HEARTH & BOUDOIR.

TWO CHARMING GOWNS FOR OUTDOOR FETE.

Some Ways of the World.

A curious case of kleptomania occurred not long ago in a prominent family at their country place on the North River, which resulted in an innocent person being suspected, nearly arrested, but finally exonerated by the fortunate discovery of the real thief. Oddly enough, however, the culprit himself, far from being considered accountable for his misdeeds, was held in higher estimation than ever, and his crimes were cited only in proof of his extraordinary cleverness. "For we humans," said Mary, the cook, bristling with indignant partisanship at the unjust suspicion which had been cast upon her friend, the housemaid, "ain't no account whatsomever in this family alongside of dogs and cats and birds."

Mr. and Mrs. X. were devoted to animals, and as their children inherited their tastes the house was filled with an extraordinary collection of pets, which, according to Mary, the cook, were treated "better than Christuns." A prime favorite among them was Diogenes, the lame crow, who was the terror of the puppies and kittens who got on his nerves, but the friend of the matronly cat and older dogs, who would often give him a lift when he was tired of hopping on his bad leg, so that it was no uncommon sight to see Diogenes ride into the house perched on the shoulder of Olaf, the Great Dane, or Pat, the Irish retriever.

"It is very odd," said Mrs. X. one morning, coming down to breakfast with a worried face. "I have lost one of my diamond rings in the strangest way! I took it off last night because it felt tight, and left it on my dressing table. This morning I looked for the ring, and it was gone. No one has been in the room except Kate, the new housemaid, who came to tell me my bath was ready and who handed me my dressing gown. Of course, I cannot think she took it, but it does seem odd."

"No fool, even, would take a valuable ring in that way," said her husband. "It has probably rolled somewhere, and you will find it." But all searching was in vain. An open window near the bureau made the only other solution possible. "A thief may have entered when you were at your bath, although it does seem impossible," Mr. X. concluded, and advised secrecy. "If it is the maid," he said, "she will not stop with one ring."

A few nights afterward Mr. X. placed a marked five-dollar gold piece with some loose silver on the bureau, this time shutting the window and setting the catch, which left the latter only a foot open. "No one can get through that," he decided. The next morning, before going to her bath, Mrs. X. glanced at her dressing table and saw the yellow gleam of the gold piece among the silver. She then took her gown from the maid as usual, and went into the bathroom. On her return she was startled to see that the five-dollar gold piece had been taken and the silver left. The matter had now become serious—that there was a thief in the house was beyond a doubt, and their suspicions naturally fell upon the maid, who was the only person who had access to that room at that hour. Mr. X. advised sending for a policeman, but his wife contended there must be absolute proof. So every morning before the maid entered the room Mr. X. slipped into a closet and watched her proceedings after his wife went to her bath. For a couple of days nothing happened, the silver which he left at night on the dressing table remained undisturbed, the maid leaving the room as soon as her mistress. On the third morning a gold sleeve link happened to be with the loose quarters and half dollars which Mr. X. had tossed upon the table, and the glint of the gold attracted the thief as honey does flies. Through the aperture of the window peeped a coal black head, looking this way and that, to make sure he was unobserved. Then, "with many a flirt and flutter in there stepped a stately raven," Diogenes in propria personal who, half flying and half hopping, gained the bureau, picked up the trinket, and with the guttering sleeve link in his beak regained the window.

Mr. X. followed cautiously and watched to see his next proceeding. Near the window was a corner of the veranda roof, around which ran a disused tin gutter pipe. This was evidently Diogenes' treasure house. A flying jump landed him on the roof, and he then limped rapidly to the further end, deposited his booty with the greatest haste, after looking again to see that no one was watching. He then walked away, fluttered down to the ground and looked innocently around, as much as to say that he at least had nothing aching his conscience. But he was not to go unpunished. At the breakfast table, where the story of the discovery of the thief was heard with relief and laughter, it was decided that Diogenes should be taken to his gutter pipe storehouse and witness in person the recovery of the stolen property, and that he be tied to the place by the leg for half a day, a sentence which was carried out, but whether with salutary effect deponent knoweth not. At any rate, his collection of bric-à-brac was most interesting. The ring was found there, of course, together with many other articles that had been lost and never thought of. A pair of nail scissors, a thimble, spools of cotton and silk, papers of needles, etc., his taste for gold and jewelry being apparently a later development.

IT'S ALL A MATTER OF LUCK.

"It is hard to judge of girls," remarked a young man. "You see a lot together day after day—their interests are identical, their pretty chatter is on the same subjects—looks, manner and personal charm are all that mark the difference between them, and yet that is the froth on the champagne, the real strength is the important difference in their characters. The strength and sweetness or the weak acidity are all matters more or less of conjecture, and a man never knows until he has drained the cup what his particular portion will be."

"They do not know themselves what is their real nature," answered the matron to whom he was speaking. "I can recall now a knot of girls like that over there," she continued, indicating a gay crowd chattering together like magpies, "about whom I made approximately the same observation fifteen summers ago. The years in their flight have revealed unsuspected possibilities in nearly all of them. One of the gayest and apparently the most frivolous astonished her friends and distressed her family by becoming a Salvation Army lassie, and I hear she is now a captain, working in the slums of London. Another, a quiet little thing, is one of the most talked of women in Europe, a third is a nurse in Manila, a fourth is a well known social leader, while the fifth and last is just an ordinary happy woman, with a good husband and dear children."

"That would have been the one for me if I had been her contemporary?" said the young man, "but, as I say, how is one to know? The possibilities are I would have fallen in love with the wrong one, and been miserable."

A WOMAN'S LIMITATIONS.

"I wish the utilitarian side of a girl's education could be more considered," grumbled papa, who, after paying out untold sums for the education of his daughters since their babyhood, found that he had on his hands three pretty specimens of perfectly useless womanhood. "If they had learned cooking, for instance," he continued, "what a help they would have been to their mother when she is going through a period of domestic upheaval? And their French and German, how little good that will do them. But if they had learned the language of the emigrants that come over to this country—Swedish, for instance, or Italian—they could take a newly arrived servant and train her to suit, and we would not be constantly changing, to our discomfort. Why do they not learn a little upholstering, and be able to cover a shabby chair, if necessary, or practical dressmaking, and make their own gowns and relieve me of the incubus of their dressmakers' bills? If the theory is that the education they receive helps them to marry, they are very much mistaken, and it certainly does not help them to be of practical value. This general culture business is, in my opinion, a mistake. Education should be a means to an end—now it leads to nowhere."

A practical woman, however, is born, not made. Not all the highly educated daughters are useless "fine ladies," by any means.

"Why," exclaimed a pretty Western millionairess who had been educated at a convent in Paris, "I say a woman should be able to do anything. She is a poor creature who cannot do the work of an uneducated servant if needs be. Not long ago I was visiting a friend, whose servants got into a row and left her just after dinner, leaving only the lady's maid. 'Mary,' said my hostess to me, deprecatingly, 'I can't cook breakfast, and I do not like to ask Hortense to do it, so we will go to a restaurant and then get some servants to replace those wretches.' That did not suit me at all. I like my coffee early, and I like it good. So I did not say a word, but set the alarm of my traveling clock at 6, got up at that time, dressed and went down to the kitchen. Everything was left in confusion, and the fine lady's maid was not to be seen. I found wood and coal, lit the fire, put the kettle on, and by the aid of plenty of kindling wood had good coffee in half an hour. Then I proceeded to cook breakfast, investigating the possibilities of the refrigerator and larder. And when all was ready called my friend. Was she astonished? Well, I guess so! But I think she was pleased to get a good breakfast. After we got through she proposed that we should go out at once and get a charwoman to come and wash up, and then go on a quest for servants. 'No, ma'am,' I answered, 'I don't leave my kitchen in that condition'; and I rolled up my sleeves and washed every saucepan and dish and put everything in apple pie order before I left the house. My friend said she would like to hire me for 'keeps,' and called me a wonder, but I said it was only what every woman ought to be able to do in an emergency."

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GLEANINGS.

The raffia has the merit of being light in weight and correspondingly cheap, and is capable of being wrought into a most becoming chapeau. One New-York woman has a raffia hat which is the admiration of all her friends, and which cost her little more than the price of the raffia, 15 cents. She picked up the material in Little Italy, and worked it into a braid of eleven strands, which, as it was thirty yards in length, took considerable time. This she coaxed into a toque shape and decorated it with medallions of coffee colored lace and an ordinary quill, which she painted to resemble peacock feathers, the raffia being allowed to remain in its natural color, which is something like that of old rope. It can be dyed any color, and most amateur milliners prefer to treat it in this way.

Collapsible and transmutable furniture is the most desirable kind that can be offered to the denizen of cities in these days, and, though much of it is of doubtful utility, much has come to be absolutely indispensable to the flat dweller. The trunk which, when empty, can be made to do duty as a bureau or writing table, appears to be a fascinating piece of furniture, and if it is as represented it will be eagerly sought after by the occupants of hall bedrooms and tiny flats. Baby fixtures, such as cribs and carriages, which can be folded up or turned into something else when not in use have obvious advantages in homes where it is difficult to find room for children, and a table which has a best dress for cards and tea and an everyday surface for the pressing of skirts and trousers and similar necessary and boring occupations needs no recommendation.

Gas is said to be much better than chloroform for destroying pets. A cosey, comfortable box should be provided, in which the animal will go contentedly to sleep, and then the gas may be turned on. In a few moments the creature will have died without the slightest pain. Cats in particular seem to suffer with chloroform, and sometimes struggle painfully.

Stanford University is endeavoring to keep down the number of its woman students, the limit of five hundred fixed by the founders having been reached. It has been decided that no more women shall be allowed to register as special students, and after August, 1904, none will be received on partial standing.

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The Ladies' Empire Club, of London, which was organized about a year ago for the purpose of making things pleasant for the women of Great Britain when they visit London, has just moved into new quarters, which promise some very good times for the Colonial visitors. The house has two dining rooms, a particularly fine reading and writing room, a drawing room, with a pleasant balcony; card and smoking rooms and a fair number of bedrooms.

Items of Social Interest at the Summer Resorts.

OUTDOOR AT WATCH HILL

Cottagers and Hotel Guests Enjoying Golf.

Watch Hill, R. I., July 11 (Special).—The cottagers to a large extent come to Watch Hill for a long season, and the early warm weather saw the opening of a large proportion of the fine residences here. Then came the damp, disagreeable days when the visitors were glad to gather about their fireplaces and were content to watch the sea from inclosed verandas. With books and games and the daily walk to the postoffice for exercise, and incidentally the mail, the time passed pleasantly enough. Now, however, with the continued fine weather, the houses are deserted and outdoor sports have many devotees; the mail carrier may take care that the letter are duly delivered while the young people are off on pleasure intent. With a cool ocean breeze and the greens in fine condition, many golfers are drawn to the links of the Misquamicut Golf Club, and at the house every afternoon members and their friends are seated at the small black oak tables which have been installed in the tearoom, or on the porch, which is a comfortable resting place with its new furnishings. From here they watch the final puttings, and can enjoy the tennis, for there are this year seven excellent courts at the club.

Of the many guests of the cottagers who came for the Fourth some are still here. Mr. and Mrs. Schoonmaker are entertaining Miss Means, of New-York, at Intercrest. Miss Alice J. Rockwell, of Nutley, N. J., is the guest of Mrs. F. B. Wesson. Mrs. Joseph Wodell, of New-York, is spending the summer at Stony Path with Mrs. J. H. Clarke. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Thacher are now at their cottage, Longshore. They came from their handsome place, Sunninghill, at Tenafly, N. J., and until their cottage was ready were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brookes. Julien S. Jones, of Baltimore, and Mrs. Thomas, of New-York, have been the guests of G. A. Pope at Ninigret. While here the young men took a trip up the Pawcatuck searching for game and picturesque views.

S. F. B. Morse, of Houston, Tex., assistant passenger traffic manager of the Southern Pacific Railroad, has rented Fairview, the property of W. N. York. Mr. Morse has resigned his place and will become a member of the firm of D. J. Sully & Co., of New-York, prominent in the recent cotton market. Mr. Sully's family are at their cottage, Kenneth Ridge, although Mr. Sully has business abroad.

The cottage directory, as well as the hotel registers, show how many New-Yorkers are visitors at the Hill. The ease with which the business man may journey thither is shown by the number who come to spend Sundays, and the Stonington Line reverses the programme, sending a Sunday night boat to New-York through the summer. This makes the Saturday night hops especially gay, for the cottagers are invited to attend. Many of the guests have been here for years, while, of course, there are a great many new faces. The following are from New-York and suburban cities:

Ocean House—Mrs. S. O. Van Der Poel, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Layng, R. Sterling Du Puy, C. F. Rogers, D. F. Rogers, Miss Flora V. Pratley, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Scoville, Miss Buckingham, Miss E. H. Heath, Miss L. Cole, H. Gillett, Mrs. S. Moghabghab, N. A. Moghabghab, A. C. Barnes, Mrs. W. M. Barnum, Phelps Barnum, Miss Mary P. Jacob, Miss M. B. Kunhee, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Malloy, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Yates, Miss Katherine Yates and Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Borden.

Plimpton—Otto Hertnold, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Schumacher, Mr. and Mrs. James N. Paul, Miss Paul, Ralph S. Mayhew, Miss Boedicker, Miss Granger, George S. Kebabian, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Bingham and Miss Bingham.

Atlantic—William G. Hammond, Henry B. Hammond, Charles F. Hammond, Mr. and Mrs. James P. Lyman, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Baumann, Mr. and Mrs. S. Meyer, Mrs. Charles Dobbrow and Charles Dobbrow, jr.

At the cottages are Mrs. George H. Babcock at El Reposo, Robert F. B. Ballantine at Kedge, Frederick Brooks at Mohican, Mrs. A. M. De Guiscard at Sunnyside, J. B. Dickson at Alemary, Bradley L. Eaton at Moorcroft, Alanson T. Enos at Sowanniu, Daniel K. Hall at the Aborigines, William C. Hastings at Breeze Cote, Ralph P. Hibbard at Bowlder Crest, F. B. Kennard at the Moorage, Sherman W. Knevals at Intermere, the Rev. A. H. Lewis at Bungalow-on-the-Cove, Manton B. Metcalk at Wawaloam, Dudley Phelps at Meadholme, Mrs. Mary C. Phelps at Catlin cottage, Henry A. Robinson, at Breezy Lodge, Thomas Thacher at Longshore, Mrs. A. W. Tenney at the Moorage and Frank B. Wesson at Intermere.

AT GREENWICH-ON-THE-SOUND.

Greenwich, Conn., July 11 (Special).—Greenwich is favored these hot days above other places along the Sound, for it is situated 200 feet above tide water, and there is always a breeze—which helps matters. The hotels and cottages are all filled. Summer sporting schedules of the yacht and golf clubs have been arranged and the dates of events fixed. Apawamis golfers are looking forward with interest to the invitation tournament of July 30, 31 and August 1. There will be the usual all-day handicap on the last day of play, and in addition there is to be a thirty-six hole medal play contest, open to all amateurs and twelve specially invited professionals. Prizes are $200, $100 and $50, and in case of an amateur winning, the equivalent will be presented in plate. It is expected that a good number of well known Eastern amateurs will be present, although "Willie" Anderson is the Apawamis professional and has the advantage of his home grounds. The Kemp trophy, offered by George W. Kemp, in a thirty-six hole handicap over the Apawamis course on July 4, was won by F. W. Waldstat.

Late arrivals at the Inn include Thomas G. Cromwell, C. Bruno, F. W. Aldred, John R. Hall, Mrs. M. W. Trippe, Mr. and Mrs. I. Hallam Jenney, Miss Jenney, Mrs. Henry B. Platt, Miss Platt, Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Seggerman, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Wilmot, Miss Wilmot, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander D. Duff, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Wilson, Miss Wilson, A. A. Wilson, Miss Loines, Mrs. William A. Adamson, Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Horwill, Judge and Mrs. James C. Church, Mrs. Andrew A. Halsey, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Barnes, Miss Beatrice Barnes, Mrs. M. E. Parsons and Mr. and Mrs. Orlando Harriman.

BATHING AT NARRAGANSETT PIER.

Music Again a Feature—Large Cottage Colony.

Narragansett Pier, R. I., July 11 (Special).—Independence Day and a continued high temperature have given this breezy summer resort an impetus that will send it through a successful season. The Seaview Railroad is running on full schedule time, and the cars are registering an unprecedented number of "trippers." The water has been in fine condition for a week, and many visitors have indulged in bathing. In former years a Hungarian orchestra added greatly to the enjoyment of the bathing hour. Now the Gladstone orchestra gives daily noon concerts. The Grecian Gardens, on the Gladstone lawns, make an agreeable rendezvous, in place of the Casino, which it is hoped will be in readiness by the beginning of another season.

The hops at the Mathewson have been started, and as the guests of the other hotels are invited they help to swell the list of desirable acquaintances and add greatly to the sociability.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Kendricks, of Denver, who are making a tour of the Atlantic shore resorts, are among the guests at the Mathewson.

The cottage colony, which is said to be the largest in the history of Narragansett, includes Francis S. Kinney, of New-York, who has opened his house in Ocean Road. Over Yonder, in Robinson-st., has been rented to Rear Admiral Ide, U. S. N., of New-York, and The Gables, in Central-st., is rented by Edward Browning, of Philadelphia. Mr. Browning is a well known yachtsman and frequently cruises in the waters near here.

A guest at the Imperial is the German Consul, G. A. Von Lingen, of Baltimore, who, with his family, will pass the season here. New-York guests at this hotel are Mrs. W. A. Frazier, Mrs. J. L. Bulkley, Miss Bulkley, Elisha P. Smith, J. M. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Villard, Miss Eddy, Dr. A. Karlsive, O. G. J. de Westfelt, Mrs. William Littauer and Mrs. P. R. Morrice.

T. O. Selfridge, U. S. N., a grandson of the late Rear Admiral Selfridge, and H. G. Knox, also a naval man, are at the Revere. Here are registered F. Henry Elson, Miss Rogers and Mrs. Bush, of New-York.

At the other hotels the New-Yorkers are:

Greene's inn—Walter V. Towle, Dr. D. J. Logan.

Mathewson—Mrs. Franklin Osgood, Miss Desterames, Miss E. P. Briggs, Mrs. M. J. Allen, Miss F. W. Garney, W. H. Chapman, Mme. Rosa Linde, Mrs. P. Van Ganst Lane, Mrs. J. M. Williams, Mrs. Wilford Lisisly, Miss K. Warner, William B. Rose, Robert Adams, Miss Adams, G. P. Valfia, Nellie Wright, Mrs. R. Binver, E. Maris, Hoffman Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tewksbury, C. H. George, William Thorver, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Baumon, Mr. and Mrs. S. Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Downer, Miss Richardson, Albert Lovering, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Lamson.

Burnside—F. V. Ingraham, G. M. Lord.

Atlantic—Mrs. J. H. Benet, Miss Benet, Miss F. J. Porter, Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Fish, Mrs. P. F. Murphy, Miss Esther Murphy, H. R. Ford, Miss Graham Cunningham, Miss Ethel Thorp Cunningham.

Gladstone—Frank M. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. H. Bagley, Joseph H. Tatt, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Villard, P. Steadman, Charles H. Dorr, Miss B. Conya and Miss D. Leopold.

Mataloxet—Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Norris.

Massasoit—Mrs. W. H. Anthon, Mrs. W. Stanhope Callender.

Arlington—James Stevenson, Howard Johnson, Mrs. and Miss Van Duzen.

Atwood—Mrs. L. Moody, Miss Jennie A. Moody, Mrs. M. McElivel.

St. Elmo Cottage—The Misses Johann, J. P. Suchocki.

ON BLOCK ISLAND BEACHES.

Good Bathing This Season—Excellent Fishing Found.

Block Island, R. I., July 11 (Special.—The season at Block Island practically opened on the Fourth, when the usual holiday crowd invaded the island. Guests have been arriving steadily all the week, so that now the season is well under way. Owing to the inclement weather of June the advance engagements for July were smaller than usual, but the warm weather of this week has brought visitors here in large numbers. The chief attraction here just now is the fishing. The swordfish have just arrrived, and they are plentiful. One of the fishing schooners captured seven last Wednesday. The advance guard of the bluefish appeared last week, and they have been followed by great numbers. Yellow fin are abundant, and barrels of them are brought in by the fishermen every night.

Ocean View Hotel—D. W. Peabody, Mrs. C. E. Taller, Mrs. H. E. Crocker, J. K. Russ, Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler H. Peckham, G. C. O'Dell, H. T. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Holt, jr., Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Lockwood, Dr. and Mrs. R. Pooley, F. W. Aschenbach, C. A. Chumar, W. A. Tibbats, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Irsch, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Wallace, John Swann, Nicholas Ball, Mrs. Henrietta C. Kitt, E. D. Bushnell, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Little, Mrs. F. B. St. John, E. J. Berger, H. B. Ford, J. D. Woodruff, W. A. Holden, C. H. Lahn, Albert B. Hardy, John Cooper, L. Rosere, H. G. B. Dayrell, F. W. Broatch, W. H. Osborne, Dr. H. T. Lee, James Ryan, A. F. Ryan, G. H. Show, Benjamin Walton and J. Porter Dodd.

Spring House—H. Logan Reid, Mrs. M. S. Gomlay, Edward Simmons Hall, Dr. William H. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. A. Klamroth, A. Klamroth, jr., Miss Harriet Klamroth, Mrs. M. Davidson, Charles N. Davidson, Mrs. H. Stewart, Mary E. Stewart, F. C. Moore, F. A. Moore, M. P. Moore, Mrs. E. J. Atkinson, Laura E. Moore, Clara L. Moore, G. A. White, E. Dudley Barlow, Rufus G. Shilley and Don y Pendas.

Manisses Hotel—Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Greene, A. C. Whitten, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Chamberlain, W. G. Morrison, Mrs. W. G. Morrison, R. J. Rhodes, Mrs. R. Tonjes, Arda M. Tonjes, Alice R. Tonjes, James A. Tonjes, J. M. Warford, A. Warford, Mrs. E. Sugden, Miss Sugden, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Dent, Minnie Staun, Frank C. Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. Gullie, E. B. Gullie, F. J. Gullie, J. S. Strauss, W. R. Moon, Mr. and Mrs. William M. Daniell, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mackay, F. E. Powers, P. J. Duffey, Mrs. Edward M. Fitzsimmons, M. E. Witherspoon, J. Simmons, S. Simmons, A. J. Johnson, Mrs. W. T. Evans, Dr. O. S. Marden, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Crane, George H. Miller, William O'Neill, Mrs. Nelson, Miss Daisy Nelson, Miss Belle Nelson and Miss Aida Nelson.

Woonsocket House—B. C. Leavey, W. Mitchel, Mrs. H. H. Day, Mrs. O. H. Babbitt, Miss L. M. Kersting, Mrs. C. M. Muir, Mrs. C. A. Muir, Henrietta D. Babbitt and Helen S. Muir.

National Hotel—Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Thompson, W. C. Thompson, J. Malcolm Thompson, T. M. Truim, C. R. Fitch, Arthur F. Jones, Mrs. Arthur F. Jones, Miss Flossie Jones, Miss Dorothy Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Y. L. Cantel, P. A. Brustleim, C. H. Brustleim, Miss V. Fassin, Edward M. Raphel, Mr. and Mrs. F. Andrews, B. Harnden, M. M. Williams, H. M. Morehouse, jr., Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Kahn and Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Ehrlich.

GAY JULY AT RICHFIELD.

Outdoor Life Fully Enjoyed—Interest in Horseback Riding.

Richfield Springs, N. Y., July 11 (Special).—Richfield is enjoying the brightest July season known for several years. The measure of the postal and railway business is a faithful indicator, and at all the public stations there is comment on the sudden influx of summer business. Benjamin Altman, of New-York, is at the Earlington, Admiral Asserson at the Kendallwood, Colonel W. J. Miller at the Tuller and G. F. Grant, of New-York, at the Berkeley-Waiontha.

Riding and driving have had full swing all the week. The air is cool and, now that the road committee of the Board of Trade has aroused the lethargic Highway Commissioners to action, the drives will be free from all loose stones. Mrs. D'Orimieulx has arrived at Cary Cottage, after a sojourn at Oyster Bay, with her daughter, Mrs. J. West Roosevelt, and granddaughter, Miss Lorraine Roosevelt.

Fashion and the horse have been consonant with Richfield for many years. Just now there is a revival of horseback riding, and every one is delighted to see the steeds return to the Lake Drive. Miss Helen Paul, who is with Mrs. Robert Pearsall, of Philadelphia, at the Kendallwood, is graceful in the saddle. Mrs. F. Ambrose Clark is looked upon as one of the cleverest riders in the metropolitan set, and, in company with Mr. Clark and their guests at Fernleigh, Otsego Lake, often takes a brisk, ten mile canter before breakfast. The Otsego air is a tonic. Dickel's Riding Academy has established a branch at the Darrow House Stables, and Francis Prand will be the instructor.

Golf has taken a long stride since the advent of McCarthy, the West Field coach and instructor. The greens committee at the Waiontha Club now comprises Dr. C. C. Ransom and Wilmot Cole, of New-York; B. U. Livingston, jr., of Yale; Singleton Peabody Outhwaite, of Columbus, Ohio, and Paul Warren, of Geneva, Switzerland.

A new American flag of wide proportions is now fluttering in the breeze of Monument Park. The Soldiers and Sailors' Monument erected there six years ago was the gift of Colonel Thomas R. Proctor, of Utica. The recent gift to the monument association was used at the unveiling and dedication in July, 1897, and then retained by Colonel Proctor as a souvenir of the occasion. He also ordered Frederic Bronner, Supervisor of the town of Richfield, and chairman of the Monument Association, to erect a new flagstaff.

Cards have been issued by H. H. Tuller for a dance at the Tuller this evening. To-morrow the Earlington concerts will formally begin. The Kendallwood is usually the scene of several delightful entertainments in the course of a season's run.

Richfield is thoroughly enjoying the open air concerts by the Richfield Band, which is now augmented by several professional artists. This is made possible owing to the generosity of Robert W. Taller, who encourages and fosters the organization, because it began with a few young men four years ago, and has since developed into a splendid military band. On the Fourth of July the organization was invited to Oneonta, N. Y., and assisted in the Independence Day celebration there.

The New-York arrivals for the week include Mrs. Bainbridge Clark, Benjamin Altman, Max Friedsan, Miss Della Robb, Mrs. R. L. Cranford, Mrs. R. K. Ronner, A. L. Gillette, John M. Bowers, Henry Bowers, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Crombie, Mrs. Joseph Myer, Mr. and Mrs. William Hyde, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin B. Ware, Mrs. D. Velasco, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Sproul, Mrs. F. F. Northrup, N. O. Davis, H. A. Avery, E. P. Bullard, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Ford, Mrs. W. E. Fleming, R. B. Fleming, Dr. E. D. Leffingwell and Mrs. Leffingwell, at the Earlington.

Mr. and Mrs. John Phelps Taylor, Rutger M. Jewett, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick T. Proctor, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Roe, Mrs. John Newton, Miss Newton, Mrs. Alexander Thain, Miss Thain and Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Johnstone, at the Berkeley-Waiontha.

John R. Ogden, A. M. Orr, C. T. Wessels, Mrs. J. R. Emery, Miss Emery, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Smith, Miss Smith, W. W. Lennox, Mrs. H. S. Taylor, Mrs. M. E. Hampton, Miss C. Metzgar, Mrs. J. Hiscox and Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Wilmer, at the Tuller.

Mrs. J. R. Lamb, O. R. Lamb, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Lewis, jr., Mr. and Mrs. Martin E. Greene, Mrs. D'Orimieulx, Miss C. P. Wright, Mrs. M. E. Craig and Miss Estelle, at Cary cottage.

Mrs. Robert Pearsall, Miss Pearsall, Miss Paul, Miss E. A. Lintz, Benjamin Brown, E. Phelan and Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Kendall, at the Kendallwood.

GAYETY AT SARATOGA.

Mystic Shriners Occupy the Town—A New Trolley Road.

Saratoga Springs, N. Y., July 11 (Special).—The Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North America held its twenty-ninth annual meeting here on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, for the first time in its history, and so well pleased were the thousands of the wearers of the red fez with this cosmopolitan oasis that they will probably, in the near future, decide upon a second pilgrimage to Saratoga. As early as Monday the railway trains brought the advance guard and patrols, and inside of twenty-four hours they were followed by thousands of Shriners and their families, who at once occupied the town, which underwent a transformation scene that was highly pleasing. The visitors continued their sojourn here till yesterday morning, when the majority departed homeward, the rest adding a few more days to their Saratoga Springs outing.

Saratoga Springs is included in the Mystic Shrine jurisdiction of Oriental Temple, of Troy, which had charge of the local arrangements that were successfully carried forward in every detail. The turbaned Arab patrols, in their picturesque costumes, and the many brass bands, and Highland pipes from Canada, together with the universal wearing of the red fez and the lavish display of fraternity insignia and souvenirs, created a picture kaleidoscopic and Oriental. The whole corresponded well with the decorations that adorned many of the hotels and Broadway buildings, and the thousands of multicolored Japanese lanterns. The spectacular effects, especially on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, when a dozen or more bands were discoursing popular airs, afforded pleasure to all of the participants.

But the Mystic Shriners, numerous as they were, did not constitute all of the convention people privileged to meet here this week. The New-York State Master House Painters and Decorators' Association occupied Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday with their eighteenth annual meeting. The address of welcome was made by Village President Adelbert P. Knapp and responded to by John Beattie, of New-York. So large has become this resort's list of hotels and boarding houses, that had the thousands of visitors this week been doubled in numbers they would all have been entertained.

The convention hall, which seats over five thousand persons, and has foyer capacity for over two thousand more, has been found too large for small assemblages, as the acoustics are not of the best when the auditorium is only partly filled. As many of the conventions number less than five hundred delegates, and some only two hundred, the local authorities have under consideration the project of providing a smaller hall to meet the demands. The attention of Saratogians was called to this matter by the American Master Mechanics and Master Car Builders, who met jointly here last month, and will probably make this their meeting place in 1904, and possibly permanently, provided their recommendations are adopted. The three hundred members of the Imperial Council of Mystic Shriners held their business sessions in the Town Hall Theatre, which has a seating capacity of one thousand.

Substantially all of the cottagers have established themselves for the summer and autumn season, and, in fact, many of them will not return to their city homes till the last week of October. The interchange of social functions has begun, and will rapidly increase as the season approaches its height. Cottage life is becoming more popular as time passes.

While there has been an abundance of music so far this year, the regular orchestras will next week begin their daily piazza concerts, which provide pleasure for summer guests. Several balls have already been given, but the regular conventional dances—Saratoga "hops"—will be instituted the coming week for the season.

The improved weather has permitted the resumption of everything pertaining to outdoor life, and consequently all kinds of diversions are being indulged in. Preliminary practice has been resumed on the grounds of the Saratoga Polo Club and the Saratoga Golf Club, where there promise to be exciting contests in the latter part of July and throughout August. The tournaments will attract here many of the best players in the country, and possibly some from abroad.

There is an unusually large number of automobiles here at present, mostly owned and operated by those intending to pass the summer in Saratoga. While the police order regulates the speed to eight miles an hour, those who desire greater rapidity of movement seek the long rural stretches of clear highway beyond the limits. Automobile parties and excursions to distant roadhouses have become the popular fad. So far there have been no serious accidents, and horses are no longer frightened by the motor carriages. There is a movement on foot to organize an automobile club as a summer institution.

Many of the summer Saratogians have again brought their speedy roadsters, and they may be seen every fine day on the speedway. It is not unlikely that a horse show may be one of the fashionable affairs for late August or early September.

Three carloads of running racehorses, the property of William C. Whitney, president of the Saratoga Racing Association, arrived in town yesterday. The horses are now at his stables near the running park, and will at once go into active training for the August meeting of the association. The park has been put in complete order, and never looked more attractive. Everything augurs well for a brilliant meeting. It is expected that almost a thousand racehorses will be here before the end of July.

Among Saratoga's additional attractions is the eighteen-mile trolley branch road, connecting this village with South Glens Falls, built by the Hudson Valley Railway Company, which operates over one hundred miles of trolley roads in Saratoga, Warren and Washington counties. The new branch, after leaving the village, passes through the picturesque portions of the townships of Wilton and Moreau and skirts the base of Mount McGregor. On the occasion of the formal opening of the Saratoga Springs-South Glens Falls branch, a dinner was given the president of the company, ex-State Treasurer Addison B. Colvin, of Glens Falls, at Arrowhead, Saratoga Lake. Four hundred were present.

As it is understood that a large number of New-York political leaders have made arrangements to pass almost the whole of August here, the inference is drawn that piazza conferences will be resumed here that month, when the season is at its height.

ON THE ST. LAWRENCE.

Delightful Days in Thousand Islands—Many Visitors.

Thousand Islands, N. Y., July 11 (Special).—The weather at this resort has been delightful for the last week, and its effect can be seen on every hand. The trains running into Clayton have been crowded every trip, and all the boat lines whose steamers touch at island ports have been likewise loaded. The great sidewheel steamer running from Toronto to Montreal and Quebec, through the Rapids, carried 940 passengers Saturday and over a thousand Sunday. When Prescott was reached it was found necessary to utilize two of the smaller steamers, instead of one, in which to shoot the Rapids. On board the boat Saturday were a number of Canadian horses recently returned from South Africa for the use of the Canadian militia, where they had been used in the Boer war. One of the six was ridden by General H. Donahue when Ladysmith was captured. They were in care of a detachment of officers on their way to a military camp at Trois Rivières, just below Quebec.

A. H. Funk, of Funk & Wagnalls, accompanied by his wife, has arrived at the Thousand Island House.

Egbert Le Fevre, of New-York City, has opened his home on Manhattan Island.

A number of prominent Brooklyn people are spending the summer at Westminster Park Hotel. Among these are J. Edward Swanstrom, the President of the Borough of Brooklyn; the Deputy Superintendent of Buildings, William M. Calder, and Justin McCarthy, Mr. Swanstrom's private secretary. They are accompanied by their wives and families. They have just returned from a ten days' fishing trip up