TWO RECEPTIONS

AT WASHINGTON—BY SECRETARY BLAINE AND THE FRENCH MINISTER.

Who Went—How the Ladies Dressed—Elegant Affairs—Foreign Guests—A Wedding.

WASHINGTON, October 27, 1881.

The attention shown by the Government to our French and German guests culminated gracefully and with great eclat in the entertainment given them Monday evening at Wormley's. Three hundred invitations were issued, and as a majority of them included a gentleman and the ladies of his family, there were present probably 600 persons. The fete was memorable, and was given at a memorable place. "Wormley's" almost deserves a letter by itself, for it has a high historic interest. It is a select and fashionable private hotel at the corner of H and Fifteenth streets, much affected by such foreign ministers as do not care to keep house, and by Senators and members rich enough to afford it, and desiring to be unencumbered and to a certain extent secluded from popular gaze, and by some of the leading army officers. It is owned and kept by a wealthy colored caterer, who has for a long time been a prominent citizen of the District.

THE RECEPTION.

At half-past nine Monday evening, the Secretary of State and Mrs. Blaine entered the parlor, and stood in front of a central divan about ten feet from the main door, to receive the guests of the evening. The Secretary wore evening dress, and Mrs. Blaine a rich white brocaded satin, with long train and diamonds. Each visitor on entering from the hall was announced in a loud tone by an usher in full dress, and the advance of each from the door to the immediate presence of the host and hostess was a stately and interesting feature to those who had already passed the ordeal and were spectators from the inside. Senators and Cabinet officers were the first to arrive. Acting Vice-President Davis was peculiarly courtly and felicitous in paying his devoirs. His immense bulk and pleased air of importance, and the warm and almost merry greeting accorded him by the genial Secretary, relieved the severe stateliness of

THE GENERAL PAGEANT.

Just before 10 o'clock the French Minister and Madame Outrey entered, accompanied by their distinguished countrymen. The Marquis de Rochambeau, a fine-looking, somewhat elderly man, wore plain citizen's dress. The military officers among them wore the same, but adorned with decorations they had received for valor. The grandson of Lafayette, M. de Courcelles, had a particularly fine display of these. He looks much like General Phil. Sheridan. Our own army and navy officers were attired in full uniform, with swords. Most of them were accompanied by ladies. Prominent among them were Gen. Sherman and Miss Lizzie, his daughter, with Gen. Poe, General Tidball, Colonel Tourtelotte and Colonel Morrow, of his staff; General and Mrs. Drum, General and Mrs. Ruggles, General Hazen, Surgeon-General Barnes, Surgeon-General Wales, General and Miss Beale, Admiral and Mrs. John Rodgers, Admiral and Mrs. Howell, Commodore and Mrs. Upshur, the latter of whom was General Phil Kearney's widow, having, when a beautiful belle, made a runaway marriage with him; Commodore and Mrs. Carter, the latter

A GREAT GRANDDAUGHTER

Of Martha Washington on her father's side, and on her mother's a descendant of Charles Calvert (Lord Baltimore), the founder of Maryland; General Van Vleet, General Wright, Commodore Earl English, Chief of the Bureau of Equipment and Recruiting, with his wife, who, though a grandmother, is still handsome; and General and Mrs. Parke. The President was represented among the guests by Secretaries Lincoln, Hunt and Kirkwood, and Postmaster-General James. Secretary Windom and Attorney-General MacVeagh sent their regrets. Mrs. Hunt, Mrs. James and Mrs. Lincoln accompanied their husbands. The Supreme Court furnished to the occasion Chief Justice Waite and Associate Justices Harlan, Miller and Matthews. Nearly all the Senate were present. Both General Miller and Senator Farley were accompanied by their wives. Mrs. Miller regretted during the evening that they had not urged the attendance of their daughter, Miss Dora, finding the fete so rare and beautiful. In a promenade I heard General Miller and Senator Jonas amicably discussing the battle of Nashville, where both were present, though on opposite sides. The redoubtable Wade Hampton was present, and his colleague, Senator Butler, also, who, though he lost a foot in the rebel army, is still graceful and a dancer.

THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS.

The diplomatic corps were out in force, brilliant with decorations. There were represented Great Britain, France, Germany, Turkey, Sweden and Norway, Portugal, Mexico, Nicaragua, Peru, Venezuela and Guatemala. The representatives of other nations sent their regrets. A few of the best-known newspaper men were present, as Major Ben Perley Poore, Mr. Gorham and Mr. Phillips, of the Associated Press. Hon. George Bancroft, Hon. Peter Parker, the first American Minister to China; the Marquis and Marquise De Chambrun, the latter of whom is a granddaughter of Lafayette; General and Miss Schenck, Mr. and Mrs. Sanders Irving, the former is a nephew of Washington Irving, accompanied by their relative and guest, Hon. Robert C. Winthrop, of Boston, were among other leading private citizens of Washington present. Baltimore was represented by Mayor Latrobe and a party of twenty ladies and gentlemen with him. They came in Vice-President Garrett's private car, arriving at 10 in the evening, and returning home early next morning.

THE DRESSING OF THE LADIES

I have not seen surpassed, even at the diplomatic parties at the White House under President and Mrs. Hayes. Madame Outrey wore white brocade with superb lace, and a necklace of marguerites of diamonds around her beautiful bare neck. The Marquise de Rochambeau, a large, fine-looking lady of forty or thereabouts, of great vivacity and intelligence, wore purple moire antique combined with pale heliotrope plush. White lace garnished neck, sleeves, and skirt. Her jewels were fine. Mrs. Hunt, wife of the Secretary of the Navy, wore amber satin train with rich brocade.

The string band of the marine corps was stationed in the hall outside of the parlors, and played ten selections during the evening. Supper was set in the large dining-room across the hall. The table appointments were of Dresden china, the spoons of silver, lined with gold, and the wine-goblets were of fine-cut glass. Flowers of superb quality enwreathed the table, and were massed in large mounds at the center and either end. The viands and wines were the choicest I have ever seen offered at a Washington party, even the diplomatic balls. It was a cheerful occasion, not so overloaded with pomp, or so crowded in numbers, as to shut out a genial vivacity and interchange of thought. The supper-room was opened at 11, and dancing began at 12, continuing an hour. This was the last appearance of the German element of the visiting party, the Von Steubens and their friends, who left on the following morning for Baltimore.

FRENCH RECEPTION.

Tuesday evening the French Minister and Madame Outrey gave at their Legation a fete, more limited in numbers, but quite as brilliant in quality as the one first described, as a parting honor to their countrymen. Mons. and Madame Outrey were assisted in receiving by her niece, Miss Sylvie de Grasse Fowler, of New York, a lineal descendant of Count de Grasse, our revolutionary ally. The Marquise de Rochambeau wore that evening an elegant black satin, embroidered in pansies; Mrs. Blaine wore copper-bronze satin, with point-lace collar; Mrs. James, wife of the Postmaster-General, wore white Spanish lace over white silk; Senator Don Cameron's fair young wife wore white corded silk trimmed with fine point lace; Miss Emily Beale, daughter of General Edward Beale, wore a rich white satin skirt, with basque of gold and white brocade. The Secretary of State escorted Madame Outrey, the hostess, to the table. It was a lively party. At the Arlington Hotel Postmaster-General James is this evening

DINING THE PRESIDENT,

Cabinet, and other distinguished guests. Tuesday evening, the 25th, at 7 o'clock, Miss Edith Shanklin Harlan, daughter of Associate Justice Harlan, of the Supreme Court, was married, at New York Avenue Church, to Frank Linus Childs, a wealthy young manufacturer of Worcester, Mass. There were no bridesmaids. The three brothers of the groom and the three brothers of the bride were the ushers, and formed the wings of the bridal party at the flower-decked altar. The groom escorted Mrs. Harlan, mother of the bride, who, dressed in black velvet, stood at his right during the ceremony.

THE BRIDE,

In white satin trimmed with the same material, and with tulle vail, fastened with white rosebuds, stood between her bridegroom and her father, who gave her away. She is a large, dark-haired, thoughtful-looking girl, highly accomplished, especially in music, and of great force yet sweetness of character. The wedding march from "Lohengrin" was played on the organ at the entering, soft strains were improvised during the ceremony, changing to the Mendelssohn wedding march as the party retired. It was a stately gathering that filled the church. General Sherman wore the full uniform of his rank, with sash and sword. All the Justices and resident and retired Justices were out in force, and the most notable society people.

Concerning the new Secretary of the Treasury, Judge Folger, it may be remarked that his wife has been dead about two years, leaving him a family of a son and two daughters, one of the daughters being grown to womanhood. His present residence is Geneva, New York.

EMMA JANES.

THE QUIET HOUR.

Answers to October 22d.

1205. (1) Screed. (2) Pleach.
1206. Inkling.
1207. Timbuctoo.
1208.

P	l	u	m	P
H	a	t	c	H
A	b	a	c	A
R	i	v	e	R
O	u	t	d	O
S	t	e	p	S

1209. Skylark.
1210. Caprice.

New Tangles.

1217. Diamond for H. H., from Rose:

First is a letter, next will entangle;
Third is thin, withered and dried;
Fourth, one of a sect who near the Euphrates reside,
Worshiping Christ, Mohamet, and Satan beside;
Fifth is with dew to bespangle;
Sixth is fresh, strange and untried:
For seventh a letter is supplied.

1218. Double acrostic, by Trinity:

Primals and finals down, denote a celebrated sacred place of rest. A resin; an atom; crooked; also; a measure; a fish; attention; fashion.

1219. An idyl, for Amethyst, from Hattie Heath:

Away among the mountains,
With first a sheltered nook,
Where tiny rills and fountains
Form many a murmuring brook.
A rancher's cosy home I see,
Nestling 'mid vines and roses,
From next methinks it must be free,
For around it peace reposes.

I hear the lisping prattle,
Of baby voices sweet,
Of toys the din and rattle,
And the sound of restless feet.
Of this charade the ending joint,
Is found in meditation,
And Amethyst will see the point,
Without an explanation.

1220. Charade, by Augusta Blake, dedicated to Sybil:

While walking out one eve in May
Along a pur ling river's side,
I sat me down to write this lay,
As onward first did gently glide.

While yet reclining 'neath the shade
Afforded by a stately tree,
My second's notes athwart the glade
Extolled Jehovah joyously.

'Twas then a sportsman blithe and gay
Along the river's margin came;
He shot, and dead my first it lay
Beneath his well-directed aim.

1221. Enigma, by Captain N. Frank:

The whole, of 10 letters, is a sacred book of the Guebers.
The 1, 2, 3, 4 is a language that formerly prevailed in Persia.
The 5 is a vowel.
The 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 is the goddess of fire.

1222. Riddle, by Gus:

What is that which may be read but is neither written nor printed; that speaks but has no tongue; that utters volumes of thought but makes no sound?

Answers to Correspondents and Correct Solutions.

Silver King writes from Arizona a social letter, and says: "Please say to those who have so kindly remembered me through the Q. H. that their 'tangles' have been pondered over, read backwards, and turned upside down, and yet the answers are not forthcoming. 'Carbuncle' is the nearest I can come to Sibyl's 1198, and as for Amethyst's pastoral poem (1207), I guess 'Timbuctoo' will fit pretty well. 'Sister Augusta's' 1201 is to me as Greek to an Apache. I will try and return these graceful compliments soon."

H. L. C.—Can tell best when we see the manuscript.

Al. F.—It is very good, and will appear.

Evelyn—1215 (no indeed); 1216 (all but one).

Gus—1205, 1209, 1210.

Rose—1205, 1206 (hardly), 1207, 1210, 1211, 1212, 1214.

THE "NEW" DISEASE.—Charles Cattanach, veterinary surgeon, writing to the New York *Spirit*, says: "Pink eye, so called, is the usual attack of influenza, occurring mostly in the spring of the year. It is no new disease, as is commonly supposed, having been known for centuries back. However, it appears in different forms, and differs very often in the severity of its attack. It is the same disease which visited this and other cities in 1872. This disease is characterized by increased pulse, rise of temperature, which may rise as high as 105 degrees, swollen leg, eyelids and eyes nearly closed, also sore throat, which always accompanies it; after a day or two the legs swell and are sore to the touch. There is always a certain amount of debility and loss of appetite, which varies in different cases. The various visible mucous membranes are increased in color, becoming very red, such as that seen in the conjunctiva of the eye, from whence the disease commonly derives its name (pink eye). As a rule the disease is not dangerous when properly treated as by a qualified veterinarian, and, on an average, its duration is ten days; at the end of such time the patient becomes convalescent." The same paper publishes other letters affirming that pink eye is not a new disease, and that journal agrees with Dr. M. J. Henderson, of Syracuse, when he says, in an article in the *Evening Herald* of that city, that "this epidemic receives its common name from the pink appearance assumed by the conjunctiva that lines the inside of the eyelids when an animal is suffering from it."

King's [illegible] thousands. Try it and you will add [illegible] ore to their number.

HOUSEHOLD RECEIPTS.

[Food and Health.]

PARSLEY POTATOES.—Steam potatoes, cut in small sizes, and make melted butter sauce, mixed with milk and parsley as directed. Put in potatoes, simmer for five minutes, and dish up.

STEWED PEARS.—Peel pears. Place them in a little water with sugar, cloves, cinnamon and lemon peel. Stew gently, and add one glass of red wine or some cider. Dish up cold.

WHITE SAUCE.—Piece of butter melted, stirred in with corn flour, sugar, vanilla flavoring, and mixed with milk. Continually stirred till thickening, and served over lemon pudding when done.

FISH SOUP.—Take two pounds of cheap fish, add half a pound of bacon, simmer together, strain. Brown a finely chopped onion, add some steamed potatoes and a handful of parsley, strain the fish soup over it. Simmer ten minutes and serve.

TOMATO SOUP.—Prepare beef as with maccaroni soup, but instead of maccaroni stew four tomatoes in a little butter, with pepper and salt, and beat through cullender. Add to strained soup, and half a handful of ground rice, and let simmer fifteen minutes or more.

FISH CUTLETS WITH PICKLE SAUCE.—Wrap fish cutlets in larded paper and frizzle in pan; prepare pickle sauce. Take a piece of butter, melt, add brown flour and stir in with warm water. Now cut up your pickles very small and stew in sauce till done, then throw over cutlets.

BEEF BALLS.—If you have no beef left over, take canned meat, chop very fine, mix with finely chopped onion, herbs and parsley, pepper, salt and a little nutmeg. Combine with yolk of egg and bread crumb. Roll into balls, dip in egg and frizzle in warm fat. Serve with parsley spriga.

LEMON PUDDING.—Crumb of bread, two spoonfuls of fine flour, finely-chopped beef-suet, peel of two lemons chopped fine. Juice of same, moist sugar, four eggs beat up well, pinch of baking-powder, all mixed and wetted with milk. Steamed for one hour and a half or two hours in shape.

STEWED CARROTS.—Put small cut carrots in saucepan with little water and salt; let simmer till nearly done. Strain them; put piece of butter in saucepan, melt it, add a little brown flour, pepper and salt and liquor from carrots; also some fine parsley. Stew carrots till quite well done.

VEAL CUTLET.—Make it tender with the back of a knife, and have it well cut. Frizzle thin slices of bacon. Dip cutlet in yolk of egg, but not in bread. Place in fat, cover up and frizzle gently. Turn when ready. The last few minutes take a handful of chopped parsley and strew over the cutlet. Serve up with bacon round it and a lemon squeezed over it.

BANANA AND APPLE TART.—Make crust of fine flour and fresh butter. Make little crust but make it good. Slice apples fine and put in dish with three or four bananas sliced, only adding sugar and perhaps a little syrup, if you have got it. Cover crust over fruit; brush a little melted butter over top, strew white sugar on, and bake twenty minutes or more, as required.

LAMB STEWED WITH RICE.—Take piece of lamb off shoulder, neck or so. Place in saucepan with a little warm water, salt and peppercorn, and a piece of mace. Let gently simmer for twenty minutes. Add three tablespoonfuls of best rice, and let gently simmer. If the lamb is very young, a piece of butter may be added, also a few squeezes of lemon made over it, when it is done. Dish up lamb with rice round and slices of tongue.

MACARONI SOUP.—Chop up fine one or two pounds of beef; put it in a saucepan and simmer for one hour, with pepper, salt, two cloves and a piece of mace. Add to it a tablespoonful of gelatine, and beat up with one yolk of egg. Have ready the macaroni in small pieces and a few savory balls. The macaroni to have been steamed and then cut in pieces; the savory balls to be made of savory herbs, bread-crumb, butter, baking powder and yolk of egg. Make them very small, like marbles, put them in the strained liquor to simmer for fifteen minutes, add the macaroni and dish up.

VERMICELLI PUDDING.—Boil three teacupfuls of milk, then mix it with one ounce vermicelli until it is thick and well done; take from the fire and agitate until somewhat cooled; then mix one-half ounce best butter in small pieces, one-half ounce white granulated sugar, the yolks of four eggs, and at last add the white of the eggs beaten to a firm frost; pour into a pudding mold which has a cover, to within an inch of the top, previously buttered and thickly powdered with fine molded crumbs of hard toasted bread; close the cover with little strings through the eyes and let boil, standing upright, one hour in a covered iron pot sufficiently filled with water to cover the mold. Taking it out the mold, let it cool a little, then open, put a plate on top of the mold, turn it gently out, keeping the mold against the plate. For the sauce, boil one pint best milk with four tablespoonfuls of white granulated sugar and a small piece of vanilla; when boiling, bind with a little flour. Take from the fire, and when it is cooling mix the yolk of eggs.

"GOIN' FUR THE COWS."

The western skies were all aglow
With clouds o' red an' gray;
The crickets in the grassy fields
Were chirpin' merrily;
When up the lane an' o'er the hill
I saw a maiden roam,
Who went her way at close o' day
To call the cattle home:
Co boss—co-boss!
Co-boss—co boss!
Come home—come home!

The echo o' her charmin' voice
Resounded through the vale;
It lingered on the evenin' air,
It floated on the gale;
'Twas borne along the mountain side,
It drifted through the glen;
It died away among the hills
Far from the haunts of men:
Co-boss—co-boss!
Co-boss—co-boss!
Come home—come home!

Her face was flushed with hues o' health,
Her arms an' feet were bare;
She had a lithe an' active form,
A wealth o' raven hair.
Beyond the hill she passed from sight,
As sinks a fallin' star,
Until her voice was faintly heard
Still callin' from afar:
Co-boss—co-boss!
Co-boss—co-boss!
Come home—come home!

Soon o'er the distant knoll appeared
The cattle, red an' brown,
An' from the pastur' to the lane
Came gaily trottin' down.
With sparklin' eyes and cheeks aglow
Returned the maiden gay,
Who waved her arms and shouted low:
Whay-boss—whay-boss—O whay!
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O whay—O whay!

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The first who breaks the silent spell,
To say a soft and pleasing thing,
Hath felt the angel's passing wing.
Thus a musing minstrel strayed,
By the summer ocean,
Gazing on a lovely maid,
With a bard's devotion.

Yet his love he never spoke,
Till now the silent spell he broke.
The hidden fire to flame did spring,
Fanned by the passing angel's wing.
"I have loved thee well and long,
With love of Heaven's own making!
This is not a poet's song,
But a true heart's speaking;
I will love thee, still untried!"
He felt, he spoke, as one inspired,
The words did from Truth's fountain spring,
Upwakened by the angel's wing!

Silence o'er the maiden fell,
Her beauty lovelier making;
And by her blush he knew full well
The dawn of love was breaking.
It came like sunshine o'er his heart!
He felt that they should never part.
She spoke—and oh! the lovely thing
Had felt the passing angel's wing!

—[Samuel Lover.

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