DOINGS OF A DAY IN THE WORLD OF SOCIETY.

AFFAIRS IN WASHINGTON AND OTHER CITIES.

The President and Mrs. Roosevelt Entertain at Dinner--The German Ambassador on a Visit to New York.

White House.

The President and Mrs. Roosevelt entertained at dinner last night. Their guests were:

Mr. Justice and Mrs. Holmes.
Senator and Mrs. Hoar.
Senator and Mrs. Lodge.
Senator and Mrs. Nelson.
Senator and Mrs. Burrows.
Senator and Mrs. Dryden.
Senator Hanna.
Senator Warren.
Representative Sherman.
Representative Littauer.
Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Adams.
Mrs. Beale.
Mrs. Slater.
Miss Dietrich.
Miss Gwynne.

R. R. Hitt and his son, Reynolds Hitt, second secretary of the United States embassy in Berlin, were among the President's callers yesterday morning.

Foreign Colony.

Dr. von Holleben, the German ambassador, is visiting New York, and will remain there until after Christmas.

The Italian ambassador and Signora des Planches gave a large dinner last night in honor of their guest, Countess Zampini-Salazar, the editor of the "Italian Review." The guests invited to meet Countess Salazar were the Russian ambassador, Count Cassini; Countess Cassini, the latter's guest, Mlle. des Planques; the Spanish minister, Senor Ojeda; Countess Francesca Zampini-Salazar, of Italy, the house guest of the ambassador and Signora Mayor; Commander and Mrs. Cowles, Count Quadt, of the German embassy; Miss Alice Ward, Mr. Parson, of the United States embassy in Rome; Senor Regis de Oliveira, of the Brazilian legation, and Signor Montagna, of the Italian embassy.

The British ambassador and Lady Herbert will receive the members of the Diplomatic Corps this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Notes.

Justice Brown, of the Supreme Court, will entertain at dinner Friday evening, December 27, in honor of Justice Holmes.

Miss Rose Douglas Wallach entertained at luncheon yesterday afternoon in honor of Miss Henrietta Bates.

Capt. Winfield S. Overton, whose engagement to Miss Mills was recently announced, is visiting the parents of his fiancee, Gen. and Mrs. Anson Mills. The marriage of Captain Overton and Miss Mills will take place in the spring.

Mme. Hengelmuller will give a tea December 30, to introduce the Baroness von Palm, the niece of Minister Hengelmuller, who will be a guest of the legation throughout the season, to her friends in Washington.

Senor Corea, the Nicaraguan minister, has gone to New York to meet Mrs. Zelaya, wife of the President of Nicaragua, who is due there from Europe today. Mrs. Zelaya will remain in New York about a week and will proceed to Nicaragua.

Senor Rafael Lopez, the minister from Salvador, has leased for the season the house of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Van Wickle, in Q Street. Mr. and Mrs. Van Wickle are at the Ebbitt.

Mrs. Atwell, wife of the former naval attache of the Argentine legation, has sent out invitations for a dinner in honor of Bishop Spaulding, one of the members of the coal strike arbitration board, on December 23, at Rauscher's.

Mrs. Ludlow gave a luncheon yesterday in honor of Miss Cockrell, whose engagement to Edson F. Gallaudet was announced on Sunday.

The marriage of Miss Cockrell and Mr. Gallaudet will take place at the Church of the Covenant in February.

Mr. and Mrs. James Henry Colfelt, of Philadelphia, have taken the house 1612 Rhode Island Avenue for the winter. Mr. Colfelt was a member of the class of '98 at Princeton and has come to Washington to take a course at the School of Diplomacy. Mrs. Colfelt is a descendant of Bishop White, one of the organizers of the Episcopal Church in the United States and the first Bishop of Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Frederick C. Stevens gave a luncheon of twenty-four covers yesterday in honor of her eldest daughter, Helen. Later on in the season Mrs. Stevens will give a series of small dinners.

Representative and Mrs. Foster, of Vermont, have taken an apartment at the Cumberland for the winter. Mrs. Foster will receive this afternoon and the first and third Tuesdays in January and February.

The Misses King, of Albany, have taken the house of J. L. M. Curry, 1736 M Street, for the season.

Mrs. and the Misses Williams have taken the house 1774 Massachusetts Avenue. Mrs. Williams and her daughters have passed the last four years abroad, and lived in South Africa while the Boer war was in progress. They were warm friends of the late Cecil Rhodes, who frequently visited them at their home in Cape Town.

Gay World in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Corcoran Eustis, who are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Levi P. Morton at their home, 681 Fifth Avenue, will leave New York in a few days for Leesburg, near Washington, D. C., where they have taken a house for the winter.

Mrs. Astor has changed the date of her ball from January 12 to January 15. It will take place as usual in the picture gallery of her residence, 842 Fifth Avenue, and on this occasion, as in former years, both her own and the residence of her son, Col. John Jacob Astor, next door, will be used.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbridge T. Gerry will give the first of their large dinner parties this evening at their home, 2 East Sixty-first Street.

Miss Constance Lalor Crimmins, the fifth daughter of John D. Crimmins, was introduced to society yesterday afternoon at a reception given for her by her father, at his residence, 40 East Sixty-eighth Street. Bouquets of roses, orchids, violets, and gardenias filled the mantel, as well as the cabinets in the room, and they even overflowed into the crimson reception room across the hall.

The debutante wore a gown of white liberty satin and cloth with garniture of lace and white rosebuds. Receiving with her were Miss Crimmins, whose gown was of gray Liberty satin with trimmings of lace; another sister, Mrs. Albert Gould Jennings, who was in white lace; Miss Genevieve O'Brien, the debutante daughter of Justice and Mrs. Morgan J. O'Brien, and Miss Kathryn McCann, daughter of John F. McCann of Brooklyn, who has just taken the home of Mrs. Potts at 39 East Thirty-ninth Street.

After the reception there were an informal dinner and some dancing, to which only the young friends of the debutante were bidden.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fulton Cutting will give a dance tonight, at which their elder daughter, Miss Helen Cutting, will make her formal bow to society. Miss Roosevelt, daughter of the President, is visiting Miss Cutting, having stayed over for the dance.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Denegre, who are now at the Waldorf-Astoria, have taken a house in Washington for the season. Mr. Denegree was a classmate of President Roosevelt at Harvard.

Gossip From Philadelphia.

The prinicpal incident in society yesterday was the first dance of the Monday Evening Dancing Class, in Horticultural Hall. The large dancing floor was fenced off with palms and ferns, forming a promenade around the entire room, while the space within was used for dancing, the seats for the dancers being placed against the wall of greenery. At intervals among the palms were placed garlands of American Beauties and flowering plants. Mrs. Mason was assisted in receiving the subscribers and guests by Miss Armitage Struthers, Miss Virginia Breckinridge Miller and Miss Phoebe C. Phillips.

Miss Harjes and John J. Harjes, who were the guests of Mrs. Edward Moore Robinson on the opening night of the grand opera, have returned to Paris.

Miss Pauline Astor, who sailed on the Teutonic last Thursday, will join her father in England, and spend most of the winter in the southern part of France.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson Spencer will give a small dinner, and afterward a box party at the opera this evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John G. Watmough gave a dinner last night at their residence, 2114 Walnut Street, in honor of Miss Ellen Drexel Paul, who is a grandniece of Mrs. Watmough and Paul D. Mills. American Beauty roses and violets were used to decorate the table and among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Drexel Biddle, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Biddle and Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Lehr, of New York.

The Italian Minister and Signora des Planches Give Dinner Party in Honor of Countess Zampini-Salazar.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Drexel Biddle will give a small dinner party tonight and afterward a box party at the opera. Their guests will be Mr. and Mrs. Craig Biddle, Harry M. Hart, and Benjamin Chew.

Baltimore Jottings.

A dinner was given last evening by Mrs. C. Morton Stewart, at her town house, on Dolphin Street, in honor of Miss Esther Harrison, of Philadelphia. The decorations were American Beauty roses and holly, with red shaded wax lights. Those present in addition to Miss Harrison were Miss Elinor Stewart, Miss Doris Stewart, Miss Cassandra Small, of York, Pa.; Miss Marion Bowdoin, Miss Elizabeth Donnell Tilghman, Miss Harriet Brown, Miss Eleanor Johnston, Miss Julia Johnston, Lurman Stewart, Richard White, Roger Brooke Hopkins, Harry Gilmore, David McIntosh, Thomas Hulings, Benjamin Howell Griswold, Hamilton Post, Robert Burton, James Whebee, and Henry Lurman, of New York. The party afterward attended the second ball of the Bachelors' Cotillion Club, at Lehmann's Hall.

The second ball of the Bachelors' Cotillion Club took place at Lehman's Hall last evening. The decorations were Southern smilax, with yellow shaded lights.

Former Gov. William Pinkney Whyte gave a dinner before the cotillion last evening at his home, 9 East Chase Street, in honor of his debutante stepdaughter, Miss Anne Campbell Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian de Bullet gave an informal dinner last evening before the cotillion at the Reuling apartments, on Mount Vernon Place, in honor of Prince Jean Sapieha, of Austria, and Baron von Wiser, vice consul for Austro-Hungary at New York.

Miss Gertrude Atherton, the well-known authoress, who has been visiting Miss Elise Carroll Agnus at Nacirema, the country estate of General and Mrs. Felix Agnus, in the Green Spring Valley, returned yesterday to New York.

Sherlock Swann, who is in New York for several days, is a guest at the Waldorf-Astoria.

NO FAREWELL TOUR OF PATTI NEXT YEAR

Singer, However, Not Unwilling to Return.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—There will be no farewell tour of Adelaide Patti next year under the management of Daniel Frohman, according to a statement of that manager.

There is no unwillingness on Mme. Patti's part to take another turn around the United States circle again.

Some amusement was caused in London last year at a naive suggestion of Baron Cederstrom, her good-looking young Swedish husband, who exclaimed delightedly to an agent:

"Let us arrange a tour next season, sir, for madam. It is a good idea; magnificent! For we shall make it assuredly successful by announcing that it is a farewell tour!"

It was with the greatest difficulty that the business man assured the baron that the idea was by no means novel.

In fact, he couched his rejection of the notion in the form of a statistical reference to the relative ages of madam and the baron.

SUPREME COURT TO ADJOURN.

Chief Justice Fuller, of the Supreme Court of the United States, announced to the bar of that body yesterday that the court wil adjourn for a period of two weeks, beginning December 22.

VISITED SUPREME COURT.

Justice Clark, of the supreme court of Tasmania, was an interested spectator in the Supreme Court of the United States yesterday. He was escorted to the Capitol by Chief Justice Fuller, and occupied a seat among its members.

DREAMS FORESHADOW DEATH OF MRS. GRANT

Sister of General Grant Predicted the Fatality.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Mrs. Mary Grant Cramer, a sister of former President Grant, who lives with her sister, Mrs. Virginia Grant Corbin, at 70 Lenox Avenue, East Orange, N. J., says the death of Mrs. Julia Dent Grant was foretold to her in a dream on the night of December 6.

"My dream was exceedingly vivid," said she yesterday. "I thought that Mrs. Grant came to my bedside and, placing her hand on my shoulder, said, impressively, 'Mary, I have come to talk with you and to say good-by, because I am not going to be with you very much longer.'"

After relating her vision at the breakfast table the next morning, to Mrs. Cramer's surprise, a friend of the family, Mrs. Katherine Lawrence, who was visiting her at the time, said she, too, had had a singular dream.

Mrs. Lawrence said that she dreamed that she, with Mrs. Cramer and Mrs. Corbin, stood in the portal of General Grant's tomb, on Riverside Drive, New York, and that there appeared to be a large crowd outside, drawn up in two lines, awaiting the arrival of a procession.

None of those at the table attached much significance to the dreams at the time, because Mrs. Grant's illness was not thought to be serious. But the dreams were vividly recalled yesterday, when the family read the news of the death of Mrs. Grant in the newspapers. Later a telegram announcing it was received from Mrs. Nellie Grant Sartoris.

Mrs. Lawrence is inclined to attach importance to her dream because of the fact that Mrs. Grant is to be laid at rest beside her husband.

"INSURGENTS" EXPELLED.

Final disposition of the cases of the three "insurgents" who have caused much friction in the Hancock Regiment, No. 1, Union Veterans' Union, was made at a meeting of that organization last night. Two of the members were expelled from the order, while the resignation of the third, which was tendered some time ago, was accepted. An address by Deputy Commander-in-Chief Freeman of the Kentucky division, on the prospects of the union in that State, was a feature of the meeting.

IN THE COURTS AND CAPITALS OF THE OLD WORLD

King Edward's Plea for Privacy Likely to Make Him Unpopular—Other Sovereigns Who Have Suffered From the Same Cause---The City of Geneva Has Compromised With the Counts de Civry---Stories of the Diamond Duke.

King Edward's plea for privacy, while all very well in the case of an ordinary citizen, is bad policy in the case of a monarch. The possession of a crown entails many disadvantages that do not fall to the share of people of less exalted rank. Among these is the fierce glare of publicity that beats about the throne and upon the occupants of the latter.

In these days of democratic progress and of growth of the sentiment of civic equality, it is all important to sovereigns that they should remain in touch with their subjects, and that nothing should be done to impair the intimacy and the friendly feeling between the ruler and his lieges. The efforts of royalty to environ themselves with privacy destroy this sympathy between crown and people, and have the effect of estranging the latter from the former.

Even the worst faults of King George IV while prince regent were regarded with a certain amount of indulgence because of the fact that he lived in London in the midst of his people and in touch with the latter. But when he became King, and that mania for privacy came upon him which led him to withdraw completely from public gaze at Windsor, he became in course of time an object of such bitter execration that when he died there was not merely a manifest sentiment of popular relief, but actually of public rejoicing.

Queen Victoria's popularity was never at so low an ebb as during the first ten or fifteen years of her widowhood, when she withdrew altogether from public gaze. It was never so great as during the closing years of her reign, when she frequently and repeatedly showed herself in public, even at the cost of considerable inconvenience and even suffering.

The extraordinary popularity of old Emperor William of Germany, which led his people to almost worship him as a hero, was due to the utter absence of privacy of his life and to the free and unrestricted manner in which he mingled with his people. Those who visited Berlin during his lifetime may recall how every morning, when the guard was relieved, he would come to the window of his workroom, at the corner of the palace, and give a friendly nod of greeting to those of his subjects who had assembled outside to bid him good morning, and scarcely a day went by when he was in Berlin, at Potsdam, and at Ems without his strolling about the streets and public parks, passing the time of day with his subjects.

Denmark is the most democratic kingdom in Europe, and there is no country where socialism has so strong a foothold. Yet it is doubtful whether there is any monarch who is more beloved by all classes of his people than King Christian, no matter what their political doctrines or sentiments. This is due to the way in which he mingles with them, and to the complete absence of all privacy of his family life, in the joys and sorrows of which his people at large share as in no other land of Europe. Every day he may be seen strolling about the streets of his capital, escorted only by one or two big dogs, and exchanging friendly words of greeting with high and low alike, often entering into long conversations with workingmen and with peasants in a thoroughly free and unaffected manner.

It is the same with Emperor Francis Joseph in Austria and in Hungary, where, in spite of the bitter animosity of political factions toward the government, his personal popularity remains unimpaired, and constitutes, indeed, the bond that unites all the otherwise discordant sixteen races and nationalities subject to his rule.

This, I think, will go to show that King Edward is wrong in insisting upon the enjoyment of that privacy which is accorded to ordinary citizens. One of the reasons of his amazing popularity while Prince of Wales was precisely the fact that he lived among the people, and was more closely in touch with them and with all classes of the population than any member of his house. Since he ascended the throne he has ceased to do this. He no longer frequents his London clubs, or goes about like he was wont to do when heir apparent. Should he persist in surrounding himself with a still greater amount of privacy he may find that his popularity will suffer, and that the loyalty of the people to the throne is in consequence thereof impaired.

After nearly thirty years of litigation the city of Geneva has at length consented to a compromise with the claimants to the property of the so-called "Diamond Duke" of Brunswick, who on his death at Geneva bequeathed his vast property to that city. The claimants are the Counts de Civry, who for a long time past have led a sort of hand to mouth existence at Paris, occasionally engaged in newspaper work, and were implicated in the legal proceedings instituted by the French authorities at Paris in order to bring to punishment that gang of blackmailers and parasites who had extorted such vast sums from little Max Lebaudy, surnamed "Le Petit Sucrier," owing to the fact that his millions were derived from the great Lebaudy sugar refineries.

The diamond Duke Charles of Brunswick, it may be remembered, was turned out of his duchy and deposed by his subjects, being succeeded by his younger brother, William, the late Duke of Brunswick. Charles was of such an ignoble character that life for him in Germany and in England, where he had received his education under the personal guardianship of King George IV, was rendered impossible by the social ostracism to which he was subjected. Even in Paris his frightful vices aroused the disgust of the easygoing Napoleon III, and he was forced ultimately to seek refuge with his diamonds and his ninety wigs and his painted and enameled cheeks and dyed whiskers in Geneva, where he died in the odor, not of sanctity, but of infamy.

Prior to his deposition Duke Charles contracted what according to some was merely a liaison, and according to others a marriage with the Hon. Miss Colville, a daughter of Admiral Lord Colville, of Culross. The lady was established at the ducal chateau of Wendessen, in the suburbs of the little capital of the duchy, and not a day was allowed to pass without the duke riding out to visit her. In course of time Miss Colville gave birth to a little girl, who was duly baptized and recognized by the duke as his daughter.

But this, instead of cementing the affection, seemed to have the result of estranging the duke from Miss Colville, and after several violent qaurrels she returned to England, leaving the little girl under the care of the duke. When the latter was deposed and driven out of the country by his subjects he took the little girl with him, and she lived with him on the banks of the Seine until she incurred his anger by falling in love and marrying in defiance of his wishes a Frenchman, a Comte de Civry.

The duke never relented, and when he died it was discovered, as I have stated above, that he had left his enormous fortune, including his unrivaled collection of precious stones and his wigs, to the city of Geneva.

The Countess de Civry at once set up a claim against the estate, the legal proceedings dragged along in the courts of Germany, France, and Switzerland until the death of the countess, when they were taken up by her sons, the two now surviving Counts de Civry.

There have been all sorts of charges of forgery of important documents, of conspiracy, of unjust influencing of judicial decisions, and several times the Counts de Civry have got themselves into serious trouble for having borrowed money on the strength of their pretensions, it being claimed by their creditors that the latter were false. But after all there is no doubt that they are the legitimate issue of the Countess de Civry, and that she, in turn, was the daughter, either legitimate or illegitimate, of the "Diamond" Duke of Brunswick. That is why the city of Geneva has at length, after thirty years, consented to effect a compromise with them, by virtue of which they will receive a relatively small amount of the fortune which they claim, but which will place them beyond want.

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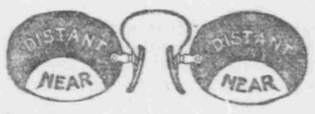

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