

Society

Gossip of Society Folk.

The number of American girls to marry Italian titles will pass the round dozen when the engagement of Miss Margaret Preston Draper to Prince Andrea Boncompagni of Rome, which was announced during the past week, is consummated.

This marriage will add another name to the list of almost 800 Americans who have become wives of foreign noblemen, besides those who have married into royalty, and others who have sought husbands among the smaller fry bordering onto nobility.

The United States has given two vicereines to India in Lady Curzon, the beautiful Mary Leiter of Chicago and Washington, and the clever Mrs. Lewis Vernon Harcourt, nee Burns, niece of the late J. Pierpont Morgan. There are included in the noble 800 about forty princesses, eight duchesses, seventy-five baronesses, forty countesses, eighteen marquises, eighteen American vicereines, eighty-two American wives of baronets and more than 200 American women who have wed knights, chevriers and younger sons.

Good red American blood circulates in the veins of the scions of some of the oldest and proudest houses of Italy and other foreign countries, and flows now on the battlefields of Europe in defense of the adopted country of a maternal ancestor. Crisp American greenbacks have helped to restore ancestral estates and ducal palaces and to keep the art treasures where they have been for centuries, and while these same greenbacks have entered into contracts, there have been notable love matches and wealth on both sides, as in the case of Miss Draper and Prince Andrea.

The friendship began with Miss Draper's childhood days in Rome and was renewed when her father was American ambassador to Italy. She is of distinguished ancestry, and, through the Prestons of Kentucky and the Drapers of New England, descended from the bluest blood of England and France.

Eleanor Lorillard Spencer of New York, who wed Prince di Cenci-Cenci, late of the Italian house of Cenci, whose most celebrated member was Beatrice Cenci, immortalized by Guido Reni's painting, and whose tragic story inspired Shelley's play, "The Rivals," Princess Rospiolosa, of Kentucky blood, whose divorce suit became cause celebre and who was married first here in old St. Matthew's Church, H street, by a special dispensation, to Col. Parkhurst of Maine, and after divorcing him went to Italy with her aunt, Countess di Cennola, and married by civil ceremony the rich Prince Giuseppe Rospiolosi, the Princess Camperale, the two American Princesses Ruspoli, Princess Colonna-Stigliano, Clare Patterson of Baltimore, and Martha Jones, well remembered here as a young girl, are all wearers of Italian coronets.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Goelet Gerry have

a way all their own of doing things, and one is when they wish to entertain a dinner party at Warwick Neck, with guests from Newport, to send their yacht Oronra after them. In this luxurious water craft they transported a company last week, in which were included the Spanish ambassador and Mme. Blano, Count and Countess Roden of Denmark and the Countess Gzycka, also Mr. Chandler Haie of Washington, who is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Gerry, and Mrs. Lauriston H. Hazard, Mrs. Hope Shepley Hollister and Mr. Harold Congdon of Providence.

Washington society was well represented yesterday at the annual horse show of the Green Spring Valley Hunt Club, near Baltimore, and many people remained over for the dinner and dance last night.

This is always one of the first of the shows of the fall, and usually leads off in the string of horse shows held in every part of the country, and fast becoming truly national affairs, as they take on many features of the fairs or colonial days and the early nineteenth century, when the racing was of the kind and dollars have been offered in prizes for military riding competitions, in which the regulars and members of the National Guard who are now at the front have been counted on to take part. It is hoped that the troops will come home before entries close, October 18, as the men and horses would then be fit and ready for a splendid show. However, if they are detained on the border there is danger that the money and cups may have to go begging, for competitors, since the great war in Europe has cut off the British, French and Ca-

nadian officers who used to compete at the national horse show every year.

Col. Lord Duns of the British army, who married Vivian Gould, of the Beresford cup for United States cavalry horses ridden by officers in uniform over a special course to test their merits for military service, and the Canadian Challenge cup given by Sir Adam Beck, director of remounts in the department of militia and defense, is to replace the cup won in 1913 by Lieut. Baron de Meslon of the French army, who is supposed to have been killed in the battle of the Marne, and in whose possession the lost trophy was at last accounts. This and the Beresford cup are challenge cups, which must be won twice before becoming the property of any officer.

The Canadian Challenge cup was won last year by Lieut. Gerald T. Hanley of Battery A, Rhode Island National Guard, who is with his battery on the Mexican border.

Mrs. Billy Hitt, Mrs. Peter Goelet Gerry, Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. McLean and other society folk of the hunting set are looking forward to the annual field trials of the National Beagle Club of America, which take place this month. These miniature foxhounds have been hunted in England as long as pick foxhounds existed, and there have been barriers in this country for a hundred years—in fact, since Lieut. Baron de Meslon of the French army followed this sport and imported some of the best stock of the old country. But the National Beagle Club is only about twenty-seven years old.

Virginians particularly are interested in these trials and meet with the national trials each year and compete for the W. G. Rockefeller National Challenge cup. Green is the color for barriers, as is pink for foxhunters, but the masters of barriers only sport their colors at a club meet, or when they bring a draft from their pack into the ring for a dog show special class in which appointments are specified. A

green coat is even rarer at a field trial than a red jacket these days on the golf course.

Stiles, of Charleston, W. Va., and is en route to Boston for a visit before turning to her Vermont home.

Visitor From Vermont.

Mrs. Ora H. Goodale of South Royalton, Vt., is the guest of Miss Ina C. Emery at the latter's home on Cathedral avenue. Mrs. Goodale has been visiting her brother, Judge Maynard F.

Miss Helen Demonet, who has been visiting in Pittsburgh and Grand Rapids, is now in Saginaw, Mich., visiting Misses Fordney, daughters of Representative Fordney, and will return to Washington the end of the month.

Navy and Marine Corps Notes.

Mrs. James Proctor Morton, wife of Commander Morton, U. S. N., at present in command of the U. S. S. Scorpion, has come to Washington to spend the winter with her parents, Rear Admiral and Mrs. Thomas H. Howard, who have gone to housekeeping at 1858 Kalorama road.

Miss Dorothy Foster, daughter of Pay Director Joseph Foster, U. S. N., retired, so far from being of her arduous duties in nursing at the hospital of the Royal Army Medical Corps in France, where she has been for nearly a year past, has just identified herself with the fine work being accomplished by the American Ambulance Hospital at Neuilly, France.

Mrs. Joseph A. Russell, wife of Capt. Russell, U. S. M. C., is in Annapolis visiting her parents, and will be joined there this week by her husband, who has been detailed to the marine barracks at the Naval Academy.

Ensign Ashbrooke, U. S. N., and wife made a short visit to Washington last week on their way from Fort Monroe to New York.

Major William C. Harless, U. S. M. C., in charge of the preliminary arrangements and executive officer of the national rifle matches to be held in Florida on the 23d, 24th and 25th instants, enjoys the distinction of being himself the best shot in the Marine Corps.

Lieut. Edward Hollis Connor, U. S. N., and wife have leased an apartment at the Brighton, in this city, as the former has been detailed to duty at the Washington Steel and Ordnance Company at Giesboro Point.

Pay Director Charles W. Littlefield, U. S. N., retired, and Mrs. Littlefield are spending the present month motoring through the Adirondacks, from where they will travel along the St. Lawrence river, and then go to New York for the winter will visit the Delaware Water Gap and Lakewood. Pay Director and Mrs. Littlefield spent the summer at Manchester-by-the-Sea.

Rear Admiral Franklin J. Drake, U. S. N., retired, has returned to the city and is at the Wyoming for the winter, where his niece, Miss Mesler, is with him for the season.

Lieut. Col. Thomas Wood, U. S. M. C., retired, and Mrs. Wood have reopened their K street house for the winter, after spending the summer at Watch Hill, R. I., and the latter part of September in New York.

Major George C. Thorpe, U. S. M. C., accompanied by Mrs. Thorpe, has come to Washington for the winter.

Mrs. Cecil O'Brien, wife of Assistant Surgeon O'Brien, U. S. N., is now on her way to Manila after several months traveling in China, Chosen and Japan.

Lieut. Harrison Randolph Glennon, U. S. N., and wife are visiting Capt. James B. Glennon, U. S. N., and wife at the Washington navy yard.

Commander Adelbert Althouse, U. S. N., and wife sailed on the 5th instant for Manila.

Mrs. John McGowan, widow of Rear Admiral McGowan, U. S. N., with Miss McGowan, is at Twilight Park, New York, after spending the summer at Williamstown, Mass., but will return shortly to her home in this city.

Surgeon Edgar Wood, U. S. N., and Mrs. Wood, who have been visiting in Washington, have returned to Norfolk, Va., for the season.

Miss Mary Ramsay, daughter of the late Rear Admiral F. M. Ramsay, U. S. N., has gone to Missoula, Mont., where she will spend the winter with the late Rear Admiral Ramsay's daughters, the late Rear Admiral Ramsay's daughter, Miss Ramsay, leaving for the northwest Miss Ramsay spending some time at Annapolis with her brother, Pay Inspector Martin Ramsay, U. S. N.

Lieut. Alston Simpson, U. S. N., is in New York for the purpose of taking course at the Columbia University, and will soon be joined there by his wife, who is now visiting her parents, Senator and Mrs. Hoke Smith, at their home in Atlanta, Ga.

Mrs. Barker, wife of Rear Admiral Albert S. Barker, U. S. N., is in town for a visit.

Commander Eric T. Holmes, U. S. N., and wife have come to Annapolis for the winter, in order to be near their son, Eric T. Holmes, Jr., who is a member of the fourth class.

Lieut. Col. A. W. Catlin, U. S. M. C., has come to Washington for a course on the War College.

Capt. Cutler, U. S. N., retired, and Mrs. Cutler have come to Washington for the season, and taken apartments at the Hotel Wadsworth. They visited here last winter as the guests of Lieut. and Mrs. Coffman.

Rear Admiral Hugo Osterhaus, U. S. N., and family have returned to their home, 1717 Q street, after spending the summer at Jamestown, R. I.

Rear Admiral Gleaves, U. S. N., and wife have been visiting friends at Norfolk, Va. They will take a house in Washington for the winter.

Surgeon General W. C. Bralsted, U. S. N., accompanied by Mrs. Bralsted, returned last week to the Norfolk navy yard, where they were most pleasantly entertained by the commandant and Mrs. Walter McLean.

Wilkinson-Addison.

The marriage of Miss Inland Newton Addison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dilany Addison of Bathurst, Fairfax, Va., and Mr. Theodore Percival Wilkinson of Hamilton, Bermuda, took place yesterday at noon at the home of the bride's uncle, Mr. Newton Smith of 107 Newwood road, Guilford, Baltimore. The bride, who was unattended, was given in marriage by her father, Mr. Stuart Hollis of New York, who was best man for his cousin. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Frank Page, rector of Zion Episcopal Church, Fairfax, and the immediate families and a few intimate friends witnessed the ceremony, which was followed by a breakfast.

RECIPIENT OF SOCIAL ATTENTIONS AT ANNAPOLIS



MRS. ROGER WARDE PAYNE, Wife of Lieut. Payne, U. S. N.

Visitors From Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Warren have arrived in Washington, after a four-day motor trip from Boston, accompanied by Mrs. Warren and Mrs. John Dow of Melrose, Mass.

Mrs. Warren, prior to her recent marriage, was Mrs. George Rogers, and spent her winters for twenty years in the capital, where she has a large circle of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wenger, at 2039 1st street northwest. They will return next week to their home in Swampscott, Mass.

Goldsmith-Gebhart Wedding.

Only a small family party will attend the marriage in Baltimore October 15 of Miss Dorothy Gebhart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gebhart of that city, and Mr. Ralph Leo Goldsmith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Goldsmith of Washington.

The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. Dr. William Roseau of Baltimore, and Miss Madeline Hamburger of that city will be maid of honor.

Mr. Goldsmith will have as best man his brother-in-law, Mr. William B. Thalhimer of Richmond, Va. The drawing rooms of the Hotel Belvidere will be used for the wedding and reception, and the marriage service will take place at 6 p.m.



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