

## The Dowager Empress of Russia

THE Dowager Empress is a few years younger than Queen Alexandra, and married, when only a girl, the Czarovich Alexander, afterward Alexander III, to whom she was for a generation a devoted, strong and most able consort. Her husband came to the throne in 1881, three years after the treaty of Berlin had pushed the Russian influence back in southeastern Europe, and on the morrow of the ghastly tragedy which ended the life of Alexander II, Russian defeats, like those of other nations, have often been attributed to discontent, and there was no small internal discontent when Alexander III came to the throne. Moreover, a hatred of all things western, which had been the main feature in the Russian political character since the days of Peter the Great, was rampant in Russia. It has been said that Czar Peter abolished the popular political institutions which existed in Russia at the beginning of his reign because he feared that a Russian democracy would thwart his schemes for bringing in foreign arts and trades, foreign workmen and foreign inventions. Whether this be true or not, it is a fact that in 1881, found anti-European very strong in Russia, and as long as that feeling existed the task of reform was doubly difficult. The Empress Dowager is generally credited with having thrown her strong influence on the side of reform, and with the complete return to all popular institutions. It has never been proved that this was the case 25 years ago. Assuredly it is not the case today; and during the reign of her husband the Empress Marie stood for western culture and western influences, and

was against the policy of isolation which found favor in some quarters. Her frequent visits to Copenhagen brought her into touch with western Europe, and more particularly with the representatives of England at the Danish court, to more than one of whom she gave her gracious friendship. She was well aware of the extraordinary difficulties which would attend the introduction of reforms into Russia, they never turned their backs upon reasonable proposals for change.

In 1894 the greatest sorrow of a woman's life came to the empress. Her husband was struck down by a terrible disease and died in the autumn of that year. His death came to be the profoundest sorrow of his consort. The difficulties which beset Russia on the accession of the present emperor were manifold and pressing, and it is no flattery to say that in the difficult first years of his reign the young emperor was assisted and strengthened by the counsels

of his mother, and that her devotion to her son and people were unshakable. She remained constant in their anxiety. In recent times the empress has not exercised her influence over her son so constantly as in his earlier years. She has resided almost entirely at Gatchina, which is some distance from St. Petersburg, and has rarely come to town. Owing, however, to the party of conservative feelings in the recent times of war and domestic strife, her majesty has been little seen even by those who have the entire to the Russian court. Absolved from political cares, the empress has devoted herself to charity. Her position as head of the Russian church has brought her prominently before the public and in the most favorable light. She has, moreover, devoted herself to letters and fine arts, and has had leisure to cultivate the literary and artistic tastes which are strongly developed in her. She has always been a very great favorite in St. Petersburg society, and, as a woman of cosmopolitan tastes and the

highest intelligence, has earned golden opinions in a critical and exacting entourage. Today she is known to possess liberal sentiments, and so far as her influence is exercised it is certainly not in favor of what is euphemistically called the Extreme Right.—*Pall Mall Gazette*.

### Irish Duelling Code.

The Irish dueling code was drawn up by the Irish bar at the Clonmel assizes in 1777 and appears to aim at so arranging matters that no Irishman anxious to fight shall be balked by his wish. "The first offense requires the first apology, although the parties may be more offensive." After one fire the retort may be explained away. But if either party "the code hastens to add, 'would rather fight on, after two shots each the principal who made the retort may explain and then the original offender tender his apology.' When the lie direct is the first offense, the aggressor must either beg pardon

in express terms, exchange two shots previous to apology, or three shots followed by explanation, or fire till a severe hit be scored by one of the parties." "No dumb firing" or firing in the air, is demanded. In such case the second handa his pistol in gross case two, holding another case ready charged in reserve."—*Cornhill Magazine*.

### What's in a Name?

A story is told of a waiter at a certain restaurant who was renowned for the clever way in which he interpreted the names of the different dishes to the cook through the speaking tube. For instance, if a customer ordered sausages and bread he would tell the cook "A doorstop and a bag of mystery" were wanted. On one occasion two city men had a wager, one of them saying he would give an order for which the waiter could not possibly find any other name. They repeated to the waiter, and Mr. Jones gave his order.

### IT'S ALL IN THE MILLING

Of the cleanest and best grade of wheat, that gives excellence to

### HUSLER'S FLOUR!

"Waiter, bring me a couple of poached eggs on toast with the yolks broken."

The waiter shouted down to the cook, "Adam and Eve on a raft, and wreck 'em!"

MONDAY MORNING, JUNE 10th, F. AUERBACH & BRO. WILL INAUGURATE



# The Most Gigantic Clearance Sale of Wash Goods

Ever Conducted, not only in Salt Lake, But Anywhere in the Entire United States. It's a Clearance Sale of Wash Goods That Stops at Nothing Less Than a Clean Sweep of Every Yard in the Store at Deepest Cut Prices!

A Sale That's Vitally Interesting to Every Woman in Salt Lake, to Whom a Saving of Considerable Money is of Any Moment. 10,000 Pieces of New Wash Goods Marked at Prices Less Than They Cost to Make! You Never Saw So Many, So Desirable or Pretty Wash Fabrics at so Radically Reduced Prices before at one time. 10,000 Pieces New Wash Fabrics are included in this Sweeping Riddance Sale! 10,000 Pieces of the finest Wash Goods, just when you want them at cut prices that are sensational beyond comparison. Neither cost nor values have been considered in the merciless Price-Cutting—the sole object being, in furtherance of our positive and imperative instructions—TO SWEEP THEM OUT OF THE HOUSE NEXT WEEK. The sensational Prices that follow should insure that every wash goods need in the city is filled next week. Be in the crowd if you want the goods at these prices.

#### IN THIS Clearing Sale

200 Pcs.

#### French Printed Batiste Lawns and Embroidered Swiss Lawn

8 $\frac{3}{4}$ c a yd

In light and tinted prints, hand embroidered with neat stripes, dots, sprays, fancy figures, flowers and dainty rosebuds, THAT OFFERS OFFER SPECIAL AT 15c, in this Clearance Sale, \$2c at per yard

#### IN THIS CLEARING SALE 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c a yard

100 pieces of Persian Chiffons and Dress Lawns in the season's brightest and daintiest colorings; value 10c; in this clearing sale, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c per yard

4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c

#### In this Clearing Sale Handsome Kimono Crepes

12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c

In the most charming patterns and the popular wash scenes in the black and white block effects, regular 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ c; in this clearing sale, a yard

#### All Natural Colored Linens All Colored Dress Linens All Black India Linens

Every piece of Wash Goods in the house

Has been given its "Walking Papers" and are priced without regard to cost or value

8 $\frac{3}{4}$ c

#### IN THIS Clearing Sale 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ c

The Well Known Quality

20c Silk Mulls

In all colors. Hundreds of Styles of the

#### 20c Printed Swiss

the sheer material

that makes the loveliest gowns—every

color combination imaginable—thousands of yards of

PLAIN DRAIES,

BATISTE LAWNS AND VOILES

Bright, delicate colorings that are in

such great demand

and that sell readily

elsewhere at 26c in this Clearance Sale, per yard

10 $\frac{1}{2}$ c

#### In this Clearing Sale 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c a yd

Thousands of PLAIN VOILE SUITINGS in all street shades, PLAIN COLORED ORGANDES in all evening shades, ZEPHYR GINGHAM in patterns for waists, dresses and wrappers, and PRETTY DRESS LAWNS in the popular dotted designs; value 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c; in this clearing sale, a yard

5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c

#### 16c a yard

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25c Values in this Sale 14c a Yard

25c Mercurized WASH TAFFETAS

in the popular black and white blue and white brown and white and pink and white checks. Fine imported colored Swiss in the popular dot effects and Chiffon, Voile Tissues—all

popular 25c fabrics, in this clearing sale, a yard

14c

#### 16c a yard

26c Values in this Sale 26c a Yd

All 45c Wash Goods Novelitas.

Including Printed Silk Crepes, Silk Crepones, and Handwoven Swiss—fine materials in all shades—all go at a yard

26c

#### 10c Percales on Sale per Yard 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ c 200 Pcs Bookfield Dress Percales.

In navy blue, cadet blue, red and black grounds with white printings; for dresses, aprons and waists; value 10c; in this clearing sale, \$1c a yard

6 $\frac{1}{4}$ c

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The Most Superb Line of

#### 50c Novelties 29c

ALL REDUCED to a yard

29c

#### All Wash Goods Novelties

up to 75c go in

This Clearing Sale at

39c a yard

22c

#### Wash Goods Novelties

Up to 35c and 40c

Such Organdes, Handwovens

Shadow Checks, Silk Crepes, Organza

corrales, Pastel Plaid

and Swiss Appliques

fabrics that are in

such great demand

and sell readily at 35c

and 40c in this sale at a yard

22c

#### SPECIAL REDUCTIONS ON Silks and Dress Goods

At Prices to Sell Quantities

Heavy Storm Serge for 34c a yd

38 inch heavy Storm Serge

Suitable for Suits or Skirts. The weight varying greatly in navy blue, royal blue, green, red, brown, grey, black, etc. Regular price 50c a yard

Special 34c a yd

New Pongee Silk

New arrivals of Pongee Silks, extra fine silky quality, suitable for ladies' and children's wear, dresses, waist and coats. Laundry nicely in all widths from 19 in. to 36 in., on sale Monday at per yard

46c, 53, 69c, 79c and \$1.00

Fancy Japanese Drapery Silk

Fancy Japanese drapery silks in a great profusion of colorings, suitable for Dressing Sacques, Kimonos, Draperies and Fancy Work of all kinds, 23 in. and 32 in. wide, price per pair

49c, 59c and 95c

#### SPECIAL REDUCTIONS Infants' Wear

AT PRICES TO SELL QUANTITIES

INFANTS' FINE RIBBED COTTON VESTS, to button down the front, all sizes, best 25c grades, on sale

15c

INFANTS' LONG AND SHORT DRESSES, in a variety of styles, qualities that sell regular up to 90c each, on

59c

INFANTS' LONG and Short Dresses, in styles and qualities equal to 90c each and there are a great variety of lace or embroidery trimmed, to select from at next

week's sale price, each ..\$1.49

INFANTS' CAPS, of fine open worked embroidery or lace insertion and tucks, superior 65c grades, on sale

39c

INFANTS' EMBROIDERY HATS, lace open worked patterns with lamination, can be unbolted for washing beautiful \$1.50 Hat on

\$1.00

CHILD'S WHITE MULL HAT with silk crown and large tilted Pom Pom, a very elegant \$2.00 Hat on sale next

\$1.49

#### ESTABLISHED 1864 F. Auerbach & Bro. ONE PRICE TO ALL NEVER UNDERSOLD

SPECIAL REDUCTION ON ALL Ladies' Dress and Walking Skirts

AT PRICES TO SELL QUANTITIES.

WHITE LINEN SKIRTS—Of extra quality union Linen, large flounces trimmed with eight side pleats and two rows of embroidery, all lengths, skirts worth \$3.00 on sale

\$1.98

TAFFETA SKIRTS—In black and colors, new combination sides and box pleats trimmed with bands of same material, worth \$5.50, their equal can be found anywhere at the price

\$3.00

PRETTY NOVELTY SKIRTS—Of mannish worsted, checked effect, wide pleats, bottom finished with straps of same material, strictly tailor made and are equal to \$8.75

Skirts, Monday and week.....\$5.50

TAFFETA SILK SKIRTS—In black only, two models that are super priced, \$10.00 and \$12.50 Skirts, full plaited sides panel plaited these swell skirts go on sale

Monday at .....

\$7.00

BLACK FRENCH VOILE SKIRTS—These Skirts are very much underpriced and as the number is limited you had better come early Monday, they are made of the finest French Voile, some with silk drop, \$15.00 and \$17.50 Skirts, marked

\$10.75