

DANCES FOR THE DEBUTANTES PRESENT A SOCIAL PROBLEM

With One Hundred Young Women to Introduce Clashing of Dates Is Hard to Avoid—Outdoor Season Ends—The Autumn Weddings

WITH the final race meet at Piping Rock last Thursday the outdoor season came to an end so far as large gatherings are concerned. There will yet be the hunting, which will continue as long as the weather is favorable, and country houses will be kept open for weeks to come. Piping Rock had two superb days for the autumn races and it was the largest attendance in its history on Thursday, which being a holiday afforded plenty of leisure time for the men of business, who are not always able to get away from town for a mid-week event. The capacity of the well appointed clubhouse was tested at the luncheon hour, when more than 300 persons were served in the dining, as-

large private homes it seems to be expected that all the diners shall stay on for the dance to follow, which in a measure gives a sense of monotony, especially if there is another dance elsewhere the same night. Now that the custom of general dancing has superseded the cotillon, which at one time was considered absolutely necessary in society, considerable seat is added to a night when one can go from house to house for dancing.

According to the present outlook the first dance in town which will be of general interest to debutantes will be the Junior Assembly on the night of November 23 at Sherry's. The list of subscribers has already been given, but

been since the spring in Mount Kisco, have leased for the winter the home of Mrs. William Jay, in East Seventy-second street.

Mr. and Mrs. James Byrne, who had the De Koven house last year, will be for the winter at 18 East Seventy-ninth street. They passed the summer in North East Harbor. Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Manice and Miss Dorothy Manice, who went to Garden City from Narragansett Pier, are now at 100 East Sixty-fourth street for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. McDougall Hawkes, who returned from France on the Es-pagne last week, will be for part of the autumn at their villa in Darden, Conn. Mr. and Mrs. Augustus D. Shepard are yet at their camp in the Adirondacks and early next month they will go to Cedarhurst. L. I. Mr. and Mrs. William Pollock and Marshall J. Kernochan have returned to New York from Pittsford, where they have been since May. The Duchesse de Richelieu, whose husband is in the French army, will give a song recital for wounded and tubercular French soldiers on Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Charles Astor Bristol in Lenox and another on Saturday at the Green-brier, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

One of the largest country entertainments of the autumn was the dinner given on Monday night last by Mr. and Mrs. J. Rich Steers at Fairport, their country place in Port Chester, N. Y. The dinner was followed by dancing and among the guests were several who came from the neighboring country places and from New York. Some of those present were Mr. and Mrs. H. de Berkeley Parsons, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Harriman, Dr. and Mrs. John A. Hartwell, Mr. and Mrs. Richard T. Wainwright, Mr. and Mrs. George Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Coster Street, William C. Cammann and Miss Ethel Wickham.

In the Central Presbyterian Church, Montclair, N. J., on Tuesday, Miss Florence Board, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis A. Board, will be married to John C. Freeman of Montclair. Many relatives and friends will go from this city to attend the wedding ceremony, which will be followed by a reception at the home of the bride's parents.

A wedding in Virginia Hot Springs on Saturday of much interest here will be that of Miss Prudence Cleveland Sterry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Sterry of this city, to George Watson Hall Smith, son of Charles Morris Smith of Providence, L. I. It will be a large country wedding, for the season at the Springs is quite at its height and those who are passing the autumn at the resort will be joined by others who will go on from New York, especially for the wedding.

St. Luke's Church will be the scene of the ceremony and immediately afterward there will be a large reception at the Pillars, the country place of Mr. and Mrs. Sterry. The Rev. Dr. George Morgan Ward, rector of the Episcopal church at Palm Beach, Fla., will be the officiating clergyman.

Miss Sterry has chosen her younger sister, Miss Virginia Sterry, for her maid of honor, and the other attendants will be the Misses Cary Hackstaff, Marie Thayer, Esther Tierce, Josephine Wells and Margaret Dickson of this city, and Louise Wise of Wilmington, Del. Charles Morris Smith 3d, a brother of the bridegroom, will act as best man. The ushers will be William W. Smith, Gordon Reid of Providence, Lester Armour, Edward McVain, David Williamson, Jarvis Cromwell and Mather Cleveland.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterry will entertain the members of the party and some of the wedding guests at the Pillars over the week end.

Plans are being arranged for the wedding of Miss Margaret Draper, daughter of the late George F. Draper, to Prince Andrea Boncompagni of Rome, Italy, which will be celebrated at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. William F. Draper, 1705 K street, Washington, D. C., on October 25. Miss Draper came to New York from Washington last week accompanied by her mother and Prince Boncompagni.

Several entertainments have been arranged to be given for the bride-to-be and her fiance. The Russian Ambassador and Mme. Bakmeteff will give a dinner for them on October 23, and among others who will entertain for them will be Rear Admiral and Mrs. Richardson Clover, U. S. N., and the Italian Ambassador and Viscontessa di Cellere. Mrs. Draper will give a dinner for her daughter and the fiance the night before the wedding.

The wedding ceremony will be a simple one on account of the war conditions in Europe, and Cardinal Gibbons of Baltimore will officiate. Prince Boncompagni is on leave of absence from service in the war and shortly after the wedding ceremony he will return with his bride to Italy, where he will join his regiment.

Miss Dorothy Greer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Greer, will be among the first of the November brides. Her wedding to Robert C. Myles, Jr., a son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Myles, will be celebrated in one of the chapels of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine on the afternoon of November 8 instead of in St. Bartholomew's Church as was originally planned. On account of mourning in the bride's family only relatives and a few intimate friends will witness the wedding ceremony, which will be performed by Miss Greer's grandfather, Bishop David H. Greer.

Invitations have been received here for the wedding in Buffalo next month of Miss Alice Jordan Connors, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Connors, to Sherman John Sexton of this city. It will be celebrated in St. Joseph's Cathedral and will be followed by a large reception at the home



not all of them have daughters to introduce. Mrs. Edward Isham, whose name appears in the list, will chaperon her nieces, the Misses Knapp, daughters of Wallace Percy Knapp. Mrs. Lewis Thompson has a niece coming out, Miss Evelyn Preston, daughter of Ralph J. Preston, and Mrs. William A. Floyd-Jones will chaperon her niece, Miss Adelaide Wilmerding.

The night following the assembly there will be the first of a series of dinner dances at the Ritz-Carlton, and it will have, like the assembly, plenty of young men, who will be at home for the Thanksgiving holiday. Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Hall are giving a dance on Thanksgiving night at Sherry's for their daughter, Miss Geraldine Hall, and on December 3 there will be the first of the three Sherry dances, which now rank as the leading subscription dances.

There will be several dances on the night of December 15. Robert Perkins will give a large dance at Sherry's for his niece, Miss Mary L. Post, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Kintzing Post, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas N. McCarter have chosen that night for a dance to be given at Sherry's for their daughter, Miss Ellen McCarter. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney have been considering that date for a dance at their town house and there will be at the Ritz-Carlton on that night the first of a series of dinner dances organized by Mrs. John B. Alexander, Mrs. Brad- ish Johnson, Mrs. Frederick Foster

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Brooklyn's Greatest Store

ABRAHAM AND STRAUS

The Store Accommodating

The Abraham & Straus Private Subway Entrance at Hoyt Street is quickly reached by Brooklyn Express, as follows, from:
242nd St. (R'way) 21 min. 10th St. 25 min. Grand Central 17 min. Brooklyn Bridge 6 min.
180th St. (Brook) 48 min. 72d St. 25 min. 14th St. 12 min. Bowling Green 6 min.

Store Opens at 9 A. M. Closes at 6 P. M.

A Woman "From Missouri"

She was from Missouri, in the literal sense of the term.—
St. Louis.
She was visiting in New York—and shopping, of course.
We mentioned, casually, that she might be interested in visiting this store—quite a large establishment, and very easy to get to by Subway from Manhattan.
"Oh, I know Abraham and Straus very well," she said. "I've been over to Brooklyn."
We expressed pleasure.
"Yes," she went on, "I went with Mrs. — (mentioning another St. Louis woman of considerable prominence). She always goes over there to shop when she comes to New York. She has a charge account with you. She says you have such good things, and at much lower prices than they are in New York—and she's a good shopper."
We were "from Missouri" ourselves; so we looked up the account. It was there—and active!

123 Superb Oriental Carpets

Aggregating, at Original Prices, \$35,564 Now to be Sold at \$25,932

This is a very interesting statement—and a very extraordinary sale. You can figure for yourself that the saving on these fine Carpets is nearly \$10,000—savings of from \$15 to \$200 (mostly from \$50 to \$100) a rug. And, mark you, the original prices in our own stock were very moderate. At Monday's new prices, the Rugs are below what it would cost to land them in America today, if they were obtainable at all. But why, you ask, sacrifice scarce merchandise at less than its full value?
Simply because of our inexorable rule that merchandise, no matter how desirable, must go out after it has been in our stock a certain length of time. Time is up on these Oriental Rugs, fine as they are.
100 of the Carpets are reduced in this fashion from our stock. The other 23 Carpets we bought last week from an importer who needed ready cash, and are a remarkably beautiful lot of finely woven Rugs at one-third less than their real value.
Bear in mind, that these Rugs are not a "job lot" bought for sale purposes, but carefully chosen from many times their number to insure desirability in color, design and weave.

Width	Length	That Were	Now
22 Persian Carpets, 6 ft. to 10 ft. 5 in. x 9 ft. 6 in. to 14 ft.		\$75 to \$300	\$60 to \$200
18 Afghan Carpets, 5 ft. to 8 ft. 7 in. x 7 ft. 4 in. to 12 ft. 8 in.		65 to 175	50 to 135
10 Gorevan Carpets, 6 ft. to 12 ft. x 11 ft. 9 in. to 18 ft. 2 in.		135 to 375	110 to 275
9 Turkish Carpets, 5 ft. to 9 ft. 6 in. x 7 ft. 9 in. to 14 ft. 11 in.		85 to 210	65 to 160
21 Kirmanshah Carpets, 5 ft. to 11 ft. 6 in. x 8 ft. 6 in. to 14 ft. 2 in.		200 to 730	125 to 500
27 India Carpets, 6 ft. to 13 ft. x 9 ft. 6 in. to 15 ft. 10 in.		115 to 825	67.50 to 625
7 Sarouk Carpets, 6 ft. 7 in. to 10 ft. 9 in. x 10 ft. 6 in. to 12 ft. 3 in.		200 to 450	175 to 350
5 Tabriz Carpets, 9 ft. 3 in. to 10 ft. 9 in. x 12 ft. 4 in. to 14 ft. 6 in.		330 to 415	175 to 210
2 Chahmeh Carpets, 6 ft. 1 in. and 8 ft. 4 in. x 10 ft. 6 in. and 12 ft. 8 in.		125 and 150	75 and 100
1 Beluchistan Carpet, 7 ft. x 11 ft. 3 in.		150	85
1 Bokhara Carpet, 5 ft. 10 in. x 10 ft. 7 in.		225	150

NOTE—You will notice that these Rugs besides being of desirable kinds are in sizes running from 5 to 13 feet in width, and 7 1/2 to 18 feet in length, suitable for any room in the house or for the office.
We shall be glad to have you bring a rug connoisseur with you to give you an expert opinion of the value of these rugs and the prices at which we have marked them. No rugs will be sent on approval or held for future delivery.
Third floor, East Building.

The Sale of Holland Bulbs Continues

A remarkable opportunity is offered by this sale. The prices are amazingly low and the values are positively unmatched. Most of the bulbs are "prize" bulbs—Holland's best.

Note the Low Prices
Hyacinths, 30c. a dozen, \$2.25 a hundred.
Tulips, in all colors, 20c. a dozen, \$1.25 a hundred.
Crocuses, in all colors, 10c. a dozen, \$1.00 a hundred.
Paper White Narcissus, 20c. a dozen, \$1.25 a hundred.
Daffodils, 20c. a dozen, \$1.25 a hundred.
Snowdrops, first flowers of the season, 10c. a dozen, 75c. a hundred.
Mail and telephone orders filled.
Flower Shop, Street floor, East Building.

Women's Tailored Suits at \$24.75

of Beauty, Fine Workmanship and Quality

Judging from the enthusiasm of women who have been everywhere in their inspection of Suits at about this price or higher—and finally BOUGHT ABRAHAM and STRAUS Suits at \$24.75—the merits of these Suits as decided by the many Metropolitan shoppers are notable.
In point of style—every garment is the final word after most exhaustive selection—always with the demands of the woman of good taste in mind.
Every other quality that enters into their making is superior at this price. The varieties are almost endless:—

- Plenty of Fur-Trimmed Suits
- Plenty of Dressy and Semi-Dressy Styles
- Plenty of Suits With 36-Inch Coats
- Plenty of Velours, Broadcloths, Chevots
- Plenty of Plum Color, Burgundy, Green or Brown
- Plenty of Suits for Furs
- Plenty of Tailored Fashions
- Plenty of Three-Quarter Coats
- Plenty of Serges, Poplins, Gabardines
- Plenty of Blue and Black

Plenty of the handsome wool Jersey Cloth Suits for sports and street wear in the beautiful solid colors or Scotch heathers.
Second floor, Central Building.

Women's Serge Dresses at \$9.98

We counted at least a half dozen models that could hardly be distinguished from the styles in dresses at \$24.98 and higher.
The new yoke fashion that shows the new straight lines so admirably. The boxed and the slightly shirred effects. The belted and the basqued.
The new wide, draped pockets, and touches of embroidery. The touches of color at the throat given by soft silk ties.
It is in fact a splendid group of serge dresses that we are offering at this modern price.
Silk Poplin Dresses in Modish Array
display the new fashion ways of gold embroideries, silk braids and pretty accessories. \$9.98. The color range in serges and poplins includes green, brown, navy or black. A complete range of sizes.
Second floor, Central Building.

Budget of Other Monday Bargains

- \$1.49 All Silk Crepe de Chine, double width, 29c. a yard.
- \$2.25 French Serge, \$1.59 a yard, 54 inches wide.
- Women's \$5.50 New Tan Bots, \$4.95 pair.
- Women's Bleached Cotton Vests and Drawers, 29c. each.
- Women's Silk Stockings, 79c. a pair.
- \$4.47 Gillette Razor, \$3.98.
- Men's Cotton Socks, 8c. a pair.
- Young Men's Blue Serge Suits, \$12.75.
- Nightgowns and Envelope Chemises of soft cambric, 49c. each.
- Striped Flannellette Nightgowns, 59c.
- \$1.29 Striped Percale House Dresses, 94c.
- Women's Tan Cape Gloves, \$1.15 pair.
- Muslin or Glove Handkerchiefs, of white crossbar linen, 7c. each.
- Children's Chincheia Coats, \$4.98. Sizes 2 to 12 years.
- Beaded Ties, \$1.98 to \$10.00.
- \$5.59 Chafin Dishers, nickel plated or copper finish, \$3.98.
- 19c. A. & S. Pure Glycerine, 15c.
- Umbrellas, with one year's warranty, 57c.
- 75c. White Silk Embroidered Skirting Flannel, 59c. a yard.
- Full size Comoribates of figured dotted mull, \$5.00 kind at \$3.49 each.
- Boys' Rat coats, with Sou'-wester Hats, \$2.69.
- 9c. Stamped and Hem-stitched Linen Huck Guest Towels, 39c. a doz.

Art Embroidery Store, Second floor, West Bldg.

Women's Silk Plush Coats, \$22.95

Black plush and black silk velour are to have a vogue unprecedented. We are fortunate in having secured these extremely attractive models in such excellent materials.
The rich jet plush shows great platter buttons of itself; for the rest it follows the style of the Dolman.
Dressy Silk Velour Coats \$37.95
Silky and lustrous, one model of silk velour is made Dolman style, all flaring. A big shoulder collar and deep cuffs of the velour.
Second floor, Central Building.

Many Dinner Sets Below Regular

Our big China Store is full of new china, both imported and domestic. This time of year our porters are kept busy unpacking the huge casks containing china and porcelain Dinner Sets, Chocolate Sets, Jardiniere, etc. We make it a point to sell always at the lowest possible price, as the following examples will show:
Three New 100-Piece American Porcelain Dinner Sets, \$9.89 Set—Regularly \$13.89
Decorated in neat dainty border designs. All pieces are gold-lined. Each set complete for 12 people and has large turkey size platters and bread and butter plates. Other 100-piece American Porcelain Dinner Sets at \$6.89 and \$7.89 a set.

Japanese China Chocolate Sets, Tea Sets, Cups, Saucers, Etc.
Chocolate Sets, 14 pieces, 87c. Tea Sets, 17 pieces, 95c.
Tea Cups and Saucers, 9c. Tea Cups and Saucers, blue bird design, 12c.

High Grade Pottery at Very Low Prices
Jardiniere, jardiniere and pedestals, umbrella stands, fern dishes, etc., at low prices.

6-inch Jardiniere	..... 49c	12-inch Jardiniere	..... \$1.25
7 1/2-inch Jardiniere	..... 75c	14-inch Jardiniere	..... \$1.50
8-inch Jardiniere	..... 95c	16-inch Jardiniere	..... \$1.75
10-inch Jardiniere	..... \$1.19 and \$1.75		

Second floor, Central Building.

Last Week Sale of Canned Goods

The splendid values, of which so many availed themselves last week, continue. Samples of all fruits and vegetables are displayed so that you can see just what you are buying. Mail or telephone orders filled. Deliveries during the week.

Paradise Valley Peaches, Large Cans, 19c. Each

Extra large, luscious fruit in rich syrup.
PEAS, sweet and tender, 10c. can; \$1.14 doz.
TOMATOES, choice large No. 3 cans, 10c. can; \$1.14 doz.
STRING BEANS, green cut, 12c. can; \$1.34 doz.
TOMATOES, Montauk fancy, No. 3 can, 13c. can; \$1.49 doz.
PEAS, Priscilla Early June fancy, 12c. can; \$1.34 doz.

No quantity reduction at this low price.
ASPARAGUS, Puritan, large cans, 18c. can; \$2.07 doz.
LIMA BEANS, Montauk brand, 13c. can; \$1.49 doz.
TOMATOES, Priscilla extra fancy, 15c. can; \$1.69 doz.
PEAS, Priscilla extra sifted Early June, 17c. can; \$1.93 doz.

Marceau Imported French Peas, Regularly 21c., at 16c. Can

Third floor, West Building.