

TO BE SHOT AT IN A BALLOON

ERBSLOEH AND CHANDLER TELL THE CONGRESS HOW IT FELT.

Checking Poultry Warned the Farmers, Who Blazed Away With Guns and Querees—German Aeronaut Thinks We'll Win Next Year's Big Race at Berlin.

Oscar Erbsloeh, the German aeronaut who captured the Gordon Bennett prize in the big balloon race, and Capt. Charles De F. Chandler, winner of the Lahm cup, gave interesting accounts of their flights before the International Aeronautical Congress, which held its closing session yesterday in the rooms of the Automobile Club of America.

Both aerial navigators said they had a lot of difficulty in getting their exact locations from country folks, who instead of answering questions usually tried to ask some. During Capt. Chandler's flight, about thirty shots were fired at his balloon, but the gas bag was out of range.

Capt. Chandler said that he and Mr. McCoy made their trip for the Lahm cup, because they were without experience as compared with their foreign competitors and thought it a good idea to have a preliminary trip before entering for the big race.

"We got away with a good breeze," said Capt. Chandler, "going about eighteen or twenty miles an hour, and went up to the northern part of Ohio and turned to the southeast and went down into West Virginia. The first night was unusually warm, and we did not put on our overcoats at all. We talked to farmers and found our course from them and from towns that we recognized. About 1 o'clock in the morning we knew just where we were and called out in a megaphone and got an answer from a farmer who told us we were in Hendricks county, Indiana. We were just a mile north of Indianapolis and saw the lights of the city.

"The chickens and ducks made a great noise as we passed over. They seemed to discover the balloon, and I think that was why farmers got out, believing that somebody was raiding their coops. The farmers did not always see the balloon at once, and when they did the first question they hurled was, 'Where are you going?' But we didn't know ourselves. A great many farmers did not seem to understand what the balloon was. One man in West Virginia expressed himself in very forcible language in inquiring: 'This was in the daytime, too.'

"When we got into the West Virginia mountains we knew we would be a long time getting out and decided to get down as soon as possible. We found on the map that we had won the Lahm cup."

Mr. Erbsloeh said he was disappointed at having to start first in the race because in every other event that he had participated in he had seen much of the other balloons and been able to get a line on the different currents and the speed of the wind at different altitudes.

"The first night we were near Alton and we stayed in the air at a height of about 5,000 feet. It was very hard for us to keep our bearings by the cards we had with us. When we descended and landed, 'What is the name of your town?' or 'What is the name of the nearest railway station?' would answer 'Where do you come from?' And when we told them they asked more questions, and before we could get their replies we would be so far that we could not make out their answers."

"After passing over Fort Washington, Ohio, we didn't lose our bearings any more, because I knew it was very important to know where we were on account of the ocean. Going toward the ocean without knowing our exact location was extremely dangerous, because if we didn't have our bearings we might have mistaken the ocean for one of your large bays."

"About 7 o'clock on the second evening we went over Pittsburgh and it was very interesting to see this large city, with its lights and fires and railways and street cars. When we entered Philadelphia there was a thick fog in the valley, but we could see the tops of the chimneys and make out the electric cars speeding along like submarine boats. Factory whistles made such noise that we could hardly hear ourselves speak. We were forced to a little higher, because in our direction there was the tower of a church right in the middle of the city."

"After leaving Philadelphia we tried for the last time to go in a more northern direction, or get a more northern current, because we still hoped to go over New York and get into Massachusetts or Connecticut. But we could not find a current toward the northeast, although we went up to 10,000 feet, and we finally landed in Ashbury Park. I think it was the best landing we ever took in my life, and I hope to return to this country and make another try for the prize. I feel that the Americans will recapture the prize in Berlin next year, so there is no doubt in my mind that the Germans will be seen here again two years from now."

Prof. Zahn suggested to the congress that it would be a good idea if a special souvenir in the shape of a small flag were carried by each contestant in ball on races hereafter. If the contestants in this race had their own flag, they might have been protected from the chillsiness of the farmers and others who weren't exactly enthusiastic over balloon racing.

Dr. P. Polis, director of a large meteorological observatory in Aix-la-Chapelle, of the United States, remarked that for the last two months, said it had no superior."

**MORSE TAKES TITLE TO HOME.**  
Chelsea Realty Company Transfers the Ownership of His House.

Charles W. Morse yesterday took title from the Chelsea Realty Company to the house in which he lives at 728 Fifth avenue, south of Fifty-seventh street. The Chelsea Realty Company has acted as agent for Mr. Morse in his realty purchases. He mortgaged the residence, according to papers filed with the deed of transfer, to John E. Berwind for \$350,000 for one year at 5 per cent. There is a prior mortgage of \$100,000 on the property. Mr. Morse also owns 720, 722 and 724 Fifth avenue, all of which stand in the name of the Chelsea Realty Company. The officers of the company are William F. Havensmyer, president; Cyril H. Burdett, secretary; including the above the directors are Charles T. Barney, John D. Crimmins, James A. Deering, Edgar J. Levey and W. N. Hart.

**TRIBUTE TO MRS. S. V. WHITE.**  
Meeting in Honor of the Late President of Brooklyn's Consumptive Home.

The former and present managers of the Brooklyn Home for Consumptives held a meeting on Monday night in the chapel of the institution in memory of the late Mrs. S. V. White, who for many years was its president. Representatives of the various charitable and civic organizations with which Mrs. White was connected joined in the warm tribute to her memory. Mrs. George W. Pratt presided at the meeting, and the principal memorial address was made by Rosseter W. Raymond, who recounted the manifold philanthropic work of Mrs. White.

**E. R. Walker Appointed a Vice-Chancellor.**  
TRENTON, N. J., Oct. 29.—Edwin Robert Walker of this city was appointed a Vice-Chancellor by Chancellor Magie to-day. He succeeds James J. Bergen, who recently resigned to accept an appointment as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court. Mr. Walker was born in Rochester, N. Y., and studied law with the late Col. S. Meredith Dickinson and Judge G. D. W. Vroom of the New Jersey Court of Errors and Appeals.

BOOKS AND AUTHORS.

Baron Tauchnitz, the Leipzig publisher, is to bring out early in the year a "Manual of American Literature," prepared by Mr. Theodore Stanton in collaboration with some Cornell professors of English. It is interesting to find in the catalogue of American authors whose writings appear in the collection Mr. Stanton has prepared as an appendix to this volume the name of John Hay given as the author of "The Breadwinners." The name appears with the written permission of Mrs. John Hay, who says that her husband always meant that the identity of the author should be revealed at the proper time.

Mrs. Humphry Ward's "Milly and Ally" is to be brought out in a new edition with many illustrations. It is the story of a visit paid by two children with their parents to the home of the Arnolds in the Lake country.

The mosquito has invaded literature and a book has been written about that disagreeable insect, called "Mosquitoes," giving the habits and life cycles of the various species which infest the United States. The book is based on the investigations of the late James William Dupree, Surgeon-General of Louisiana, and upon original observations by the writer, Evelyn Grosbeck Mitchell, A. B., M. S.

J. J. Jusserand, French Ambassador to the United States, has just published the second volume of "The Literary History of the English People From the Earliest Times to the Present Day." The volume deals with the period "From the Renaissance to the Civil War." Part I, previously issued, was "From the Origins to the Renaissance." M. Jusserand has also written "The English Novel in the Time of Shakespeare."

Only eighty-five years elapsed between the day when Francesco I. made himself master of Milan and that on which his grandson and namesake died childless.

Six Sforza Dukes ruled in Milan, among them Francesco I., the greatest soldier of his day, the founder of the State and Ludovico II Moro, no less remarkable in his way. C. M. Andy has written a book of those Renaissance days called "Milan; the House of Sforza." Two other books are in the course of preparation, "Milan, The House of Visconti," and "Naples, The House of Anjou."

Alvide Prydz is a greatly admired author in Norway, and the fifth edition of her latest story of Scandinavian middle class folk has just been translated into English by Tyra Engdahl and Jessie Rew as "The Heart of the Northern Sea." One character in the book—a woman working among the fisher people of the wind and wave wrecked coast of the North—is most notable and appealing in her nobility and altruism.

Mr. Augustine Birrell in a paper on the Critical Faculty in the "Contemporary" assures us that a boy of 14 is a better judge of a good book than is the man of 40. He urges that sanity should sit enthroned in the critic's armchair, and he would reserve for the party politician the bile and spleen mingled with wit and if possible garnished with brains which are "popular ingredients" in a review and are "certain to give pain to somebody." "It is hard for a reviewer to help being ignorant, but he need never be a hypocrite."

Prof. Churton Collins is publishing a new volume based on the records of the visits of Voltaire, Montesquieu and Rousseau to England. The account of Voltaire will include new material in the form of unpublished letters which have been put into the professor's hands by private persons.

Mr. Martin Haile, who wrote "Mary of Modena, Queen of James II," is soon to publish a sequel under the title of "James Francis Edward, the Old Chevalier." By permission of the King of England Mr. Haile has had the privilege of consulting the vast collection of Stuart manuscripts at Windsor Castle, which throw much new light on the subject.

Miss Constance E. Maud, the author of "An English Girl in Paris," has rendered into English the provincial post-Mistral's recently issued work "Moe Origines," in which he describes his youth and the birth of the Félibre movement. The book is full of folklore and reveals the sentiment of the author, it is said, even better than does his poetry. It is illustrated with a number of interesting portraits.

Katherine Tynan's new novel "Her Ladyship" is a story of Queen Catherine's life and of low degree. The scene is laid in Ireland. It is said to be neither political nor polemical, but aims simply at being "kindly Irish of the Irish."

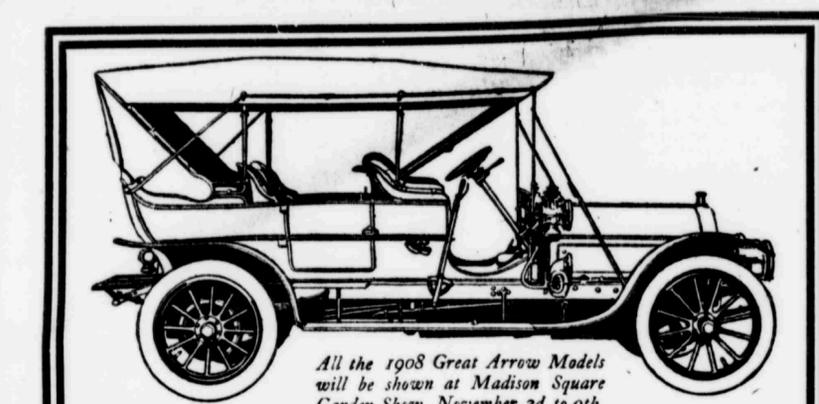
Mr. De Morgan spends half of each year in Florence for his health. "The E. B. J." and "W. M. T." to whom "Alice-for-Short" is dedicated, are the late Sir Edward Burnes-Jones and the late William Morris, both intimate friends of the author.

Mrs. Brookfield's new novel "My Lord of Essex" treats of the years of Elizabeth's declining powers when the Earl of Essex was her favorite. The romance tells of Essex's expedition against the will of the Queen to fight the Spanish on their own ground, the destruction of the Armada, introduces Sir Walter Raleigh and Lord Burleigh and his son Robert Cecil, and ends with the reconciliation of the Queen with Essex. Mrs. Brookfield has taken much pains in studying original documents at the Record Office and has written of a period little known to the average reader of history.

Mr. Clement Shorter is responsible for the statement that "it is not true that George Eliot is unread by 'the man in the street' now. That is precisely the man who is reading her books. The conceit of culture which caught the few in the seventies and eighties has now caught the many. I venture to believe," he continues, "that if Mr. Birrell was to reread 'Adam Bede' or 'Middlemarch' to-day he would find them mighty dull books. I note that a correspondent of the Westminster Gazette relates that Mrs. Bodmer, the founder of Girton College, remarked some time after her friend George Eliot died: 'I supposed that the time will come when all cultured people will be able to write novels like hers.' This was a piece of sound criticism on the part of a friend." Mr. Shorter claims further that "it was industry and intellectual culture that produced these novels, in which there was not a spark of genius."

The autobiography which Mr. Augustus Saint-Gaudens wrote shortly before his death is now in the hands of his son, Homer Saint-Gaudens, who will enlarge it with biographical notes and with such of Mr. Augustus Saint-Gaudens's letters as may be collected.

Several readers of "2835 Mayfair" by Frank Richardson have taken the trouble to call up that number in London expecting to hear in reply "No such number." Instead of this they have been surprised to learn that 2835 Mayfair is an actual residence, and that it is the call of Mr. Richardson himself. The book has gone through three editions in this country.



All the 1908 Great Arrow Models will be shown at Madison Square Garden Show, November 2d to 9th.

The Great Arrow in New York

At 233 West 54th Street, just off Broadway and adjoining the Automobile Club, is the new and model building for the product of the new and model factory of the Geo. N. Pierce Company. Here we are showing the Great Arrow Cars, which embody in workmanship, in engineering, in design and in luxuriousness all that can be done within the limits of automobile construction in its present development.

The Great Arrow Suburban, so desirable for winter use in the city, contains in its appointments and finish all that the most exacting taste could dictate. If immediate delivery is desired orders should be booked now.

HARROLD'S MOTOR CAR CO., 233 to 237 West 54th St., New York

Joseph Conrad

the greatest living writer of sea stories, has written a short story of tremendous power entitled "The Brute." "The Brute" is a ship bearing the singular name of "The Apse Family." This story, a fitting example of McClure's great fiction, illustrated with four drawings in full color by Blumenschein, appears in the

November McClure's

All news-stands, 15 cents  
Also four other short stories and the second part of Perceval Gibbon's "The Meager Life."

Advertisers: Ask for "The Key to the Market-Place of the World."

MRS. HARTJE'S NEW DEFENCE

SISTER SAYS EXPOSURE THREAT WAS DICTATED BY FIANCE.

Who Sold Letters to Hartje—Meant to Scare Father Into Permitting Marriage—Wife Denies Writing Madine Letters—Swears Coherence Was Broken.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 29.—Mrs. Mary Scott Hartje of Pittsburgh to-day filed her reply to the charges made by her husband, Augustus Hartje, in her divorce suit with the Superior Court here. This reply is in answer to the allegations filed by Hartje before the same court some time ago to support a petition that the case be reopened.

The reply contains a statement that Mrs. Hartje is penniless and dependent on her father for food. She asserts that her husband seeks to exhaust the financial resources of her father, John F. Scott.

Mrs. Hartje deals at length with the letters written by her young sister, Ida Scott, to her fiancé, Harry Lappe, which letters were bought by Hartje and offered by him as evidence before the Superior Court. She admits the authenticity of the letters, but explains that both Ida and Lappe were angry with her because she had prevented their elopement. Of this she says:

I deny that either of my sisters were or are aware of any facts which, if disclosed, would result in the sustaining of the petition of Augustus Hartje. The letters of my sister, copies of which are attached to appellant's petition, were written to one Howard W. Lappe, who is the brother-in-law of my sister, and who is now a school-teacher, about 17 years old, whose affection and confidence Harry Lappe had gained, and thereby persuaded to elope with him.

Through the efforts of my parents and myself their marriage was prevented. At this time my sister became offended and these letters, as I have been informed, were then written by my sister at the suggestion of Howard Lappe to be used by him to threaten and coerce my parents into consenting to the marriage of Lappe and my sister.

For this purpose Lappe, as I am informed, subsequently attempted to use these letters and sent certain of them to my father and threatened to sell them to Augustus Hartje, who is said to have offered to purchase them for a considerable sum of money and then make them the affidavit of Ida Scott regarding the letters to Lappe, is also attached. The affidavit of Ida follows:

I am a sister of Mary Scott Hartje, and I am the person charged with writing certain letters to Howard Lappe, copies of which are attached. I know nothing whatever in any way derogatory of the character or reputation of Mary Scott Hartje. On the other hand I have always known her to be a woman of good and upright character, and I know nothing that will in any way aid or benefit Augustus Hartje in his divorce proceedings.

view Lappe did exhibit some of my letters to my father, and upon refusal of the latter to give his consent as requested, Lappe threatened to sell the letters to Augustus Hartje, and subsequently did sell them to him, receiving therefor a large amount of money.

Mrs. Hartje devotes a great portion of her statement to incidents leading up to the present position of Tom Madine, the coachman who fled from America, and who is now in Ireland living as a landed proprietor, having bought a roadhouse, race horses, &c. When Madine fled he was under heavy bail here, charged with larceny. It is asserted by the Mrs. Hartje forces that Augustus Hartje's money sent him abroad and bought his estate.

After entering into an exhaustive denial of allegations made recently by her husband that she had corresponded with her coachman, Tom Madine, while on a trip to Europe, Mrs. Hartje says:

I aver that Madine never had in his possession any letters from me, and that he therefore never delivered any such letters to Augustus Hartje or his agents, and I aver that if he ever made any statements that he had improper relations with me such statements are false, and that the same were corruptly procured by Augustus Hartje through the use of money, and I again aver that I never at any time had any improper relations with the said Madine, and in every run on the said Madine has made statements to the contrary, such statements are absolutely false and corruptly made.

Edgar Ray of the American Detective Agency made a long affidavit declaring that Howard W. Lappe attempted to sell the Ida Scott letters to him, alleging that he could get the rental of Hartje's entire building, or \$50,000, for them.

Later attorneys for Augustus Hartje filed with the Superior Court a reply to Mrs. Hartje's statement, asking that it be thrown out of court, alleging it to be slanderous and impertinent.

GEN. BINGHAM CLEANS HOUSE.

"Breaks" Three Lieutenants and a Patrolman—Fines or Reduces Others.

The spectacular auto tour of the precincts in Manhattan and Richmond by Commissioner Bingham and his aides two weeks ago bore fruit yesterday in the "breaking" of three lieutenants and a patrolman, the reduction to patrolmen of two sergeants, the firing of four lieutenants a month's pay and the firing of from one to three sergeants pay of the other sixty-odd officers.

The trials of the men against whom charges were preferred took place a week ago. As a result Commissioner Bingham yesterday dismissed the following men from the force for disobedience of orders and neglect of duty, dismissal to take effect last night at midnight: Lieut. Charles Fahy of the Mulberry street station, Lieut. Thomas F. Foody of the Stapleton, Staten Island, station; Lieut. Patrick Kenny of the West Sixty-eight street station and Patrolman Patrick Shanley of the East Thirty-fifth street station.

INTERNATIONAL STUDIO

November

RAHE: Apuleius, Plato, Petronius, Propertius, Juvenal, Longus, Ovid, Suetonius, Martial, PRATT, 60, 6th av.

"THE SQUARE DEAL GONE WRONG"

Preacher Criticizes the President—Bishop Potter on "Ostentation."

At the fall meeting of the Methodist Social Union of Brooklyn, held last night in the New York Avenue Methodist Church, Bishop Henry C. Potter spoke on "The Churches and Social Unrest." In part he said:

"The tragedy of the American nation is that when we pass from poverty to wealth we pass also to reckless and silly extravagance. This American grotesqueness of ostentation is shown in the case of a certain politician who won a diamond suspender buckle. Such a man has already developed the characteristics that will place him, as this man has been placed, in State prison. Such ostentation comes from the fact that people forget that the stewardship of wealth is as sacred as the stewardship of talent."

The Rev. John H. Willey of St. Mark's Church, on Ocean avenue, who followed Bishop Potter, spoke on "The Square Deal," saying:

"The square deal has gone wrong. The Church does not get it, and even the originator of the phrase, that modern Daniel come to judgment, can preach it better than he can practice it. Even he is not always square. He goes into the canyons with a magazine gun against the poor bear who knows nothing of Marquis of Queensberry rules and who has only his nails and teeth to fight with."

"We hear the question, 'How can we reach the masses?' It should be 'How do the masses reach us?' For reach us they do in every election, through the saloons by means of the immigrant ship, on the street where we come into contact with their filthy clothing and in every run on the bank, where the great unwashed get possession of our aristocratic dollars."

Henry Solomon a State Prison Commissioner.

ALBANY, Oct. 29.—Gov. Hughes announced to-day the appointment of Henry Solomon of New York city to be a member of the State Prison Commission to succeed Nathan Bijur, resigned. Mr. Solomon is a retired merchant and is vice-president of the Jewish Protective and Aid Society, a director of the Montefiore Home and of the Bedford Sanitarium. He is a member and vice-president of the board of managers of the Elmira Reformatory and is one of the founders of the Jewish Prisoners Aid Society.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

B. Altman & Co. FOR THIS DAY (WEDNESDAY), OCT. 30th: WOMEN'S TRIMMED HATS IN SEVERAL STYLES, SUITABLE FOR TAILOR COSTUMES, AT \$6.50 EACH. UNTRIMMED HATS IN VARIOUS SHAPES, \$1.50 EACH. FANCY FEATHERS AT SPECIAL PRICES. (DEPARTMENT ON FIRST FLOOR) 10,000 YARDS OF SILK RIBBONS, SUITABLE FOR GIRDLES, MILLINERY PURPOSES, CHILDREN'S WEAR AND FANCY WORK, INCLUDING PLAIN TAFFETA AND CHIFFON FAILLE, IN BLACK, WHITE, AND VARIOUS DESIRABLE SHADES. THIS DAY (WEDNESDAY), OCT. 30th. AT THE SPECIAL PRICE OF 23c. PER YARD. \$2.10 PER PIECE OF 10 YARDS. 34th Street, 35th Street and 5th Avenue.

B. Altman & Co. MOTOR GARMENTS FOR MEN AND WOMEN LEATHER GOODS AND MOTOR ROBES B. Altman & Co. HAVE IN STOCK A VARIETY OF GARMENTS FOR MEN'S AND WOMEN'S MOTOR WEAR, CONSISTING OF COATS OF WORSTED FABRICS AND FURS, ALSO CAPS, GLOVES AND WOMEN'S AUTOMOBILE VEILS, FUR AND FUR-LINED RUGS AND ROBES, BAGS, HAMPERS, SUIT CASES, AUTOMOBILE CLOCKS, CUSHIONS, EMERGENCY CASES, AND OTHER LEATHER REQUISITES FOR THE MOTOR TOURIST. 34th Street, 35th Street and 5th Avenue, New York.

Not only worthy of the expectation, but meets it with a surprise.—Louisville Times. In dramatic action and steadily sustained interest this in advance of "The House of Mirth."—The Globe. Mrs. Wharton has embodied life, not lectured upon it.—Evening Post. The Fruit of the Tree BY EDITH WHARTON Author of "The House of Mirth" Her precision and directness in delineation of character are far beyond any other novelist of to-day.—Boston Advertiser. Justine will command the consideration of thoughtful people as Lily Bart never did.—The Sun. The new novel far surpasses the other in intense and sustained dramatic action.—Chicago Tribune. CHARLES SCRIBNER'S SONS

BRENTANO'S Union Square Branch, NINE UNION SQUARE REMOVAL AND REDUCTION SALE SIX SPECIAL BOOK BARGAINS THIS WEEK POE, EDGAR ALLAN—COMPLETE WORKS. 10 Volumes, buckram binding, beautifully illustrated; published at \$17.50. Our price, \$12.50. STEVENSON, ROBERT LOUIS—WORKS. 10 Volumes, illustrated; published at \$30.00. Our price, \$20.00. ADAM AND CHARLES BLACK—ENGLISH EDITION, 25 VOLS., cloth; published at \$31.50. Our price, \$21.00. AUSTEN, JANE—WORKS COMPLETE. Including life and letters, with 70 colored illustrations by Brock, edition de luxe; publisher's price \$50.00. Our price, \$33.50. 10 Volumes; publisher's price \$12.50. Our price, \$8.50. Complete and unexpurgated edition, with illustrations on Japan paper, limited edition de luxe; publisher's net price \$50.00. Our removal price, \$32.00. ABOVE SPECIAL PRICES REFER ONLY TO BRENTANO'S Union Square Branch, NINE UNION SQUARE Mail Orders Promptly Attended To. BRENTANO'S Main Store Now Open, 5th Ave. and 27th St.

NO EXTRA CHARGE FOR IT. Advertisements for THE SUN and THE EVENING SUN may be left at any American District Messenger office in the city.