

## WOMEN ABROAD

*Famous for youth, beauty and fashion.*



HALLIE ERMINIE RIVES

In the costume in which she attended the great Shakespeare Ball in London recently. The costume was made of white satin embroidered in a Veronese design in gold.



LADY VICTORIA PERY

Only daughter of the Countess of Limerick, whose presentation at Court was deferred because of her mother's illness. She was presented at the Court held in Dublin in July.



VISCOUNTESS CHELSEA

Wife of the heir to Lord Cadogan, one of London's greatest landlords. She was Miss Marie Coxon, and was married to Viscount Chelsea on June 7th last.

## CLUB WOMEN OF ST. JOHN

By S. K. SMITH.

WOMEN in St. John occupy a prominent place in the affairs of the city of the Loyalists, are active in club life and are largely responsible for the carrying forward of many movements for the welfare of the people. Under the leadership of Mrs. E. A. Smith, president of the Women's Canadian Club, the sum of \$2,500 was raised practically in one day and put away as a nucleus of a fund for providing a home for advanced cases of tuberculosis. Thousands of children have spent happy hours in the public playgrounds, conducted in the summer months by a devoted committee of women, led by Miss Mabel Peters. There are several free kindergartens in the city where the tiny tots acquire the rudiments of education and whose presence at the school room saves many a tired mother anxious care. Auxiliaries of the Seamen's mission and Y. M. C. A. have done effective work in assisting to finance the construction of the two fine buildings recently erected by these institutions. The Daughters of the Empire, while the most youthful of the women's organizations in St. John, have already done valuable work in the encouragement of the Boy Scout movement and the Boy's Brigade. The King's Daughters have long been established in St. John and their guild has always been a comfortable and homelike residence for the limited number of girls who avail themselves of the privileges.

MRS. E. A. SMITH

After much agitation, the Local Council of Women has secured the assurance of a juvenile court and a patrol wagon for the use of the police. In a social way the Women's Canadian Club looms large. The officers and members are called upon to assist the men's organization in the entertainment of distinguished visitors, while the ladies are also quite ready to co-operate in the observance

of national holidays and important events in the city's history. The club was organized in 1908, with Lady Tilley as the first president. Illness and bereavement in her family prevented Lady Tilley from taking any active part for a long period, and her duties were discharged by Mrs. E. A. Smith, the first vice-president, in an admirable manner. When Lady Tilley retired, in 1910, Mrs. Smith was her logical successor.

The Woman's Canadian Club is fortunate indeed in having as its president a woman of the fine patriotic spirit, the high attainments, the eloquence and the organizing ability of Mrs. Smith. Few Canadian women have a finer opportunity for social and patriotic service, and certainly none are more devoted. Mrs. Smith has set in motion and successfully directed many philanthropic enterprises, and her time and energy are always taxed on behalf of good works, both public and private. A writer, with an admirable style of expression, she might have pursued a literary career, while as a public speaker she readily commands and holds the attention of the most cultivated audiences.

Indeed, it is the platform ability of the president which has brought the club forward as a great factor in any patriotic movement. Gifted with much natural talent and specially trained in this direction, Mrs. Smith possesses the rare gift of perfect articulation, and with a commanding appearance is perfectly at home on the rostrum. Outside of her club work, her services as a lecturer are greatly in demand, although she has made it a rule to speak only for charity. She has been a great traveller in Europe and America, and, being a keen observer, as well as a charming raconteur, her travel talks are very interesting, and she has realized thousands of dollars for charity in this way.

While Mrs. Smith gives a great deal of time to the activities of the Women's Canadian Club, her interests are by no means confined to this one organization. She is a member of the Public Library Commission, a governor of the Boy's Industrial Home, and a very active

member of the executive of the local anti-tuberculosis association. She holds life membership in the Seamen's Mission, and the Women's Missionary Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, and is a director of the local branch of the Canadian Needlework Guild. She also is identified with the work of the Associated Charities, and with the Local Council of Women. Mrs. Smith is an enthusiastic golfer and curler, a winner of many trophies, and has also enjoyed the delight of the angler's art on the far-famed pools in her native county of Restigouche.

In this sketch of woman's club life in St. John, there should not be omitted an appreciation of the faithful service rendered by Mrs. D. McLellan, as president of the Local Council of Women for several years. Mrs. McLellan made an excellent presiding officer and whenever she appeared before public bodies as a representative of the Council she was unvaryingly received with the greatest respect. She was succeeded by Mrs. Thomas H. Bullock, wife of the ex-mayor, one of the younger women in club life, and who has been very prominent in the work of temperance and moral reform. Mrs. Bullock is a woman of great ability, who has given much assistance to her husband in his civic career, and whose grasp on public affairs is proving of great value to the council.

ONE of the most important items in the catalogues of any Humane Society is the prevention of the sale of aigrettes, to procure which means such cruelty to the beautiful birds. Recently eight colonies of white herons and American egrets have been located, by the Association of Audubon Societies, who have placed guards over them to prevent extermination. Mrs. Russell Sage gave \$5,000 recently for teaching bird lore in the schools of the South.



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