

RECORD OF EVENTS IN THE CIRCLE OF WASHINGTON SOCIETY

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ister; Viscount de Alte, the Portuguese minister; Senor Quesada, the Cuban minister; Sir Liang, the Chinese minister; Chekbi Bey, the Turkish minister; Alfredo Ferrera, charge d'affaires for Brazil; Mr. Pulido, charge d'affaires for Venezuela; Senor Zalles, charge d'affaires for Bolivia; Miss Hagerman, Mrs. Keep, Miss Wilson, Miss Hitchcock, Miss Ridgely, Miss Clayton, Miss Lovering, Miss Lucy Kean, Miss Westmore, Miss Calderin, and Miss Gwynn.

With so much merriment in the diplomatic ranks, Mrs. Hay's dinner took on quite a diversified air last night, and the younger set of society women were pressed into service in taking the places of diplomatic hostesses. Baroness von Sternburg is in mourning for her father, the Cuban minister's wife still remains in black for the infant child lost some months ago, the Belgian minister's wife, Baroness Monclair, is not going out now, and Mrs. Takahira is still in Japan with her sons, who are school-boys. The other diplomats who were present at Secretary Hay's dinner are bachelors with the exception of Zalles, the charge d'affaires for Bolivia, who has a charming American wife.

Senator and Mrs. Fairbanks will entertain a small company at dinner tonight in compliment to Secretary Taft.

Teas.

A tea was given at the Fencers' Club in Nineteenth Street yesterday afternoon, when Mrs. Peters, wife of Commander Peters, of the navy, assisted by Miss Peters and Miss Burbridge, was hostess.

Constant practice is in progress at the club, for the District championship competition to take place on Wednesday afternoon, April 23. Seventeen members have recently formed a new division of the Amateur Fencers' League of America, and the finals Wednesday will be fought strictly in accordance with national rules. The contestants are:

John Herbert Corning, Percy Wyndham, Scott D. Breckinridge, Alfred H. Brooks, Pittsburgh Talman, W. M. Grinnell, W. M. Wright, Conor Coppinger, Dr. Walter A. Wells, Dr. Paul V. Evans, Capt. F. B. Wheaton, and E. S. Tracy.

Mr. Breckinridge, a cadet at the Military Academy last year, was one of the winners of the intercollegiate championship. Viscount de Palmont, of the French embassy, will act as directeur de combat.

Count Cassini will celebrate the centenary of Wednesday by a tea and reception.

St. Michael and All Angels' Committee, will give their annual musicale and

tea at the residence of Mrs. Dove, 1810 G Street Friday, April 22, from 4 to 9 p. m. Mrs. H. H. McKee and Mrs. Oldberg have charge of the musicale program. All interested are cordially asked to attend.

President Will Attend Mrs. Barney's Play

President Roosevelt has become so interested in the performance of Mrs. Barney's play, "The Dream of Queen Elizabeth," to be given tomorrow afternoon for the benefit of the orphans, widows, and mothers of the men who perished in the Missouri, that he has declared his intention of taking a box. Several members of his family will be with him. This is not only a compliment to Mrs. Barney and the sixty prominent society people in the cast, but to his tender sympathy for the sufferers from the terrible disaster.

Mme. Calve will also attend the performance, and will sing. She has expressed great interest in the play and amateur performers, especially in the dancing of the young members of the Peruvian minister's family.

Baroness Hengelmuller, wife of the Austrian ambassador, who has been reckoned the handsomest woman in the Diplomatic Corps, will take the part of Salome in the tableaux. Other equally prominent women have signified their willingness to take the place of society people now absent from the city who figured in the cast at the first presentation of the play last Tuesday evening.

It is said that fully \$10,000 was realized from the first performance, which was given for the benefit of the families of firemen lost in the Baltimore fire, and it is expected that several thousand dollars will be realized tomorrow. The play is a delightful extravaganza, and was magnificently staged, collectors of tapestries, and valuable curios lending them as a stage setting for the performance. The robes worn by some of the women in the play were right royal, and worth thousands of dollars. They were also the loan of collectors.

The Marine Band will give a specially prepared program for the afternoon.

Chit-Chat.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh have as house guests ex-Governor Thomas of Colorado and Mrs. and Miss Thomas. The dinner party entertained last night in their honor included Admiral and Mrs. Schley, General Merritt, Prof. and Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell, General and Mrs. Sternburg, Secretary of the Senate and Mrs. Bennett, Mr. Colton,

Mr. and Mrs. Wolcott, and Commodore Baker.

The minister from Paraguay, Don Ceclio Baez, who presented his credentials to the President Friday, is stopping with his family at the Gordon, where they will remain until a permanent legation is established.

Senator and Mrs. Dryden are having a number of improvements made in their country home, Stronghold, near Barnardsville, N. J. A four-mile drive is being constructed on the estate, skirting a brook, and with a number of picturesque views. They will leave Washington shortly after the close of Congress.

Mrs. Nellie Dent Sharp, widow of the late Major Alexander Sharp, U. S. A., accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. John B. Bennett, of Fort McPherson, Ga., is the guest of her son, Commander Sharp, U. S. N. Mrs. Sharp and the late Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant were sisters.

Owing to the death of her brother, Mrs. Swan M. Burnett will not be at home the remaining Tuesdays in April.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman N. Hill have as their guest at their home, 1901 R Street, their daughter, Mrs. George Robinson Kirtland, of Cleveland. Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Kirtland will be at home to their friends Thursday, April 21.

Mrs. George L. Raymond, 1810 N Street, has as her guest for the next week, Mrs. Daniel Lothrop, of Boston. Mrs. Lothrop is the founder of the National Society of the Children of the American Revolution.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Hall have as their guest at the Iowa, their daughter, Mrs. John T. D. Blackburn, of Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Barber have gone to Buffalo to attend the wedding of their niece, Ruth Albright, on April 21. Mr. and Mrs. Barber expect to return to Belmont in time for the lawn fête to be held in their grounds.

Miss Sallie Hodges has gone to Baltimore for a visit with Mrs. T. Meredith Jenkins at her home on North Calvert Street.

Mrs. David J. Kaufman has discontinued her Wednesdays at home for the season.

Mr. Van Swinderen, the new Netherlands minister, who succeeds Baron Gevers, has arrived in Washington, and will present his credentials to the President the first of the week. Mr. Van Swinderen, and Baron Monclair, the Belgian minister are old friends and enjoyed luncheon together at the Bel-

gian legation yesterday, when there were several other guests.

Mrs. Charles W. Fairbanks, president general of the D. A. R., returned to Washington last evening from a visit to Atlantic City, where she went for a few days' rest, and composed before the opening of the D. A. R. congress tomorrow.

Mrs. May went to Baltimore the last of the week for a visit with relatives.

Lady Howland, wife of Sir William Howland, of Toronto, with her daughter, Miss Bessie Bethune, are visiting Mrs. Louise Kenaday-Hare, at her residence, 2907 G Street. They are on their way to Canada after a six weeks' visit to Pinehurst, N. C.

Baron von Sternburg, the German ambassador, returned from New York yesterday, accompanied by Baroness von Sternburg, his wife. His mother-in-law

and sister-in-law, Mrs. and Miss Langham, were with them, and will make a prolonged visit to the embassy.

Baron von Sternburg was the guest of honor Friday at a reception held especially for him by the Columbia University's German Society, the Deutscher Verein. The affair took place at the university, and about seventy-five instructors attended. The ambassador made an informal speech expressing his delight at being present.

The engagement has just been announced in Philadelphia of Miss Anna Estelle Murray, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Murray, of 1816 Mount Vernon Street, to Ormsby McCammon, a son of Judge J. K. McCammon, of this city. Mr. McCammon, who is a lawyer at the National Capital, was graduated from Princeton University in 1895, and is a member of the Metropolitan and Chevy Chase Clubs in Washington.

SOCIAL HAPPENINGS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY

President of the State senate, Col. Spencer C. Jones, of Rockville, has gone to New Orleans, to visit his daughter.

Mrs. Laura Hammond Webb-People, of Richmond, Va., is the guest of Mrs. Horace Waters, in Germantown.

Mrs. Charles Griffith, of Laytonsville, is visiting friends in Catonsville, Baltimore county.

A grand ball, which will be one of the social events of the spring, will be given in the town hall at Dawsonville next Friday evening. The committee of arrangements is John Williams, Ernest Allnut, and Joseph D. Byrd.

Mrs. Lawrence Allnut, Mrs. Lawrence Darby, Jr., Mrs. Joseph Darby, and Mrs. Lewis P. Allnut, will be chaperones. Several hundred invitations have been sent to prominent ladies and gentlemen in Hagerstown, Frederick, Washington, and Baltimore.

Lee Thompson, of Baltimore, was a recent visitor to Clarksburg, his former home.

Miss Ida C. Lillard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Lillard, of Barnesville, was married on Wednesday in Washington, in the parlors of the National Hotel to Wilmer L. Cook, of Bonsack, Va., son of William M. Cook, of Rosebuck county. After the ceremony they went to Baltimore, and

thence to Bonsack, where they will reside.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brooks Gott, of Dickerson, have returned to Dickerson from their honeymoon trip. Mrs. Gott was Miss McDonald, and they were married in Washington last week.

Mrs. Mary Broadwater, of Toll Gate, W. Va., has returned home after visiting her daughter, Mrs. Andrew Small, and her sister, Mrs. Sara E. Hoyd, of Boyds, Md.

The Hon. John W. Williams, member of house of delegates, has returned to his home at Boyds. Hon. B. F. Lansdale has returned to his home at Damascus.

Miss Norton Taylor, of Virginia, is visiting her sister Mrs. Philander Stansbury, at Rockville.

Capt. Lee M. S. Lipscomb, of Washington, has moved with his family to Galtersburg for the spring and summer.

Louis L. Gloyd, of Chester, Pa., is the guest of his parents at Galtersburg. Dr. James E. Lodge, pastor of Columbia Baptist Church, Washington, is at his home at Galtersburg very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Huffer, of Germantown, recently gave a dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Miles, to their friends. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Miles, Mr. and

Mrs. J. U. Miles, Mrs. William Jones and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. Huffer, and Frank Reed.

Miss Fannie Miles spent Easter with her uncle, F. C. Stang, near Dawsonville.

George W. Weaver, of this county, and Miss Elizabeth M. Ricketts, daughter of Urian Fjckets, were married at Rockville, Tuesday, by Rev. Thomas D. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Abrams have

returned to their home at Kensington from Baltimore this week, where they have been visiting their daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. David Humbird, of Hudson, Wis., are stopping with their sister at Rockville.

Mrs. Asa Welsh has gone to Washington to visit friends.

Mrs. Ridgely Brown, of Baltimore, has returned to her home there after visiting Mrs. George Henderson, at Rockville.

MR. TAKAHIRA SUFFERS AN ATTACK OF GRIP

Mr. Takahira, the Japanese minister, is under the care of a physician, suffering with an attack of grip, which has kept him in bed for two days.

The minister has been subjected to a long nervous strain for over a year, the delicate negotiations preceding the war requiring as much of his attention as has been necessary since hostilities actually commenced. He has borne up remarkably well, in spite of the many duties imposed upon him, but it is said he is badly in need of a rest. The minister had intended remaining here the greater part of the summer, but it is possible that he may be forced to take a vacation at an early date.

RED CROSS COMMITTEE WILL MEET TOMORROW

The special committee to decide whether a full investigation of the Red Cross shall be ordered, met at the Capitol yesterday and adjourned to meet tomorrow. It is hoped that the experts who are investigating the records will have a report ready by that time.

In regard to the report yesterday that Clara Barton is about to resign the presidency of the Red Cross, Representative William Alden Smith, of the special committee, said:

"I place no significance whatever in that report. Miss Barton has been anxious to resign and willing to do so at any time, but her friends will not hear of such a move."

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