

Woman's
World...Devoted Speciality to
the Interests of our
Women Readers.Conducted by
Katherine Leslie.

What a dreadful old woman Mrs. Oom Paul Kruger seems to be! Everything she hears of her, for a woman of her position, seems to be worse than the last. The old dame is extremely conservative in all her ways and methods, and, in spite of her own and her husband's enormous wealth, she will have no white servant within her doors. Not that she has colored ones, either; she prefers to do her own chores; and, really, when we take into consideration what housekeeping is among the Boer women, there seems to be nothing much to occupy a servant's time. Mrs. Kruger reminds one of the woman commended in the parable of the fig tree, who, for the sake of a fig, kept her visitors at the ghastly hour of 6 a.m., this being, according to her ideas, quite an advanced hour of the day! She is also a rare preserver of fruits, which are grown in her own garden, but which do you think this thrifty wife of the President of the Transvaal dries her fruit? In a coffin, my dear! This coffin hangs from the rafters of the kitchen, after an old Boer custom, so as to be handy should any member of the family drop off untimely! A nice, cheerful custom, this, and one that certainly originated among a people not troubled with nerves. Mrs. Oom Paul does not look at his kindly upon any new-fangled ideas or innovations, and it is said that she very promptly and very decisively put her veto upon some civilized ideas which Oom Paul brought with him from England.

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A profusely illustrated article upon "The

Queen at Home" makes interesting reading in The Christmas Herald. The Queen, as we all know, is a famous housekeeper and personally superintends the household linen and orders the meals. Her daughters were brought up in the same womanly way. When the Princess Royal, now the Empress Frederick, became Crown Princess of Prussia, she greatly scandalized a certain pompous old German Countess who discovered her busily engaged in arranging the linen cupboard. "It is beneath the dignity of a Prussian Princess," remarked the old lady. But her protests were quickly cut short by the answer, "My mother does it." Even the smallest details of domestic economy are not regarded by the Queen as beneath her notice. A story is told that on one occasion she went into a practically disused room at Windsor, and noticed a cabinet that had evidently not been dusted that day. She promptly wrote the royal autograph in the dust, and beneath it the name of the particular maid whose duty it was to dust the room. This may seem rather a small thing, but when one remembers that nearly 2000 persons are employed in Windsor Castle and its precincts, it showed a very remarkable knowledge of the personnel of so vast a staff.

After a busy morning's work the Queen partakes of a very frugal lunch. Notwithstanding the resources of the royal kitchen and the well-laden table that Her Majesty always likes to see before her, she sets an example of strict moderation, her own tastes in food being of the simplest. The Queen is a great stickler for old-fashioned observances at the royal table. In particular she insists upon a plentiful supply of cold viands on the sideboard, though she partakes very rarely of anything cold. The servants at Balmoral will never forget one occasion, when only the half of a cold chicken graced the sideboard. The royal mistress at once noticed the state of affairs on entering the room. Soon she conveyed a list to Princess Beatrice and Lady Elsie to look ask for cold chicken, and asked for the same herself. Great was the consternation, and the Queen secretly enjoyed the scene, though the servants certainly did not enjoy the lecture they received subsequently from the Master of the Household.

In England sable remains a very favorite fur, both for togues and for capes of various shapes and sizes. Handsome of all, perhaps, are the three-quarter length sable capes, made with deep sleeves formed of sable skins arranged horizontally, so that they give a pleasing appearance to the low part of the cloak. These capes are finished, as a rule, with very high collars, and many bunches of sable tails arranged to form a kind of cascade of fur in front. The favorite lining for these sable capes just now is cream Oriental silk, finished inside with the way round with a deep source of real Brussels or Alençon lace.

Some of the prettiest of the new cloth coats, made sufficiently long to cover entirely the gown beneath, are bordered with as many as 20 or 30 rows of stitching. These coats look splendidly well in pastel shades of blue, grey or biscuit color, with stitchings to match the exact shade of the cloth.

SENIOR PHARMACY SUPS.

Seventeen Candidates Presented
Themselves With Varying Results—Find Your Friends.

Results of senior supplemental examination at the Ontario College of Pharmacy have been issued. Seventeen candidates presented themselves and the results are as follows: Passed in all subjects—John L. Neilson, Naperville, Ill.; Passed now and on previous occasions—A. O. Baker, Galt; Geo. H. Halpin, Peterboro; Robt. B. Hannah, Collingwood; Chas. A. Kamslaw, Erie; O. E. Bennie, Linwood; D. O. Worts, Orangeville. Passed in Chemistry—Frank L. Houghton, Lindsay.

Passed in Pharmacy—S. M. Tarrant, Kingston.

Britain's Time is Coming.

Editor World: There are two points, one "bright" and the other more or less "annoying" amid all the dark reports we receive regarding South Africa. The "bright" one is, of course, the fact that the British troops, their intense desire to get to grips with the wily enemy. Why, then, should the British Empire be so much the weaker for the loss of a few men? The answer is, of course, that the British Empire is so much the weaker for the loss of a few men. The answer is, of course, that the British Empire is so much the weaker for the loss of a few men.

To Relieve Soldiers' Families.

Norfolk Lodge, No. 57, S.O.E.B.S., at the last meeting granted \$5 to the Canadian House fund for the relief of soldiers' wives and children during the war. Also towards a fund to relieve a sick brother in needy circumstances. The following names were mentioned: William Taylor, president; C. W. Aldred, secretary; Rev. W. H. Clarke, treasurer; John Nunn, chaplain; Dr. Hemstead, surgeon; F. T. Press, committee man.

Court McCall Officers.

Court McCall, No. 3280, one of the most flourishing courts in the I.O.F., held their annual meeting Tuesday night in the Temple Building. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: C.R. F. H. Scarle, V.C.R.; F. J. Ferguson, Recording Secretary; E. W. Lee, Financial Secretary; S. B. Barnard, Treasurer; John Mohan; S. J. Chute; J.B. S. Appleton.

Christmas Meat Show.

The show of Christmas meat exhibited by G. H. Waller & Son, excels even those of former years. Their display is a marvel of neatness and reflects a great credit to this firm for the enterprise they take in procuring the best "Canada of ours" products. It is well worth the time to view this great exhibit, which cannot be surpassed, if equalled, in this city.

Alaskan Natives Destitute.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The Alaskan natives on Kodiak Island are in a destitute condition, but the Secretary of the Treasury has notified the Interior Department that the appropriation relating to Alaska under the control of the treasury will be used to relieve them.

Mrs. Lawton to Get \$2000 a Year.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Senator Fairbanks, today introduced a bill granting a pension of \$2000 a year to the widow of General Lawton, who was killed yesterday in the Philippines.



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delight, it speaks sneeringly of Britain's "decadence" and of the "uselessness" of her colonial sons. It "overdoes" much, but one cannot but smile quietly in one's sleeve. One cannot really get angry at such a statement, which is, in fact, a compliment to the Empire's enemies have had such good excuse for giving vent to the jealousy that with some of our people, it is not the Empire's enemies who are to be feared, but the most of their little opportunity, as "our" time is coming, coming, and we "know" that we shall "win" in the end.

An Acton Accident.—A rear-end collision of two freight trains occurred on the C.T.R. near here this morning, resulting in the demolition of the van on train No. 17, and damage to the engine and one car. The train was carrying a large quantity of coal. The accident was due to a new engineer on the road, who ran past the semaphore, which was signalled against him.

Bell Telephone Dividend.

Boston, Dec. 20.—At a meeting of the directors of the American Bell Telephone Company today the regular quarterly dividend of 3 per cent was declared, with an extra dividend of 1 1/2 per cent, payable Jan. 15, to stock of record Dec. 31. The books will be closed Jan. 1 to 15, inclusive.

Galt Boy in Trouble.

Detroit, Dec. 20.—Fred Murray of Galt, Ont., pleaded guilty in the Police Court this morning to stealing a pair of riding boots and a couple of bridles from the Detroit Riding Club. "I was drunk, and just took them for the fun of it," he explained. Justice Welton imposed a fine of \$10 or 30 days.

Fall Between Joists.

Robert Heath of 346 Lippincott-street, while at work yesterday on a building in course of construction near the corner of King-street and Cowan-avenue, fell between two joists to a floor below, and sustained a deep gash in his head and numerous bruises. He was taken to his home.

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AUCTION SALES.

SALE OF THE CONTENTS OF THE PROPOSED HOTEL, situated on the southwest corner of King and York Streets, in the City of Toronto.

Under the powers of sale contained in a certain chattel mortgage which was produced at the time of sale, there will be offered for sale by public auction, by Charles Cotterden, auctioneer, at his auction rooms, and being No. 699 Queen-street West, Toronto, on Wednesday, 27th day of December, 1899, at the hour of 2.30 o'clock the afternoon, all the goods, chattels and effects set out and described in the chattel mortgage, made by one Mary Thomas and Edward Horsman, to the Royal Loan and Savings Company of Bradford, the said property will be sold on credit. There will be a reserved bid fixed by the vendor. Terms—Ten per cent at the time of sale, balance within three days thereafter. Further particulars and conditions of the sale will be made known at the time of sale, or may be obtained from Messrs. Brewster, Mulhead & Heyd, barristers, Brantford; Messrs. MacDonald, Cartwright & Garvey, barristers, Yonge-street, Toronto; and Louis F. Heyd, barrister, of Room 12, 38 Toronto-street, Toronto.

An inventory of the goods and property which will be offered for sale may be seen at the office of Mr. Louis F. Heyd, or the undersigned.

Dated this 18th day of December, A.D., 1899.

WALTER FREEMAN,
Barrister, Room 12,
38 Toronto St., Toronto.

ESTATE NOTICE.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE Estate of George Howard, deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to R.S.O., 1897, Cap. 129, that creditors and other having claims against the estate of George Howard, late of the City of Toronto, in the County of York, Esq., who died on the 28th day of November, 1899, are required to send to Messrs. St. John & Thompson, Temple Building, Toronto, solicitors for Lucius Howard, Esq., of Macmillan, the executors of the said deceased, their full names, addresses and descriptions, and a statement of their claims, with the particulars and proof thereof and the nature of the security (if any) held by them, and notice is hereby given that after the sale of the estate of the said deceased, on the 1st day of February, 1900, the executors will proceed to distribute the estate of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall have notice, and notice is hereby given that no person or persons whose claim they shall not have had notice at the time of such distribution.

ST. JOHN & THOMPSON,
Temple Building, Toronto.
Solicitors for executors.

Dated at Toronto this 20th day of December, 1899.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE Estate of Arthur B. Burnett of the City of Toronto, in the County of York, carrying on business as a Grocer, in the name, style and firm of the Guelph Farm Dairy and Grocery Company, insolvent.

Notice is hereby given that the said Arthur B. Burnett has made an assignment to me for the general benefit of his creditors, under the provisions of R.S.O., 1897, chap. 147, and amending acts.

A meeting of creditors will be held at the office of McBrady & O'Connor, solicitors for the assignee, room 67, Canada Life Building, at 425 Queen-street East, Toronto, on Friday, the 22nd day of December, 1899, at 2 p.m., to receive a statement of affairs, to appoint inspectors and for the execution of the affairs of the estate generally.

All persons claiming to rank upon the claims of the said insolvent, or who have claims with me, with the proofs and particulars thereof required by the said act, or before the time of such meeting, and on and after the 15th day of January, 1900, I shall proceed to distribute the assets of the said debtor among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to those claims of which I shall then have had notice, and shall not be liable for such assets, or any part thereof, to any person whose claim I shall not then have received notice.

Dated at Toronto, this 15th day of December, A.D. 1899.

W. B. S. CRAIG,
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ELECTION CARDS.

MAYORALTY 1900.

Organization Meetings in the interest of

E. F. CLARKE

will be held at 8 p.m., as follows:

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