

EWEN ESTATE GOES TO HUMANE SOCIETIES

Woman Leaves About \$200,000 to Organizations with Which She Was Identified.

ODD CODICIL IN WILL

Mrs. Harriet Duer Jones Potter Stipulates Whom Her Granddaughters May Not Marry.

Practically the entire estate of Miss Caroline G. Ewen, of No. 45 West 53d street, which might reach a value of \$200,000, is left in her will filed yesterday to anti-vivisection and other humane societies. The only part of the estate which is not given to these institutions was a \$50 bequest to a friend, Mrs. Harriet Williams, and five monthly allowances, ranging from \$15 to \$50 to five friends. At the death of those beneficiaries the principal of the fund is to go to the African Society.

The residue of the estate is equally divided as follows: The Humane Society, of New York; the New York Anti-Vivisection Society, Boston; the Animal Rescue League, Boston; the New England Anti-Vivisection Society, Boston; the Cats' House, London; the Animal Rescue Society, Naples; the Italy Animal Rescue Society, Rome; the Animal Rescue League, New York; the Anti-Cruelty Society, Island of Madeira, and the African Society, Philadelphia.

Miss Ewen said in her will she was identified with these societies and was deeply interested in their work. She explained that she bore the utmost feeling of friendship and affection "toward her sisters, Marie Louise Ewen and Eliza Ewen, and toward her two nieces and a nephew, but that each had been provided for from other sources."

Mrs. Marie Louise Ewen, one of the sisters of the testatrix, was married to the bogus "Baron" Boto von Koentz. She obtained an annulment of her marriage when she discovered her husband had a criminal record. The testatrix and her other sister, Miss Eliza Ewen, took over the property of "Baroness" von Koentz under a deed of trust to prevent the impetuous "baron" from getting any part of it from his wife.

When the "baroness" wanted her property back Miss Eliza refused to relinquish it under the trust deed, and the married sister brought suit to recover her property. Miss Caroline G. Ewen, the testatrix, confessed judgment and expressed her willingness to have the property, valued at \$250,000, returned to her sister.

The will of Mrs. Harriet Duer Jones Potter was filed yesterday, with a codicil. In the codicil the testatrix leaves an annuity of \$1,500 to each of her granddaughters, with this stipulation: "I do hereby direct that if any one of my said granddaughters, Viva Margot Bagnell, Hope Dorothy Bagnell or Irene Helen Bagnell, should marry a son of Mrs. Alice Graves, now residing with them, the one so doing shall forfeit any share in my estate, and the principal sum held in trust by the executors and trustees for said granddaughter, together with any interest accrued at the time of the marriage, shall fall into and become a part of my residuary estate."

Mrs. Potter died on May 2 at Aix-les-Bains, France. Her home was in Paul, where she occupied the Villa Aeuell. Mrs. Potter was seventy years old at her death, and was the widow of Colonel James Nelson Potter.

Mrs. Elizabeth S. Bagnell, a daughter of Mrs. Potter, who lives in Norfolk, England, receives an outright bequest of \$5,000 and an annual income of \$5,000. Three other daughters—Henrietta Nelson Potter, Margaret Renshaw Potter and Katherine Alexander Duer Potter, receive various personal effects and the residue of the estate, which is to be held in trust for them, "free from the control of any husband."

The will of Mrs. Elizabeth A. Fitch, widow of Ashbel P. Fitch, former Controller of New York City, was filed yesterday. The testatrix died on May 4 and left "more than \$10,000" in real estate and "more than \$10,000" in personal property. Mrs. Fitch left her entire estate, with the exception of \$1,000, to her three daughters and three sons.

WOMAN FACES MANY SUITS

Bank One of Plaintiffs Against Mrs. Ethel Dana Sheperd.

Several suits have been brought in the Supreme Court against Mrs. Ethel Dana Sheperd, adopted daughter of William B. Dana. Mrs. Sheperd lives at the Carlton House. One suit is by the Lincoln National Bank on a note for \$5,000 which she made in October last for four months. The amount demanded, with interest, is \$5,121.

Charles P. Rogers & Co. demand \$1,602 for monogrammed blankets and bed linen furnished to Mrs. Sheperd while she was living at the Hotel Belmont. A third action is brought by Theodore B. Starr, Inc., for \$1,595 for stationery and fancy cards bought by Mrs. Sheperd from 1911 to 1912. One of the items was for 425 Christmas cards, \$552.

\$10,000 NOT SUFFICIENT

H. C. Brown, Unable to Support Children, Sues Wife's Estate.

Henry Carroll Brown, a stock broker, has brought a suit against the estate of his wife, Mrs. Margaret Daly Brown, to recover \$22,234, which he said he spent for the support of his two children from July 1, 1911, to April 1 last. Brown explained that he needed the money from the estate of his wife because his own income was not sufficient to support his children properly.

Mrs. Brown was a daughter of the late Marcus Daly, the Montana mining man, and inherited a large part of his estate. Her sister is the wife of Justice James W. Gerard. The children are Margaret Daly Brown, eight years old, and Francis Carroll Brown, three years old. Their father said that they need \$18,000 a year to maintain them in the manner which their social position demanded.

Brown applied to the Surrogate's Court two months ago for the allowance, and it developed in that proceeding that Brown owed his wife \$1,200,000. Surrogate Fowler allowed only \$10,000, on the ground that the inheritance of the children had been "blighted by unusual extravagance." He said that their best interests required that they have a simple upbringing, and that their estate, now amounting to about \$600,000, should be held in trust for their use when they attained their majority.

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SPECIAL SALES FOR TO-MORROW (MONDAY) MAY 12th WILL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING:

An Additional Shipment of

Black Crepe de Chine
(42 inches wide)

the usual price of which is \$3.50 per yard, will be placed on sale at . . . \$1.90

Mail and Telephone Orders will receive prompt attention.

Specially featured in the regular stock of this department are choice qualities of Black Summer Silks that are water- and perspiration-proof; also Imported Pure-dye Black Dress Silks, and Black Satin manufactured especially for Bathing Suits.

A Sale of Cretonne Articles

appropriate for use in the Bungalow or Summer Cottage, will be held in the Fancy Needlework Department at the following interesting prices:

- Desk Sets, in 6 pieces . . . at \$2.75
- Telephone Registers . . . at 2.25
- Scrap Baskets . . . at 1.90
- Cretonne Pillows, down filled . . . at 1.75
- Hosiery Boxes . . . at 1.75
- Comb and Brush Trays . . . at 1.45
- Pin Boxes, Cedar Lined . . . at 1.25
- Book Ends . . . per pair 90c.
- Veil Boxes . . . at 85c.
- Glove and Handkerchief Boxes . . . at 55c.
- Hat Stands . . . at 45c.

7,000 Pairs of Women's Silk Gloves

Flousquetaire, 16-button length, in black, white or tan, at the exceptionally low price of . . . per pair 90c.

An Important Sale of Men's and Women's Hosiery

consisting of 40,000 pairs, in seasonable weights, which will be marked at appreciably low prices.

- Women's Silk Hose, in black, white or tan, cotton soles and tops . . . per pair 70c.
- Women's Black Silk Hose . . . per pair 95c.
- Women's Black Silk Hose, with self or colored hand-embroidered clocks, per pair \$1.50
- Women's Black Silk Hose, hand-embroidered, per pair . . . \$1.75
- Women's Black or White Silk Hose, with open-work instep . . . per pair \$2.25
- Men's Lisle Thread Half-hose, in black or colors . . . per half-dozen pairs \$1.30
- Men's Black Mercerized Lisle Thread Half-hose . . . per half-dozen pairs \$1.55
- Men's Silk Half-hose, in black or colors, with cotton soles and tops . . . per pair 42c.

For to-morrow (Monday) and Tuesday a Sale of Unusual Importance

has been prepared of

Women's American-made Muslin Underwear

comprising a large variety of Undergarments of superior quality and workmanship, representing the most popular designs and materials, particularly desirable for Summer wear. These garments have been marked for this special occasion at exceptionally low prices.

- Nightgowns \$0.75, .95, 1.35, 1.65 to 2.75
- Combinations . . . 1.00, 1.50, 2.00 & 2.75
- Drawers,75, .95, 1.10, 1.25 & 1.35
- Corset Covers .55, .75, .95, 1.35 & 1.50
- Underbodices of Net \$1.35; Crepe de Chine 2.25
- Petticoats . \$1.25, 1.90, 2.25, 2.75 & 3.65
- Princess Slips 1.85, 2.50 & 3.90
- Also Women's Imported Pajamas of Pure Silk \$6.50

Japanese Four-panel Screens

hand-painted in effective designs on rose, green, brown, ecru or white cloth, with frames of white enamel or dark wood, usually sold at \$7.00, will be offered at the remarkably low price of . . . \$3.75

Also Tennessee Red Cedar Chests, large size (42x21x20), copper-trimmed, fitted with lock, key and casters, usual price \$22.50, will be placed on sale at . . . \$12.75

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On TUESDAY,

May 13th

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Women's Blouses

now displayed in the regular stock, are representative of the modes and fabrics most in demand. Included are smart effects in Crepe de Chine and French Hand-made Blouses at \$5.75, 6.50 and upward; Washable Silk and Crepe Blouses at \$3.50, \$4.50 and upward; and Lace and Net Blouses at \$5.00, 6.50, 8.50 and upward.

The New Housegowns and Negligees

include a variety of dainty garments especially designed for warm weather comfort. Among them are simple Breakfast Gowns, of flowered cotton voile, dimity, etc., and crepe de Chine and brocade crepe Gowns that are quite smart enough for home dinner wear.

Large Reductions have been made in the prices of High-cost Negligees and Housegowns.

Smart Designs in Bathing Suits

for women are shown in readiness for the coming season. The display includes Bathing Suits of moire, satin and taffeta, cut on the newest lines and introducing striking color effects. In some of these models the slashed skirt is a feature.

To facilitate shopping, special sales-people will, if desired, be detailed to accompany patrons to the various departments.

A Special Offering of Exceptional Values will be made in Dresses and Coats for Misses and Small Women presenting the latest ideas in styles and materials, at the following attractive prices:

- Summer Washable Dresses of Novelty French Voiles, at \$18.50
- Afternoon Dresses of Dolly Varden Silks . . . at 22.00
- Sport Coats, in white, checks and golf colors . . . at 14.50
- Walking Coats, in checks and colored Eponge, silk-lined 18.00
- Travel Coats, seven-eighths length, silk-lined . . . at 22.00

Also an Unusually Interesting Sale of Girls' Summer Dresses

comprising Lingerie Dresses suitable for graduation and dress wear, and White and Colored Washable Dresses for every day at special prices, as follows:

- Hand-embroidered and Voile Tunic Dresses . . . at \$8.50
- Hand-embroidered Voile Dresses at 7.00
- One- and Two-piece Lingerie Dresses at 4.75
- Long-waisted, Two-piece and Lingerie Dresses . . . at 2.90
- White and Colored Russian Dresses at 2.25
- Russian and Waist Dresses at 1.85

Girls' and Misses' Middy Blouses (sizes 6 to 20) at the very low price of . . . 80c.

And Little Children's Imported White Dresses hand-made and hand-embroidered (sizes 6 months to 2 years) will be placed on sale at . . . \$1.45 & 2.10

Being fully 1/3 less than the customary prices.

Also Hand-embroidered Lingerie Pillow Cases . . . at \$1.50

Hand-embroidered Pique Afghans at 2.65

Also on TUESDAY, May 13th

A Limited Number of Women's Coats (recently made up), of Tweed and Double-faced Cloth, sizes incomplete, will be placed on sale . . . at \$11.50

The Shawl Department

Includes in the new assortments India Chuddah Shawls, plain or with cashmere borders; Double-faced Cashmere Shawls; Himalayan Shawls in Scotch plaids; Embroidered China Silk Shawls, and Shetland Shawls, Scarfs and Veils.

The Corset Department

has in stock complete assortments of Summer Corsets and Brassieres, imported as well as of American manufacture, and representing all the most desirable fabrics for warm weather wear, including all-over embroidery, ventilated fabrics, lightweight tricotine, canvas, etc. The prices in the regular stock range as follows:

- Imported Corsets from \$6.50 to 15.00
- " Brassieres " 4.25 " 5.50
- American-made Corsets 1.00 " 5.00
- " Brassieres 1.50 " 3.50

A new Bathing Corset, made especially for B. Altman & Co., is shown in the regular stock at \$6.50.

The Upholstery Dep't

has received a new importation of Hand-embroidered Japanese Panel Screens, comprising an interesting variety of novel designs and color effects, appropriately framed, which are being shown in the regular stock.

Thoroughly equipped Vaults are on the premises for the Storage of Furs, Rugs, Draperies and Lace Curtains. Protection is assured against loss or damage.