

“Gossip of the Century”

Interesting Personal Reminiscences of Famous People.

George Canning's Padded Room—A Duke's Wife—Byron's Daughter—Moody George Elliot—No Respect for Dickens.

There have been so many volumes of gossip written about the past and the present centuries that it would seem as though the subject must be exhausted, but I have come to the conclusion that it is inexhaustible.

The book is not made up entirely of personal experiences, though he seems to have met most of the famous people of his time.

It was a rare thing to see his majesty, even in those days, and he was not only seriously out of health for some time before his death, but his personal appearance was so visibly affected by the complications of disease which he had become a victim that he showed himself as little as possible in public.

Of the Duke of Kent, the father of Queen Victoria, less seems to be known than any of the royal dukes.

It was through playing with the little Princess Victoria that the good Duke lost his life.

GEORGE CANNING'S PADDED ROOM. In George Canning's house our author remembers a suburban passage, leading from his study to the beach, where, it was said, after the example of another great orator, he would sit and hear his speeches, when the sea was at its roughest, trying which voice should outtop the other.

He would also rehearse his speeches before a full length mirror in a padded room, which was a school for young ladies. Alas! how evanescent are these things.

AS I have often seen the Duke of Brunswick at London, though many years ago, I was at once struck by a very truthful picture of him I have quoted above.

Though he had silk stockings, he kept on studs on the shelves of a large wardrobe with glass doors. I never saw him in any other dress.

BYRON'S DAUGHTER. A few doors from my father's house in Great Cumberland Place resided Lord Lovelace, and there died of a cancer, November 23, 1832, his wife, Lady Lovelace, Byron's.

When she died discover them, however, she made up for lost time, and read them all with passionate admiration.

Down the Rhine in 1838 we also met an English party consisting of two gentlemen and two ladies, the latter two stylish girls, who with their cavaliers were thoroughly enjoying this, their first acquaintance with the Rhine scenery.

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In this vulgarized traveling days) one was and perhaps still is accounted a good look for in an Englishman of the upper class.

THE PRIORY. "The Priory" was a quiet, simple, unpretentious yet elegant villa, where one seemed to breathe an atmosphere of literature.

NO RESPECT FOR DICKENS. Charles Dickens was once by chance my fellow-traveler on the Boulogne railway, and it was with him that I met his wife, nor his sister-in-law, yet he strutted about the deck with the air of a man bristling with self-importance.

LADY BULWER HAD RED HAIR. To the best of my recollection, Lady Bulwer had a winning expression, though some may have thought her handsome.

GROTESQUE PAOANINI. But for the intense expression of genius which had shone in his eyes, Paoanini's features and figure would have been absolutely repulsive; as it was, his appearance and manner suggested that there must be something in the man or less than human about him.

HOW MR. BEECHER READ. His Books Suggested to Him Many of His Best Thoughts.

Stimulated, doubtless by Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher's published reminiscences of another great orator, he would sit and hear his speeches, when the sea was at its roughest, trying which voice should outtop the other.

THE DUKE OF BRUNSWICK'S WIFE. As I have often seen the Duke of Brunswick at London, though many years ago, I was at once struck by a very truthful picture of him I have quoted above.

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