

Doings in the Realm of Society

In Diplomatic Circles.

The Baroness Giskra, wife of the counselor of the Austrian embassy, is entertaining her niece, Miss Harriet Elliott of Savannah. Miss Elliott is one of the great beauties of the South.

Dinners.

General and Mrs. Chaffee will give a dinner in honor of the Secretary of War and Mrs. Root. The dinner will be served in the dining room of the Highlands, where they have apartments.

Tonight Senator and Mrs. Fairbanks will also entertain at dinner.

Tomorrow night the Russian ambassador will give a dinner in honor of the British ambassador, Sir Mortimer Durand. This will be the first of a series of dinners and entertainments to be given in honor of the new ambassador.

Engagements.

Christian-Upshur. An engagement recently announced in Richmond of interest in social circles here, is that of Miss Lily Lottier Upshur and Robert S. Christian, jr. Miss Upshur is the daughter of Walter S. Upshur, a prominent official of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad of Newport News. Miss Upshur, however, has made her home since childhood in Richmond with her aunt, Miss Mollie Lottier. Miss Upshur, who is very young, not having, as yet, been formally presented to society, is one of the most beautiful young women in the Old Dominion. Her mother was the famous Virginia belle and beauty, Miss Lily Lottier, and will be remembered by the beaux of twenty years ago who frequented the Virginia Hot Springs.

Mr. Christian is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Christian, and is of an old and illustrious Virginia family.

Crane-Eaton.

An interesting incident in connection with the visit of the Yale Glee Club to Washington has just come to light. The club men left here yesterday afternoon for Cincinnati. Just before their private cars pulled out of the Sixth Street station there was received a telegram from Pittsfield, Mass., announcing the engagement of Winthrop Murray Crane, jr., son of the former governor of Massachusetts, and one of the most popular men at Yale, to Miss Ethel Eaton of Pittsfield.

Although Governor Crane is a Harvard man, his son became identified with a Yale set in preparatory school, and became a son of Old Eli. He graduates next June.

When the news was received yesterday, his colleagues gathered in the dining car and pledged his health with a variety of approved liquors. Young Mr. Crane has visited Washington at times with his distinguished father.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Augustus M. Laing, 35 R Street northwest, was the scene on Friday night last of a reception, the occasion being the twenty-fifth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Laing.

Several hundred friends called in the course of the evening and congratulated

the happy couple. The reception lasted from 8 to 11 o'clock. Those who received the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Augustus M. Laing, Miss Susie and Miss Estelle Laing, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Laing, Mrs. Weidt, sister of Mr. Laing; Mrs. A. L. Force and Mrs. W. L. Force of Plainfield, N. J.; Mrs. R. Stanley Wolfe, Mrs. J. D. Murray and Miss Emma Cantor of Washington.

The parlor was decorated in Christmas green, potted plants, cut flowers and silver tinsel, while the color scheme of the dining room was red and gold.

The hostesses in the dining room were Mrs. William Glenn, Mrs. T. H. Henning, Mrs. W. R. Ramsey, Mrs. J. R. Mc Bride, Mrs. Kaufman, Mrs. O'Keefe, and Mrs. Oscar Humphreys.

A musical program was given in the course of the evening consisting of the original poem set to music and dedicated to Mr. and Mrs. Laing, by Prof. Stephens, of Howard University; solos by Mr. and Mrs. Hulling, Mrs. Mellott, and Miss Kate McBride; piano solos contributed by Miss Edna Cyphers and Mrs. Parker Rehnold.

A large number of presents were received, consisting of silver, cut glass, china, and a large cathedral clock, presented to Mr. Laing by his friends in the Government Printing Office.

Chit-Chat.

Mrs. Charles R. Howry will not receive this afternoon, and will not resume her afternoons at home until January 4.

Miss Margaret Bayly of Eleventh Street northwest will spend the holidays with friends in Southern Pines, N. C.

The Commissioner of Patents and Mrs. Allen will leave Washington tomorrow evening for their home in Auburn, N. Y., where they will spend the holidays.

The Misses de Loffre, daughters of the late Dr. de Loffre, U. S. A., and formerly residents of this city, are visiting their brother, Dr. Samuel de Loffre, U. S. A., who is at present stationed at Fort Assiniboine, Mon.

The young women constituting the Epenykie Dramatic Club, of the Hamilton Institute, will give one of their charming and popular entertainments this evening in the hall of the institute, Lafayette Square.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Gillespie Ramsey, of Boston, are spending a month in Washington, where they are established at the Shoreham. Later in the season they will go to Old Point Comfort.

Rear Admiral Ludlow is reported as seriously ill at his home, Oakdale, L. I.

Miss Bella Wise, of Baltimore, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Edward Kohner.

Frank H. Thatcher, formerly of this city, has arrived in Washington from Nome, Alaska. He is the guest of his parents on Capitol Hill. Mr. Thatcher has been, for the past three years, assistant cashier of the Alaska Banking and Safe Deposit Company.

Mrs. Force, wife of Albert L. Force, editor of the "Daily Press," and "Weekly Constitutional," of Plainfield, N. J., and her sister-in-law, Mrs.

DIPLMATS DISREGARD RULE OF DEPARTMENT

William L. Force, have been visiting in Washington for several days past as the guests of Mrs. Augustus M. Laing. Mrs. Force will return to her home in Plainfield tonight.

Franklin Webster Smith left town yesterday for Philadelphia, where he will spend the holidays.

LUCY HOLCOMB CHAPTER HOLDS A RECEPTION

Mrs. Charles W. Fairbanks, president general, and Mrs. Herschel Main, District state regent, of the Daughters of the American Revolution, were the guests of honor at a reception given by the Lucy Holcomb Chapter.

The reception took place at the home of Mrs. Howard L. Hodgkins, regent of the chapter.

Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey, District vice regent, and Mrs. Simon Newcomb assisted in receiving the guests. Many national officers were present, including Mrs. Teunika Hamlin, Mrs. Ruth M. G. Pealer, Mrs. D. Kerfoot Shute, Mrs. Mary S. Lockwood, Mrs. Edward B. Rosa, and Mrs. John Walker Holcombe, recording secretary general, and founder of the chapter.

Mrs. Holcombe, Mrs. A. G. Wilkinson, and Mrs. Thomas Clark were the hostesses in the dining room. They were assisted by Mrs. Frank A. Wolff, Mrs. Hazleton, Miss Anna S. Hazleton, Mrs. Jessie Porter Wood, and Miss Elizabeth Du Hamel, while the lemonade table was presided over by Miss Ellen Maclay and Miss Griggs.

NEW CENTURY PEERESS IS LADY LEITRIM

Attached to Ireland, Her Adopted Country, and a Star in Society.

DUBLIN, Dec. 21.—One of the most charming of new century peeresses is the young Countess of Leitrim, the granddaughter of the venerable Lord Leicestershire, and before her marriage—that is, as Violet Henderson—she was one of the prettiest debutantes of her year.

The marriage of Lord and Lady Leitrim took place just a year ago, and was followed after a short interval by the serious illness of the bride, who fell a victim to that awful modern scourge, diphtheria. Now, however, that she is recovered, it is probable that she will play a leading role in Irish society.

She has been exceedingly attached to her adopted country, and it is said, suggested to her young husband the excellent idea of a motor-car service across North Donegal to Mulroy Bay. Lord Leitrim's country home, Mulroy House, is built on the shores of this lovely fjord, which lies several miles inland from the Atlantic and boasts of some of the finest scenery in Ireland.

QUEEN CONGRATULATES AMBASSADOR MEYER

ROME, Dec. 21.—Queen Helena received Ambassador and Mrs. Meyer in private audience yesterday. Her majesty congratulated the ambassador on his recovery from the effects of his recent fox-hunting accident.

MEMORIAL AT GETTYSBURG IN HONOR OF LINCOLN

Monument to Be Erected Where He Spoke in 1863.

Secretary Root has entered into a contract with the Van Andring Company for the erection in the National Cemetery at Gettysburg of a memorial of the address delivered by President Lincoln on November 19, 1863, on the occasion of the dedication of that cemetery.

In February, 1888, Congress passed an act appropriating \$5,000 for a suitable bronze tablet containing the address referred to and specified the portion of the address to be inscribed.

The plans approved by Secretary Root calls for a granite exedra twenty-two feet wide, containing a granite pillar surmounted by a bronze bust of the martyred President. On one side of the pedestal is a bronze tablet containing the address, and on the other side a bronze tablet containing the legend of the memorial. The site selected is as near the spot where the address was delivered as is possible under existing conditions.

Some of the representatives of the Diplomatic Corps have been disregarding the rule that Thursday is diplomatic day at the State Department, and have been breaking into the regime of that department by paying their official visits on any other day convenient to them.

Necessarily a regular time has to be set aside by the State Department for the reception of these officials, and in accordance with diplomatic etiquette they are expected to call at certain intervals. Only the ambassadors have the privilege of calling on the Secretary of State at their convenience.

Of course in the event that important information is to be communicated to the State Department by diplomatic representatives it is expected that this will be done promptly, and no rules as to diplomatic day applies in that case.

HELPFUL SUGGESTIONS TO BUSY HOUSEKEEPERS

MENUS FOR TOMORROW.

BREAKFAST.	LUNCHEON.	DINNER.
Banana Fritters.	Scrambled Brains.	Baked Halibut.
Cereal.	Stuffed Peppers.	Veal Cutlets.
Fried Rabbit.	Stewed Squash.	Pickled Beets.
Julienne Potatoes.	Buttered Sweet Potatoes.	Mashed Turnips.
Coffee.	Chocolate Blanc Mange.	Celery.
	Tea.	Lemon Ice.
		Coffee.

SEASONABLE FOOD SUPPLIES ON MARKET BENCHES.

High prices prevailed at the Center Market this morning, and according to dealers they are likely to border on the exorbitant until after Christmas.

Twenty cents, 22 cents, and 23 cents a pound was asked for freshly killed turkeys. The cold storage ones went for 18 cents and 20 cents a pound. Dealers say they will not handle many turkeys this year because of the great scarcity.

Chickens sold for 16 cents, 18 cents, and 20 cents a pound. Fowls brought 15c and 16 cents a pound. Eighteen and 20 cents a pound was asked for duck, while 18 cents and 19 cents were the figures quoted on geese. Thirty-eight and 40 cents a dozen were asked for fresh eggs from Virginia and Maryland. Thirty-three and 35 cents was what the dealers wanted for the cold storage variety.

Beefsteak, lamb chops, and pork sold for 15 cents and 20 cents a pound. The best cuts of these three kinds of meat sold for 25 cents a pound. Twenty-five and 30 cents was asked for veal, and calves' liver brought 40 cents a pound. Brains were purchased for 15 cents a dish. Country sausage was obtained for 12½ cents and 15 cents a pound, and corn beef went for 5, 8, and 10 cents a pound.

Cranberries soared to 15 cents a quart this morning and 12½ cents and 15 cents a bunch was required to procure a bunch of fresh, crisp celery. Lettuce went for 8 cents and 10 cents a head, cabbage brought 5 cents, 8 cents, and 10 cents a head. Turnips went for 13 cents and 15 cents a half peck, and the same prices were asked for sweet and Irish potatoes. Beets sold for 10 cents a bunch, oyster plant brought 8 cents and 10 cents a bunch. Cauliflower went for 10 cents and 20 cents a head. Spinach sold for 15 cents a half peck, and 6 cents and 8 cents a quarter of a peck was asked for onions.

Troul, halibut, speckled trout, sheephead, mackerel, Potomac herring, and bluefish sold for 12½ cents and 15 cents a pound. Smeit, red snapper, and lobster sold for 25 cents a pound.

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STORE OPEN EVENINGS.

Furniture Gifts.

These are the days when actual cash is at a premium, but this is no reason why anyone should be forgotten in the Christmas buying.

There are no more beautiful and useful gifts than Furniture, and there are acres of it here awaiting your selection on easier credit terms than you will find elsewhere in Washington. Parlor and Bedroom Furniture, beautiful Sideboards and China Closets, framed Pictures, dainty crockery, Sofa Pillows, Lace Curtains, handsomely decorated Lamps and Globes, Parlor and Music Cabinets, gold leaf Reception Chairs, Shaving Stands, and a hundred other articles suitable for Christmas. Weekly or monthly payments—no notes, no interest.

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Owing to the exceedingly large sales of Holiday Goods, our stocks are rapidly becoming depleted and we have decided to close out the entire balance of Fancy Articles at a reduction of 25% from plainly marked prices, in order to be able to start another season with an absolutely new assortment. This is an opportunity for the purchase of Christmas Gifts such as has never before been offered, as the quality and exclusiveness of our stock is well known and the original prices are distinctly moderate.

POCKETBOOKS AT 25% DISCOUNT. A large and very choice assortment, including a great many fine imported ones. Prices ranging from 50c to \$10.

SHOPPING BAGS AT 25% DISCOUNT. A fine showing of unusual designs at prices ranging from \$1.25 to \$12—now less 25 per cent.

PHOTOGRAPH FRAMES AT 25% DISCOUNT. A very big stock of pretty frames in leather and brass. The prices run from 35c to \$10—all go at a discount of 25 per cent.

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Note—Staple Goods and our famous Darcy Calendars are not included in this special discount.

Fancy Box Papers —A generously big stock that includes all the newest shades and tints in all the newest and most popular kinds of writing papers. Prices range from 25c to \$10.

BRASS GOODS AT 25% DISCOUNT. Without question, the finest assortment in this city. Amongst other things, you will find:

- \$25 Brass Desk Sets, now \$18.75
- \$22 Brass Desk Sets, now \$16.50
- \$20 Brass Inkstands, now \$15.00
- \$2.50 Brass Inkstands, now \$1.88
- \$10 Brass Stationery Boxes, now \$7.50
- \$17 Brass Paper Racks, now \$12.75
- \$8 Brass Portfolios, now \$6.00
- \$3.50 Brass Hand Blotters, now \$2.62
- \$2.50 Brass Pen Racks, now \$1.50
- \$5.50 Brass Calendars, now \$4.13
- \$4.50 Brass Stamp Boxes, now \$3.37
- \$7.00 Brass Jewel Boxes, now \$5.25
- \$5.00 Brass Candlesticks, now \$3.75
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