

LONDON

BEAUTY AND THE BEASTS

Mayfair resounds to the drums as fashion looks to the African jungle for new ideas at the Empress Club. Printed velvet imitates the leopard in these stove-pipe slacks. They're for after-ski wear or lounging about the house if you're not so energetic. Scarlet-dyed moleskin makes this breath-taking cloak, which is bejewelled about the shoulders. Just the thing for a Field-Marshal!

Here's a circular-shaped coat of monkey fur falling over red suede insertions, with pale blue lining.

A porcupine hat is cleverly made from grey feathers. The ostrich head-covering should, of course, be made of sand. All we can say about this one is that it's a positive gem.

Particularly smart is the Mamba - black velvet dress with copper, black and silver sequins - and about as deadly as the snake that inspired it, as far as the unsuspecting male is concerned.

Here's another warning to men! The Spider dress, black net, with embroidered spider's web of silver.

Yellow net over white net, with black velvet stripes makes the Tiger Dress. Of course, there oughtn't to be any tigers in Africa, outside a circus. Still, we aren't far from Piccadilly Circus so p'raps it's all right!