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OF INTEREST TO THE WOMEN

RUSSIAN BOOTS FAIL TO ATTRACT PARIS.

Paris—The chic Parisienne de-
clares that she will be no Puss in
Boots this year—or any other year—
in spite of what London women do.

News from across the channel
says that the Russian boot vogue
has taken the English women by
storm, but it will have to take on
some new tricks if it intends to
capture the little French woman. So
far, she has looked askance at them
and what she says is not at all
unreasonable.

Why spend a little fortune on fine
silk hosiery if one then goes ahead
and covers it up? And, then, too,
she believes and perhaps rightly
that pretty feet and ankles were
meant to be seen as all articles of
artistic value. Skirts had to go up
to show off the pretty feet when
the complaints of the women be-
came too formidable and no one
wants to hear that they are growing
long again.

Tricked out in high French heels
the Russian boots might find a few
adherents among the women whose
legs might stand a bit of covering
up, but it is more than likely they
will have no more success than the
campus galoshes which are some-
times brave enough to appear on
the boulevards—but on American
feet, of course.

Little handkerchief ties made of
wispy bits of chiffon or crepe are
the very latest things to keep to-
gether the fashionable afternoon
shoe. A very smart pair comes in
pencil blue suede worked like croc-
odile leather and another pair has a
black patent leather toe and light
gray or beige leather toe and are
very effective. Blond chevreau
which was very smart all the sum-
mer is still very popular in spite of
bad winter weather.

WOOLEN COATS FOR DRESS.

Interesting models for daytime
wear of imported woollen materials
show the clever use of woven bor-
ders in straight line and flared ef-
fects. An attractive coat of tweed
shows the subtle side flare and cross
wise insets of self material for
its only trimming, while a model on
softer lines has trimmings of seamed
bands.

OATMEAL HERMITS.

Two cups oatmeal, 1-2 cup short-
ening, 1 cup sugar, 2 eggs, 1 cup
seedless raisins, 1-2 cup milk, 1-2
cups flour, 2 tsp. baking powder,
1-2 tsp. salt, 1-2 tsp. cinnamon.
Work the shortening to a soft cream
and gradually add the sugar. Then
beat in the eggs, add the milk, oats
and the raisins. Mix and sift the
flour, salt, cinnamon and baking
powder and add to the oatmeal mix-
ture. Drop from a tsp. onto a well
greased baking pan and bake in a
hot oven—400 degrees—for 15 min-
utes. Recipe makes about 3 dozen
cookies.

POTATO MUFFIN.

Cream two teaspoonfuls of butter
and add two tablespoonfuls of
syrup. Add one egg which has been
well beaten, then one cupful of
mashed potato and mix thoroughly.
Sift together one cupful of cornmeal,
one cupful of barley flour, four tea-
spoonfuls of baking powder, and one
teaspoonful of salt, then add them
and two-thirds cupful of milk alter-
nately to the mixture. Bake the muf-
fins in greased pans for about 30
minutes.

TO JULIA.

My Julia doesn't go in silks;
Her hose are not the holeproof kind;
She doesn't drink or smoke or chew,
But still she suits my state of mind.
She's not an artist with the rouge,
She hasn't any line, you'll find;
They tell me that she's out of date—
But still she suits my state of mind.

"What's your name, little boy?"
"I dunno. All de neighbors call's
me different things."

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THE MARITIMES ASK SUPPORT FOR TRAFFIC THROUGH CANADA

Mr. W. E. McMullen, city writes
as follows to the Toronto Globe:

The letter of A. A. Wright on win-
ter grain rates to Canadian ports, in
your issue of Dec. 28, will have a
pathetic or, shall I say, an irritating
interest to the people of these East-
ern Maritime Provinces. Mr. Wright
proves mathematically that, rather
than compel all Canadian grain to
be shipped by Canadian ports, it
would be better for the people of
Canada to dip down into their pocket-
ets and pay the ports of St. John,
New Brunswick, and Halifax, Nova
Scotia, in cold cash some \$310,000,
representing Maritime profits, in or-
der to save a loss of some millions by
attempting to ship through our ports.
I won't attempt to review the figures
but would remark that I also have
proved mathematically but not satis-
factorily, that 2 equals 1.

So far as these Provinces are con-
cerned there is nothing constructive
or helpful in that letter. It is simply a
warning to Western Canada to ship
nothing through our ports during the
winter months, or, in other words,
"Don't use these ports at all. It costs
too much." Let me say at the outset,
that the sooner we regard Canada
from Atlantic to Pacific with a com-
mon interest, the better it will be for
our common country.

In considering this transportation
problem, like the mathematical result
I have just referred to, one must look
carefully to see if all the facts affect-
ing that result have been brought into
the case.

It may as well at once be admitted
that you cannot transport grain from
the West and ship from the ports of
St. John or Halifax as cheaply as that
grain could be shipped from New
York. I don't think anybody questions
that. I might remark at the same time
that there are farmers who bring
their produce twenty or thirty miles
into Fredericton and sell it at exactly
the same price that farmers get who
live only five miles out. It is hard on
the farmers who live far away. It
costs them more in labor to market
their stuff, but they don't go out of
business for that reason. They encour-
age better roads and motor trucks.

The next fact is that there is an im-
aginary but very real line stretching
across this continent, and that north
of that is one country with her own
interests, and south of that is an-
other country with similar interests.
The interests of each country are par-
amount, north or south of that line as
the case may be, and woe betide the
country which does not look keenly
after its own interests first. Failure
to do that will mean national loss,
the end of which who can tell?

The third fact is Confederation, and
three great railways terminating in
these Provinces. The Maritimes were
not by any means unanimous in desir-
ing Confederation. There were many
who thought it a mistake. Some still
think so, but with this I have no
sympathy, nor do I think have the
great majority of Maritime Province
people. But there were inducements
offered the people of these Provinces
to come into Confederation and a
promise that the Intercolonial should
be built linking up the West with the
East. This was done, not to make our
maps look pretty, but that goods
should be carried over that railway.
The more the better so far as costs
are concerned.

Then came the Canadian Pacific
Railway to St. John, and although
this road is run for profit and makes
profits it has for many years consist-
ently and patriotically made its win-
ter terminus at St. John. Finally came
the Transcontinental, politically en-
gineered, and crossing New Brunswick
in a sparsely settled zone where no
railway was needed for local require-
ments, where, on account of the tim-
bered land, the fire hazard was in-
creased, and when a road down the
St. John Valley was badly wanted.
There was only one possible reason
for it all, and that was to make an
Eastern winter terminus for the Na-
tional Railway.

What does Mr. Wright think it best
to do? To scrap these railways be-
cause you can haul goods cheaper
over a foreign railway? Let me tell
Mr. Wright that for many years these
Provinces by the sea have been pour-
ing their heart's blood into the Repub-
lic to the south. We are educating our
young people, and before they can
serve their own country they flock
in thousands to a foreign country and
become assimilated. They are lost to
Canada forever. The reasons are plain
—easier money, broader scope, the
accessibility of the New England
States and disconnection with the rest
of Canada to the west. This business
of comparing costs of shipping grain

to New York with shipments to St.
John is not going to help Canada, and
that after all should be our principal
business. What if it does cost the
whole of Canada more to use her own
railways? Where does the extra cost
go? Certainly not out of the country.
It is used here in the payment of wag-
es, the purchase of Canadian coal and
rolling stock, and will indirectly help
these Provinces in many ways. As
partners in the great firm of Canada,
the Maritimes have a right to expect
the distribution of all profits and los-
ses over the whole from Pacific to
Atlantic.

MANY WOMEN IN OLD COUNTRY HAVE SMUGGLING FEVER

London, Jan. 13—With many Brit-
ons, particularly of the fair sex, suf-
fering from a smuggling complex,
Chancellor Churchill's customs sleuths
at Dover and Folkestone are kept busy
night and day trying to prevent duti-
able articles, principally silk, from
being brought in without paying the
required duties to the hard pressed
British Exchequer.

Ever since the inception of the new
silk and a comprehensive list of other
duties a few months ago, it is almost
a daily occurrence for persons of both
sexes to be fined in the Folkestone or
Dover courts, sometimes very heavily.
In trying to prevent the loss to the
British Treasury of many hundreds of
thousands of dollars, the customs
sleuths are asking for the full penalty
for offenders, which means double the
amount that the smuggled goods are
worth.

Some of the early offenders were
found to be wearing two or more sets
of silk underwear, two or three pairs
of silk stockings, and several man-
nkins were used to carry on a sort of
endless smuggling chain from Paris
and other Continental points.

By far the commonest smuggling
ruse has been to tuck silk stockings
into slippers or shoes in which trees
have been placed. Others have sewn
stockings into the linings of wraps
coat collars or furs. Fines of \$50 have
become common. Some of them have
exceeded \$1,000. The customs officials
say the law has got to be enforced to
the limit to put a kink in the smug-
gling wave. It is even contended that
a trade in "faked" invoices is being
carried on in Paris. The chief effect
of this new smuggling conspiracy will
be to cause tourists a lot of worry in
the new year. It has meant that the
good old days when seaskiff cross-
channel passengers could give a kind-
hearted customs man an appalling
look and get past to the train in a
hurry without a baggage bother is a
thing of the past.

There is still another angle to the
smuggling conspiracy which is giv-
ing the customs authorities lots to
think about. There is a very pro-
nounced illicit traffic in brandy from
the Continent. Much of it has come
to London by motor lorry, but a great
deal more has been consumed in small
coastal towns at very reduced prices.
Curtailed of the coast guard since
the war has made it easier for this
run row to be established off the
channel coastline than it would have
been previously.

San Francisco, Jan. 13—The weath-
er program in the far West and North-
west has become badly scrambled.

In California, where mild winters
are, as a rule, part of the allurements
to tourists and the stock boast of the
natives one of the coldest spells in
years prevails.

Fule-fogs cover large sections of the
interior and have been the cause of
several serious accidents at night be-
cause of poor visibility.

On the other hand, Alaska reports
the mildest weather in its history.
Dispatches from Nome today said
there is not enough snow for dog
races. Up in Alberta, where cold weath-
er is the rule for virtually six
months in the year, the people face an
ice famine. Dispatches from Leth-
bridge, Alberta, say the weather is
mild and rivers are running. One citi-
zen chased butterflies yesterday. Sev-
eral robins were seen and golf is go-
ing on as usual. Stock is running on
the ranges.

Records for 24 years fail to reveal
as long a warm spell as now prevails
in Alberta.

A water shortage is threatened in
central California because of the lack
of rain, although this is the rainy sea-
son.

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