5th. The fire raged for five hours, endangering neighboring buildings and held up traffic during the rush hours. Thousands of office and factory hands were late for work, owing to the street cars being held up for over a mile of a stretch.

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