

# Foreign Recognition of Commander Peary's Achievement



**His Tour of Europe an Occasion of Enthusiastic Ovations—American Bravery and Persistence Honored by Scientists and Royalty.**

**N**O AMERICAN, perhaps, ever returned to his native shores, after a tour abroad, loaded with so many honors bestowed by great scientific societies as Commander Robert E. Peary. When he landed in New York a few days ago (June 17) he brought with him six gold medals and one silver medal—the highest honors of the most distinguished foreign scientific societies—and the silver model of a ship presented to him by the Royal Scottish Geographical Society. Hailing him as the discoverer of the north pole, thus Europe, in ironic contrast to his native country, officially put its seal of approval upon Peary's feat.

Commander Peary's whirlwind visit to the leading foreign cities was the occasion of a series of wildly demonstrative ovations. In his person the distinguished authorities in law, science and literature of foreign nations recognized American pluck, persistence and successful achievement, and accepted the verdict of the National Geographic Society of his own country, which named upon his proofs and awarded him a medal on Nov. 3, 1909.

During his trip abroad Peary told the story of his quest twice in London and Berlin and once in Rome, Vienna, Budapest, Brussels, Antwerp, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Cardiff, Bristol and Manchester. While in Edinburgh, Peary was presented by the Royal Scottish Geographical Society with an exquisitely chased silver ship. The model, which is of the type of the vessels used in the latter part of the sixteenth century, stands two feet high and weighs 100 ounces. It is three masted and under full sail. Gold medals, hailing him as the discoverer of the north pole, were presented to him by the Hungarian Geographical Society, the Royal Italian Geographical Society, the Royal Geographical Society of Antwerp, the Imperial German Geographical Society of Berlin, the Royal British Geographical Society, the Royal Belgian Geographical Society, and the Austrian Geographical Society, which gave him the Von Hauzer medal, its highest award. In contrast to his own country, which refused him national honors because he had not publicly submitted proofs, being prevented from doing so by a contract with Hampton's Magazine, which is printing his story, these foreign countries offered honors without question and with an implicit confidence in Peary's claim.

Who 1000 persons frantically cheering him, Commander Peary received his most enthusiastic ovation in Prince Albert Hall, London, when he delivered the Royal Geographical Society. On the platform, with rows of decorations on their breasts, were more than one hundred of Great Britain's most distinguished men. The late King Edward

would have attended had he not been stricken with his fatal illness. In welcoming him, Major Leonard Darwin, president of the society, said:

"I stand here tonight, as representative of the Royal Geographical Society and armed with the full authority of its council, to welcome you, Commander Peary, as the first and only human being who has ever led a party of his fellow creatures to a pole of the earth."

A vote of thanks to Commander Peary was proposed by Sir George Nares and seconded by Sir Lewis Beaumont.

Among the distinguished audience which greeted Peary in Rome were King Victor Emmanuel of Italy, the Duke of Abruzzi, the Marquis di San Giuliano minister of foreign affairs, and the Marquis Capelli of Raymond.

"In contrast to the action of European nations," says Hampton's Magazine, which is publishing serially Peary's story of the discovery of the north pole, editorially, "the country of his birth and lifelong allegiance, for whose glory he has walked for years hand in hand with death, whose flag

oring Peary they have honored themselves. The highest authorities in the world have bestowed on him the greatest gifts in their power, and many of them, which will shortly be published. These proofs consist of minutely detailed descriptions of scientific observations made by Peary and other members of his party, and a detailed day-by-day account of his progress, system of marches, organization and supplies. Without mentioning the name of Dr. Cook, Peary makes it plain in his narrative that without his extensive supplies, supporting parties and system of marching, it would be impossible for a single white man to make his way over the perilous polar ice and overcome almost insuperable obstacles, to the pole.

The installment of Commander Peary's story in the July Hampton's takes him and his party up to 87 degrees, 12 minutes, which was beyond his previous farthest north. Up to March 22, because of the slight altitude

of the sun, no observations had been taken. On that day Peary ordered the Eskimos to build a wind shelter, behind which Marvin took a meridian altitude. The result of these first observations, Peary says, gave their position as approximately 85 degrees, 48 minutes north latitude. Peary's plan was to have Marvin make all observations up to the point where he turned back, and Bartlett take them from that point to his farthest north. This was done in order to save the explorer's eyes and to have independent observations with which to check the route. In the forthcoming installment in the August number of Hampton's Commander Peary will tell of his dash to the pole, describe the boreal center and tell his sensations at the point where everything is south.

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## SALT LAKERS IN GOTHAM.

(Special Correspondence.)

**N**EW YORK, July 11.—On Thursday the 14th inst., Maude Adams will sail for Ireland on the Mauretania. She will spend a month or six weeks there in the delightful rural spot long ago selected for her summer resting place, and then return to begin work on the famous "Chanticleer." While she is preparing this play, the probability is that she will play a short engagement in "What Every Woman Knows" through the country.

Letters from Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Ford tell how they, with Manager George Tyler, have spent a delightful time in Rome and Naples. While in the former city, Maude Adams, the composer, played for the party all he has in his new opera in which Beethoven will star the coming season. In the third and last act he promises a sensation, and greater, seems in comparison that he gave the world in his famous "Chanticleer." While she is preparing this play, the probability is that she will play a short engagement in "What Every Woman Knows" through the country.

The work Mr. Albert Scowcroft of Ogden came to do for his firm two weeks ago, is about accomplished and he is making preparations to leave for home in a few days. Mr. Scowcroft has the entire responsibility of the business during his brother's absence in Europe and is obliged to make his trip east this time, of the shortest duration.

Gene Lewis, a former Salt Lake newspaper man, has been in the city for several days; he left for Washington and Philadelphia, recently.

A number of others arrived in the

city last week and all have been sent to their different fields of labor. Idaho, Oregon, Utah and Canada are well represented in the list. Alva Marcellus Empey of Idaho, Lewis M. Jensen of La Grande, Maxwell Fox of Raymond, Canada, Arthur S. Horsely of Price, Arthur P. Jackman of Heber City, Lyman W. Noyes and wife of Provo, were among those encountered. Elder Noyes and wife will labor in Newark, N. J.

The "middles" who composed the practice squadron of the battleships Iowa, Indiana and Massachusetts, and who have been anchored at Plymouth, England, for some time, sailed in their respective ships for Marselles 10 days ago. The 30 young midshipmen have been the objects of much attention during their stay in London, and have taken in the sights with genuine delight. Midshipman Dan McQuarrie, who was among the lucky ones to go, writes interestingly of his trip and the many enjoyable places he has visited and the number of Americans he met in London. It will be another month before the battleships sail for home. France is a big place to see and many fetes are planned for their amusement.

Mr. Hal Burrow, has been spending the week ends at different places out of town since the heat wave struck us so hard. Tuckahoe, La. is the latest place where he has passed the Sunday and Monday vacation, as guest of Monte Armore, son of Col. Armore, who owns vast estates on Long Island and Westchester county. Mr. Burrows is occupied all the time with his illustrations, which are in demand from publishers.

The Gaston Millinery parlors, owned by Mrs. Helene Davis, on west Thirty-sixth street, have been moved to the opposite side of the street owing to the removal of the building she formerly occupied, as it will be rebuilt and equipped for a retail furnishing house. Mrs. Davis' business has wonderfully increased in the last year. Thursday evening she gave a buffet lunch to the elders and their friends, inviting a number of professionals with whom she associated in years gone by, and a fine musical program was rendered. Mrs. Davis is well known and entertained at home are looked forward to with pleasure by all her friends.

Messrs. Robert Patrick and Anabel Woodruff, representing Z. C. M. I., are here on business for their different departments.

Mr. August Thomsdorff and bride, of Salt Lake, arrived in the city a few days ago. Mrs. Thomsdorff was formerly Miss Taylor, daughter of Elder Joseph E. Taylor. While here they are registered at the Endicott hotel, and visiting their brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Thomsdorff. In a few days the newcomers will leave for Boston, the Thousand Islands, Niagara Falls, Washington and Chicago, and then go direct to Utah. The honeymoon trip has been a delightful one, as both were unacquainted with the

most and it has afforded them many pleasant hours in visiting and seeing relatives and friends.

Mr. Alex Little of Scotland, well known to many of the elders who labored there, arrived on the "Caledonia" last Saturday and will remain here until he is able to send for his family, having been offered a good position that will enable him to do so in a short time.

At last Wednesday evening's reception held by Ella Wheeler Wilcox at her elegant apartments on Gramercy square, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Meakin were among the guests. Mr. Meakin had met the lady on former occasions and it was a renewal of an acquaintance which proved very pleasant all around.

Dr. Frank Dossert, the well known vocal teacher and organist of New York and Paris, and also former instructor of R. C. Easton and Alfred Best, met with a severe accident while out riding with his wife one day last week in the Bois de Boulogne, Paris, coming in collision with another auto and being cut off Mrs. Dossert. The doctor was considerably shaken up and bruised and for a time it was feared he was internally injured, but it proved a lucky escape for which his friends are thankful.

Mrs. Byron Groo, who is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Harry Hathaway at Morristown, Pennsylvania, is expecting Mr. Groo very soon and together they will make a short stay in New York seeing sights and friends at the same time. It will be Mr. Groo's first visit east in many years, and the novelty of it all will be most appreciated. The Rev. Mr. Hathaway has been located in upper New York state for several years, but is now appointed to labor and take charge of the church in Morristown, Pa. Mrs. Hathaway was formerly Miss Jean Groo, a well known Salt Lake girl.

Two days ago R. W. Sloan of Salt Lake surprised his friends by appearing among them; he came east on business and will make a hurried trip.

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