

EXPERT'S VIEWS GOWNS WORN BY LONGCHAMPS

the Parisian Are Described and Show Styles Are Still the Rage—Turkish Gowns Are Worn by Some.

WALKING ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE

Main suggestion of the designer. It is pleasant to see dresses which do show in the line and simplicity, and it is encouraging to find, as the season advances, that the smart women are showing them in preference to the afflicted, to the bunched up, over-trimmed, esprit trop which were thrust under our notice early in the year as being the only things to go to present wear.

MUSICAL PRODIGY A GIRL OF FOURTEEN

As it is a well known fact that many musical prodigies have been discovered by accident, so there is every reason to believe that the West Ham Board of Guardians have found in a little orphan girl of fourteen under the protection of the Union one who may in the near future be rivaling Miss Clara Butt, or Miss Kirkby Linn on the opera stage or concert platform.

A NOISELESS WORLD.

Increasing quantities to meet a popular demand, is being used for all purposes—notably for domestic use. Later it may be employed for street purposes in cases of illness.

ENGLAND'S BREWERIES.

A WHITE paper was issued recently which states that the number of brewers for the purposes of sale in the United Kingdom in the year ended September 30 last was 287. The materials used were as follows:—Malt, 52,287,67 bushels; unmalting corn, 91,068 bushels; rice, &c., 1,611,356 cwt.; sugar, &c., 3,279,814 cwt.; hops (including a small quantity of "preparations of hops"), 62,911,375 pounds, and hop substitutes, 18,885 pounds.

GERMAN COURTS DENY TANGO IS SUGGESTIVE

THE State has just been condemned to pay costs in an amusing case. The authorities recently confiscated, whether exposed for sale, a postcard representing a couple dancing the tango. The man was depicted in evening dress, the woman as wearing an extremely low cut dance toilette.

FIRST TRIP OVER L.E. & N. WAS SUCCESS

Party of Directors Made An Inspection of the Line

Travelled on Flat Cars and Enjoyed the Scenery

The first passenger trip has been made over the Lake Erie & Northern line between Brantford and Galt and return.

It was not exactly a parlor car journey, and there were no dusky porters to whisk you off for the usual tip attack. Instead there was a construction engine and two flat cars lined with wooden side seats.

The participants were directors of the road with guests and members of the fourth estate. They included Mr John Muir (President), Mrs. Muir, Mr and Mrs. W. J. Muir, and Mr and Mrs. Allan Muir.

Mr. Lloyd Harris (Sec. Treas.), Miss Blackmore, Mr. G. Upton, Boston, Mr T. H. Whitehead.

Mr. Harry Cocksbutt, Mr. John Sanderson, Mr Kellert (chief engineer), and Mrs Kellert, Mr R. A. Thompson (Paris), and Mrs Thompson.

Mr. Fisher, M.P., and Mrs. Fisher of Paris, Mr. W. S. Brewster, M.P.P., F. D. Reville, W. B. Preston.

The road is not yet ballasted, but in spite of that, the running was much more smooth than was expected, although of course no high speed was attempted.

The construction was seen throughout to be of the very best. In every essential no expense has been spared and the outcome when everything has been completed, will be one of the best lines in this province.

The course is largely alongside the Grand River, and there is during the whole route a continuous panorama of that picturesque stream with its attendant valleys, beautiful rolling ground and hills in the distance.

Trees also flourish on either side, but not too thickly to obscure the effects from the river front. At Paris the line passes along the heights this side of that place, and our prettily nestled neighbor, with its surrounding settings, presents a picture to gladden the heart of any admirer of landscapes, and who is not "You ought to call this the scenic road," remarked one of the party to the directors, and such a name would undoubtedly be most appropriate.

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The start was made from the foot of Jubilee Terrace, and the return trip to that point from Galt took one hour and ten minutes. Excellent going that under the circumstances. Altogether the new railway outfit will not alone provide another valuable industrial impetus to both Brantford and Paris, but from the aesthetic standpoint also it runs through a district of exceedingly great charm.

PROMINENT IN MONTREAL

MONTREAL, May 4.—The death took place Saturday of Charles Henry Stephens, K.C., a well known journalist and barrister. Mr Stephens, who was born in Montreal 65 years ago, was at one time connected with the Montreal Witness, was editor of a Standard Digest, and author of a standard work on joint stock companies.

The store contained a large number of customers at the time, and Mr Stewart had gone to the cellar for a quantity of coal oil. He switched the electric light on, and with the empty coal oil can in one hand proceeded to the place where he kept hanging at the little daughter, who was sitting at the top of the stairs, noticed her father reach up and take the electric light bulb in his right hand. Almost immediately there was a flash of fire, and the unfortunate man, still hold-

ing to the can and the bulb, fell backwards against the stairway. The little girl called to her uncle, Robert Stewart, of 101 Erie avenue, who was in the store. The latter ran to the scene, and found the unfortunate man's clothing on fire. He knocked the burning wire from Stewart's hand and the body fell forward at his feet. Just as the live wire was taken from the hand of the victim the street lights went out, and remained out for the balance of the evening, while the lights in the store and in many residences in the neighborhood gave evidence that something had affected the lighting system.

A number of doctors were called, but all efforts to resuscitate the unfortunate man were fruitless. Examination of the body showed that the palm of the right hand had been burned almost to a crisp, while there were also various burns on the body.

Dr. Hopkins, who was called, decided that an inquest was necessary and empaneled a jury, who, after viewing the body, adjourned until Wednesday evening.

Suffragettes Are Breaking Up

[By Special Wire to The Courier] NEW YORK, May 4.—A cable from London to the New York American says:

Although nothing officially has been said, it is learned that the militant suffragettes' deputation to King George is practically abandoned, owing to the lack of members of the Women's Social and Political Union who are willing to join.

Despite published statements to the contrary, a great falling off is taking place in both the financial and the active support given to the militant union, and several of the women at present released on license have undertaken to refrain from militancy upon the remission of their sentences. This also is not being made public by the W.S.P.U.

FAMILIES ARE SEPARATED BY HOME RULE

But in Case of Young Carson and Redmond They Are Firm Friends

[By Special Wire to The Courier] MONTREAL, May 4.—A London cable to the Daily Mail says the dispute over Ulster in regard to Home Rule, has produced many family quarrels and much division of opinion between men and women formerly good friends, but the situation is not without its humors, because they are combinations of friendship produced by the Irish policy of the government which are every bit as strange as some of the enmity which it has engendered.

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MONTREAL, May 4.—A cable to the New York Times from London says: Willy Ferrero, the 7 year old symphony conductor, whose mother has been congratulated by the Czar for having a son of "unequaled genius," gave a private exhibition of his powers in London this week and is now the talk of the town.

Experts like Dr. Nikisch and London Ronald, who have closely observed him, declare that his performance is the eighth wonder of the world. "I am unable to account for it," said Mr. Ronald; "it is amazing, mysterious gift he possesses."

Young Ferrero was taken to Marlborough House to see Queen Alexandra. When her Majesty entered the room where the boy was waiting with his father and mother, Willy gallantly kissed the queen's hand. She responded with a salute on his forehead.

Queen Alexandra asked how he liked conducting, and Willy replied that he liked playing with toys just as well.

BROKE THE RECORD MONTREAL, May 4.—The Canadian Pacific Steamer Empress of Asia, which arrived at Vancouver yesterday, lowered the record for the Yokohama-Victoria trip by two hours making the trip in 9 days 3 hours. The previous record was held by the sister ship, the Empress of Russia.

RUGS AND CARPETS Money saved, satisfaction gained, in Crompton's Rugs and Carpets.

His Trial Starts Wednesday



BECKER'S TRIAL WEDNESDAY

SEVENTY WITNESSES CALLED

New Evidence Secured in Case—Former New York Police Captain Will Again be Tried on the Charge of Murder in First Degree.

[By Special Wire to the Courier] NEW YORK, May 4.—For the second trial of Charles Becker, former police lieutenant, on a charge of having instigated the murder of Herman Rosenthal, which will begin on Wednesday, District Attorney Charles S. Whitman will call seventy witnesses.

Many new faces, it is said, will be seen in the witness chair and several witnesses prominent in the first trial will not appear.

As at the first trial the state's case will be around the story of Jack Rose which will be corroborated by "Bridgie" Webber and Harry Vallon. The other member of the quartette made famous in the previous trial is Sam Schepps, but the ruling of the court of appeals in granting Becker a new trial discredited his testimony and made it valueless at the coming trial.

The Duke of Argyll, son-in-law of the late Queen Victoria, and former Governor-General of Canada, died last night at East Cowes, aged 69. He was taken ill a week ago with double pneumonia and his condition rapidly grew alarming.

John Douglas Sutherland Campbell, ninth Duke of Argyll, was born in 1845 in London, and in 1871 he married Princess Louise, the fourth daughter of Queen Victoria. He took a leading part in politics after three years experience as private secretary to his father in the Indian Office, from 1868 to 1871. He contested Bradford in 1892, and in 1895 he was elected by the Unionists of South Manchester, and he represented that constituency in the House of Commons until 1900. Later he was offered the Governor-Generalship of Australia, which he declined.

He came to Canada in 1878 as Governor-General, and after a successful period at Ottawa he returned in 1883 to England and wrote a number of volumes, including "Memories of Canada and Scotland" (1884), "Canadian Pictures" (1885), "The United States After the War," "Imperial Federation," tales and poems, and he even wrote a play.

During the Duke's stay in Canada his name was given to a number of towns and settlements in the different provinces, and he received honorary degrees from the leading universities.

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Getting Ready For Election Next Month

There was a largely-attended and enthusiastic gathering of the members of the executive of the local Conservative Association in the Borden rooms on Saturday night. Mr. W. M. Charlton (president) occupied the chair, and those in attendance included Mr. W. F. Cocksbutt, M.P., and Mr. W. S. Brewster, M.P.P. The enthusiasm was most marked. Prospects of an early Provincial election were discussed, and although nothing of a definite nature has yet been announced, it was felt that the indications for a contest in June or, at any rate, in the Fall, were so marked as to make it desirable to put everything in shipshape for action.

On motion it was decided to hold a nominating convention in the Borden Club Hall on Thursday night, May 21st, at 8 o'clock. An official notice elsewhere, tells of the manner in which to select delegates.

The name of Mr. T. S. Wade was mentioned as returning officer. He has handled this intricate and responsible task in previous contests, and always with splendid success.

GRAND VALLEY CASE IS ADJOURNED AGAIN

[By Special Wire to The Courier] TORONTO, May 4.—It looked like old times to-day in the Second Appellate Division. City Solicitor Henderson of Brantford was there, so were J. A. Patterson, K.C., and J. Grayson Smith. The Grand Valley was the cause, but there was no controversy. The motion was the ancient one—to vary the minutes of the Appellate Court's judgment. Another enlargement was asked. Are settlement negotiations proceeding satisfactorily? asked Sir William Mulock. "Yes, my Lord." It was understood that the matter should be mentioned again in June. There was no war, nor were there even rumors of war, and the hearing didn't last more than a very few minutes.

A HEAVY BUDGET BROUGHT IN

Lloyd George Introduces His Sixth One in the British House

[By Special Wire to The Courier] LONDON, May 4.—David Lloyd-George, chancellor of the exchequer, introduced his sixth budget in the House of Commons to-day with the announcement that he had to meet an estimated deficit in 1914-1915 aggregating \$26,650,000.

This deficit alone, the chancellor said, made new taxation inevitable, but in addition thereto the Government had come to the conclusion that in order to save some municipalities from bankruptcy there must be a re-adjustment in the relations of imperial and local taxation. These would entail large additional expenditures by the exchequer.

Mr. Lloyd-George proposed to set up a national system of valuation, under which "sale values" would be separated from improvement values, and under which relief would be afforded in proportion to the amount he expended to this end.

These proposed grants of relief to local taxation for purposes of public health, education, road construction, etc., would entail an additional expenditure by the exchequer of \$21,000,000. Inasmuch as he must have a margin of \$1,000,000 he would have to raise a total of about \$49,000,000. To meet this he proposed a revision of the graduated income tax. The existing tax on earned incomes up to \$5,000 a year, would remain unchanged; on incomes between \$5,000 and \$7,500 the tax would be 10 1-2d (approximately 21 cents) on the pound sterling (approximately \$3) on incomes between \$7,500 and \$10,000.

Mr. Agnew asked for an enlargement of two weeks, as it would be impossible to get the material ready before that time. He also requested that the matter be transferred to the weekly court at Ottawa as the matter arose there and the parties all lived there.

The matter will be disposed of on affidavit. It will not be necessary to have the parties here, commented Mr. Justice Kelly. He remarked that if the suggested transfer if thought necessary might be made the subject of a motion at a later date. Mr. Cattanch agreed that there must be an enlargement as he understood defendants would have an immense amount of material. He asked that the defense be required to give an undertaking that they would abide strictly by the terms of the interim injunction.

"I am advised," he remarked, "that they have given the by-law its first and second reading in spite of the injunction."

The by-law in question is to provide for the issue of debentures to the extent of \$275,000 for the extension, the plaintiffs say of the bilingual system.

"What more can I do than continue the injunction?" quired Mr. Justice Kelly. "They are very foolish if they try to do the face of the court. They are fairly warned now. If you have to take any further action as a result of their refusal to obey the injunction, that is another matter. If they are acting in defiance of the court they must take the consequences. I hope hardly be turned into a motion to commit."

Mr. Cattanch asked that the defendants should be required to complete this material a week before the matter comes up again so that there might be cross-examination upon the affidavits.

"This is a substantial matter," Mr. Cattanch declared, "and no one ought to be taken by surprise." Mr. Justice Kelly suggested that the

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WILD WOMAN BUTCHERS A WORK OF ART

Another Outrage Committed in Royal Academy Gallery Today

[By Special Wire to The Courier] LONDON, May 4.—The portrait of Henry James, the novelist, by John Singer Sargent, the American artist, hanging in one of the galleries of the Royal Academy was virtually ruined this afternoon by a suffragette.

The woman who committed the outrage gave her name as Mrs. Wood. She belongs to the group of militants called "the wild women." Armed with a butcher's cleaver, Mrs. Wood approached the painting in a casual manner. Opportunity offering she suddenly dashed forward, produced the cleaver from under her cloak and was successful in slashing it a number of times before bystanders seized and stopped her.

Mrs. Wood was accompanied by a man who attempted to impede those persons who restrained her. Spectators of the incident turned on him and gave him a good beating with their fists. When the police appeared on the scene Mrs. Wood was handed over to them.

The Academy was opened to the public to-day. The picture damaged by Mrs. Wood was considered one of Sargent's masterpieces, and it was one of the most prominent canvases at the exhibition. It is badly gashed in three places, one of the marts of the cleaver being through the face.

Gambling On False Report In Case of Siberia Ship—World Control Over Wireless

[By Special Wire to The Courier] MONTREAL, May 4.—A cable to The Gazette from London says:

The necessity of further international control over wireless telegraphy has been emphasized, according to views of London underwriters, by the story of the Steamer Siberia. Various instances, beginning with the famous message of Titanic in tow are cited of shipowners and underwriters having been misled by mysterious signals. Some, on investigation, have been found to be due to genuine mistakes, but the case of the Siberia is considered here as falling in a different category. It has been asked whether any gambling took place in far eastern quarter on the false reports circulated.

A London ship insurance expert said Saturday:

There is no question of anybody in London receiving special information. The telegrams which came were common to everybody. Underwriters who had the Siberia on their books reinsured at any price to cover their apparent risks. How is it clear that anybody in Japan could have sent out false news for his own purpose? No orders? No orders went to Lloyds from Japan about the insurance of the ship."

BITTER MESSAGES WASHINGTON, May 4.—Constitutionalists and Huertista leaders at Manzanillo, Mexico, have been exchanging very bitter messages according to a report to the navy department to-day from Rear Admiral Howard, who has read several of the letters. Admiral Howard said all was quiet at Manzanillo. He made no mention of the reported blowing up of the Mexican liner Luella.

Conservative Association of the South Riding of Brant

A meeting of the Conservatives of the South Riding of Brant will be held at Conservative headquarters, corner of Dalhousie and King Streets, in the City of Brantford, on Thursday, May 21st, 1914, at 8 p.m., for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the Provincial Legislature of the Province of Ontario.

All Conservatives invited. Only those will be entitled to vote who are duly elected delegates.

W. M. CHARLTON, President. GOD SAVE THE KING