

FASHION EVENT AT RIGHT HOUSE



The Right House brings the world to you right here in Hamilton. This spring opening exhibition, which started to-day and will continue throughout the week, excels in many ways all similar special events at this popular shopping place. It marks an epoch in the history of this old and reliable store which has been serving the Hamilton public for over sixty years.

Thousands of people thronged the store to-day, viewing the brilliantly beautiful spring opening displays of new goods. This superb fashion show was certainly in keeping with the country-wide reputation of The Right House as Hamilton's fashion authorities. The whole store is in gala attire, forming the first complete and only authoritative exhibition of the new styles for spring and summer.

MAGNIFICENT ARRAY OF FASHIONS.

Each year and each season The Thomas C. Watkins store emphasizes more and more its unchallenged style supremacy in its magnificent displays of the new modes, presenting the latest acceptances of Paris, London and New York. This season's splendid exhibit presents still further evidence of this fact. The whole store is in new dress, the decoration scheme being pleasing and artistically carried out and forming a perfect background for the interesting displays. The windows attracted much attention and showed to the greatest advantage the exquisite and exclusive styles for which The Right House is famous.

As you enter the store the rich and beautiful displays of the new goods brings to you a realization that at this store the practical blends so perfectly with the beautiful that it is a genuine pleasure to study the new styles and adapt them to your own needs. The whole exhibit radiates style, quality and exclusiveness. But the good value that have made The Right House famous Canada over are strong features.

FASHIONABLE MILLINERY.

The great centre of interest was the millinery salons on the second floor. In all the long series of millinery openings this one will stand pre-eminent as being surpassingly beautiful. Hundreds of the highest conceptions of millinery artists from all the world of fashion—French model hats from the Parisian masters, model hats from New York's famous shops, original Right House conceptions and adaptations; every new feature, including the most ultra, to which fashion has given cognizance, is included. The great numbers, the variety, the exclusiveness and artistic elegance of the hats assembled for this great style occasion would do credit to New York.

Rumor has been rife regarding the lavishness of the new modes in millinery—so much so that every woman who studies or thinks of fashions has been on the qui vive awaiting this Right House opening of authoritative styles. It is to be a season of beauty—new beauty. The spring hats are glorious, magnificent even to gorgeousness, distinctive with the elegance, romanticism and vivacity of the Empire and Napoleon's court.

Led by woman's whim, the arbiters of fashion in Paris—and they are chiefly men—have capitulated, and this season "becomingness" is the only edict. Fashion has given out. It is to sin gravely to put on a hat that doesn't suit you. In a word, monstrosities will not be accepted by women who really dress well. The stage has not given this season's inspiration.

The impress of empire styles still lingers, but it is an advanced empire. Joli-bois, the king of flower makers, has conventionalized a rose to remind one of a theme of roccoco decoration. The roccoco rose, in many colorings, may almost trim a hat—in some cases set in alcoves, as though each pucker of the straw was a shrine to fashion, and the rose her symbol. Caroline Reboux has gone to the days of the Swedish cavaliers, and Suedoise is a fetching pretty shape, so is the Cabriolet for the face that it all suits—"Cabriolet," a gig top set crosswise. Yvra braid will be almost a craze—a coarser straw braid than you ever saw, but not coarse looking; just wide. The vogue for mushroom shapes, turbans and modified Cordays is strong. Flower trimmings will be a "craze." Feather effects, plumes and satin surfaced ribbons are all prominent.

Shades are prettier than ever. Chief among them are the old blues—delft, Bosphorus and the blues with a greenish tint, as well as the staple navies. Of the old rose class the newer tints are Bois Joli, Framboise and Muscadine. The Marjolaine shades include mauves, violet, amethyst, helio and wistaria, taupe, smoke, stone and castor greys. The straw colors—champagne, apricot, banana and light tobacco tints; greens and browns.

But the hats themselves! Aren't they lovely? Lovely beyond description! You see the touch of genius in every twist and turn of these beautiful creations that Paris millinery wizards have dreamed and wrought into realities for women's admiration and wear. A Lewis hat showed a soft draped taupe straw, trimmed with American beauties and a

band of cerise ribbon. Two hats by Heitz Beyer were particularly distinctive. One was of black Neapolitan straw in the popular mushroom shape, with a wreath of moss roses and a huge bow of mustard colored taffeta ribbon at left. The other was a delft blue rough straw with profuse clusters of varicolored grapes around the crown and a bunch of plumes at side.

TAILORED SUITS AND COATS.

Exhaustive hours in the ateliers of the greatest women's tailors of the world could give no more comprehensive idea of the correct fashions nor show more beautiful costumes and coats. In the matter of line, of glorious color harmony, of beautiful texture, they are a delight to the eye aside from the absolutely authoritative information they give of all that is new and smart in fashion. This Right House opening display will thrill a woman to her finger tips with its rare and unusual beauty.

How do the fashions run? In various grooves. It will be another year of long graceful lines, with no curves. Hipless and semi-fitted and empire styles will rule. Plain tailored and trimmed effects will share the popularity. One piece dresses will be decidedly in vogue, both in modified empire and princess effects, and the designers carry an almost un-

broken line from shoulder to skirt hem. Coats as a rule run from 34 to 45 inches in length. Satin surfaced materials will be more popular than ever, and many attractive fancy patterns will be shown.

WASH DRESSES AND SUITS.

The wash dress store is en fête! Here was a magnificent showing. The magic wand of the empire has touched the world of dress this season, and instantly the long graceful lines, the picturesque effects, the fascinating beauty of the empire styles have taken form in these beautiful wash dresses and suits that are daintily fascinating and cool.

SEPARATE SKIRTS.

Particular attention is directed to Right House separate skirts. This department has been developed into great magnitude. The Thomas C. Watkins store imports skirt materials direct from the foreign manufacturers. A large staff of operators and skirt designers are always kept busy making up the skirts in The Right House workrooms. The most clever of fashionable and practical New York and Paris models are copied and adapted to the uses of Canadian women. In this way The Right House skirts are much better in tailor work, in fit, in style and in value than is possible in the ordinary factory-made garments.

SPRING DRESS FABRICS.

The dress goods' display in both colored and black was one of the most interesting of the entire fashion expo-

sition. It embraced a wonderful variety of new weaves and colors. The dress goods' aisle reflects from every shelf and counter a glory of color, a loveliness of fabric never known before. True artists are back of these exquisite spring shades and fascinating weaves at The Right House.

THE NEW SILKS.

The new silks—summers, radiant, loveliness, soft clinging quality, that seems to be the silk story briefly, as to weave. And as to colors, new exquisite shades, loveliness than fashion has ever brought forth before. The Right House silk counters are a glory of color—delicately lovely evening and bridal silks, the smart rough suiting silks, the beautiful two-toned Mesclines, the demurely lovely striped chiffon taffetas, the always elegant black silks. Every woman will want to feast her eyes on the new silks. They're supremely beautiful.

SUMMER WASH DRESS GOODS.

The greatest wash dress goods display in Canada is ready to greet every "opening" visitor at the Right House. The entire cotton good store sends out a welcome to everyone to come and see the finest wash dress goods in the world in glorious display. And it truly is a glorious showing—in colors, in styles and in variety.

EMBROIDERIES AND LACES.

Embroideries and laces are the poetry of woman's dress, and at The Right House the whole poem is spread before you in many stanzas. This exhibit of laces carries you from Brussels to St. Gall, with stops at all the famous foreign lace and embroidery centres. Not a new pattern of distinction is missing. Women will find lots to interest them at these opening displays of lace and embroidery daintiness.

OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

Gloves, linens, hosiery, underwear, trimmings, veils, belts, saps, neckwear, ribbons, combs, handkerchiefs, notions, fancy goods, men's goods, carpets, rugs, curtains and draperies all made attractive showings in honor of the opening, and well merited the interest of everyone. Dainty confections in neckwear, filmy new beauty in veils, rich loveliness in ribbons—the story of these little accessories of dress could fill pages. The most enjoyable way to read it is—visit The Right House opening to-morrow.

Do not fail to see the displays of new carpets, rugs, linoleums, draperies, upholstery, curtains, beds and bedding on the third and fourth floors.

Because of the immense quantities sold in these lines and of the long connections of The Right House abroad, many leading manufacturers confine their best products to the Thomas C. Watkins store for Hamilton, thus insuring Right House patrons not only exclusiveness, best qualities and largest assortments, but by far the best values possible to obtain.

Those people who have not already visited The Right House spring opening should do so. Those who have already visited it will find new points of interest.

The opening will continue to-morrow and throughout the week and presents a most interesting and helpful style study that no lover of the beautiful in dress should miss.

The Right House management extends a cordial welcome to everyone to come and enjoy the display.

WARNED MEMBERS.

Must be in House or Have Their Bills Struck Off.

Toronto, March 16.—It was a final warning that Sir James Whitney gave to the private members at yesterday's short session of the Legislature. "There are a number of measures still not dealt with," said the Premier, scanning the order paper. "If these bills are not taken up on private members' day and the hon. gentlemen in charge of them are not present, the Government will have to move that they be struck from the order paper."

Continuing, the Premier also announced his intention to move, at an early date, that Government measures be given precedence.

Hon. Dr. Pyne laid three educational bills on the table. They were merely, he stated, considerations under the revision of the statutes and contained no new legislation or amendments.

Mr. W. D. McPherson (West Toronto) moved the second reading of his bill "to repeal the act respecting boards of education in certain cities, and to provide for the election and appointment of a public school board, high school board and technical school board, respectively."

"We should have more information about this measure," said Mr. D. J. McDougall (East Ottawa). Mr. McPherson said the bill was introduced at the instance of Toronto, and provided that cities might revert from boards of education to public, separate, technical and high school boards. Mr. McDougall thought that the

Spring Millinery Opening at This Shopping Centre For Women of Hamilton.

Magnificent Displays in All That is Latest and Best Will Last All Week.

IMMORAL PICTURES.

Charge Against a Buffalo Man Arrested in Toronto.

Number of Toronto Photographers Said to Have Been Implicated.

Toronto, March 16.—After ousting the cleverest officers of the police forces of New York, Chicago, Buffalo, Boston and other large cities of the United States, a man alleged to be Martin T. Graf, alias Monroe, alias Brown, one of the brainiest individuals the police have had to contend with in years, was taken into custody in the city yesterday morning. Graf was arrested at a downtown hotel, and is now being held at the Court street police station on a charge of selling obscene postcards and literature. In the scheme of operation Graf is alleged to have been following a number of well known and respected photographers are implicated.

The prisoner, according to the police, if he is the right man, is at the head of the enormous traffic in cards and literature of a doubtful character that is being carried on, supplying retailers in the large cities of the United States and in Toronto. He is alleged to have used Buffalo as his headquarters, passing there under the name of M. Monroe.

Graf's arrest was carefully planned. He was in Toronto three weeks ago, and, according to the police, had in his possession then over 50,000 immoral cards. The detectives were unable to connect him with sales at the time, however, so quietly prepared to get him on his return. Sunday night Graf came back to the city and registered at a hotel. Taking no chances of the man escaping, Inspector of Detectives Duncan himself went to the hotel, and there made the arrest. Graf stoutly denied having anything to do with the trade in the cards.

RHEUMATISM WEATHER THIS

But Dodd's Kidney Pills Always Cure Rheumatism.

What They Did for W. H. Craine, and Why They Always Cure Rheumatism—They Remove the Cause.

Toronto, Ont., March 15.—(Special.)—In these days of sudden changes of temperature known to so many suffering people as Rheumatism weather the experience of W. H. Craine, of 103 Gladstone avenue, this city, is of widespread interest. Mr. Craine suffered from Rheumatism. He is cured, and he knows the cure. It was Dodd's Kidney Pills.

"Yes, I know," Dodd's Kidney Pills cured my Rheumatism," Mr. Craine states. "For after I started taking them I used no other medicine. I never cease recommending Dodd's Kidney Pills to my friends."

"Dodd's Kidney Pills cure Rheumatism by putting the kidneys in condition to strain the uric acid out of the blood. It is uric acid in the blood that causes Rheumatism. Cold or damp causes it to crystallize at the muscles and joints, and then comes those tortures every rheumatic knows only too well. Dodd's Kidney Pills cure Rheumatism by curing the kidneys. The cured kidneys remove the cause of the Rheumatism."

FOUND GUILTY.

Case of Downie, Who Claimed He Was Assaulted and Robbed.

St. John, N. B., March 15.—W. Herbert Downie, aged 23, billing clerk with T. S. Simms & Company, brush manufacturer, was to-day found guilty by a jury in the Circuit Court of stealing \$1,000 from the vault on Feb. 19. The case was a sensational one. At the dinner hour the employees of the Circuit Court, apparently inebriated, on the floor, and the pay envelopes missing from the vault. Downie said he had been attacked from behind and choked into insensibility by unknown assailants.

That night the missing money was found under Downie's desk in a box and Downie was arrested. He was committed for trial by Judge Ritchie, and went before Judge McLeod in the Circuit Court. The jury to-day took three ballots before their verdict was reached. They made a strong recommendation to mercy. Judge McLeod has not announced when the sentence will be imposed.

INDIANS DYING.

Serious Condition From La Grippe in Far North.

Winnipeg, March 15.—Inspector Brabant, of the Hudson's Bay Company at Fort Chipewyan, brings the startling information of the ravages of la grippe among the Indians of the far north. He says that more than 150 are dying at four Hudson's Bay posts in his inspectorate. The natives have been suffering untold hardships owing to the failure of the fur catch, this being one of the proverbial lean years in this respect. The company, missionaries and Dr. Rymer, an English physician who is spending a period in the north trying to discover a cure for scurvy, are doing a magnificent work of relief among the Indians at this trying time.

POISONS HIMSELF.

Toronto Man Committed Suicide in Berkeley Apartments.

Toronto, March 16.—James McAdam, aged 30 years, committed suicide yesterday in his room in the Berkeley apartments, 113 Berkeley street, by gas poisoning. He occupied a room on the fifth floor, and, noisily noticed him about the building at his usual hour. Shortly after ten o'clock a smell of gas was noticed, and the janitor discovered that it was from a gas pipe in the room. The door was forced open by a couple of men, who found McAdam lying on the floor. He had attached a tube to the gas jet and placed the end of it in his mouth. Dr. Sobel was immediately called in, but he could do nothing, as life was quite extinct. The body was removed to the morgue.

McAdam worked as a bookkeeper. He has been dependent for some time, and tried to commit suicide last December by jumping into the bay.

The Right House

"HAMILTON'S FAVORITE SHOPPING PLACE"

Our Formal Spring Opening Continues To-morrow and Following Days ---A Welcome to Everyone

The unqualified success of this notable occasion is surely a matter of pardonable pride and we thank the public in general for their interest

THIS Right House opening has set the vogue for Hamilton. Never since the founding of the store, over sixty-six years ago, have such enthusiastic throngs entered our portals. It would seem as though all Hamiltonians—as well as thousands from out of the city—had become imbued with the importance of seeing this great style show. The great features—the ones for which The Right House has no peers—are the superb varieties, the elegant qualities, the exclusive styles and the unequalled good values.

The new Spring styles are glorious: This Right House exhibit is brilliantly beautiful:

No woman will care to miss it: Come to-morrow

The entire store is in accord with this brilliant style function, forming a delightful setting for the beautiful new modes for Spring and Summer. The millinery, outer garment, dress goods and silk sections form the most important and notable displays ever made in Hamilton. Especially beautiful also are the magnificent showings of wash goods, embroideries, laces, gloves, linens and home furnishings. To see it all will necessitate a visit to the store each day this week.

To women of fashion, to lovers of the beautiful, to everyone---The welcome to come and enjoy the magnificent display is as big as the store itself

Empire styles still govern, but it is an advanced Empire. And, when was Paris ever tied to any one period? Art laughs at boundaries. Echoes from the Florentine, the Algerian, the Egyptian, the Merovingian, subtly blended and mingled will charm and delight you. To those people who have not seen the display, we would say, Don't miss it. We were enthusiastic about the new things before they went on parade, and the general enthusiasm all day has been proof enough that our ceaseless planning, untiring energy and unrivalled buying powers are widely appreciated. Again, we say—WELCOME.

CORNER KING EAST AND HUGHSON STS. **THOMAS C. WATKINS** HAMILTON, ONTARIO