

LONDON GOSSIP.

PRINCE OF WALES AND INDIA.

LONDON, June 23, 1921. The question whether or not the Prince of Wales will visit India at the end of the year will be definitely settled this month. Colonel Rivers' program is now on his way to this country from Simla on a special mission from the Government of India to discuss this matter with the King and the Imperial authorities. Much depends upon the internal conditions in the Dependency during the course of the next few months, but the general impression among those best in a position to judge is that the visit will be carried out as originally planned, and that, if time permits, the tour will be extended in order that the Prince may stay for two or three weeks in Japan before he returns. He received a particularly cordial invitation to visit Tokyo and other Japanese centres of interest from the Crown Prince of Japan.

A SHORTAGE OF TOBACCO.

The numerous branches of the Imperial Tobacco Company have informed retail tobacconists all over the country that in consequence of the limitation of their supplies of fuel their output of tobacco and cigarettes will be restricted to the extent of one-third of the usual quantity. There is already a serious shortage of many of the standard brands because for a month past some of the factories have been working only two or three days a week, and the further restriction of output now announced will compel smokers to economise. Tobacconists have been trying to supply their customers with "tens" or "twenties" of cigarettes by breaking up boxes of 100, but stocks of these are now in many cases nearly exhausted. One tobacconist expressed to me the opinion that a tobacconist public would force a settlement of the coal trouble more quickly than the Premier's arbitration method.

THE CALCUTTA SWEEP WINNER.

There is always popular romance in plenty in the drawing and winning of the Calcutta sweepstakes, but there has never been more than there was this year, when the winner was Captain Allan Jones, D.S.O., R.N., R.N.R. He did not take up his duties as assistant marine superintendent of the Union-Castle line at Blackwall on Derby Day, and on that account there was considerable discussion whether he was eligible to buy one of the tickets which Captain Hassey gets every year for distribution among his staff. Captain Hassey decided that he was, so the lucky winner bought the ticket, put it in his pocket, and forgot all about it. He was far more interested in the fact that the 1st of June was the third anniversary of his winning the D.S.O. by bringing his convoy safely through a particularly determined submarine attack in the Mediterranean than that it was Derby Day. He is not a betting man, and was only mildly interested when he was told that he had won a good horse and could tell his ticket for some thousands, and found the ticket with a certain amount of difficulty. His fun came when he listened to the tel-

low-guests at the boarding-house in which he was staying recount all that they had heard of the winner of the sweep, and then revealed himself.

SINGING PICTURES.

The exhibition of singing pictures at a hall in Westminster to-day was very interesting, but one could not say that in all the films shown the illusion of reality was increased. The scenes from "Carmen" and the song from "Pagliacchi" were the most successful, probably because the dramatic interest and the emphasis, combined with the familiarity of the airs, distracted the attention of the audience. They forgot to listen too closely to the gramophone and notice how far the notes synchronised with the action and gestures of the singers. On the other hand, the less dramatic songs sung by a singer who only moved his lips slightly produced no illusion at all, and it was difficult to imagine that spoken words would convey the impression that the actors in the picture were speaking aloud. The demonstration suggested that while perfect synchronisation must exist for speaking pictures it is quite as necessary that a more stereoscopic effect should be given to the moving figures and the gramophone itself must be perfected, otherwise one feels merely that one is looking at moving photographs and listening to metallic but appropriate speech. The American invention shown to-day has perhaps solved the problem at which so many people have been working of synchronising movement and sound, and it is done by a simple method which makes the apparatus inexpensive. The gramophone discs, which work in unison with the film projector are connected by wire to two or, if necessary, to three or more horns fixed on either side of the screen. The idea is of a telephonic gramophone.

AN HOTEL FOR BABIES.

In a South Coast town, two young women, who during the war did nursing work in France, are opening an hotel on original lines. They have heard many complaints that hotel proprietors either refuse to take in, or refuse to cater for, small children, and so they are opening an hotel exclusively for youngsters. Only nurses and mothers accompanied by children under twelve years of age are to be admitted, and no man, even if the father of an enormous family, will be able to obtain accommodation. In place of the usual lounge there is a day nursery, and, instead of the ordinary hotel bar, shelves upon shelves of feeding bottles.

DEPARTED GLORIES.

The faded glories and gaieties of Earl's Court make the old exhibition ground probably the most melancholy and depressing spot in London to-day. As the festering lily is viler than the decaying weed, so this one-time centre of life, of colour of merriment, and of gaiety, is peculiarly obnoxious now that it is fast dropping into decay. Buildings that were once palaces of oriental splendour to-day betray great and ugly scars, and proclaim to the world their insubstantial origin of lath and plaster. The lake that once reflected a thousand coloured lights is now one tangle mass of broken concrete and rubbish overgrown by weeds. In the centre there remains the shattered ruins of what was once the island bandstand, from which, in other days, there rose sweet melodies and glorious harmonies. Here in this graveyard of bygone gaiety the Disposals Board seeks to show the world what it has to sell. Little wonder is it that customers are few and far between.

THE RUMOURS ABOUT THE "TIMES".

The rumours about "an historic London daily" are now so much common talk and have already received so much attention that it would be idle for a chronicler of London affairs any longer to ignore them. The domestic affairs of a newspaper are not usually a matter for public interest, but in this case they have become so, and the issue is a very important one. It is freely said that the controlling interest of the "Times" has shifted, and that it is now about to become a Coalition organ. Obviously this would mean a great deal if it were true. The "Times" is owned by a number of shareholders, but it is understood that the proposition which matters is in three groups, controlled by Lord Northcliffe, the Walter family, and Sir John Ellerman. The story is that the Ellerman block is now detached from that of Lord Northcliffe and is associated with the Walter family, and that this will make Lord Northcliffe's position untenable, and that a group of business men, including Lord Inverforth, are prepared to take up his holding. I believe that there is nothing in this story and that it is founded on a misapprehension. The deed of agreement, I understand, upon which Lord Northcliffe has controlled "The Times" since his great coup ten years ago gives him absolute control until retirement, and it is not the case that a clause comes into operation under certain contingencies setting this aside. It is also to be noted that Mr. John Walter, whose name is much mentioned in this matter, has been abroad for the past month.

THAT SOFT ROSY VELVET COMPLEXION

Blemishes Removed Quickly
Your Complexion Shines or More
Your Appearance



PEARL LA SAGE, former actress who won the title of Miss of the Year, has a complexion treatment of her own. She has a special cream for the face, which she uses every day. She has a special cream for the face, which she uses every day. She has a special cream for the face, which she uses every day.

FREE COUPON.

PEARL LA SAGE, 20, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60, 62, 64, 66, 68, 70, 72, 74, 76, 78, 80, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96, 98, 100, 102, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 114, 116, 118, 120, 122, 124, 126, 128, 130, 132, 134, 136, 138, 140, 142, 144, 146, 148, 150, 152, 154, 156, 158, 160, 162, 164, 166, 168, 170, 172, 174, 176, 178, 180, 182, 184, 186, 188, 190, 192, 194, 196, 198, 200.

HOT WEATHER SPECIALS



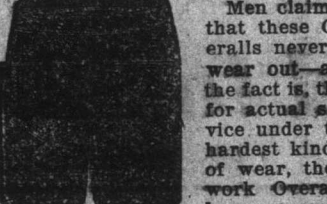
THE mercury may be high these days but it cannot keep our prices from going down. Just look over the offerings on this sheet and see if you do not agree with us. Come in and enjoy yourself by looking at these specials.



MURPHY'S GOOD THINGS!

OVERALLS

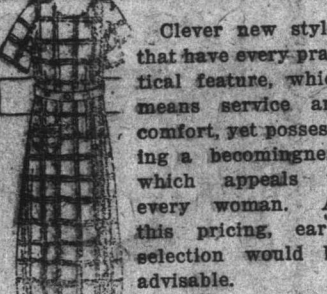
For Rough Wear - Of Heavy Denim.



Each, \$1.49
Boys' Each, \$1.39

New Overall Aprons

In Varied Styles.



Each, \$1.98
Neat Shoes



No doubt you are looking for a comfortable shoe for afternoon or evening wear with light dresses. You will find this line of Kid Shoes one that meets every requirement of fine taste.

Per pr. \$5.95

Children's Sandals



FOR COMFORT AND SERVICE.

These are an excellent sandal for the little ones to wear in their roughest play. Pliable grain leather uppers with good wearing stitched oak soles, equipped with two straps and buckles. We have sizes 3 to 5 in this sandal.

Per pr. \$2.89

LADIES' BLACK HOSE



Per pair, 19c

Beautiful Dress Poplins

If you are seeking a good fabric for your summer suit or dress, why not try Silk Poplin? Its soft, mercerized finish and evenly woven texture assure neat appearance and long wearing qualities. We have Light Blue, White, Cream, Tan, Navy, Black, Red.

Per Yard, 69c



Ladies' White Hose
Per pair, 25c



Exceptional Originality

This is what you will say of these new Summer Hats, for the styles are as original with us as the prices are exceptional. It is not often that such beautiful millinery is offered as timely at such prices.

Each, 1.98 to 4.98

White Canvas Shoes

White Canvas Lace Oxfords for women; neat toe caps and Cuban heels. A neat, comfortable, stylish looking Oxford, designed to give good satisfactory service for regular summer wear. Note the low price:

Each, \$2.39

Women's Satin and Mercerized Petticoats

The styles on display here will please you. You have the choice of Black as well as colors; made of high grade materials, dependably tailored. We have Green, Red, Navy, Blue, Navy.

Each, \$1.79 to \$2.39

Babies' Oil Cloth Bibs
Each, 12c

PHIL. MURPHY

317 Water St. Store open every night.

Silk Hose

There is a decided preference for Silk Hose this season, and here is a fine Silk Hose reasonably priced, with reinforced sole and toe and high spliced heel. We have them in Black, White, Blue, Green, Purple and other pretty shades.

Per pair, 1.25

Police Braces



Here you get Quality, Comfort and Dependable Service. Note the low price. "Police" Braces are known wherever there is hard work to be done. Men who daily engage in heavy manual labor look upon them as the best word in brace dependability.

Each, 49c

Men's Garters

First quality elastic web, in assorted colors. Special at

Each, 49c

White Underskirts

Splendid soft finished Nainsook, drawstring at waist, deep under-ruffle, embroidery flounce.

Each, \$1.49

Stair Oil Cloth

15 inches wide, Dark patterns only.

Per yd., 22c

Lunch Boxes

Black collapsible heavy waterproof steel, leather strap handles, riveted reinforced sides, clasp fastener.

Each, 39c

Misses' Gingham Dresses

In Daisy Model.

The effectiveness of a Gingham Dress is its lightness in wear, and here are models in the prettiest of Gingham designed to give both smartness & youthful effect; 2 to 14 years.

2.25 to 3.25

Millinery Flowers

Trimming for the season's hats are here in a large variety of styles and a rainbow of colors. You can easily satisfy your preference.

Each, 25c to 49c

Circular Pillow Tabing

Made of splendid material; very handy for making pillow slips; all that is required is to sew the bottom.

Per Yard 49c

Handkerchiefs

Lay in your going away stock now while the selections are so complete, for our handkerchief section has so many different styles of dainty Handkerchiefs that you will find just the particular one you personally prefer.

Each, 10c

Smallwares

WASHLINE 10c
SHOE LACES, per pair 5c
SHOE BRUSHES 10c
ENVELOPES, per pack 10c
POCKET COMBS 10c
DRESS CAPS 10c
SEWING MACHINE OIL 10c
PHOTO FRAMES 10c
KEY CHAINS 10c
BONE HAIR PINS, per box 10c
POWDER PUFFS 10c
NURSING TAPES 10c
TOILET PAPER 10c
CLOTHES BRUSHES 10c
HERB SOAP 10c
BABIES' RATTLES 10c
TOOTH BRUSHES 10c
NURSING BOTTLES 10c
PEROXIDE 10c
COLORITE 10c
WHITING PADS 10c
HAND MIRRORS 10c
TOILET POWDER 10c
RUBBER GARTERS 10c
MEASURING TAPES 10c
LUNCH BOXES 10c
CRACKER COTTON 10c
MENDING WOOL 10c
SHAVING BRUSHES 10c

Rubber Garters

Made of heavy half inch band rubber; splendid thing for children; much cheaper than elastic.

Each, 6c

Cuturia Soap

Per Cake, 35c

Children's Hose Supporters

These Supporters do away with troublesome sewing. They are pliable and may be easily attached to little corset waists. Made of new, five elastic and with firm rubberized buckles. We have these Supporters in Black and White.

Each, 25c

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