

CASTELLANE BOYS SEE AN UNFAMILIAR FLAG

One Has to Ask What the Stars and Stripes Are.

THE COUNTESS ANNA HOME

Helen Gould Greets Her Sister's Children for the First Time—Count Boni Coming Later.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The two little sons of the Countess Doni de Castellane, Boniface and George, the elder six years old and his brother five, looked upon America yesterday for the first time.

George became tired and sat down upon the luggage as the ship was being warped into her dock. Suddenly his eye was attracted by some waving flashes of color upon the pier.

A Strange Insignia.

"Oh, what flag is that with a red stripe and then a white and then a red and a white again?" he inquired with much curiosity.

"Why, that is the American flag, George, dear," replied the nurse.

"Oh!" replied George, as if conscious that he had betrayed an unfamiliarity with the emblem of his mother's country, for to the boat the nurse wore was pinned a tiny American flag.

Count Boni was obliged to remain in France to conduct the campaign for his re-election to the Chamber of Deputies, which was invalidated, so the Countess de Castellane, who was Miss Anna Gould, came over without him. They arrived on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, which made a good trip, notwithstanding rough seas, high and irregular swells, snowstorms and reduced speed.

The countess, who looked to be in fine health, with a rose upon each cheek, had a suite on the port side of the saloon deck amidships. A private dining room was also placed at her disposal.

Stood Trip Well.

The little family party all stood the trip well. As the ship came up the bay the Countess de Castellane, the little boys and the nurse, an Irish, French-speaking, motherly woman, all stood on the promenade deck, while the stewards brought up their hand luggage, consisting of more than half a dozen large leather bags, cases, satchels, and boxes, all marked with a big "C."

The little boys wore long, loosely-built coats of gray squirrel skin and caps of the same. Each wore brown kid gloves and carried a little tan leather bag.

Boni and George are blonde and blue-eyed, like their father. The nose of each tilts up a little bit. They are bright children, speaking both French and English with equal correctness.

Boysish Curiosity.

The boys were brimful of curiosity as they peered through the rods of the ship's rail at the wonders of the shore. The land of their mother's birth awed them. They looked at the shore, the buildings, and the shipping with wide-open eyes.

The photographers, whom the nurse roundly and soundly rebuked for wishing to take pictures of the countess, were objects of mysterious, well-bred interest to the youngsters.

Countess de Castellane said that she was too busy to give a long interview.

"My errand here is to spend the holidays with my brothers and sister," she said. "I do not know just how long I shall remain."

"Christmas, of course, we will spend with my sister, Miss Helen Gould."

"My health is very good, and I left the countess well. He will not come over for a month, as he is detained at home by business."

When it came time to descend the gangplank the countess took leave of several friends, among whom were Miss A. Green, of Paris; Mr. and Mrs. Morton Mitchell, and a young man who carried the countess' King Charles spaniel down the plank. The spaniel had been constantly held by its mistress by a leather leash.

At the foot of the gangplank Miss Helen Gould took each of her squirrel-coated nephews to her heart. There was a hearty, unaffected, joyful greeting between the sisters. Edwin Gould was also there and kissed each of the boys after his sister.

All were detained for awhile by the custom inspection, and then they went away together in Edwin Gould's theater coach to the Hotel Cambridge.

BASHFUL BACHELOR SEEKING A WIFE

Willing to Give \$25,000 Cash to the Right Woman.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 22.—John Fisher, of this city, desires a wife, and is willing to give \$25,000 in cash to the woman who meets his ideal and is willing to become Mrs. Fisher. These are the qualifications that the woman who seeks to win Mr. Fisher must possess:

- She may be a widow.
She must be childless.
She must be close to thirty-five.
She should be a German.
She must be able to run a poultry yard.
She must know something about farming.
She must be kind.
As an offset against these requirements this is the sort of a husband she will get if she weds Mr. Fisher:

- He is kind.
He is true.
He is fond of home.
He is just forty-seven.
He is well-to-do.
He is handy around the house.
He has not married because he never met the right sort of a woman.
Mr. Fisher admits that he is bashful and prefers to make known his quest of a wife through the medium of the public press rather than see in person. He lives at 36 Northampton Street, Wilkesbarre. Mr. Fisher wishes it distinctly understood that no woman, even though she be possessed of a million, need apply if she has children.

BARBARIC SPLendor AT DELHI FOR THE DURBAR

Wealth of the East Displayed by Native Princes.

COSTLY CASHMERE SHAWLS

Trappings for Elephants and Camels Set With Gold and Jewels—Lord Curzon's Tent.

DELHI, India, Dec. 22.—The India princes and chiefs with their numerous retinue of attendants have begun to arrive at Delhi to attend the New Year Durbar, which is to proclaim King Edward "Kaiser-i-Hind," Emperor of India.

Delhi is assuming the appearance of a besieged town. On the plains surrounding the town are hundreds of tents for the accommodation of the princes and their followers.

Everybody is armed and artillery is planted about conspicuously. A constant stream of native cavalrymen is passing to and fro between the encampments and the town.

The tents occupy a stretch of ground eight miles long. Some of the biggest princes have at least 500 military and civil attendants. Some of the native rulers have quarters in the town, but most of them sleep and eat under their own canvas.

Tented Villages.

Each ruler has his tented village, apart from every other. There are seventy of them and they are arranged like the letter T, the cross bar being reserved for the prince and his household, and the perpendicular acting as a main street with tents pitched on both sides.

The picture presented by the canvas-dotted plain recalls the fabulous stories of the richness of the East. Every Indian ruler has either levied secret taxes or gone to the treasure house of his ancestors to provide for his accommodation. Each is actuated by a desire to outshine everyone else, and the result is a mass of sumptuous upholstery.

The tents are hung with rich silks embroidered with gold and with costly tapestry paintings. The canvas dwelling of the Maharaja of Cashmere is almost completely composed of priceless cashmere shawls which could not be bought with all the money of J. P. Morgan.

Requirements of Religion.

Some of the little kingdoms are represented by princesses and queens, who are compelled by their religion to remain entirely concealed. They go about in palanquins, borne by giant natives, and are entirely surrounded by strong bodyguards of troopers.

A number of the representatives of hill districts are very poor. Their modest outfits contrast strangely with the encampments of the wealthy rulers.

There is a touch of barbaric pomp and splendor in the herds of elephants and camels that serve in the retinue of the princes. All the animals are richly caparisoned. Their trappings are set with gold and studded with turquoise, and in some cases with emeralds and diamonds. There are over a thousand attendants to wait on the animals, which are not allowed to mingle together, but are kept each in the canvas village to which he belongs.

The British Tents.

Out beyond the native encampments are the tents of the British civil and military officials, who are to take part in the Durbar. The same rivalry exists among them as among the rajahs, and some of the officers have spent small fortunes in decorating their canvas homes.

The tent to be occupied by Lord and Lady Curzon is on a stretch of ground by itself, and was furnished by the British government with the idea of impressing the native rulers. As it stands it is probably worth \$25,000.

Back in the other direction toward the rear of the town are hotel tents, erected for the accommodation of visitors from England.

No previous Durbar has been attended by so many society people. There are, according to a local estimate, 3,000 persons who have come to Delhi from England for the single purpose of seeing the show. They are roughing it, for the tents are mostly poor affairs, and many of them were put up in a rush to accommodate visitors who had not provided for themselves beforehand.

Accommodation for Visitors.

Three miles beyond the encampment workmen have begun the erection of an amphitheater, where the proclamation declaring King Edward Emperor of India is to be read. There will be sitting room for 8,000 visitors, and standing room for 4,000 more.

It is not anticipated that the holding of this Durbar will consume more than an hour and a half. As soon as the viceroy appears the proclamation will be read, and will be translated into Urdu. An artillery salute will be fired, the massed bands will play the national anthem, and Lord Curzon will make an address. Then there will be more salutes, and more music, and the viceroy will declare the Durbar at an end.

In the course of the week there will be banquets and entertainments, with fireworks displays in Delhi, and the exodus will not begin for several days after the actual Durbar is over.

BOY SHOTS FATHER IN DEFENSE OF HIS MOTHER

Gives Himself Up to the Police—Wound Not Necessarily Fatal.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Everett Lamphear, fourteen years old, rushed to his mother's aid with a rifle when she was attacked by her husband yesterday afternoon. The boy sent a bullet into his father's neck which felled him to the floor.

Asking his mother if she had been hurt by the blows showered upon her and receiving a reply in the negative, the boy impaled his own father on the barrel of the rifle and then called the police and surrendered himself. The wound will not necessarily prove fatal.

DERELICT STANDARD OIL BARGE AFIRE

Sailor Struck Match and Is Killed by Explosion.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Dec. 22.—The identity of the unknown barge which was burned at here last night was made known today. She was Standard Oil barge No. 48, owned by the Standard Oil Company. This information was brought to port today by Captain Hamilton, of the schooner Blanch.

The Blanch was on a fishing trip, and last Thursday, when about eighty miles south-southeast of Highland Light, picked up with the barge. She was then apparently a derelict, and there was no sign of life aboard. Captain Hamilton determined to make an effort to tow the barge to port, and lines were put aboard.

Yesterday the schooner and the barge had reached a point about five miles southeast of Eastern Point. George Riley, of Gloucester, a member of the crew of the Blanch, went aboard the barge. He went down into the forward part of the vessel in search of chains. Groping around in the darkness he struck a match.

Instantly there was a terrific explosion, and parts of the body of Riley were blown on board of his own vessel. Immediately a sheet of flame enveloped the barge and it became apparent that she was doomed. Captain Hamilton held by, however, in the hope of saving her, but finally gave it up and made port here this morning.

MR. FETTIS PROMOTED.

C. S. Pettis has been promoted to special agent of the classification division of the Postoffice Department at a salary of \$2,000 a year. The position is an important one.

GIRL HANGS HERSELF WITH A BRIDLE REIN

Kate Bryan Feared She Would Be Taken To Sanitarium.

HYATTSVILLE, Md., Dec. 22.—Kate Bryan, daughter of James F. S. Bryan, of Piscataway district, Prince George county, committed suicide Friday morning by hanging herself with a bridle rein.

Miss Bryan had been a sufferer with catarrh of the head, and it is thought that constant anxiety on account of ill-health had affected her mind. Thursday evening, it is said, she overheard her folks talking of the advisability of sending her to a sanitarium, and it is believed that the dread of being sent away prompted the rash act. She had been accustomed to take a walk every day, and about 6 o'clock Friday morning left the house for her morning's stroll. The family became very much concerned when the girl did not return, and with the assistance of neighbors instituted a search, which continued Friday and Saturday.

Late Saturday evening the body was found hanging from a walnut tree about a quarter of a mile from her home. An inquest was held by Justice of the Peace Joseph M. Kendrick. The jury gave a verdict of suicide.

DOWIE INVADES BALTIMORE.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 22.—John Alexander Dowie proposes to enter the religious field of Baltimore. The formal announcement was made yesterday by Professor Charles Ellis, one of Dowie's assistants at Zion City, that a house-to-house canvass would be made to gain converts.

Services were held at the home of Miss Caroline North, 1137 North Mount Street, and about a dozen followers of the Chicago Elijah were present, but it was said that as many more were kept at home by the rain.

Professor Ellis announced that in the near future Dowie would provide a hall for the meeting of his followers.

THE NEWS OF GEORGETOWN.

The West Washington Baptist Church, at the corner of Thirty-first and N Streets northwest, which was recently freed from debt by the Baptist Association, is now being completed. The contemplated improvements represent an outlay of a large sum. Last week Rev. Cornelius Coleman, the pastor, extended the right hand of fellowship to twenty-eight persons, who recently joined the church, as a result of the gospel meetings conducted at the church by Evangelist Martin of Kentucky.

George U. Morris Post, No. 19, Grand Army of the Republic, has elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: Commander, George W. Fletcher; senior vice commander, James Taylor; junior vice commander, Martin Lachy; quartermaster, Rudolph Ulmer; surgeon, Dr. J. F. R. Appieby; officer of the day, Walter B. Sebastian; officer of the guard, George W. Golden; inside sentinel, Thomas Brown; outside sentinel, Frederick Kettner. The officers will be installed at the next regular meeting of the post, which will be held January 12, at Stohman's Hall, on N Street.

The members of Potomac Commandery, No. 3, Knights Templar, will assemble at Masonic Hall on Christmas Day, and will generally observe the day. The sentiment of the occasion will be "To our most eminent grand master."

READINGS FOR THE BLIND.

Under the direction of Etta Josselyn Giffen, volunteers will conduct a series of readings and musicales in the reading room for the blind, Library of Congress, this week, beginning this afternoon. The program follows: Monday, December 22, Mrs. A. A. Judges; Tuesday, December 23, musicale under direction of Miss Elizabeth Sewall; Friday, December 26, Miss C. Keith; Saturday, December 27, Miss Mary Johnson.

EXERCISES POSTPONED.

Memorial exercises intended for yesterday afternoon at the Second Baptist Church have been postponed until the second Sunday in January on account of the inclement weather. It had been planned to have Senator William E. Mason, Representative Ames Allen, Judson W. Lyons, Register of the Treasury, and others deliver addresses and they will probably be on the program at the postponed date. Congress will have convened again and other members may be invited to speak.

Mrs. B. Norris Rittenhouse, daughter of Mrs. Lizzie Tucker, of Thirty-third and P Streets northwest, is suffering from an attack of typhoid fever, at her home near Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Mrs. Tucker, who went there several weeks ago, has returned.

The ladies of West Washington Lutheran Church gave a housewarming surprise last evening to the pastor, the Rev. Stanley Billheimer, at his new apartments in the Irving, in Cooke Park.

Martin McKenna, of Thirty-fourth Street northwest, who is now in New York, was recently operated upon for appendicitis. The operation was successful, and the patient is rapidly recovering.

Edward Cameron, of 2358 N Street northwest, is at the Georgetown University, suffering with a broken ankle. He slipped and fell Sunday week while walking down Valley Street, near Q.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED.

Ernest Littleford and Rosa A. Mangum, both of Deawood, D. C.
Erkay Peyton and Jamie Garrett.
Walter Shepherd and Ida Nelson.
Joseph H. Bishop and Vesta U. Podreil.
Henry W. B. Zundt, Brooklyn, N. Y., and Anna L. Buebe, District of Columbia.
James H. Winters and Martha Jackson.
George Thorne, Newport News, Va., and Eva G. Skillman.

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List of furniture items and prices:
Mahogany Parlor Cabinets: \$8.25 to \$39.00
Solid Mahogany Shaving Stand: \$26.50
Combi-nation Cases: \$14.50 to \$40.00
Open-face Mahogany Music Cabinet: \$5.00
This Pretty Quartered Oak Parlor Table: \$4.50
Brass Beds: \$17.50 to \$107.00
Toilet Tables: \$16.50 to \$105.00
Polished Quartered Oak or Mahogany-finish Writing Desks: \$6.00
This excellent polished mahogany-finish Music Stool: \$2.25
Gold Leaf Chairs: \$3.00 to \$8.50
Handsome 5-piece Parlor Suite: \$20.50
This Fine, Polished Oak Buffet Sideboard: \$20.50

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List of bedding items and prices:
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