

NEWS OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO WOMEN

SPRING FOOTWEAR HAS NEW FEATURES

Black and White Employed in a Few Fascinating Lasts.

USE PATENT LEATHER

Vamps and Quarters Invariably Have Smart White Buck Uppers.

Spring footwear has almost as many new features as the voluminous skirted frock.

FIFTY PER CENT. DISCOUNT

Big Sacrifice Sale of Player-Piano Rolls at McIntosh Hall.

GENUINE IRISH MUSIC.

A musical entertainment which is not likely to be rivaled in America this year is to be given in the west hall of the university tomorrow evening.

ENTERTAINMENT COUNCIL.

Yesterday Hon. James Craig entertained to lunch the vice-president and all of the Canadian National Branch of the British and Foreign Sailors' Society.

OPEN CONVENTION.

F. S. Spence, president of the Dominion Council of the Alliance for the Total Suppression of the Liquor Traffic, will open the four days' temperance convention at Massey Hall, at 10 o'clock this morning.

No Woman Need Have Straight, Lank Hair

Instead of burning the life out of your hair with a heated curling-iron, you can add to its life by using plain liquid salve.

NOTES OF WOMEN'S WORLD.

St. Andrew's Chapter, I.O.D.E., will hold a concert in St. Andrew's Sunday School Hall on Thursday evening.

This morning at 11 o'clock a meeting of the Nursing Mission will be held at 55 Berkeley street.

A sewing meeting of the Q. O. R. Chapter, I. O. D. E., will be held at 3 p.m. today at 559 Sherbourne st.

Today at 3 the knitting of the Women's Conservative Club will be continued at the club house, 190-1-2 Simcoe street.

The Sewing Guild of the Women's Auxiliary, Catholic Church Extension, will not meet today, but on Friday at 3 in St. Philip's Hall, 261 St. George street.

This evening at 8 o'clock Bathurst Y.W.C.A. will meet at the home of Miss Mabel Johnson, 533 Bathurst street, when arrangements will be made for an Irish social, to be held at Willard Hall on March 25.

Miss Francis, secretary of the American College Alumnae Association, will address the United Alumnae Association of the university for the purpose of having the local society federate with the American Association.

The meeting this afternoon of the Speranza Musical Club will be held at the home of Mrs. Gordon McLean, 117 Highlands avenue, when an attractive program, arranged by Miss Bates, will be presented.

The formal opening of the "Secours National," organized for the purpose of assisting the pallions of French who are in distress and destitution in the territory of the war zone, will take place at the Toronto headquarters, 51 West King street, this afternoon.

At the Grange today the water colors of Daniel Power will be on view for the special benefit of the travel clubs.

Today at 3 a meeting will be held of the Ladies' Aid of Broadway Y. M. C. A.

The Riverside Musical and Literary Club meets today at 3 in the Riverside Academy of Music.

Mrs. E. F. B. Johnston is the newly-elected president by acclamation, of the Preventorium, I.O.D.E. The vice-presidents are: Mrs. W. R. Riddell and Mrs. T. J. Clark.

Howard Park W.C.T.U. meeting is postponed until March 19.

Please convey to the women the most sincere and grateful thanks of the president, Lady Smith-Dorrien, and the committee of the Empire Fund, and express to them our appreciation for their great kindness, which will go far to relieve many of the horses engaged in this unfortunate war.

This is the purpose of a letter to the women of the Toronto Humane Society for the hundred pounds lately forwarded to England.

The Women's Patriotic League has charge of the prayer service for women which meets today from 12 to 12:45 in room 42 of the Wesley Building.

DOMINION ALLIANCE CONVENTION BEGINS

Prohibitionists Will Meet for Three Days in Massey Hall, Commencing Today.

RESERVES RIGHT TO SIT FURTHER

Judge Denton Makes Statement at Close of Noble Inquiry.

THOMPSON STATEMENT

Used Every Means to Stop Betting and Reprimanded Man.

Altho Judge Denton closed the Noble investigation yesterday afternoon at the city hall, he reserved the right to sit again if he found it necessary to take further evidence before he submitted his report to the city council.

Two policemen were the only witnesses called, who testified to the reputation of Mrs. Desinger and Mrs. Peterson (Sine), two women who had been frequent visitors at Portland hall.

Chief Thompson asked that he might give a statement before the conclusion of the investigation, saying: "I wish to state emphatically that I did not know that there were any charges made, I did know that the two butenrangs did cover up the words, 'City of Toronto,' or that the insignia of the city was covered up on the auto at times, until the charges were made, I did know that Fleming was working at the house of Noble, but he needed the money and Noble wanted the work done."

"Labor was hard to get and I did not know of any man being brought to the house of Noble, but I was not in the house at the time the two butenrangs did cover up the words, 'City of Toronto,' or that the insignia of the city was covered up on the auto at times, until the charges were made, I did know that Fleming was working at the house of Noble, but he needed the money and Noble wanted the work done."

"I used every means at my command to stop the betting that was reported and reprimanded the party who confessed to making bets for other people and himself, telling him to stop immediately and advised him not to do any more betting himself. The evening papers have abused me, as also has one member of the board of control, for accepting the resignation of Deputy Chief Noble, but your honor, I wish to show you the bylaw passed last year which gave me power to do so, and I certainly had nothing against the deputy, and I am sure I do not deserve what I got from the press and a member of the board of control."

Judge Denton then questioned him, Q.—Have you a record of the complaints made for the past four or five years, and did you investigate every time a complaint was made? A.—The testimony of one man showed that I had taken to task certain men in the Portland hall, but there were only a few light offences committed which I dealt with by reprimand or punishment.

Q.—Did you say anything about the management or discipline at Portland hall? A.—If you have a man who makes up his mind to do certain things, that is not altogether proper, why he may do them, but he can't repeat them, for then he is a bad man, and I will say that the captain and lieutenant were not performing their proper duties in letting them go on, and I am satisfied that Noble would not tolerate any breach of discipline, and especially he would bitterly oppose the use of liquor, as one man testified that he had been fined \$50 for drinking while on his holiday.

Corporation Counsel Geary then asked Thompson if it was not the duty of Noble to keep watch and eye on the officers in the different firehalls, and Thompson replied that it was, but it must be remembered that these men are supposed to be responsible officers, and altho Noble made his headquarters at Portland station, he was obliged to be away a great deal of his time to attend to his duties at other halls.

Q.—When Noble was building his house on Berkeley street did he have any right to use the department wagons for hauling lumber, etc? A.—No; he was not supposed to use them.

Q.—What state of mind do you think a man would be in that had women in his room drinking and have the door opened? Do you think he was afraid? A.—No; I don't think so.

Q.—Don't you think if a man was afraid of discipline he would fear to do anything like that? A.—Yes; but you must remember that Mr. Noble fined a man for drinking.

Driver McCurry Called. Wagon Driver McCurry was then called by T. Herbert Lennox, K.C., who asked him a number of questions.

Q.—Did you ever take lumber to the houses of Noble on Berkeley street? A.—I did not.

Q.—Did anyone under your knowledge do it? A.—No.

Q.—Was the wagon ever asked for by Noble for use on his house? A.—No; not to my knowledge.

Q.—Did you ever do any hauling for Noble? A.—Yes. One day while I was passing along Berkeley street Mr. Noble stopped me and asked me to take some lumber away from the rear of some houses on Berkeley street, as he could not get a rig to do it and I said I would do it the only time I ever did anything of the kind.

AFRAID SHE WAS DYING

Suffered Terribly Until She Took "Fruit-a-tives."

St. Jean de Matha, Jan. 27th, 1914.

After suffering for a long time with Dyspepsia, I have been cured by "Fruit-a-tives." I suffered so much that I would not dare eat for I was afraid of dying. Five years ago I received samples of "Fruit-a-tives."

I did not wish to try them for I had little confidence in them, but seeing my husband's anxiety I decided to do so, and at once I felt relief. Then I sent for three boxes, and I kept improving until I was cured. Five years ago I received samples of "Fruit-a-tives."

"Fruit-a-tives" is the greatest stomach tonic in the world and will always cure Indigestion, Sour Stomach, "Heartburn," Dyspepsia and other ailments. It is a complete food.

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NOT ENOUGH LEATHER OF REQUIRED QUALITY

Militia Department Allowed Use of Side Article Instead of Storm Calf.

Canadian Press Despatch. OTTAWA, March 2.—The parliamentary committee on soldiers' shoes commenced the examination of officials of the militia department this morning.

H. W. Brown, director of contracts, stated that a requisition had come to him for 65,000 pairs of boots on August 8. He had inquired by telegram of ten firms whether they could supply boots in the time given. The largest contract had been given to the Ames-Holden Company, for 30,000 boots. He said that instead of specifications there had been given to the different manufacturers a sealed sample boot.

E. M. MacDonald asked why the department officials had not changed the specifications to provide a good war boot.

Mr. Brown said the officials considered that was no time. He had bought what he was told to buy.

R. A. Pringle, K.C., told the committee that it had taken a United States Army Boot Committee three years to decide on a new boot for the army. In the end the boot chosen had been lighter than that supplied to the Canadian troops.

The Ames-Holden Company had requested a change in the specification to allow the use of side leather instead of storm calf. They claimed that sufficient storm calf was not to be obtained in Canada, and the department had found this true.

Mr. Pringle said that side leather would cost 30 cents less per boot and less to manufacture.

Mr. Brown told the committee that the present military boot pattern had been adopted in 1903, but there had been no specification until 1910, when the Charles E. Slater firm of Montreal had supplied a new sample with a specification. The specification had required the waterproofing of the boots, but this requirement had never been insisted on or followed in the sealed sample.

Mr. Pringle read from a file a letter to the militia department from Ames-Holden, asking the department to reply to alleged complaints about the boots they had supplied to Valcartier, as their reputation was at stake. They said they had not wittingly supplied a single pair of unsatisfactory boots.

UNITED SUFRAGISTS' TEA AND MUSICAL

A tea and musicale in aid of the relief work which the United Suffragists are doing on behalf of the destitute mothers and babies of Toronto, will be held at the home of Mrs. E. A. Langmuir, 46 Forest Hill road, on Friday at 3.30. The following artists have very kindly consented to take part: Mrs. George Perry-Dixon, Miss Winifred Parker, Miss Hicks-Lynde, Mrs. Madden, Mrs. Tower Ferguson, Mrs. Leo Smith (Miss Lena Hayes), Mrs. Weatherall, Mrs. Edwin G. Long, Mrs. John W. Garvin (Katherine Hale), Mrs. Albert Gibson.

EMPLOYEE ENTITLED TO THREE MONTHS

Decision Favors E. R. Evans Who Brought Action Against Fisher Motor Company.

ACTION IS DISMISSED

Refusal to Pay More Rent Than Fixed by Arbitrators and Court.

Mr. Justice Clute gave judgment at Osgoode Hall yesterday in the action of E. R. Evans against the Fisher Motor Co., for arrears in wages and damages for wrongful dismissal. The plaintiff is a mechanic and was employed in August, 1913, by the defendants at their works in Orillia. He states that he was to receive payment at the rate of \$800 a year; payable \$125 every two weeks, and the balance of \$600 deferred until the end of the year. On Oct. 6, 1914, he was dismissed without notice. At that time, he claims, there was owing to him \$400. From August, 1913, to September, 1914, the defendant paid him \$2000, and later \$125, leaving a balance of \$44, which he claims, together with \$3000 damages.

The defendant stated that the plaintiff was employed formerly by the Tudhope Company, and was continued in the employment of the Fisher Company, when it was taken over by the defendant.

The plaintiff's salary was to be at the rate of \$800 per year. He was notified that if he wished to continue after September, his salary would be at the rate of \$200. The plaintiff continued at the reduced rate until October, 1914, when he left voluntarily and asked for dismissal. He was offered \$125 in full settlement, but he refused to accept it. Defendant brought \$125 into court, which he submitted should meet the wage claim.

His lordship stated that the plaintiff had failed to satisfy him that he was to receive a bonus of \$600. He found that the plaintiff had continued in the employment of the defendant at the rate of \$200 per year, and having regard to what took place, he thought a reasonable amount to be paid was \$125, which amount he was entitled to.

Damages Action. Mr. Justice Lennox dismissed the action brought by James G. MacDonald, owner of the site of the Turf Hotel, at the southwest corner of Church and Colborne streets, against Robert Davies, former owner of the building.

The plaintiff claimed \$3887.50, balance due for ground rent from Sept. 30, 1910, to July 29, 1914. He claimed that he was entitled to rent at the rate of \$1900 per year. The defendant refused to pay more than \$225 a year, which was the amount fixed by the arbitrators under a supreme court decision.

His lordship commented severely in the judgment given out concerning the will of Emily Robins. He said: "There is a growing tendency to come to court and present no difficulty for any solicitor who will read and think."

PASSENGER TRAFFIC COMPARES FAVORABLY

Officials Expect That It Will Assume Normal Proportions Soon.

It is stated by railway authorities that the volume of passenger traffic in the past week compares quite favorably with that of the corresponding week last year. That the passenger business is picking up rapidly and should soon be normal in the opinion expressed by W. Corbett, traveling agent of the C.P.R.

An increase in the railway freight business was reported yesterday by the terminal superintendent. The report showed that from Saturday, March 1, to Tuesday, March 3, there were 70 cars, between Hamilton and the Toronto terminal, there were five trains each way of 70 cars each. This makes a total of 140 loaded cars.

FOR THE BELGIAN FUND.

A concert in aid of the Belgian Relief Fund will be given on Friday, March 12, in the Margaret Eaton School, by the Canadian Quartet. Mrs. Carl Abrams, the solo vocalist, gave much pleasure last season with her cultured and sympathetic contralto.

There is no difficulty in constructing the will of administering the estate of Louisa Macey has entered action to recover unpaid damages from the John English Co. for the death of John Macey, alleged due to their negligence.

Mr. Justice Middleton awarded \$1000 William Wingrove and Alvin Ferguson, plaintiffs, against Henry Wingrove, the executor of the will of Daniel Wingrove. The action was against Henry Wingrove, and the plaintiffs are the executors of the will of Daniel Wingrove.

The second division court list for today: Birdville v. Treblecock; Smith v. Humberville Cemetery Co.; Montgomery v. Walker; Nixon v. Nixson; Currie v. Stares; Ontario and Manitoba Power Co. v. Fort Frances.

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ON YES YOU CAN! UNICE LUKE HAS AN' UPPER FRONT TOOTH MISSING!

IT'S VERY CONSPICUOUS WHEN HE SMILES TOO!

YER RIGHT POLLY THAT SIMPLIFIES MATTERS THAT DOES!

BUM! BUMP! BUMP! CRASH!

FOR PITY SAKES! WHADDIE MEAN Y' FELL DOWN STAIRS PAWS!

YAS. AN' I BUSTED ONE OF ME FRONT TEETH CLEAN OFF!

AN' UPPER PAW?

AN' UPPER?

NAW, A LOWER!

Good! HOW FORTUNATE!

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