

20 'FARMERETTES' DON HAREM SKIRTS

Mrs. Belmont's Proteses Are Ready for Feminine Agricultural Experiment.

ALARM WAKES AT 6 A. M.

Philanthropist With Working Girls in Tow Reaches Hampstead and Starts In to Teach Them How to Operate Farm.

MINEOLA, L. I., March 4.—(Special.)—Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont's "farmerettes," who are to make the Blackfoot estate blossom and produce like the Vale of Kashmir without the help of mere men, got down to "brass tacks" today. Fourteen of them, all from the Borough of Manhattan, came down to Hempstead with heavy high and dress-suit cases filled with farm clothes.

These farm clothes are a very important feature of Mrs. Belmont's farm project for "farmerettes." Mrs. Belmont designed them herself.

As soon as the 14 new "farmerettes" joined six others at their new headquarters, making 20 "farmerettes" in all, they unpacked their dress-suit cases and got right into their farm togs.

Each wore a wide-brimmed slouch hat, blue blouse, full but chic, with comfortable sleeves, not too much puffed at shoulders to be absolutely out of style, but nevertheless qualifying with modish suggestiveness.

The skirts are so near the "harem" as to be well adapted to bedding down, crows and to the picking of bugs from potato vines.

Twenty of the pioneers got to work today learning just how a farmhouse should be run. The six who got there first heard the alarm clock sound at 6 A. M. When the 14 others, who were met at the station by Mrs. Belmont, were driven to the farmhouse in farm wagons (not automobiles), work was taken up immediately.

Mrs. Belmont opened up the future. She told them it is her purpose to purchase 200 additional acres adjoining the 150 of Brookholt and that she intended to block out those expensive acres into nice small farms for "farmerettes."

Mrs. Belmont is nothing if not consistent. It is said that she will wear the real "farmerette" get-up, divided skirts, slouch hat and all.

CHANGES IN BALLOT MADE

California Legislature Limits Its Length to 24 Inches.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 4.—The Senate concurred in Assembly amendments to the Boynton Australian ballot bill today. The measure now goes to the Governor.

Under the bill as it stands, the party circle is eliminated, the politics of each candidate being indicated on the ballot directly after the name, except candidates for the judiciary, and for any school position.

Rotation of names is provided for in elections involving more than one Assembly district, except in the case of State Senators. In elections limited to one Assembly district or less the names of the candidates appear in alphabetical order and do not rotate.

Provision also is made for the printing on the ballot of names of the candidate of each party for United States Senator, who received the highest number of votes at the primary election. The length of the ballot is limited to 24 inches.

TRIP MAY BE ABANDONED

Accident to Liner Minnesota May Prevent Chicagoans' Junket.

CHICAGO, March 4.—Plans of 16 members of the Chicago Association of Commerce and a number of guests for a three month trip to the Orient will be abandoned if a report of a mishap to the machinery of the steamship Minnesota proves well founded.

Cable dispatches from Yokohama yesterday said that the ship of the Great Northern Line was damaged back to the port with a patched shaft, traveling nine knots an hour.

The Minnesota is the only ship sailing out of Seattle, which accounts for the large party of 200 Chicagoans, who have made bookings for the Oriental trip. The party was to leave Seattle March 12.

EXECUTIONS TO BE SECRET

Many Leading Men Among 45 Condemned Nicaraguans.

NEW ORLEANS, La., March 4.—The 45 members of the Liberal party in Nicaragua who have been condemned to death for participating in the plot to assassinate President Estrada and overthrow the government include many men prominent in Nicaraguan affairs during the Zelaya administration. Mail advices received here yesterday show that the men are confined in various penitentiaries in Nicaragua.

The date of execution is secret. Dr. Rudolph Espinosa is accused of being the leader in the plot, and director of the recent destruction of ammunition barracks at Managua.

Many under sentence of death are Masons, and the Masonic Grand Lodge at San Jose, Costa Rica, is using every means to prevent the executions.

PUGILIST IS ARRESTED

Death of Opponent Leads to Manslaughter Charge.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Following the death of Angelo Venturini, a pugilist, in Newark, N. J., today of injuries which, it is alleged, he received in a four-round boxing bout, a charge of manslaughter has been placed against William Kennedy, his opponent.

Kennedy was locked up with two companions of the dead pugilist who are charged with having aided and abetted the fight.

WINTER WORST IN YEARS

Umatilla County Badly Hit by Heavy Fall of Snow.

PENDLETON, Or., March 4.—(Special.)—From the mountainous sections of Umatilla County come reports of the worst winter experienced there in several years. At the Moote place, one of the best-known stock ranches in the Camas prairie section, a temperature of 25 degrees below zero was recorded a few nights ago, while at Albion, Ukiah and other points in the south end of the county temperatures of 14 to 22 degrees below were common for several nights.

The snowfall varied greatly. In Shippey Valley the ground is covered to a depth of more than three feet, while in other sections of the prairie country there is less than half that amount of snow.

The storms of the past few days seem to have been unusually severe from one end of the Blue Mountains to the other and the snow is now lying from four to eight feet deep on the level. A sudden chinook or warm rain would do small in mountain water and probable damage.

So far there has been no loss of livestock in Umatilla County and none is expected, as the winter weather must surely end soon, while the quantity of feed on hand is sufficient to last for several weeks. This is due to the fact that more hay was put up last season than

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usual and to the further fact that the winter for the most part has been a very open one.

FIELD ESTATE INVOLVED

WILL GRANDSON OF MARSHALL FIELD BE EDUCATED HERE?

Mother of Two Boys and Her English Husband Refuse to Talk of Rumored Disagreement.

CHICAGO, March 4.—(Special.)—Mrs. Marshall Field, formerly Mrs. Marshall Field, Jr., and her English husband, who are stopping at the Blackstone Hotel, today declined to discuss stories cabled from England to the effect that they were here to settle an issue affecting the education of Mrs. Drummond's two sons by her first marriage, Marshall Field III, and Henry Field, who are now at Eton.

The disposition of the great estate left by Marshall Field, to the children of his late son, Marshall Field, Jr., is derided to be involved in a disagreement between Mrs. Drummond and the trustees as to the propriety of educating the grandsons of Marshall Field in English colleges.

A clause in the will relating to the education of the children gives the executors wide discretion, but Arthur B. Jones, one of the trustees and a close personal friend of Mrs. Drummond, denied that there was any intention of exercising an arbitrary influence in the matter.

"There is nothing in the will that makes it obligatory upon Mrs. Drummond to give her children an American education," said Mr. Jones, "and it is probable that the late Marshall Field would have preferred that his grandchildren should be educated in America, but the executors have not attempted to coerce Mrs. Drummond in the matter."

LIBERAL PEERS' LEADER ILL

Earl of Crewe Suddenly Stricken, Party Left in Lurch.

LONDON, March 4.—The Earl of Crewe, government leader in the House of Lords and Secretary of State for India, was removed in an automobile ambulance this morning from a hotel to the home in Berkshire of the Duke of Devonshire, father, the Earl of Rosebery, following a sudden and serious illness.

The Earl was one of a dinner party at the hotel last night, when he was seized with what is described as "a gastritis" followed by convulsion of the brain. It will be at least two months before he will be able to resume his leadership in the upper chamber or the duties of the Indian Office. His place will be assumed temporarily by Viscount Morley, Lord President of the Council and ex-Secretary of State for India.

COREY GOES TO FRANCE

Former Head of Steel Corporation Says He Will Return.

NEW YORK, March 4.—William Elmer Corey, ex-president of the United Steel Corporation, left New York today on the Oceanic to join his wife at their chateau near Paris.

He said he would be away until July and that neither he nor Mrs. Corey had the slightest intention of abandoning America for a permanent residence in Europe.

Mob Seeks Bones as Souvenirs.

NEW YORK, March 4.—A crowd of nearly 200 souvenir hunters struggled with a small force of police late yesterday in a wild effort to get human bones which were unearthed by workmen on the site of the Furysteth Methodist Episcopal Church, which is the second oldest of its denomination in New York. The report that laborers had uncovered scores of skeletons in the ancient burying ground about the church spread through the lower East Side and people swarmed there out of morbid curiosity. Five big barrels had been filled with the bones and so eager were men and women to get a bone that they rushed a squad of officers down a 60-foot embankment.

Endeavor to Have Sanitary Service.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Ecuador is to have a sanitary service, and has called on this Government for assistance in organizing it. Dr. H. B. Parker, of the Marine Hospital Service, has been detailed to go to Ecuador for the work.

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Medium, light and dark effects to suit the fancy of individual tastes—many exclusive productions which are shown only here. Anticipate your Spring and Summer Silk needs and purchase while showing is complete.

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The Most in Value, The Best in Quality

Priestley's Black Fabrics at \$1.00-\$1.50 Yard

These celebrated fabrics are shown here in all the new weaves. They are without doubt the finest black materials on the market at these prices. Every yard is perfectly woven and absolutely spot and acid-proof.

Phenomenal Gathering of Specials in New Spring Merchandise

An advance Spring showing of new things for both the home and person. This is always an important event at this store, for it is something more than a showing of the new style tendencies in every phase of Women's Wear, and the assortments are large enough and the varieties broad enough to satisfy every early demand. It is an interesting occasion for every dress-particular woman. You will enjoy it. We want you to come and pass judgment on our displays—to acquaint yourself with our qualities, our styles and our prices. You will be cordially welcomed if you come—to look around—and we know that you will recognize these offerings as out-of-the-ordinary values.

Beautiful Silks Make Their First Bow

A Silk Department as pleasant to visit as a picture gallery invites you to pass fair judgment on its Spring display. While the old familiar weaves are here yet, under new color and shade combinations in artistic patterns, they bid for equal favor with the more novel effects.

New Persian and Printed Warp Novelty Silks at 75c, 85c, \$1.00 Yard

The height of artistic beauty is revealed in these Silks—19-inch Louisines, Taffetas and Messalines, shown in an endless assortment of the new gunmetal fancies; also full-width Novelty Persians, Printed Warp Louisines and Taffetas, shown in jacquard over designs in rich colorings—Silks of standard qualities yet low in prices.

New Pongee Silks At 75c, \$1.00 Yard

Our own direct importation—36-inch Rough Pongee Silks in natural color, warranted all pure silk and spot-proof, unusual value at one dollar a yard. Also 27-inch Rough Tokio Pongees of splendid weight and brilliant finish; comes in natural color and in the new shades of blue, brown, green, gray, navy, copenhagen, black, etc. A Silk that cannot be equaled in quality at seventy-five cents a yard.

Genuine Amora Silks In \$1.50 quality, now 98c on sale at

One of the most important offerings in this opening sale of New Silk consists of several hundred yards of 27-inch Genuine Amora Silks, which we secured at less than regular mill price—fine extra heavy double-warp Silks shown in plain colors and attractive changeable shades—Silks that are warranted not to cut, slip or break and are extremely desirable for Spring and Summer wear, are now on sale at a bargain price—ninety-eight cents a yard.

Cream Colored Fabrics \$1

Every Spring and Summer need has been anticipated in this exceptionally fine display of Cream Colored Fabric. Every desirable new weave is here in weights to suit all purposes. Fine pure wool materials of unmatched quality at one dollar a yard.

46-inch Ocean Serges

50-inch Cheviot Weaves

44-inch Knebulah Mohair

44-inch Crepe Weaves

44-inch Bedford Cords

46-inch French Serges

45-inch Silk Luster

45-inch French Batiste

All in cream color and \$1.00 a yard.



An Attractive Spring Display of Women's Ready-to-Wear Garments At Popular Prices

Come and profit to the fullest extent by an early selection.

Women's Suits \$12.50 to \$25.00 Long Coats \$10.50 to \$25.00

We are showing an unequalled variety of Women's Suits which are unexcelled in fit and finish. Workmanship is of the highest class and prices are the most reasonable. Now is the time to look these beautiful garments over while the assortment is so complete. Coats are shown with shawl, sailor or notch collar and Skirts are made in several pretty styles.

Silk Dresses \$10.50, \$12.50 to \$25.00

Never before have we shown such a variety of Silk Dresses. They are made of excellent quality taffeta, messaline, pongee and foulards, and come in a wide range of styles and colors. They are really marvels of beauty. Workmanship is of the very best and prices very reasonable.

Children's Dresses at Latest Silk Waists at 65c to \$3.90 \$2.50, \$3.50 to \$8.50

An extraordinary showing of Children's New Spring Dresses, made of excellent quality gingham, percale, galatea, poplin and chambray, in pretty plaids, checks and stripes, also plain colors. All sizes from 2 to 15. A large variety of styles to choose from.



Annual Spring Sale of Fine Lace Curtains

Good News for Those Who Have in Mind the Beautifying Their Homes

If a certain room would look more complete and cozy with new Curtains, now's your opportunity to buy them without paying out much money. Included in these special items are many of the very latest patterns and styles appropriate for any and every room in the house—bedroom, dining-room, library, parlor or hall. Three lots to choose from—each at a bargain price.

LOT No. 1 at \$1.90 Pair LOT No. 2 at \$2.25 Pair

At this price you have choice from an unsurpassed showing of Fine Net and Scrim Curtains in white, cream and Arabian colors. They come in an unlimited variety of pretty styles—hemstitched, with braided edge and trimming. They come from 36 to 40 inches wide and 2½ yards long. All are fresh, clean and new.

Lot No. 3 at \$3.00 a Pair

Fine high-grade Bobbinet Curtains in both white and Arabian colors, shown in twelve different styles, dainty, new and attractive. They come in the Cluny Lace edge and insertion and with Bonaz Braid edge and trimming. They come from 38 to 42 inches wide and 2½ and 3 yards long and are the very best values we have ever shown at this price.



A Great Closing-Out Sale of Our Men's Felt Hats Below Cost, While They Last

The Celebrated Church II and Robros Hats for Men, Shown in All Styles in Black, Brown, Tan and Gray. \$1.59 Values to \$5.00, Special at

The unprecedented growth of our Men's Furnishing Department and our desire to devote more room to this section compels us to immediately close out our entire stock of Men's Hats regardless of real worth or cost. Again, tomorrow, we place them on sale at a ridiculously low price. The assortment includes all the new and best styles in both stiff and soft shapes, in colors black, gray, tan and brown. All sizes in regular \$2.50, \$3.50 to \$5 values. While they last, special... \$1.59

Men's Underwear 50c Values at 39c

An extra special offering of Men's Jersey-Ribbed Shirts and Drawers, shown in ecru color and in all sizes. Very best 50c grade, on sale tomorrow at, per garment... 39c