

MADAM-SITS-BY-THE-FIRE.

Every day at precisely 5 o'clock Hans, madam's German butler, who has been a member of the household ever since madam's husband was attached to the legation in Berlin, places the tea table in front of his mistress, and then folds the next hour madam is at her breakfast table brightly of the past, the present, the future, telling jokes and "jolly" her friends as she brews their tea. It is a charming picture, this bewitching little old lady in her plain satin gowns, with broad collar and cuffs of exquisite old point. Her eyes are as bright, her cheeks as pink as when she was eighteen, but her hair is perfectly white and waves away from a low brow, making a shining aureole about her youthful face. The fire on the hearth, crackling and blazing, is reflected in the shining cups, bringing out the color in the big sapphire brooch in its setting of brilliant madam wears at her throat, and lights up the whole scene—and the tea, the tea is "a necktie fit for the gods," as Mrs. Green would say; and there were never such muffins as the stately, dignified Hans passes about, nor such dainty and delectable cakes. And, chatting around the tea table, one forgets whether the sun shines or it rains out of doors.

It is a difficult place to come away from, madam's drawing-room, and one never leaves it without feeling in a little better mood than when he entered it. Madam is such an optimist and looks at things in such a broad way. Then, too, the room has a charm all its own. It might have been moved intact from a French chateau of the eighteenth century, so perfectly has the style of that period been followed. The pictures and bric-a-brac, collected from all over the world, are rare and beautiful. It is truly a stately chamber, but the books scattered about, the photographs placed in every convenient spot, and the madame's workbasket, which always adds a touch of homeliness, gives it an air of "hominess," of being lived in, that makes the humblest room attractive.

"They may be looking over my treasures," madam announced the other day, "and come across these." She handed two pictures to the visitor on her right, who, after looking at them, passed them on. One was a photograph of President Lincoln, the other of a baby, some two or three years old, tucked snugly into a baby carriage.

"I recall a certain beautiful, full day at Ivy City when Alan Johnstone, the center of an interested group of which I was one, described his invention—or creation, rather—of a sandwich, which was certainly the mother of the club sandwich as it is known today. "After the German last night," he said, "I went to the club to get a bite to eat, but the place was deserted, not a soul up except the boy downstairs, and I strolling. But I took a sandwich and went and hunted around for something to make a meal. There was French bread, butter, a bit of chicken, some ham, and plenty of lettuce. From the loaf of bread I cut off a thick slice and carefully toasted it to just the right brown, then I sliced it in two pieces, buttered the toasted slices generously, and laid on one a thin slice of chicken, on that a slice of ham and a lettuce leaf, and through the bowl of mayonnaise I found in the refrigerator, on the ham; the other slice of bread, the toasted surface inside, you know, I put on top of all and pressed the two pieces together. The result was enchanting, and I never enjoyed anything more in my life than my sandwich and the bottle of Bass I drank with it. You can fancy how it tasted, but I don't think it is any more. But seriously, I am sure Alan Johnstone would make an acceptable envoy to this country. He has outgrown his youthfulness, as we all do, alas! and has made a creditable record in the British diplomatic service, his connections are excellent, and he is endowed with much talent, and last, not most important, he has an American wife, a young, accomplished and wealthy woman, whose people in this country would do all in their power to ward making her path smooth and in insuring the social prestige the British Embassy has always accorded."

"Did you see the news cable about the little Barnes girl's presentation at the Berlin court?" asked madam. "It was too amusing, and I didn't believe a word of it. But I am glad the matter is straightened out. The cable briefly said that Mr. Tower refused to present Miss Ethel Barnes, daughter of H. Winthrop Barnes, of New York, by the way, there is no Miss Ethel Barnes, her name is Madeline—at the German court, because he did not know Mr. Barnes or anything about him, and that the latter appealed to the Department of State and forced the Ambassador to present his daughter. How such a rumor gets started I am at a loss to divine. That Mr. Tower and Mr. Barnes are good friends I know, because when I visited my daughter in Berlin a year ago, I saw them together more than once, and at a large luncheon given by Mrs. Tower I met both Mrs. Barnes and Madeline. I remember it very well, because Madeline looked especially pretty and sweet that day in a rose pink crepe and a great picture hat with long plumes that were attractively laid against her blond hair. The Ambassador came in before we separated and was quite as cordial to the Barneses as he was to us all. If I remember rightly, he went out of his way to be pleasant to Madeline, who was charming enough to fix any one's attention. Then why this sensational talk?"

"Mr. Barnes, from New York, is a fine-looking, middle-aged man, and rich. Whether he made his money in copper, oil, or wine, I cannot recall—but since when have we been so particular? There has been little question of the source of wealth in this age and generation. He is good, agreeable, and cultivated, his wife meets every requirement of her position, and his daughter is young, pretty, talented, an enthusiastic student of the violin, and would grace any gathering. That there has been any misunderstanding between Mr. Tower, who is the most astute of diplomats, and Mr. Barnes is the most reasonable of men, and that, on complaint of the latter, the Department of State would discredit an Ambassador and disregard his advice is perfectly incredible. The story was made out of whole cloth."

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- CHRIST CHURCH MARRIAGES, WASHINGTON, D. C. 1796, June 9, James Dougherty-Mary Ann. 1796, June 25, John Crosscock-Elizabeth Strickling. 1796, July 5, Joseph Hill-Hannah White. 1796, July 15, Paul Jones-Elizabeth Beady. 1796, Sept. 5, Thomas Barry-Anne Adams. 1796, Nov. 5, Peter Robinson-James Rowland. 1796, Nov. 15, Charles Miller-Elizabeth Beady. 1796, March 28, Stephen Cook-Mary Marshall. 1796, April 18, John Dickey-Mary Cook. 1796, April 25, Isaac Wadwell-Jane Cook. 1796, July 1, Alexander McCormick-Hannah Quirk. 1796, Sept. 1, Rev. Andrew F. McCormick-Sarah Pender. 1796, April 15, John Williams-Mary McLaughlin. 1796, May 1, Peter P. Proctor-Mary Perry. 1796, May 5, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, May 15, William Lambell-Sonia Butler. 1796, May 22, Jacob Piles-Nancy Silvester. 1796, May 25, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, May 28, Richard Mulligan-Annie Crow. 1796, May 30, John S. Swain-Triffa Jenkins. 1796, May 31, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, June 5, Aaron Zander-Elizabeth Gistson. 1796, June 15, Charles Gellison-Sally Fry. 1796, June 20, James Walker-Rosanna Moore. 1796, June 25, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, June 30, William Taylor-Susanna Kemick. 1796, June 31, James Cross-Catherine Keener. 1796, July 5, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, July 15, John Mace-Nancy Dunick. 1796, July 20, George Harris-Mary Bull. 1796, July 25, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, July 30, Phillip Miller-Kitty Mulliken. 1796, July 31, John Porter-Sarah Beady. 1796, Aug. 5, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Aug. 15, Isaac W. Jones-Mary Anne Talbot. 1796, Aug. 20, John Carter-Willey Hutchinson. 1796, Aug. 25, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Aug. 30, John Delemann-Elizabeth Rowe. 1796, Aug. 31, William Brown-Elizabeth Beach. 1796, Sept. 5, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Sept. 15, William Martin-Sarah Beady. 1796, Sept. 20, James Cross-Mary McCollister. 1796, Sept. 25, Daniel Thompson-Elizabeth Cross. 1796, Oct. 5, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Oct. 15, William Moore-Eleanor Roberts. 1796, Oct. 20, George Cox-Mary Davis. 1796, Oct. 25, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Oct. 30, John Oakley-Rachel Evans. 1796, Dec. 5, George Marshall-Pullip Trean. 1796, Dec. 15, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Dec. 20, John Green-Anne Vermillion. 1796, Dec. 25, John Vermillion-Mary Ornell. 1796, Dec. 30, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Jan. 5, James Wolf-Elizabeth Stone. 1796, Jan. 15, George S. Davis-Anne Wigright. 1796, Jan. 20, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Jan. 25, Stephen W. Belling-Anne J. Jones. 1796, Jan. 30, Walter Swain-Sarah Beady. 1796, Feb. 5, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Feb. 15, James Smith-Elizabeth Jenkins. 1796, Feb. 20, Thomas Young-Sarah Beady. 1796, Feb. 25, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Feb. 30, Ebenezer Spalding-Elizabeth Masters. 1796, Mar. 5, James Tarleton-Mary Hurdle. 1796, Mar. 15, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Mar. 20, John Jones-Margaretta Hunt. 1796, Mar. 25, John Bray-Mary Hunt. 1796, Mar. 30, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Nov. 5, Nicholas J. (or L.) Rowell-Latrobe. 1796, Nov. 15, Joseph Wingate-Margaret G. Tinger. 1796, Dec. 1, Jacob Ross-Matilda Scott. 1796, Dec. 5, John Coombes-Peggy Tracy. 1796, Dec. 15, Elias Hobbey-Anne Francis. 1796, Dec. 20, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Dec. 25, David Drake-Elizabeth Lemman. 1796, Dec. 30, Standley Rigby-Cynthia Oberma. 1796, Jan. 5, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Jan. 15, Michael Speckly-Sally Kerner. 1796, Jan. 20, Charles Deard-Annny Gill. 1796, Jan. 25, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Jan. 30, Vincent McKee-Elizabeth Brian. 1796, Feb. 5, William Keith-John Dix. 1796, Feb. 15, John Smith-Catherine Way. 1796, Feb. 20, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Feb. 25, Enos D. Ferguson-Esther Y. Soper. 1796, Feb. 30, William Meade-Elizabeth King. 1796, Mar. 5, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Mar. 15, Ernestus Roberts-Elizabeth Jenkins. 1796, Mar. 20, John Gardner-Johnanna Galvin. 1796, Mar. 25, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Mar. 30, Mary Palmer-Nancy McFarland. 1796, Apr. 5, Thomas Hill-Hannah White. 1796, Apr. 15, Henry W. Ball-Catherine B. Frost.

GENEALOGICAL DESCENT OF THE HON. ETHAN ALLEN HITCHCOCK, Secretary of the Interior. Luke Hitchcock, of New Haven and Wethersfield, Conn., a shoemaker, was a captain at Crown Point in 1645, and a selectman at Wethersfield, Conn., in 1653 and 1656. He married Elizabeth Gibbons, of Hartford, Conn., and died November 1, 1669. His elder son— Deacon John Hitchcock, married September 27, 1666, Hannah Chaplin, who was born December 2, 1644. He was sworn constable of Springfield, Mass., in 1672, and was wounded in the Indian war of 1676. He died February 9, 1712. His fourth son— Nathaniel Hitchcock, a weaver, was born in Springfield, Mass., August 28, 1677. He was the first settler of British field, Mass., in 1714. He married, at Springfield, Mass., October 15, 1713, Abigail Lombard, who died March 20, 1757. Their second son— Noah Hitchcock, a shoemaker, was born at Springfield, January 14, 1715-16. He was the first settler of British field, Mass., in 1714. He married, at Springfield, Mass., October 15, 1713, Abigail Lombard, who died March 20, 1757. Their second son— Judge Samuel Hitchcock, was born in Brimfield, Mass., 1755. He was a lawyer, and was graduated from Harvard in 1777. He married, May 26, 1789, Lady Wentworth, second daughter of Col. Ethan Allen. He held many offices of honor and trust, among others that of attorney general of Vermont, Judge of the District Court of the United States for the District of Vermont, and judge of the Circuit Court of the Second Circuit of the United States. He was also a trustee of the University of Vermont, and one of the Presidential electors-at-large, in 1792, from the same State. His second son— Hon. Henry Hitchcock, was born in Burlington, Vt., September 19, 1792, and was graduated from the University of Vermont in 1811. In 1816 he moved to Mobile Territory, now a part of the State of Alabama. He became an attorney general of Alabama, and subsequently justice of the Supreme Court of that State, and afterward its chief justice. He married, in October, 1821, Anne Erwin, daughter of Col. Andrew Erwin, of New York. He was born in Asheville, N. C., in 1802, and died in St. Louis in 1854. He died August 11, 1835. His third son— Hon. Ethan Allen Hitchcock, Secretary of the Interior, was born in Mobile, Ala., September 19, 1835.

EARLIEST DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA WILLS-Continued. HENDERSON, RICHARD, of Spring Hill, Montgomery Co., Maryland. Dated June 7, 1806. Proved December 4, 1807. Executor, John Ariana Sims, wife of Patrick Sims, deceased by a former wife. Daughter Sarah. Daughter Janet. Wife of James Macdonald Logan. Dugan and wife of Mrs. Thomas Sims. John. "I forbid all who love me, except my wife, to change their apparel on my decease." In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, the 7th day of June, 1806. RICHARD HENDERSON. HALL, GERVAIS, later a clerk in the United States Treasury. Dated April 19, 1802. Proved December 4, 1807. Executor, James Hall, a mourning ring to several of his friends, as a token of remembrance. WALKER, GEORGE, of the county of Washington. Dated December 15, 1802. Proved January 1, 1803. Wife Sarah. Daughter Mary. George. Daughters Fanny and Mary. HOLMEAD, ANTHONY, of Washington County. Dated February 11, 1802. Proved January 1, 1803. Executor, James Holmead, a mourning ring to several of his friends, as a token of remembrance. DICK, THOMAS, of Bladenburg, Maryland. Dated December 17, 1802. Proved June 10, 1803. Wife Margaret. Son Robert. Son John. Sons Mary Christina, and Elizabeth. RUTHERFORD, ANDREW, of Washington. Dated February 26, 1803. Proved March 14, 1803. Apparently unmarried. DEMMOTT, JAMES REED, of Washington. Dated March 5, 1802. Proved September 1, 1802. Sons James Reed Demmott and John James Demmott. Daughter Ann Reed Demmott. None of the children of James Reed Demmott. "In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, the 5th day of March, 1802." JAMES REED. DEROCHE, LEWIS, of Baltimore, shipwright. Not dated. Proved June 5, 1802. Daughter Mary. Brother Thomas. Sister Elizabeth. Cousins. Both the latter have children, but their names are not given. GIPPS, MICHAEL, of Washington. Dated November 10, 1802. Proved December 2, 1802. Wife Barbara Mary Gitts. JOHNSTON, JOHNSIA, of Washington. Dated December 12, 1802. Proved December 6, 1803. Married to Thomas Johnston. Sons Thomas Johnston, Baker and son-in-law John Quincy Adams and Walter Helien. CONNOLLY, LAWRENCE, of Washington. Dated January 20, 1804. No wife or children named. BUCHI, WALTER, of Washington. Dated January 25, 1804. Proved February 2, 1804. Sister Ann. Wife Sister Theodosia Parker, wife of Henry Parker, of Charles Co., Maryland. Grandfather Oliver Burch. DEMMOTT, JANE, wife of Richard Demmott, of Annapolis. Dated June 25, 1803. Proved March 1, 1804. Speaks of her children, but not by name. CALLAHAN, JOHN, of Annapolis. No date. Proved November 2, 1803. Wife Sarah. Daughter Sally, wife of Richard Harwood of Thomas, of Annapolis. (See). There were other children, but their names given. Sisters Margaret and Mary Callahan. BURCHAN, JOHN, formerly of Philadelphia, but now of Washington. Dated February 18, 1803. Proved May 31, 1804. Neighbors James and John Burchan. Niece Nancy Burchan. Mother Ann Burchan. SNOWDEN, THOMAS, of Prince George Co., Maryland. Dated October 25, 1803. Proved November 22, 1803. Wife Nancy. Sons Richard, Thomas, and Nicholas. Daughter Mary. Sister-in-law Sarah Bishop. MARSHALL, JAMES, of Frederick Co., Maryland. Dated October 28, 1799. Proved May 12, 1803. Sons James Elizabeth and Susannah Marshall. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, the 28th day of October, 1799. JAMES MARSHALL. "writer," living in Glasgow, Childer Chob, William, Mary, Eleanor, and Mary Ann the latter being seven years old. WILLIAMS, MARY, of Washington. Dated July 11, 1804. Proved September 2, 1804. No evidence of marriage. Leaves everything to Dr. Frederick May, Judge William Cramb and Elizabeth B. May. DICK, CHRISTINA, daughter of the late Robert Dick, of Bladenburg, Prince George Co., Maryland. Dated September 5, 1804. Proved October 18, 1804. Sister Elizabeth Dick. Neighbors Robert Dick, William Laird, and John Laird. Sisters Barbara Lucinda Laird and Margaret Laird.

- QUERIES. 7. CHILDS—I am desirous of tracing the lineage of my grandfather, Benjamin Childs, who was born 1753 (?), and died at Baltimore, July 30, 1837. He married Elizabeth Monroe, of Annapolis, Md., who was a grandniece of President James Monroe. W. H. C. 8. YOUNG—Can some of your readers help me to obtain some information concerning the ancestry of Samuel Young, who is said to have been born in Truro, Mass., between 1709 and 1715? D. H. 9. CRAWFORD—I am informed that the Crawfords of Orange County, N. Y., are descended from a certain James Crawford, who left Ireland for America about 1718, and that his wife was Mary Wilkinson. Can the names of his children be ascertained? R. A. C. 10. CARR—An old family Bible states that Major Thomas Carr, of Caroline County, Va., was born in 1678. His son John was born December 26, 1706. Can you assist me in learning whether or not the Carrs of Virginia, and, if so, give their names and dates of birth? E. A. C. 11. PINNEY—Abner Putnam Pinney was born in Simsbury, Conn., February 23, 1779, and died in Ohio, in 1859. Can any of your readers give any data respecting his ancestry? R. P. 12. FULLER—Can you or your subscribers assist me in my efforts to ascertain the maiden name of the wife of Oliver Fuller, who, in 1763, was in Millington, Conn., and who died in Albany, N. Y., September 18, 1818. E. R. 13. HOPE—Have you any way of ascertaining anything concerning the marriage and immediate descendants of George Hope, of Hampton, Va., who came to Virginia from White Haven about 1717? C. A. H. REPLIES. 9. CRAWFORD—The name of the wife of John Crawford, a son of Thomas Crawford, was Mary Wilkinson, but Wilkin. Their family record names the following children and their births: John, December 15, 1719; James, January 21, 1722; Jane, March 3, 1724; and August 11, 1729; Samuel, June 9, 1732; and Joseph, February 21, 1734. 10. CARR—John Carr, born December 26, 1706, had by his first wife (Mary) Crawford a son, Thomas, born November 24, 1735; and by his second wife (Barbara Overton), eleven children, of whom the following six survived: Dabney, born October 26, 1743; Samuel, born 1745, died 1771, a who in the Revolutionary army; Elizabeth, born 1747; Overton, born 1752; Garland, born 1754; and Mary, born 1756. 11. PINNEY—Abner Putnam Pinney (born February 23, 1779, died in 1859) was a son of Abner Pinney, of Worthington, O. His father was Abraham Pinney, of Simsbury, Conn., born February 23, 1709, and died September 12, 1780. His first wife and the mother of all his children was Elizabeth Butler. The father of A. P. was Nathaniel, born in Windsor, Conn., December 1640, married July 21, 1670, Sarah Gorton, and died August 7, 1676. Nathaniel's father was Humphrey Pinney, who was born in Somersetshire, England, settled in Dorchester, Mass., in 1630, and died August 20, 1683. 12. FULLER—The maiden name of the wife of Oliver Fuller, who, in 1763, was in Millington, Conn., was Elizabeth Cote, daughter of Lieut. George Cote and Elizabeth Brainerd, of East Haddam, Conn. They were married January 17, 1738. She was born January 20, 1763, and died April 10, 1799.