NEWS OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO WOMEN

FULL SKIRTS FLARE IN VARIOUS WAYS

Gathered at the Waist — Cut Circular or Hung From Yoke.

FOR SUMMER FROCKS

Empire Printed Blouse Universally Favored for Warm Weather.

Full skirts are made to flare in various ways. They may be gathered at the waist, cut circular and hung from a yoke line, or they may be laid into smart, close-pleated effects. The pleated skirts are very fashionable just now, made up in covert cloth or serge, to be worn with the swagger sports coat.

Yoked styles give ample opportunity for the "severe" frock with its smartly tailored blouse, button-trimmed, and usually displaying high collars and long tight sleeves. The yokes come in decided variety, some being deeply pointed, others scalloped and buttoned down over the lower skirt section, while many of the most up-to-date models show the introduction of smart set-in pockets placed at the sides in a sloping manner.

For Summer Frocks.

The full gathered skirt which permits of the high waist line and the little empire pointed or gathered blouses is universally favored for summer frocks.

Laces, deep flouncings, embroideries and all the sheer warm weather fabrics are being shown in the advanced summer frock models, in which empire lines are paramount. The popular vogue of silks, flowered, checked and striped, is also a happy one in this respect, for the success of the flare is greatly due to the "stand-out" qualities of these lovely materials. The high, belted over blouse, and the short, full skirt of flowered taffeta are rendered most charming when the under bodice, with its standing collar and long gathered sleeves, is of some delicate net or organdie, with introduction of tiny buttons and narrow black velvet ribbon.

POLICE CALLED OUT

Never before in this city's history was there seen such a crowd as attended the great sale of H. & C. Blachford's big shoe stock at their old store, 114 Yonge street, now being sold out by G. W. Groves & Co., the world's greatest bargain givers. To prevent a panic we were obliged to call upon the police. It was a scene that will long remain in the minds of all who attended. Goods were carried away in armfuls, and the rapid way in which people purchased proved that they found goods marked and selling at the low prices as advertised. Not only did the low prices attract the great crowds to this sale, but the high-class merchandise offered brought out the best people and the most discriminating buyers in all Toronto.

To those who were turned away and could not get in we wish to make it known that many extra salespeople have been secured to meet the demands and all will be served. So get in line tomorrow morning and join the procession and get your share.

H. & C. BLACHFORD
114 Yonge St. Toronto, Ont.
G. W. Groves & Co. In Charge.

Notice to the Public

Owing to the immense crowds, we have been forced by the police department to use Adelaide St. entrance until further notice.

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LONDON TEMPERANCE FORCES ARE INCENSED

Campaign to Cut Off More Licenses is in Prospect.

Canadian Press Despatch.

LONDON, Ont., March 18.—Altho they will not appeal against the quashing of the London license reduction by-law in Toronto, today, the temperance forces of the city declare that unless the license commissioners cut off six licenses as called for in the measure they will take steps to have 12 or even 15 licenses cut off in January next. Indignation is expressed that the by-law which was carried by a substantial majority should be quashed on a mere technicality.

The Water Garden

Another corner of the garden that needs early attention is the water garden and the rockery. If you have already instituted these improvements last year or the year before, you will not need to plan much more just now, save perhaps the preparation for an additional plant or two. These can be started in a tub in the attic or cellar, right away. Choose for the new plants a spot where a certain amount of warmth may be allowed to get at the roots of the dormant plants.

But for those gardeners who have not yet got their water gardens started, let me plead for a trial. A water garden is one of the delights of the year. So also is the rock garden. One of my gardeners telephoned me the other day to come out and see her garden wall. The blaze of color that woman will have in a day or two now will be remembered by everyone who passes by, for the rest of their lives. The yellows will be gleaming gold, the pinks will outvie the daintiest shell that ever hid in the ocean, the whites shame the softest snowflakes, while the greens and bronzes of the clinging rock leaves and the grays and red-browns make the rough stone wall a thing of beauty unspeakable.

And there are miles and miles of the most wonderful low rock walls right in this same city of ours and in dozens of other towns, that could be transformed in one short year, by the use of a few small plants and a wee dollar or two, plus common sense and a little care. I do wish these rock-wall owners could just see the longing in some of our hearts for a suitable spot to commence a rock garden. Such opportunities—and so many wasted. A little beauty goes such a long, long way these days. And is such a help to many a forlorn soul that has nothing to enjoy, but what his eyes show him.

The water garden can be more easily managed. A tub, big or little, even a pail, set safely in the top of an old rockery; an old boiler, sunk among stones in the earth; an old cask sawed in two and planted in the ground—oh do have a bit of a water garden.

Manage it some way this year; get your tub and sink it. Any old tub will do. One of the prettiest ways to disguise its old sides is to rim it round with rocks. There's plenty of rocks around everywhere. If you are too dainty to go out and hunt them, the boys will bring them in for you, and almost for nothing. Fill the tub half full with slushy earth and get your water plants started now. Sink them in the soft mud, right away, and to start early growth fill the water pool with tepid water.

Be sure to place the water plants deep in the mud so that they will not float to the top. That is to come later; for the present the business of these water-plants is to get roots, deep in the earth. Later, they can come up to the surface of the water to take a look around.

We will go out tomorrow and bring in some wild things for these same tubs. High Park region, all around the Humber district, anywhere near ponds and streams, are many delightful aquatics ready to bloom joyfully in your own water-garden. Thrice precious will these be if you are able to discover and bring them in, yourself.

ACKNOWLEDGE GIFT.

The Toronto branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society wish to acknowledge $248.80, which was given in the offertory at the memorable regimental service of the Queen's Own Rifles, which was held in St. Paul's Church on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 14.

LARGE SHIPMENT GONE.

During the past week over 1000 cases of comforts for the sick and wounded soldiers have left Toronto for London to be distributed to the hospitals in the old country and at the front. Of this number 50 cases are field comforts for the Canadian War Contingent Association; the rest are Red Cross supplies. This is, up to date, the largest consignment to leave the city in one week since the outbreak of war.

NEED OF AUTO AMBULANCE.

Noel Marshall, chairman of the executive committee of the Canadian Red Cross Society, has received a cable from Colonel Hodgetts, Canadian commissioner of the society in London, in which he states that motor cars are needed for the medical staffs of the hospitals in England and in France.

ADD MORE NURSES TO SCHOOL STAFF

Trustee Fairbairn Gives Talk to Members of Research Bureau.

GOVERNMENT CONTROL

Council Can Be Obliged to Levy Tax for Education.

"Administration of the Board of Education" was the subject of an address given by R. D. Fairbairn of the board of education yesterday afternoon before the Bureau of Municipal Research.

"That the provincial government is in absolute control of the education system, is a point that is overlooked by a great many people," said Mr. Fairbairn, "and it is a big advantage in many respects. The government has been very liberal with the Toronto Board of Education, and it is from this fact that our local schools are in as flourishing a condition as they are, tho there is room for great development yet.

"At present pupils are graded from an age standpoint. I would like to see the day when the curriculum is placed upon a mental basis, and the time when the city has under its control a farm where the mentally defective can be sent."

More Nurses Needed.

"There are 14 members on the board of education, two from each ward. The expenditures amount to $4,600,000 annually, and the salaries paid are $100,000 a month. There are five inspectors and we need two more. There are 19 doctors on the medical staff, 12 dentists and 34 nurses, but I would be in favor of a smaller staff of doctors devoting their whole time to the work, and increase the staff of nurses, who have done such good work.

"The board is continually striving to perfect a strong course of studies, and next September the curriculum will be largely changed.

Mayor Church has intimated that he will send all estimates for buildings to the people to vote on, but he has overlooked the fact that there is an act that says the board of education may require council to levy a tax for buildings necessary out of the current year's taxes."

FINE DISPLAY OF OBJECTS OF ART

Sale, Opening at Arena Gardens on Tuesday, of Great Interest.

Yesterday by courtesy of C. M. Henderson, who will conduct the sale of the remarkable collection of objects of art and antiquity, beginning on Tuesday, March 23, a World man was given the opportunity of inspecting the exhibits in the Arena Gardens. The huge space so recently devoted to the national game of hockey now presents the appearance of a great art museum. This collection, which is under charge of M. Jules Ratzkowski, expert commissioner of Paris and Cairo, is stated to be the most extensive and the highest in artistic quality ever offered without reserve. Certainly the beauty and rarity of many of the numbers are sufficient of themselves to give distinction to any public gallery.

Particular notice may be taken of No. 15 in the catalogue—a pair of very large and exquisite old Sevres vases, mounted in rich gilt ormolu, offered by the Duke of Richelieu to the Princess of Lamballe. The figures and decorations are perfectly drawn and colored in delicate and harmonious tints, ranking these vases as the finest piece in the collection. Of special note, too, is an exact reproduction of the famous candelabrum—masterpiece of the great Italian sculptor and metal worker, Benvenuto Cellini. It is richly carved and gilt and is adaptable for electricity. Of rare interest are the Flemish, Aubusson and Gobelin tapestries. These are of the best schools in workmanship and design and will repay close inspection.

Public interest will certainly be drawn to the dining-room, drawing-room and other suites, that are integral reproductions of celebrated originals. One of the most notable of these originals is in the Compiegne Palace of the First Napoleon, and of another—the famous suite of the Princess de Conde in the Chantilly Museum—that now exhibited is the only reproduction in the world. The same remark applies to the extra rich drawing-room suite from the private salon of Marie Antoinette in the Museum of Versailles. Special mention may also be made of the two round tables, one representing Nepoleon I. and his generals and the other Louis XVI. and the ladies of his court, reproduced from the Fontainebleau and Versailles Museums. It is impossible, however, to do more than indicate the treasures included in this collection of upwards of 800 pieces, which will be open to private view on Saturday and Monday, March 20 and 22, by card and catalogue, procurable from C. M. Henderson & Co., 128 East King st.

JARVIS BAPTIST CHOIR TO GIVE AN ORATORIO

A well-known organist of London, Ont., wrote Dr. Edward Broome recently asking what "the old famous" choir at Jarvis Baptist Church was doing on Good Friday.

The answer is that they are to do a more ambitious program than ever before attempted—a complete Lenten oratorio, "The Darkest Hour," a miscellaneous program of unaccompanied part songs with organ solos, by the city organist of Atlanta, Ga., Arthur Edwin Kraft, probably the finest organ exponent in America today.

Besides their regular Good Friday concert the choir has been engaged to sing in Convocation Hall the previous evening, Thursday, April 1, with the same assisting artist, whose work on the splendid Convocation organ will be looked forward to by a great many people. Dr. Broome will conduct both performances.

The Dovercourt
Second Annual Back-yard Garden Contest
$1000.00 in Cash Prizes

You are invited to attend
"A Talk-it-over and Get-ready" Public Meeting
Professor H. L. Hall, will deliver an Illustrated Lecture on
"Making the Most of a Back-yard Garden"
Dr. C. C. James, Agricultural Commissioner, Dr. Chas. J. Hastings, Medical Health Officer, J. E. Atkinson, Esq., and other prominent citizens will address the meeting. Musical Programme
Canadian Foresters Hall, Friday Evening, March 19th, 1915
22 College Street Eight P.M.
All are welcome. Come and bring your neighbors and let us pull together for a cleaner and better Toronto

Notes of Women's World

This evening the Harbord Alumnae Association is holding a charity bridge and euchre in the Aura Lee Club Rooms.

The bandage meeting of the Dreadnought Chapter, I.O.D.E., will be held this morning as usual at 10 o'clock in St. Simon's Parish House.

A. G. Norwood will lecture on "Ghostland," on Saturday night, at 8 o'clock in Oddfellows' Temple. The meeting is open to the public.

The Queen's Own Chapter, I.O.D.E., realized over $300 by a birthday party held at the residence of Mrs. J. A. Murray, in Whitney avenue. The receipts will be used for the men of the regiment going to the front.

The regular meeting of Bathurst W.C.T.U. was held at the home of Mrs. McGill, Gore Vale avenue. There was a large attendance, Mrs. Ward district president, occupied the chair, in the absence thru illness of Mrs. Thorpe. Mrs. Pugsley gave an address, and plans were laid for the immediate canvass for the petition of the wives and mothers of this section for the dry canteen for Canadian soldiers at Salisbury.

The annual meeting of the Women's Liberal Club will take place on April 2. A reception will be held at the home of Mrs. D. A. Dunlap this afternoon, with Mrs. G. G. S. Lindsey, late president of the club, as guest of honor.

One of the things the Local Council of Women have set themselves to perform, after representations brought by the Presbyterian Women's Social Service Committee, is to "clean up" the Midway at the National Exhibition. The freaks and monstrosities as well as other objectionable features, it is hoped, will be removed. The immigration department will be asked to refuse admission to this class of undesirables.

At 4 o'clock Saturday the Heliconian Club will hold a reception in honor of Canadian Society of Artists.

On Wednesday, March 24, Harmony Chapter O.E.S. will hold a military euchre in Riverdale Masonic Hall, Gerrard and Logan avenue, at 8 p.m. Proceeds will go for charity.

At the Canadian Institute yesterday afternoon, and under the auspices of the ladies of the veterans of 1866, Lieut.-Col. A. E. Belcher gave an address, taking as his subject "The World Moves."

The following contributions have been received at 51 King street west, headquarters of the Secours National: Received and acknowledged by honorary treasurer, $1138; anonymous cash receipts and collections, $370 95; collected for hospital supplies by Mrs. R. J. Christie, $409; proceeds of entertainment at Loew's Winter Garden, per Mrs. E. P. Beatty, $207.65; half proceeds from 'Lada," per Mrs. Williams Beardmore, $527.12; donated by T. Eaton Company, per Mrs. Williams Beardmore, $2500; donated by Robert Simpson Company, per Mrs. Williams Beardmore, $1000. Total, $5,952 73

Many hospital supplies have been received. There are many workers, but there is much more to be done in this department in order to keep up the shipments that are being sent out. The names and contributions of 120 donors cannot all be given for want of space, but attention is drawn to some of the principal contributors:

St. James' Cathedral Guild of Service, Sherbourne Street Methodist Church, Church of Christ Disciples, Rosedale Presbyterian Church, St. Paul's Church, Women's Guild St. Simon's Church, per Mrs. Macagy; Women's Conservative Club, Mrs. McPhedran, 50 pairs of socks; Mrs. Hale and her band of workers, 404 articles, besides three packages of baby clothes; St. Joseph's Convent, 890 articles of clothing, besides beautiful new work; St. Mildred's College, where every scholar contributed at least one garment; Editorial and business staff of The Toronto World, beautiful layettes for babies; Sir George Kirkpatrick Chapter, I.O.D.E., over 200 beautiful babies' garments, Mrs. Fisher gave a shower at her own home with wonderful result as shown in her donation of old and new clothes, blankets and baby things, besides $12 in money; the clerks of Eaton's Drug Department and the clerks of their Whitewear Department; the Women's Institute of Everett, Ont.; Women of Owen Sound, and Mrs. Hendrie, of Hamilton, who sent in a most generous gift of rugs, cotton, flannelette, etc., etc., also contributed. Also layettes for 500 babies have been donated and made.

Several large sums have been raised by concerts. An amateur theatrical for the benefit of Secours National will be given in Foresters' Hall on Saturday evening.

These reports show the widespread interest taken in the movement for French relief. Supplies will continue to be gratefully received at the King street headquarters.

Mrs. G. R. Baker will address the members of the 48th Highlanders Chapter, I.O.D.E., this afternoon on "Rose Day." The meeting will be held in the armories at 3 o'clock.

The Toronto Women's Patriotic League yesterday shipped 132 cases of hospital supplies thru the Red Cross Society, containing all sorts of necessaries and comforts for the sick and wounded. The next shipment will be made as soon as possible for the Toronto University Hospital. As there are to be 1040 beds in this No. 4 General Hospital, as it will be officially designated, a very large outfit will be required, and the women of Toronto are urged to see to it that everything required will be sent.

LONDON, ONT., CITIZEN WILL ASSIST CUPID

He Offers to Pay Wedding Fees for Members of Parish.

Canadian Press Despatch.

LONDON, Ont., March 18.—Mr. Philip Pocock, chairman of the London Public Utilities Commission and a prominent member of St. Peter's Cathedral, announces that he will pay the wedding fees for all young women members of the parish over 24 years of age who get married between now and the end of the year.

"The more the merrier and the better," says Mr. Pocock.

IS IT EXPEDIENT? IS QUESTION ASKED

Chancellor McCrimmon of McMaster Speaks at Empire Club Luncheon.

Members of the Empire Club listened to an address by Chancellor A. L. McCrimmon of McMaster University at Dunning's yesterday on "Revelations of the War." In tracing the history and characteristics of German diplomacy, the chancellor quoted the dictum of Frederick the Great—"In international affairs, we never ask whether a course of action is right or wrong, we ask whether it is expedient."

The speaked quoted the seizure of Silesia by Frederick, that of Schleswig-Holstein by Bismarck, and the forging of the Ems despatch, the violation of the neutrality of Belgium, and the attempt to induce England to remain neutral, as instances of this German belief.

STAINER'S CRUCIFIXION.

On March 29, at St. Mary Magdalene's, Ulster street and Manning avenue, the choir, numbering 55 voices, is repeating Stainer's Crucifixion, with the same soloists as last year: T. Harland Fudge, tenor; Ruthven McDonald, bass.

DAMAGES AGINST CITY.

In the county jury court yesterday afternoon the jury, under Judge Denton, awarded James White $1250 damages in the action against the city for $1500.

DICKENS FELLOWSHIP.

The regular monthly meeting will be held this evening in the Guild Hall, McGill street, at 8.15 o'clock. Dr. Geo. H. Locke, chief librarian, will give an address.

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UNABLE TO FIND MEN.

At the Labor Temple yesterday afternoon the plasterers who are on strike held a meeting and are satisfied that the contractor, who is alleged to have hired non-union men, will be unable to fill their places.

ADDRESSED STUDENTS.

Dr. Horace L. Brittain of the bureau of municipal research made "some remarks on municipal accounting" before the Chartered Accountants Students' Association, at University College last night. He laid stress on what the citizen ought to be able to learn from the published accounts of the city. He pointed out the basal similarity between accounting for private companies and accounting for public corporations. Accounts are designed not so much to prevent rascality as to provide information to the citizens, the administration and the legislators.

GERTRUDE L. SPANNER.

In the list of names of nurses going to the front attached to staff No. 4 University General Hospital, which appeared in The world yesterday, the name Gertrude L. Stanner should have read Gertrude L. Spanner.

MASS MEETING CALLED.

The Machinists' Union have called a mass meeting to be held in the Labor Temple next week to organize the tool makers of the city.

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