

About People and Social Incidents.

AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

Washington, Jan. 11.—The President had a conference to-day with Milton D. Purdy, assistant to the Attorney General, who made up to Browns' villa, Tex., for the purpose of collecting additional evidence bearing upon the riot which resulted in the dismissal of the Negro troops of the 25th Infantry. It was announced, after Mr. Purdy left the White House, that the President's additional message to Congress on Monday, January 14, will be based upon Mr. Purdy's discoveries, which he sent to the White House to-day.

THE CABINET.

Washington, Jan. 11.—The Attorney General and Mrs. Bonaparte will return to Baltimore to-morrow, leaving after the breakfast. They have been constantly entertained, and last night were guests of Mr. Bonaparte's sister-in-law, Miss Bonaparte, Mr. Peabody and Miss Peabody, of Boston, have been the guests of the Attorney General and Mrs. Bonaparte, and will go to Baltimore with them.

IN WASHINGTON SOCIETY.

Washington, Jan. 11.—The decorations of the Attorney General and Mrs. Bonaparte, the chairman of the Panama Canal Commission and Mrs. Shonts, Mr. and Mrs. Farnsworth, Rear Admiral and Mrs. Hutchinson, Captain and Mrs. W. H. Sutherland, Rear Admiral Capps and Miss Converse, Miss Jean Reid, daughter of the Ambassador to Great Britain and Mrs. Whitlaw Reid, arrived in Washington to-day and is the guest of Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth.

NEW YORK SOCIETY.

Mrs. William Douglas Sloane gave her annual dance last evening at her home, at Fifth avenue and 62d street. The decorations of the house were most effective, and consisted of a profusion of flowering plants and cut flowers arranged in the main hall, drawing room and ballroom. The cotillon was led by Harry Pelham Robbins, dancing with the hostess's daughter, Mrs. W. B. Osgood Field, Monson Morris led from the opposite side of the cotillon.

MRS. SAGE LENDS \$600,000.

Mrs. Margaret O. Sage, widow of Russell Sage, lent yesterday to New Theatre, of 100 West 42d street, \$600,000 at 4 1/2 per cent for one year on the New Theatre site, being the block front in Central Park West, from 62d to 63d street, 200 by 225 feet. Henry Morgenthau, Charles T. Barney, Heinrich Coriell and many other well-known financiers are connected with the project. The loan is apparently to be used in erecting the theatre.

EARL OF ABERDEEN'S VISIT TO ROME.

London, Jan. 11.—The visit of the Earl of Aberdeen, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, to Rome on January 10, and his reception by the Pope in private audience has caused some comment on the unusual course of the government's chief Irish official going on such a pilgrimage. This has brought out a semi-official explanation that the Earl of Aberdeen's conference with the Pope followed the course that related chiefly to Lady Aberdeen's activities in the international women's organization.

BRANDER MATTHEWS HONORED.

It was announced at Columbia University yesterday that Professor Brander Matthews had received the decoration of the Legion of Honor from the French government in recognition of his services to literature in connection with the study of the French drama.

WILL OF GENERAL SCHUYLER.

The will of General Philip Schuyler, who, with President Spencer of the Southern Railway Company, was killed in the Southern Railway wreck, has been filed with Surrogate Millard for probate. The will gives to the Misses Louise Lee and Georgiana Schuyler, sisters of the testator, \$5,000 each. The remainder of his estate, approximately \$200,000, is left to his widow.

ELLEN TERRY WILL SAIL TO-DAY.

London, Jan. 11.—Ellen Terry will sail to-morrow for the United States on board the American Line steamer Philadelphia, and will open her American tour at New York on January 28 under the management of Charles Frohman. Her daughter, who will accompany her, will be her stage manager.

A GRILLROOM FOR VALE.

Vale University has a new convenience for the students in the form of a well equipped grillroom, which was opened at the beginning of the present term. Being connected with Dwight Hall, it takes the name Dwight Hall Grill. Its purpose is to furnish freshly cooked food at cost to the students and their friends. There is a large and tastefully appointed grillroom, with a dining room, with billiard table and a distance for refreshments, and the new feature has a long felt want. The grillroom will be under the control of the college Young Men's Christian Association.

property possessed by each individual depends largely, in many cases almost entirely, upon the disposition of the individual, his truthfulness, his correctness of memory and of reckoning, and his willingness practically to act as his own assessor. With these difficulties New Jersey and all states must continue to struggle. But what can be assured, and what New Jersey has hopefully set out to assure, is that no entire class of property owners, rightfully subject to taxation, shall altogether escape taxation. One farmer may think he is taxed more than he should be in comparison with his neighbor, and one railroad may deem its tax heavier than another's, but at least the railroads as a class may be made to pay taxes equally with the farmers as a class. That is what has been largely effected in New Jersey, with the excellent results reported by Governor Stokes.

GOOD NEWS.

The news that the Ponce is safe is welcome to her owners, to the personal friends of those who were on board and to everybody else. Uncertainty concerning the fate of a vessel whose arrival is unduly delayed often excites misgivings out of proportion to the real peril to which she is exposed. In the present instance the gravest fears were justified. Compared with the detentions of other steamships engaged in the West India and coasting trades, that of the Ponce was almost without precedent. If she had been equipped with wireless telegraphic instruments her condition would almost certainly have been known and she would have been taken in tow much sooner. Her transmitters might not have been powerful enough to communicate with land stations in Porto Rico or along the South Atlantic coast, but messages could have been picked up by other steamers passing within fifty or a hundred miles.

JOHN W. GAINES IN ACTION.

There is only one John Wesley Gaines. First in war, first in peace and first in the notebooks of the House reporters. This is an age of publicity. Sweet are the uses of publicity, but of advertising has become the motto of statesmen, educators and even philanthropists. Of all practitioners of the gentle art of promotion and exploitation the Hon. John Wesley Gaines stands over first and foremost. In his own picturesque language, he has the Hon. John B. Moran and our new Attorney General, Mr. Jackson, to turn to for a parallel. He is the Ella Taylor of national politics, the persuasive and compelling genius on whose nod fame waits and whose supereminence is recognized on five continents.

Truly sang the poet laureate of the House of Representatives (Mr. Mann, we believe, or was it Mr. Boutwell). John Wesley Gaines, John Wesley Gaines, Thou monumental mass of brains! But that was years ago, before the full scope of the Tennesseean's genius had been uncovered. Mr. Gaines had then disclosed himself merely as a man of thought, not as a man of action. He was the student, the investigator, the searcher after knowledge. There he sat always—audience fit, though few—and digested and analyzed the intellectual output of his fellows. What chairman of a committee, struggling to explain a bill, has not been flustered by that clear gaze and confounded by that flow of comment and interrogation? The confuter of halting logic, the demolisher of faulty premises, it had been Mr. Gaines's triumphant function to illuminate the speeches of practically all his colleagues with helpful interjections of pure reason. There were obvious detractors who said that the Tennesseean had merely taken an oath that no copy of "The Congressional Record" should ever appear which did not bear witness to his industry and culture. But this slander was refuted and the Tennesseean's wholly patriotic motive was made clear when he recently introduced a bill intended to compel each member of the House, on penalty of forfeiting \$10 to a day, to give similar evidence of critical activity to his admiring constituents.

In the field of peaceful scholarship the Tennesseean's reputation has long been established. But, to reverse the poet's aphorism, war hath her victories no less renowned than peace, and Mr. Gaines was evidently evincing of the double laurel. His encounter with Mr. Mahon on Thursday stamps him as a warrior about as formidable with a good right arm as with an interrogation point. We tremble to think of the tragic fate from which the offending Mahon was spared when five of the acknowledged physical giants of the House succeeded in interrupting the rush of its acknowledged intellectual giant toward his intended victim. But the Pennsylvania Congressman still lives, and what is better, has lived long enough to exchange affectionate embraces with the statesman whose sensibilities he had outraged. Wrath has given way to brotherhood and peace broods again over the south wing of the Capitol.

We admire Mr. Gaines as unqualifiedly when bellicose as when pacific. He is so intensely modern. For him the Pickwickian feud and the bloodless duello. They are just as effective for advertising purposes and much less hazardous and less wearing on the brain tissue. Times change and the new order displaces the old. Consider what might have happened in the belated days of sectionalism if a Northern Congressman had impugned the veracity of a fiery Southern. Allah be praised, there are other methods now of squaring such little differences of opinion than assaulting a colleague with a loaded gun or halting him out at dawn to the Hladensburg dwelling ground.

THE AMEER IN INDIA.

The present visit of the Ameer of Afghanistan to India is, we believe, only the third such incident since the assumption of the Indian administration by the British government, and, indeed, the first of any considerable extent and duration. That is a somewhat remarkable circumstance, in view of the ancient intimate relationship between the two countries, and also of the frequent strenuous passages in their later history. We must remember that down to about a hundred and sixty years ago the western part of Afghanistan—Herat and Kandahar—belonged to Persia, while the eastern part, Cabul, was a province of the Indian Mogul empire of Delhi. The mighty Ahmed Durani—called Shah in those days—founded the present Afghan empire in 1747, and his grandson, Shuja, one of twenty-three rival and quarrelling brothers, fled to India in the days of Lord Clive. For a century and a half against the Mogul empire, but leading to the costly wars of 1839, 1842 and 1843. It was not until "Bobs Bahadur" put Abdurrahman on the throne of Cabul, in 1881, that the troubles were ended which had begun in 1793 among the twenty-three sons of Timour Shah.

Grim old Sher Ali, son of Dost Mohammed, was the first Ameer to visit India after Shuja's time and after direct British rule had replaced the old company, but he went only as far as Umballa. Just across the frontier, to spend a day or two with the Viceroy, Lord Mayo. That was in 1869, and it was not long before the old Ameer intrigued with Russia, quarrelled with England, and became a fugitive before the invading British and his own rebellious sons. Chaos was ended with the triumph of Abdurrahman, and a few years later, in 1885, that monarch visited the Indian Viceroy, Lord Dufferin, at Rawal-Pindi, just across the border. Both of these brief visits were made in troubled times, and were intended to have political and military effect, in which aim the former failed and the latter was not altogether satisfactory. The present visit, of Abdurrahman's son, and successor, Habibullah, occurs at a time of marked tranquillity, and has no apparent object in politics or statecraft, yet it may prove to be of the importance of all.

For Habibullah is not to content himself with merely going over into the Punjab for a few days. He goes straight across to Agra, in the heart of Northern India, where he will meet the Viceroy and where a great durbar will be held. Thence he proceeds by deliberate stages

to Cawnpore, to Gwalior and to Delhi, and across Rajputana to Ameer. Returning to the borders of Bengal, where he will spend a week in tiger hunting, he will go thence clear across Central India to Bombay, whence he will travel in a British cruiser up the Arabian Sea to Kurrachee. Thereafter his itinerary will include Quetta, Scinde and the Punjab, and Peshawar, from which last place he will return home by way of the Khyber Pass. Thus he will have spent two months in India, and will have travelled in that country two thousand miles, visiting nearly every important region north of the Deccan. It will form a visit comparable with that which the Prince of Wales made a year ago.

The significance of it is twofold. There can be no doubt that it will greatly impress the Ameer with the power of the British Empire and with the British genius for government, and will thus confirm him in his loyalty to the pact with England which his father made and kept. It will also serve to test—more trust to demonstrate and to confirm—the completeness of his own rule over Afghanistan. Not often hitherto in the turbulent history of that rugged land would an Ameer or a Shah have dared thus to absent himself from his throne; or, had he done so, would he have found it awaiting his resumption of it on his return. But Habibullah has no fear of trouble during his absence, nor does there seem to be reason to fear any. In that circumstance is evidence of his power as a ruler, and also of the progress which his country is making in ways of stability and peace.

New York is soon to lose its horsecars. Why destroy a service which has long been classed with the Brooklyn Bridge and the Statue of Liberty as one of our chief attractions for sightseeing strangers?

The desire of some industrial concerns to utilize the water power which it contains should not be permitted to prevent the state's prompt acceptance of Mr. Letchworth's splendid gift of his property on the Genesee River. They had their chance at that water power some years ago, and failed to improve it. Now the state and its people should have their chance.

It is gratifying to know that Brooklyn is as healthy as usual this winter, especially since there is no reason to think that it is cleaner than usual.

The Hon. Champ Clark is said to be planning to supersede the Hon. John Sharp Williams as Democratic leader in the House of Representatives. Mr. Williams recently said that he thought the White House was "too damp a place" to live in. Will he now find the air of the House also becoming uncomfortably chilly?

The eruptions of Mauna Loa are not attended by the explosive violence which is characteristic of the outbreaks of Vesuvius, but the volume of lava discharged, geologists say, is enormous. The spectacle is probably magnificent, but not terrifying.

Baseball legislators propose a plan for having umpires announce their decisions by signals instead of with their delightfully raucous voices. If the players will hereafter "klick" at them by signals, "rooters" "root" by signals and coaches coach by signals, there will be a great saving of throats and ears, but we suppose the general happiness would be much diminished.

If a dispatch from Hamburg is not misleading those German fire insurance companies which did not recognize San Francisco's claims on their last year will be obliged to do so yet. The money is long in coming, but it will be welcome when it arrives.

THE TALK OF THE DAY.

At a religious revival in Emporia, Kan., which closed recently, the attention of the Rev. Dr. Munnhall, the evangelist, was called to the large number of converts in the offering. One night the preacher added up the money and a copper penny and gave a conversation held by the two bolls. "I know I'd hate to be you," said the big fellow. "I know I'm not very big," replied the other, "but the children like me and I can buy a good many things." "Hill! you can't buy anything at all," said the other, "just look at me; big and bright and shiny. I'm a whole lot more than you can." "May be so," said the little red-cent, meekly, "but I go to church a hell of a lot more than you do, anyway."

In a village in New Jersey the schoolmistress saw one of the little boys crying. She called him to her and inquired the reason. "Some of the big boys made me a little girl out in the school-yard," was the reply. "Why, that is outrageous! Why did you not come right to me?" "I—I didn't know that you would let me kiss you," he said.—Chicago Daily News.

The hours of labor in Belgium are long, says a consular report. The laborer begins work at a. m. and ceases work at 7 p. m., with the usual breaks for meals. He is paid on the average seven cents to nine cents an hour for ten hours, and 35 per cent more for two additional hours, making his daily wage about \$1.18 cents for twelve hours. Children begin their life work as early as twelve years, though the law compassionately states that no child under sixteen years of age shall be kept at work for more than twelve hours a day! A Belgian statistician estimates the average earnings of an artisan child laboring included in his calculation. At about \$19 a year. Numerous factories have been established there by British firms, owing to the low cost of labor.

"Why did you dismiss that employe?" asked one railway official. "He was annoying," answered the other, "he insisted on trying to figure out how much he could save by economizing on wreckages instead of on the payroll of signal operators."—Washington Star.

One of the old-time customs which still cling to the county of Lincolnshire, in England, was apparent on St. Thomas's Day in towns like Lincoln, Boston, Grantam and Louth, small bands of "mummers" going from house to house. "Mumming Day" is looked forward to by the poor. As they proceed from house to house the "mummers" sing a ballad of a traditional story, and rarely do they sing but one. The word "mummer" has passed into ordinary slang as equivalent to begging or "cadging."

Ruffon Wratz—"The idea of your claimin' to be overworked, ye darned old hobo!" "Tuffold Knutt—"I'm overworked, b'gosh! Fifty times a day I try to explain how it is that I don't get no employment when the country is jist rumin' over wit' prosperity."—Chicago Tribune.

Sir James Sawney, according to "The London Lancet," has adopted the idea that there is a direct association between enamelled cooking vessels and the increase of appendicitis. He holds that fragments of the enamel are broken off from the vessels by spoons used for stirring, and that the sharp-edged fragments are at least one of the causes of inflammation of the vermiform appendix. If this is the case appendicitis is likely to continue increasing, for enamelled vessels are growing more and more in popular favor.

"You look worried," said one gilded youth. "I haven't a care in the world," replied the other, "I have conceived the idea of trying to cut my allowance down low enough to keep people from saying I have more money than brains."—Washington Post.

BACTERIA IN MILK BOTTLES. From the Philadelphia Record. The host of bacteria that may lurk in a supposedly clean milk bottle has been the subject of investigation by the Wisconsin experiment station. Bottles which had been steamed for thirty seconds contained on an average one relatively few bacteria, possibly fifteen thousand to a bottle. However, when the steam was allowed to condense and the water was allowed to remain in the bottle for twenty-four hours the number of bacteria averaged three hundred thousand a bottle, while in a similar experiment which had undergone the same treatment in all respects except they were covered with a clean linen cloth they averaged about the same number, though a long felt want. The great importance of keeping milk bottles, either empty or full, very carefully covered.

Table with 2 columns: Page, Col. and various names like ALHAMBRA, ASTOR, BELASCO, etc.

Index to Advertisements.

Table with 2 columns: Page, Col. and various categories like Amusements, Automobiles, etc.

New York Daily Tribune

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 1907.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

CONGRESS.—Senate: The Senate passed the General Service Pension bill, which provides age pensions for veterans. Senator Hopkins in a lengthy speech declared for the bill.

FOREIGN.—The overdue steamer Ponce was towed into Hamilton, Bermuda, by the German steamer Elizabeth. There was no suffering among the passengers, who will sail on the Bermuda for New York on January 17.

DOMESTIC.—The President saw Milton D. Purdy, of the Department of Justice, who was sent to investigate the Providence riot.

CITY.—Stocks rallied at the close. Certain directors of the New York Life were expected to resign. The former controller Metz was elected.

THE WEATHER.—Indications for to-day: Partly cloudy. The temperature yesterday: Highest, 44 degrees; lowest, 32.

EQUALIZING TAXATION.

Governor Stokes's showing of the change in recent years in the New Jersey fiscal system must be gratifying to the citizens of that state. A dozen years ago the tax burdens were merely nominal in amount. Last year they aggregated \$23,000,000. Had it not been for these disbursements, had the local taxing districts been compelled to raise the full amount needed by them, as of old, the tax rate would have had to be twenty-nine points higher than it was. But, instead of drawing upon the local districts for its own needs and compelling each township to tax itself for state expenses, the state now contributes to each municipality and township a substantial sum, to enable it to lower its local tax rate. That is a condition which surely should please the average citizen mightily.

When the Governor adds, however, that not a cent of this state bounty to the local districts "came out of the pockets of the taxpayers" his well meant words require a little explanation. In the sense that the money did not come out of the pockets of the taxpayers of the districts which received it, or out of the pockets of the great mass of the taxpayers of the state, his statement is sufficiently correct. The money was raised by a state tax upon franchises and the properties of certain corporations, and the conditions are such that the corporations concerned cannot readily, if at all, make the public pay those taxes for them by increasing their charges to the public for services rendered. Thus transportation companies, whose rates of fare are fixed by law or by their charters, must keep carrying the public at those same rates, no matter how much their taxation is increased. So it is, indeed, the corporations and not the public that pay the taxes.

But of course these taxes do come out of the pockets of certain taxpayers, to wit, the members of the corporations which are now taxed, but which formerly were free. Had it not been for the taxes, that sum of \$23,000,000 would largely have gone to swell dividends, so that in that sense it was taken out of the pockets, or was prevented from going into the pockets, of taxpayers. Or perhaps it would be more accurate to say the pockets of those who should be taxpayers and who are now made to be taxpayers, but who hitherto have evaded their just share of taxation. For this great fiscal reform has been effected by a partial—as yet only partial—equalization of taxation. There was crying need of such equalization in New Jersey, as there was in elsewhere, and that need has not yet been fully met, although advancement in that direction has been so great and so beneficial as to afford much encouragement for completion of the process.

There is no function of government which it is so difficult to exercise with equity than that of taxation. The assessment of values upon real estate and its improvements is a task which nobody can perform to universal satisfaction, or with mathematical exactness. The element of estimate must largely enter into it. The ascertainment of the amount of personal

Mrs. Paul Dana, Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Dickey, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dodge, Mr. and Mrs. E. Coleman Drayton, Mr. and Mrs. Le Roy Emmet, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Munro Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. O. Field, Mr. and Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Frothingham, Mr. and Mrs. Elbridge T. Gerry, Mr. Richard Gambrell, Mr. and Mrs. James W. Gerard, Mr. Ogden Gannett, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Golett, Mr. and Mrs. E. De Lancey Kountz, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Larocque, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Prescott Lawrence, Mr. Francis C. Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Goodhue Livingston, Countess and Countess de Langier-Villars, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. D. Lanier, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Livermore, Major and Mrs. McClellan, Mr. and Mrs. Starr Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Ogden Mills, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Munroe, Mr. and Mrs. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Parish, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Pennington, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Oakley Rhineland, Mr. and Mrs. Katrick Riggs, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald W. Rivers, Mr. and Mrs. E. Thayer Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. A. Robb, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Douglas Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Lorillard Ronalds, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Ambassador and Mrs. Whitehall Reid, Mr. and Mrs. W. Watts Sherman, Mrs. H. A. C. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. W. Payne Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Griswold, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Gallatin, Mr. and Mrs. Golet, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore A. Havemeyer, Mr. and Mrs. P. Cooper Hewitt, Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Iselin, Mr. and Mrs. C. Oliver Iselin, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Iselin, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Iselin, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Iselin, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver O. Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. H. Van Rensselaer Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred G. Vanderbilt, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick V. Vanderbilt, Mr. and Mrs. James M. Vanuxem, Mr. and Mrs. Whitney Warren, Dr. and Mrs. W. Seward Webb, Mr. and Mrs. F. Egerton Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Walton Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Welles, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, Mr. and Mrs. Payne Whitney, Mr. and Mrs. Forsyth Wickes, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Whitridge, Mr. and Mrs. Egerton L. Winthrop, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rogers Winthrop, Mr. and Mrs. William Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. Orme Wilson and Mrs. M. H. Winnetonka.

Also Miss Katherine Barney, Miss Beatrice Bond, Miss Cornelia Bryce, Miss Grace Chapin, Miss Mabel Choate, Miss Edith Deacon, Miss Sybil Douglas, Miss Caroline Drayton, Miss Ethel De Koven, Miss Mabel Gerry, Miss Angelica Gerry, Miss Cornelia Harriman, Miss Mary Harriman, Miss Lydia Jackson, Miss Josephine Kountz, Miss Benjamin Cook, Miss Beatrice Mills, Miss Gladys Mills, Miss Elsie Nicoll, Miss Dorothea Potter, Miss Jean Reid, Miss Christine K. Roosevelt, Miss Lucy Margaret Roosevelt, Miss Pauline Riggs, Miss Annah Ripley, Miss Corinne Douglas Robinson, Miss Mildred Sherman, Miss Irene Shegman, Miss Emily S. Welles, Miss Dorothy Fish Webster, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Welles, Mr. and Mrs. Appleton, Grosvenor Artterbury, Ashbel F. Barney, Charles K. Beckman, J. G. Benckard, F. H. B. Betts, Joseph W. Burden, Jr., James L. Breeze, Jr., Sidney Breeze, Arthur Choate, Rawlins L. Cottenet, J. De Wolfe Cutting, W. A. Delano, Hamilton W. Cary, Alfonso De Navarro, J. Sheridan Jones, Benedict M. Deane, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Peabody, Mr. and Mrs. Gaff, Miss Patton, Miss Paulding and Representative Gillett.

The Secretary of War and Mrs. Taft were entertained at dinner to-night by Mr. and Mrs. Hugh C. Wallace, son-in-law and daughter of Chief Justice Fuller, who have a house here for the winter. Invited to meet them were Justice Moody, Senator Kean and Mrs. Converse. Other guests were the Ambassador and Mme. des Portes de la Fosse, the Assistant Secretary of State and Mrs. Bacon, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Hague, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh, Captain and Mrs. Clover and Mrs. Nicholas Fish.

A dinner in honor of the Italian Ambassador, Baron Mayor des Planches, was given by Rear Admiral and Mrs. Converse. Other guests were the Attorney General and Mrs. Bonaparte, the chairman of the Panama Canal Commission and Mrs. Shonts, Mr. and Mrs. Farnsworth, Rear Admiral and Mrs. Hutchinson, Captain and Mrs. W. H. Sutherland, Rear Admiral Capps and Miss Converse.

Miss Jean Reid, daughter of the Ambassador to Great Britain and Mrs. Whitlaw Reid, arrived in Washington to-day and is the guest of Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth. Assistant Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Newberry were hosts at a dinner to-night for Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Metcalf.

Mrs. William Douglas Sloane gave her annual dance last evening at her home, at Fifth avenue and 62d street. The decorations of the house were most effective, and consisted of a profusion of flowering plants and cut flowers arranged in the main hall, drawing room and ballroom. The cotillon was led by Harry Pelham Robbins, dancing with the hostess's daughter, Mrs. W. B. Osgood Field, Monson Morris led from the opposite side of the cotillon.

Mrs. Jean Reid, daughter of the Ambassador to Great Britain and Mrs. Whitlaw Reid, arrived in Washington to-day and is the guest of Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth. Assistant Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Newberry were hosts at a dinner to-night for Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Metcalf.

Mrs. William Douglas Sloane gave her annual dance last evening at her home, at Fifth avenue and 62d street. The decorations of the house were most effective, and consisted of a profusion of flowering plants and cut flowers arranged in the main hall, drawing room and ballroom. The cotillon was led by Harry Pelham Robbins, dancing with the hostess's daughter, Mrs. W. B. Osgood Field, Monson Morris led from the opposite side of the cotillon.

Mrs. Jean Reid, daughter of the Ambassador to Great Britain and Mrs. Whitlaw Reid, arrived in Washington to-day and is the guest of Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth. Assistant Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Newberry were hosts at a dinner to-night for Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Metcalf.

Mrs. William Douglas Sloane gave her annual dance last evening at her home, at Fifth avenue and 62d street. The decorations of the house were most effective, and consisted of a profusion of flowering plants and cut flowers arranged in the main hall, drawing room and ballroom. The cotillon was led by Harry Pelham Robbins, dancing with the hostess's daughter, Mrs. W. B. Osgood Field, Monson Morris led from the opposite side of the cotillon.

Mrs. Jean Reid, daughter of the Ambassador to Great Britain and Mrs. Whitlaw Reid, arrived in Washington to-day and is the guest of Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth. Assistant Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Newberry were hosts at a dinner to-night for Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Metcalf.

Mrs. William Douglas Sloane gave her annual dance last evening at her home, at Fifth avenue and 62d street. The decorations of the house were most effective, and consisted of a profusion of flowering plants and cut flowers arranged in the main hall, drawing room and ballroom. The cotillon was led by Harry Pelham Robbins, dancing with the hostess's daughter, Mrs. W. B. Osgood Field, Monson Morris led from the opposite side of the cotillon.

Mrs. Jean Reid, daughter of the Ambassador to Great Britain and Mrs. Whitlaw Reid, arrived in Washington to-day and is the guest of Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth. Assistant Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Newberry were hosts at a dinner to-night for Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Metcalf.

Mrs. William Douglas Sloane gave her annual dance last evening at her home, at Fifth avenue and 62d street. The decorations of the house were most effective, and consisted of a profusion of flowering plants and cut flowers arranged in the main hall, drawing room and ballroom. The cotillon was led by Harry Pelham Robbins, dancing with the hostess's daughter, Mrs. W. B. Osgood Field, Monson Morris led from the opposite side of the cotillon.

Mrs. Jean Reid, daughter of the Ambassador to Great Britain and Mrs. Whitlaw Reid, arrived in Washington to-day and is the guest of Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth. Assistant Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Newberry were hosts at a dinner to-night for Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Metcalf.

Mrs. William Douglas Sloane gave her annual dance last evening at her home, at Fifth avenue and 62d street. The decorations of the house were most effective, and consisted of a profusion of flowering plants and cut flowers arranged in the main hall, drawing room and ballroom. The cotillon was led by Harry Pelham Robbins, dancing with the hostess's daughter, Mrs. W. B. Osgood Field, Monson Morris led from the opposite side of the cotillon.

Mrs. Jean Reid, daughter of the Ambassador to Great Britain and Mrs. Whitlaw Reid, arrived in Washington to-day and is the guest of Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth. Assistant Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Newberry were hosts at a dinner to-night for Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Metcalf.

Mrs. William Douglas Sloane gave her annual dance last evening at her home, at Fifth avenue and 62d street. The decorations of the house were most effective, and consisted of a profusion of flowering plants and cut flowers arranged in the main hall, drawing room and ballroom. The cotillon was led by Harry Pelham Robbins, dancing with the hostess's daughter, Mrs. W. B. Osgood Field, Monson Morris led from the opposite side of the cotillon.

Mrs. Jean Reid, daughter of the Ambassador to Great Britain and Mrs. Whitlaw Reid, arrived in Washington to-day and is the guest of Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth. Assistant Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Newberry were hosts at a dinner to-night for Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Metcalf.

Mrs. William Douglas Sloane gave her annual dance last evening at her home, at Fifth avenue and 62d street. The decorations of the house were most effective, and consisted of a profusion of flowering plants and cut flowers arranged in the main hall, drawing room and ballroom. The cotillon was led by Harry Pelham Robbins, dancing with the hostess's daughter, Mrs. W. B. Osgood Field, Monson Morris led from the opposite side of the cotillon.

Mrs. Jean Reid, daughter of the Ambassador to Great Britain and Mrs. Whitlaw Reid, arrived in Washington to-day and is the guest of Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth. Assistant Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Newberry were hosts at a dinner to-night for Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Metcalf.