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MILLIONS FOR JEWELRY.

The president of a New York trust company who maintains especially intimate relations with the jewelry trade, estimates that the amount spent last year in the Maiden Lane district of that city for precious stones, gold ornaments, gold and silver plated wares and optical goods aggregated \$180,000,000. This covers only the city of New York. No figures are available for Philadelphia, Boston, Chicago and other large centres of population wealth and industry. It furnishes, however, a salient example of the "orgy of spending" in America, which reached its peak in the holiday season of 1919.

Jewelry, as a rule, is by no means an improvident investment. The \$180,000,000 spent in Maiden Lane for precious stones may be regarded as wealth in a conveniently portable form. It can be readily converted into money. Experience has shown that there is relatively little risk of depreciation in the value of diamonds or the rarer gems, though pearls are liable to lose their lustre by becoming "sick" and suffer deterioration through lapse of time. Gold and silver ornaments, and plate, while subject to fluctuations in their monetary value through changes of taste, are currently marketable at all times.

Thus the classes of luxuries vended in Maiden Lane, and its corresponding districts in Philadelphia and other large cities, are less perishable than many other forms of luxury, which tempted our nation of spenders in the period of unprecedented flushness. One serious disadvantage to investments in jewelry is obvious in the many robberies of diamonds and other precious stones in the past two years. There have been sensational thefts in Philadelphia, New York and other big cities as well as in suburban residences or country homes like that of Enrico Caruso. Such great value in small compass is most tempting to the predatory gangs that flourish all over the country, and not here alone, but in Europe.

An odd illustration of the relationship between the jewelry trade and feminine fashions in wearing apparel is found in the disclosure of a trade secret of style experts. The short sleeves in gowns this year created a highly remunerative demand for bracelets and other arm ornaments. Consequently there is tremendous pressure being brought to bear on the arbiters of fashion to make still more prevalent the vogue of the short sleeve.

The fair damsel, bride or young matron who is conscious of a beautifully rounded forearm, is not averse from bowing it off to the best advantage with the aid of the jeweler's cunning adornment. Her less fortunate sister woman resorts to the bracelet or armlet for the purpose of diverting attention from curves that are not so graceful and beauteous. This is an influence of fashion on trade, which could scarcely have been foreseen.

CANADA AND THE LEAGUE.

Sir George E. Foster one of the delegates attending the meeting of the League of Nations at Geneva has given out a statement protesting Article X of the covenant as guaranteeing the status quo, but saying that Canada was willing if the proposal was considered with the other amendment. The statement says:

"Canada's action is unrelated to whatever attitude any other nation may take on Article X. Canada's attitude is exactly the same as that of its delegates at the peace conference, where Sir Robert Borden submitted to the league commission a memorandum to the effect that this article ought to be stricken out.

The parliament at Ottawa is approving the principles underlying the covenant in April, 1919, made the same reservation.

"It also proposed other amendments one of which reserved the right of each nation to regulate and control the character of its population by the restriction of immigration. Another stipulated that nothing in the covenant could interfere in any way with Canada's complete economic independence.

"Since other amendments are to be considered, Canada asks that this amendment receive consideration at the same time."

TRYING FOR PEACE.

The Rev. Michael O'Flanagan, acting president of the Sinn Fein, has sent the following telegram to Premier Lloyd George:

"You state that you are willing to make peace at once, without waiting for Christmas. Ireland also is willing. What first step do you propose?"

A Christmas truce in Ireland was suggested by Roger N. Sweetman, a Sinn Fein Member of Parliament, who recently urged that advantage be taken of the labor commission's visit to Ireland to bring about a conference between the commission and the Irish Labor party, the Irish peace conference and the Catholic hierarchy to enlist all moderate opinion in Ireland in support of Cardinal Logue's appeal for "a truce for God."

It is regarded as certain that Premier Lloyd George has not given up his hopes of settling the Irish question himself, and it is thought that he will renew his efforts to negotiate a truce before Christmas.

The St. John Standard is doing its level best to make political capital out of the fact that Hon. Mr. Veniot presided at Lindsay Crawford's meeting in this city. It presumes that Hon. Mr. Veniot sympathizes with Mr. Crawford's views and propaganda. The same may be said of Mr. Miles E. Agar, a prominent St. John Conservative and former director of the Standard, who presided at Mr. Crawford's St. John meeting. Then what about Mr. J. Ben Hachey ex-M.P.P. an opposition candidate in the recent provincial election? He certainly differs with Hon. Mr. Veniot in politics, yet he was on the platform at Mr. Crawford's Bathurst meeting. The Standard in its feverish anxiety to make political capital against a political opponent should not overlook the facts. Before venting its spite on Hon. Mr. Veniot, it should repudiate Mr. Egar and Mr. Hachey.

Mrs. W. S. Moffatt, of Chicago, is cursing prohibition, but in ladylike words. Her troubles are an armful. Some women preserve peaches and pears, but in her beautiful home Mrs. Moffatt preserved spiders. For 10 years she has been collecting spiders. They have come from Java, Japan, Central America and tarantula land. Now she wants 2,600 ounces of alcohol to pickle her pets. The old alcohol has evaporated. She cannot get the fluid because of the law, and her collection is going to decay. "Think of it," she said, "the injustice of it. Just because the Government is afraid some dipsomaniac will put alcohol in his grape juice, I am denied the drug for scientific purposes. "The Government allows the use of denatured alcohol in seven different ways, three of which seemed to have possibilities. I tried, but they would not do."

Mrs. Terance McSweeney widow of the late Lord Mayor of Cork, arrived in New York last week to give testimony before the committee of one hundred. Soon after her arrival she met and conferred with DeValera president of the so-called Irish Republic.

It is said that Senator Harding, who is now in Washington has decided not to go to the White House to confer with President Wilson unless he gets a special invitation to do so.

It is reported that Hon. Winston Spencer Churchill now secretary for war is to succeed Baron Chelmsford as Viceroy of India.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Men are born free but women are the slaves of fashion.

Some men would rather look ridiculous than do without a derby.

Scientists say "kissing isn't good for you." But we have yet to hear anybody say: "Kissing isn't good for me."

Lima Beane says the fellow who is free to say he doesn't know it all is pretty sure to learn something every day.

Shins are becoming such common sights that a girl has to wear a pair of her brother's pink sleeveholders on them to attract any attention.

Often when a girl possesses neither brains nor beauty she wears a fur coat to deflect the attention of her acquaintances from her faults.

Should your best girl decline or partake of ice cream at your expense, after you have dropped a mild hint pertaining to the scarcity of the almighty dollar—that is love.

"Standing pat on the theory that our town is no worse than some other town," remarked the Man on the Car, "is one way to let our town grow worse and more of it."

Even if there is a turkey shortage the man who has become experienced hunting fuel during numerous coal shortages ought to be able to find a turkey.

TAKE CARE OF THAT COUGH

Some people get a nasty cough and don't pay much attention to it, saying, "Oh, it will wear away in a short time" but while it may wear off, serious injury may have been done to the lungs and respiratory organs by the prolonged, harsh, racking coughing.

On the first sign of a cough or cold get a bottle of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. It will stop that nasty, troublesome cough, ease the tightness across the chest and loosen the phlegm.

Mrs. Wm. Earnshaw, Apsley, Ont., writes: "Last winter I caught a bad cold, had a sore throat and a terrible hacking cough that I could not get rid of. I could not sleep at night. I tried quite a few remedies, but they did not do me much good until I got Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. By the time I had taken two bottles, my cough was all gone. I feel that "Dr. Wood's" has no equal."

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ATTRACTIONS AT THEATRES

The mid week play at the Opera House is "The Dark Mirror" with Dorothy Dalton the featured player.

Miss Dalton has the role of Priscilla Maine, a society girl, who convalesces to her admirer a Dr. Fosdick, the dreams of a peculiar kind that have been troubling her. In them she figures as a belle of the underworld and is involved in a thrilling adventure. Subsequently the dreams come true and the result is a story of thrills and adventure.

The play at the Gaiety is "Held in Trust" with May Allison as the star. May Allison has a new type of story in "Held in Trust". She is shown as a shop-girl, Mary Manchester who has nothing beyond her own work to brighten her days. A woman whom she resembles greatly lies dying in a wealthy home. When she dies an immense trust fund will slip away from her husband and his partner. These men, discovering Mary ask her to take the woman's place. The woman dies and Mary goes to live in the mansion to impersonate the dead woman. Then a young bacteriologist appears, suspects Mary, and sets a trap. Of course love gets mixed up in the plot and everything pans out nicely.

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BIG ICEBERG IS SIGHTED

Boston, Dec. 7.—An iceberg that towered 180 feet above the sea and resembled a cathedral spire was sighted off Cape Race in the west-bound transatlantic steamer lane by the Swedish ship Gustavsholm which reached port here from Rotterdam today.

The big berg was said by officers of the ship to be fully half a mile long. In its wake was a smaller mountain of ice. The companion bergs had apparently been sighted by other vessels as three wireless reports of their presence were made within a few hours. Hydrographic officials calculated the berg probably was 1,440 feet under water and 1,620 feet from the bottom to the tip.

TORPID LIVER FOR OVER 4 MONTHS

The duty of the liver is to prepare and secrete bile and serve as a filter to the blood, cleansing it of all impurities and poisons.

When the liver becomes lax, slow or torpid it is not working properly, and does not supply sufficiently bile to thoroughly act on the bowels and carry off the waste products of the system, hence the bowels become clogged up, the bile gets into the blood, constipation sets in and liver troubles follow.

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AT THE GAIETY

WEDNESDAY—THURSDAY

MAY ALLISON

— IN —

"HELD IN TRUST"

By Geo. Kibbe Turner.

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