

THEY DECLINE TO FOLLOW QUEEN

Leaders of Fashion in England In Revolt

SAY DRESS TOO SEVERE

Duchess of Westminster and Mrs. Leopold de Rothschild Principals—Few Canadians at the Court in Buckingham Palace

(Times Special Correspondence.)

London, Feb. 15.—For a considerable time there has been brewing among many of the most modishly attired women in English society a spirit of revolt against the lead in fashions set by Queen Mary, and in a lesser way by various members of the royal family, and now a certain very influential section are avowedly ignoring the royal example and wishes in this matter.

Among those who are in revolt against the wishes of Queen Mary in the matter of dress are Mrs. Leopold de Rothschild, Lady Curzon and the Duchess of Westminister.

The fact is that the ladies of the English royal family have always been guided in matters of dress solely by their own taste, and have, as far as possible, ignored prevailing modes. In the late reign, Queen Alexandra, nevertheless, remained the leader of fashion and her example on the whole was generally followed by the wealthy and smartest women. But there was a two-fold reason for this.

King Edward wished Queen Alexandra to be the generally recognized leader in all matters of fashion and among that influential section of society which is now in revolt against this royal authority in the matter of dress, King Edward's least wish was absolute law. Therefore, when King Edward desired that Queen Alexandra should be generally recognized as the leader of fashion, the women folk of the Spey, the Rothschilds, Bessons and other wealthy and influential families readily accorded such recognition to Her Majesty.

King Edward, however, with characteristic tact contrived that Queen Alexandra should always lend sufficient encouragement to the latest modes to justify the ladies mentioned in freely following them. But King George has not at all the same influence among the particular section of society mentioned as had the late king, and those ladies who habitually have been attired in the latest modes are no longer following the example of Queen Mary, who avowedly and frankly disdained to be seen attired in anything approaching what the best dressed people would describe as smart or modish.

She Refuses

At a house party at Welbeck Abbey, at which the king and queen were present a little while ago, there were two ladies present whose evening attire was a good deal more scanty about the shoulders than Queen Mary likes it to be, and to through one of her ladies-in-waiting, conveyed an intimation that her evening attire did not meet with the royal approval. Mrs. Leopold de Rothschild's reply to the royal ambassador was regarded as "unsatisfactory" in plain English. It was rather more conveying as it did the lady's very firm determination to dress as she jolly well pleased.

Now it so happened that this lady was among the guests who had been invited to a forthcoming royal gathering at Chatsworth, and the Duchess of Devonshire had subsequently to inform her that she could not take her to meet the queen. This might not have been of much consequence had the lady been content to accept the duchess' intimation quietly, but instead of doing so she kicked up a tremendous fuss over the matter, and the result is that Her Majesty informed the Duchess of Devonshire that she would desire to have the party put off altogether. Anyway it was put off.

Had it taken place it is certain that both Mrs. Leopold de Rothschild and another lady, who was to have been present, would have absented themselves as they regarded the lady mentioned as having been treated quite too authoritatively by Queen Mary in a matter in which they felt Her Majesty had no good reason for interfering.

Outside of court functions Queen Mary's power to decree what must or must not be worn depends altogether on the willing consent of ladies of social importance to bow to Her Majesty's wishes in such matters. Of course certain great ladies who are connected with the royal household and who habitually more in the royal entourage do so. Among these ladies are the Duchess of Devonshire, the Duchess of Norfolk, and Lady Eva Dugdale, but these ladies, high though their rank, and great their social influence, are not regarded by society in general as leaders of fashion. A matter of fact, the most smartly attired people in English society do not, as they did in the late reign, belong to what is known as the "court circle."

In the court circle itself, there are, especially among the younger women, several who do not regard the "dowdiness" which they are supposed to cultivate and preserve, with any special degree of enthusiasm.

Between some of those who do not hold any official position at court and the royal family, there has lately been some little friction. For example, Lady Howard de Walden, who is one of the youngest and prettiest married women in society, has since her marriage had several "commands" to some of these small dinner parties at Buckingham Palace which are regarded as a special mark of royal favor. But it appeared that the cult of a certain sort of "dowdiness" was expected of Lady Howard de Walden if she was to continue to receive these royal favors and apparently she thought them a trifle dear at the price, for she is one of the most smartly attired women in society, and somewhat prides herself on the fact. Any afternoon gathering at which Queen Mary was present, and she was arrayed in a manner that can perhaps be best described as conspicuously modish, the dominating characteristic of her toilet being an excessively big if very pretty and becoming hat and a short, light skirt.

Now, Lady Howard de Walden knew that the queen would be present at the entertainment and knew equally well that her attire was just on the lines specially disliked by Her Majesty. The result of her independence in wearing what she pleased has been that the royal commands to these little functions at court are no longer sent to her, but she remains, all the same, one of the most modishly attired women in society, which perhaps pleases

Little Beauty Chats

By BLANCHER BEACON

Avoid Chapped Lips, Miladi!

During the winter months the lips fall heir to many ills and, as a result, look anything but attractive. Let us turn our thoughts to the subject and see if we can not find some way to keep the lips soft and smooth, regardless of wintry winds. Never bite the lips, as this will cause them to thicken, and, incidentally, the texture of the skin which covers them will be spoiled.

Guard against moistening your lips continually. This is the way to acquire chaps and cold sores.

If your lips have already become scamed and dry through these unwise practices and exposure to the cold, it will be well to keep them covered with some healing oil until the irritated condition passes away.

If the lover of smooth-skinned lips wishes to cover her lips with something a trifle more elaborate than plain olive oil or coconut oil, then she would make up a small jar of the following dainty cream as it is a prime favorite with those who have used it.

This lip cream formula runs thus: One ounce of spermaceti ointment, fifteen grains of balsam of Peru, fifteen grains of Alkanet root and five drops of oil of cloves. The alkanet should be heated in the spermaceti ointment until the latter melts and the whole is a rose color. Next pass through a strainer, then when slightly cool, stir in the balsam. Let settle for a few minutes, then pour off the clear part and add the oil of cloves. Pour this pomade into small jars and do not use until it is quite cold.

her as well as standing in the good graces of the queen.

Few Canadians at Court

Last Friday night's court at Buckingham Palace was exceptionally brilliant but there were remarkably few Canadians present. That was not to be wondered at because some two months ago the lord chamberlain announced that the list was closed for the first court.

Mrs. Harold Kennedy of Quebec, was one of the new Canadian ladies whom I noticed. She wore a charming gown of rose de Barry chiffon, with a charming train of the same color and some really magnificent diamond ornaments. Mr. Kennedy was also summoned to attend the court. For some years Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy have spent the winter months in England, and the summer season in Canada. They maintain a fine establishment at Wimbledon, which is becoming a centre for Canadians who reside here either permanently or for a portion of the year.

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Buckingham Palace, unlike most of the royal residences, is not open to the public, and the only chance to view the inside is on the occasion of some state function. Attention under the circumstances is generally monopolized by the ceremony, and few realize the details of the fine state apartments, the furniture and appointments of which in many instances are absolutely without price.

The long picture gallery is not, perhaps, so showy as some well-known collections, but great care has been taken to ensure that every picture it contains is genuine. In the case of one old master, where two canvases existed and the experts could not decide which was the original and which the copy, both were purchased, and are exhibited.

For the first court all the state rooms were thrown open. The ball room was used for the reception, and the splendid chandelier canopy and carpet, which have not been used at a previous court were much admired.

DOWAGER.

When a storm put all the electric wires in Elgin, Ill., out of commission, the electric motor press, which has an electric motor press, was in a quandary. Charles Treble, a motor-cyclist, was sent for, clamped his cycle to the floor, connected it with the press and "ran off the edition."



SERVANT FAMINE IN THE OLD LAND

Canada is Drawing the Girls From Home

SEE MARRIAGE PROSPECT

Mistresses in England Now Offering Special Inducements in Effort to Keep the Household Help They Need

(Times' Special Correspondence)

London, Feb. 16.—English housewives are now faced with an unprecedented scarcity of home servants, for which Canada is blamed. Thousands of these girls are said to have left this country during the last twelve months; and many thousands more are making preparations to leave in the spring.

In an endeavor to retain the services of these useful members of the household, wages have been increased considerably, and all kinds of inducements are held out. A London journal has come to the rescue with an advertisement specialist, whose services are placed at the disposal of despairing mistresses requiring maids. No longer does the stereotyped advertisement "Wanted a general, 230 a year," appear, but in its place an alluring invitation setting forth in great detail not the particular work the maid must perform but the inducements which the mistress is prepared to give.

Time was when the English servant was satisfied with one day a month away from work; almost high-hearted she is now offered every evening out. "No washing or ironing, or window cleaning" are advantages held out to the fast disappearing maid-of-all-work. Further than this, the paper which has taken upon itself the solution of the problem of the mistresses, is giving a month's wages to all girls who have stayed in their situations one month in answer to its advertisements. Double wages and a great reduction of work are certainly substantial attractions.

Notwithstanding these great benefits, which might be expected to stem the tide of emigration of servants, it is a fact that the exodus is greater than ever. Possibly the lady superintendent of an agency which devotes itself to sending girls out to Canada was right when she said that no attraction would be adequate against the promise of a swift marriage, which many of the girls believe awaits them in Canada.

"There have been so many wonderful stories sent over here," she said. "Cases have come before my attention where girls have gone out and quickly become married to prosperous farmers. A thing like that does not take long to become known, and the natural result is that the friends of the lucky one determine to follow her example. The mistresses, deeply resent the departure of their help is clearly evident to us. We make a careful selection of girls for Canada, and we demand satisfactory references. Mistresses frequently either refuse or give preferences which render it difficult for us to accept girls."

"I have known cases where, other means failing, girls have been dissuaded from going to Canada by their mistresses who have told them stories of the hardships which must be endured. We hear very much of the shortage of girls in Canada, but I can assure you that if the girls continue to go out at the present rate, it will become a problem urgent of solution in this country."

Do not suffer another day with PILES. Dr. Chase's Ointment will relieve you at once. Sold at all drug stores. Sample box free if you mention this paper and enclose no. STALD to Dr. Chase.

SHIPPING

ALMANAC FOR ST. JOHN, MARCH

Table with shipping times: A.M., P.M., Low Tide, Sun Sets, Time used is Atlantic standard.

PORT OF ST. JOHN. Arrived Saturday. R. M. star Empress of Ireland, 8,028, Forster, Liverpool via Halifax, C. P. R. pass and gen cargo. Star Pomaranian, 2,384, Hains, London and Harre, Wm Thomson Co, pass and gen cargo. Arrived Sunday. Star Manchester Miller, 2,706, Robertson, Manchester, Wm Thomson Co, general cargo.

CANADIAN PORTS. Halifax, March 2—Arr Saturday, stmr Stephano, New York; Scandinavian, Glasgow; Dominion, Liverpool; Tunisian, St. John. Arr Sunday—Stmr Hesperian, Liverpool. Sid—Stmr Tunisian, Liverpool; Corona, Louisiana; Sokoto, Vera Cruz.

BRITISH PORTS. Southampton, March 1—Arr, stmr Maxine, New York. Kinsale, March 1—Sighted, stmr Gram, St. John and Halifax. Glasgow, March 1—Sid, stmr Letitia, St. John; Parrish, Halifax. Liverpool, March 1—Sid, stmr Sardinian, Halifax.

FOREIGN PORTS. New York, March 1—Sid, schr Charles H. Sprague, Vinal Haven (Me). New London, Conn, March 1—Sid, schr E. Howers, Calais (Me). New York, March 1—Arr, stmr Celtic, Liverpool.

French Aviator Killed. Vierzon, France, March 1—Lieutenant Porteau was killed here today, when the aeroplane in which he was making a high cruise to the ground.

Daily Hints For the Cook

STEAK WITH MUSHROOMS

Wash and cook mushrooms in enough salted water to cover them. Cook until water is nearly boiled away (about 15 minutes). Have steak one inch thick, and broil over hot coals, catching drippings in pan containing mushrooms. When steak is done, slash with knife to get blood to run, and pour over mushrooms. Add piece of butter size of small egg, teaspoon of flour and stir until gravy is thick as cream. Pour all over steak and serve at once.

Another—Melt 1/4 cup of butter in a saucepan, add 1 quart of fresh mushrooms thoroughly cleaned. Cover and stew gently about 15 minutes or until tender, and season to taste with salt and pepper. Broil tenderloin steak; place on a platter and border with mushrooms. Garnish with parsley.

FROM LEFT-OVER MEATS

Beefsteak Pie—Cut remnants of cold boiled steak or roast beef in one-inch cubes. Cover with boiling water, add one-half onion and cook slowly one hour. Remove onion, thicken gravy with flour diluted with cold water and season with salt and pepper. Add potatoes cut in one-fourth-inch slices, which have been parboiled eight minutes in boiling salted water. Put in a buttered pudding dish, cool, cover with baking powder, biscuit mixture or pie crust. Bake in a hot oven. If covered with pie crust, make several incisions in crust that gases may escape.

Another Dish—One cup cold roast beef finely chopped, salt and pepper, onion juice, table sauce, 2 tablespoons bread crumbs, 1 tablespoon melted butter and yolk of 1 egg slightly beaten. Season beef with salt, pepper, onion juice and table sauce. Add remaining ingredients, shape after the form of small croquettes and pointed at ends. Roll in flour, egg and crumbs, fry in deep fat, drain and serve with ponzo sauce.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVES' signature is on each box. 25c.

Doctor—"Mr. Butting, if your wife's mind is gone."

Butting—"That doesn't surprise me; she's been giving me a piece of it every day for seven years."

FORWARD MARCH!

By J. R. HAMILTON Former Advertising Manager of Wanamaker's, Philadelphia. (Copyrighted)

MARCH IS the month of progress. We freeze in January. We thaw out in February and we get up and march in March.

March is really the natural first of the new year. And if it hadn't been for a lot of silly old Romans who wanted to get their names in the calendar, and who in various other ways had to fuss around with the centuries, we would still have the New Year where it belongs.

March is the time when the earth gets tired of being brown or white according to the latitude and begins putting on a little new green finery. And therefore it is the time when all sensible human plants begin to do the same.

The way to test the blood of a man or a woman is not to take a test of blood pressure nor a count of the leucocytes, but to watch for the eagerness with which they go after new clothes at the first full opening of Spring.

A real good healthy man or woman, or boy or girl can no more continue to wear old clothes after the first clear call of Spring than the old earth herself can continue to wear her dreary garb after the robin has whispered to the grass.

The stores too have been turned into gardens of beauty with the coming of March. Every aisle is blooming like a hedgerow of beautiful fabrics. Beautiful Spring gowns and dresses have sprung up as if in some Fairyland over night. The daintiest of waists, the finest of lingerie and the sheerest of stockings, are calling to you from every aisle to come and buy.

And even the advertising in this paper has taken on New color, and has become more intensely interesting to you.

There is so much to tell you about the New Spring Styles, there is so much to say about these beautiful new stocks. There is so much promise of beauty and pleasure and life in all of these great piles of merchandise, that either women or men must certainly feel cold indeed if they find no thrill in all the attractive things that are being shown.

Read your advertising now and get into the stores as quickly as you can.

Get first pick at these fine fresh stocks. Don't delay until the best of them are sold, but just go over all the advertisements in this paper today, and take first choice of everything you see.



Are You Interested In Spring Furniture? Drop In And See Our New Arrivals! J. MARCUS, 30 Dock Street.

Plenty of Tillson's now!

Sometimes it does seem that everybody in Canada is eating Tillson's Rolled Oats.

From grocers everywhere we have been receiving hurry-up messages like this:

"Why don't you ship us more Tillson's? We're all out."

If you have had trouble in getting Tillson's you'll be glad to know—

There's plenty of Tillson's now.

The immense increase in the demand for Tillson's has compelled us to equip two more of our mills to produce this delicious oat-flake.

We are shipping more than three times as much as ever before.

Nearly every grocer has a full supply. Every grocer can get it promptly

Tillson's Oats

Rolled Thinnest—Cook Quickest (15 Minutes)

Try Tillson's tomorrow. Your grocer has them. Sold only in packages—never in bulk. Two sizes—10c and 25c. Each 25c package contains a handsome dish of good English porcelain.

CANADIAN CEREAL AND FLOUR MILLS LIMITED, Toronto, Canada. Makers of Tillson's Oats—Rainbow Flour—Star Flour

