

SOCIETY CHAT

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of Miss Helen Shriver, of Union Mills, Md. Miss Shriver, with her family, sailed on the 8th for Europe.

Miss Richards, of Washington, gave the last of her series of lectures Wednesday evening before the Cameron Club.

Mrs. William D. Doble left Thursday for Lynchburg, Va., where she is to visit relatives.

Miss Emma R. Atkinson, of Ripon Lodge, is the guest of Miss Grigg, on Columbus street.

Miss Anne Lee Burson is on a visit to her parents in this city.

Mrs. William N. Wise, of Leesburg, is the guest of Miss Bertie Deakins on Prince street.

Miss Marion Grigg, of Louisville, Ky., is visiting Miss Sallie Kemper on North Washington street.

Miss Mary Douglas Dabney, of the University of Virginia, who has been visiting Miss Mary Pattison in Baltimore, is now the guest of Miss Bessie W. Jones on Prince street.

Miss Grace Douglas Anderson has returned home after an extended trip to her cousin, Mrs. Claude Swanson, in Richmond.

Miss Phillipa Wattles has returned from Bermuda. Her sister, Miss Lida Wattles, will remain several weeks longer.

Edward Daingerfield, with his family, Misses Mary and Sallie, and Frank Daingerfield, sailed during the past week for Bermuda.

Mrs. and Mrs. Theodore Cole, of New York city, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Brickett, on North Washington street.

Mrs. Ware, of Fredericksburg, Va., is visiting Mrs. William B. Daingerfield.

Mary Curtis Lee Chapter, of the U. D. C., had a meeting during the week

and selected officers as follows: President, Mrs. Thomas Turner; vice president, Dabney Herndon; secretary, Mrs. E. H. O'Brien; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. R. Zimmerman; and treasurer, Mrs. Emil Mahaffey; historian, Mrs. J. E. Alexander. The reports turned in by retiring officers showed the society to be in a prosperous condition.

Louis S. Scott has returned from York, Pa., where he visited Frederick R. Smart.

H. C. Ansley and his daughter, Miss Annie Ansley, left for a trip through the South.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Smoot, Jr., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Corbett, in Suffolk, Va.

Miss Ruth Ashton has returned from a visit to her aunt, Mrs. Thomas Franklin, in Fredericksburg.

Mark O. Shriver, Jr., of Baltimore, was the guest of John Marshall Jones during the week.

The sewing circle met at Miss Lila N. Barrett's. The members present were Misses Marion Bryant, Mary Leadbeater, Clarence Snowden, and Dorsey Ashton.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Alexander, of Lancaster, Pa., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence C. Leadbeater.

Mrs. Kemp L. Lambert, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. L. P. Anderson, in Charlottesville, returned to her home in this city yesterday.

Mrs. William Usher entertained the Eight-hand Euchre Club Wednesday afternoon. Those present were Mrs. K. Kemper, Mrs. Isaac Gregg, Mrs. Richard Acton, Misses Lola Smoot, Mamie Agnew, Mary Glenn Usher, Sallie Kemper, Anita Robbins, Mrs. Lawrence Perry, Miss Marion Grigg, of Louisville, Ky.; and Miss Waite, of Culpeper, Va. The prizes were won by Misses Anita Robbins, Mamie Agnew, and Sallie Kemper.

The Friday Night Dancing Club gave a street Odd Fellows Hall, on North Columbus street.

New York Makes Ready For Round of Weddings After Lent Has Passed

NEW YORK, March 9.—Only three weeks more until Easter, when weddings, racing, horse shows, dances, theater parties, dinners and luncheons will fill the program of society, which, as usual, will be living so to speak with one foot in town and the other in the country, suburban life being then at its best.

Rumor About Mrs. Astor. Among the features of the past week has been the circulation of a sensational report to the effect that Mrs. Astor was dying, and that her granddaughter, Miss May Van Alen, had been summoned by cable in hot haste from England. This rumor was promptly set at rest by the appearance of the venerable lady out walking on the avenue on the following morning, with her daughter, Mrs. M. Orme Wilson, and her companion.

Mrs. Astor's Successor. There is no doubt that Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish, with her masterful ways, her originality and her hatred of all humbug and sham, would be specially well adapted to exercise sovereign sway over New York society in Mrs. Astor's place were it not for her husband's quarrels with the Harrimans, the Vanderbilts, and the Astors. Moreover, she lacks patience and suavity. Mrs. John Jacob Astor is more intent upon amusing herself after her own fashion, than upon the fulfillment of her obligations to society. The bad blood among the members of the Vanderbilt clan, which at one moment had the effect of dividing the "409" into rival camps, prevents young Mrs. Cornelius or her widowed mother-in-law from taking the place of Mrs. Astor, while Mrs. Mills is so exclusive that under her regime it would be difficult to maintain the "409" at its normal strength. It would dwindle, indeed, into insignificance through the paucity of its numbers. In one word, no successor to Mrs. Astor has as yet appeared upon the horizon.

Secrecy of Society. Among the features of society calling for note at the present time is the growth of a disinclination on the part of the fashionable set in New York to permit the public to become aware of its movements. In England, as well as in France, the members of the oldest aristocracy not only send to the newspapers notices of their entertainments, of their arrivals, departures, engagements, etc., but even pay for the insertion thereof, while King Edward and the Prince of Wales each furnish the press with a daily bulletin recording their movements, and the names of their guests. Here in New York it has gradually come to be looked upon as bad form to do anything of the kind. It is not that people here dislike the notoriety, but that they are afraid of exposing themselves to charges by their friends and acquaintances of having sought to advertise themselves through the press. This has led to the envelopment of even the most ordinary matters, such as the arrivals and departures from town, of dinners, and dances, with an amount of mystery worthy of the greatest of state secrets upon which the fate of empires depend. Some of our fashionables even go to the length of sailing to and from Europe under assumed names, precisely as if they were royalty traveling incognito in order to conceal their movements.

Merely Passing Fad. In this, as in other things, the absence of the controlling hand of Mrs. Astor from the helm is apparent. Mrs. Astor, in the days when her house on Fifth avenue was the principal rendezvous and headquarters of the "409," never showed the slightest compunction about giving out news concerning her dinners, dances and other entertainments. With her assured position she felt herself just as safe from any imputation of self-advertisement as King Edward and the Prince of Wales when

they furnish their daily budgets of so-called "court news" to the London press. It is improbable, however, that the present fad here will last very long. It suggests to much the old saying about cutting off one's nose to spite one's face.

Popular Bridesmaid. Miss Dorothy Whitney, who is now at Aiken with her brother, Harry Payne Whitney, and a party comprising her cousin, Miss Katherine Barney, and the latter's fiance, Courtland Barnes, is in great demand as a bridesmaid at the weddings after Easter. She will officiate at that capacity, not only at Miss Barney's wedding to Courtland Barnes, being associated on that occasion with Miss Jean Reid, Miss Cornelius Harrison and Miss Anita Peabody, but will also figure as such at the marriage of Miss May Tuckerman to G. Hermann Kimmelf, on April 18, in the Church of the Incarnation. Miss Dorothy Kessel and Miss Susan Sedgwick, of New York; Miss Dorothy and Miss Julia Tuckerman, of Boston, and Miss Edith Green, of Buffalo, will be the other bridesmaids, while Miss Joan Tuckerman, who has not yet made her debut, will be her sister's maid of honor.

Bridesmaidless Weddings. Three of the Easter brides, on the other hand, have decided to dispense with bridesmaids. One of them is Miss Natica Rives, the other Miss Annie Kountze and the third Miss Emily Coster. Miss Rives' wedding, which is set for April 17, will take place in Grace Church Chantry, where the ceremony will be performed by Bishop Potter, assisted by the rector, the Rev. Dr. Huntington. The bridegroom, W. Williams Proudfoot Burden, is in mourning. It is on this account possibly that the solemnity will be shorn of all that picturesque element furnished by fascinating maidens in dainty garb. Miss Emily Coster, who will be one of the bridesmaids, will follow the example of Miss Annie Kountze and of Miss Natica Rives, and do without maid of honor and bridesmaids, thus monopolizing the attention, not only of her husband, but of all the guests invited to the ceremony, which will take place at her mother's house on Park avenue.

WASHINGTONIANS AT ATLANTIC CITY

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., March 9.—Gen. John A. Halderman, LL. D., soldier and statesman, is at the shore to spend his twelfth consecutive Lenten season in the resort. He is stopping at the Hotel Boscobel, which, by the way, has always been his headquarters while at the shore. He has been all over the world in his travels, but the general declares he has found no place that will compare with Atlantic City for an all-round pleasure resort, either summer or winter. General Halderman was at one time the United States minister to Siam, and later Consul to Bangkok. He was at one time a member of Congress, and served his own State as senator in the State Legislature. During the late unpleasantness with Spain he was provost marshal-general of the Army of the West.

Notes and Personals. Mrs. Paul Morton, wife of the former Secretary of the Navy and now president of the Equitable Life Insurance Company, is spending some time at the shore. She is making her home at the Marlborough-Blenheim, and has been entertaining Mrs. Pauline K. Tyney, of New York city, during this week. George Bergman, a Washington business man, has been passing this week



APPROPRIATE AFTERNOON COSTUME In Nattier Blue Camel's-hair. Paris Patterns—Jacket No. 1819—Skirt No. 1829.

ALL Seams Allowed. The woman who likes to be well-coined for her little visits and afternoon teas with friends, will not hesitate in making a choice of this dainty costume illustrated in Nattier blue camel's-hair. The jacket displays the newest elements and by the set-on chasuble portions attains the proper shoulder breadth which distinguishes the newest styles from those of last year. This set-on portion narrows down to the waist-line, where an added vest of velvet in a darker shade appears, and gives an effect of slenderness to the figure. The collar is a rolling affair and is made of the same velvet as the vest, being finished with a trimming of fancy braid in which gold is united with the self-color. The chasuble fronts have three frogs of soutache placed at intervals, each one ending with a button. A group of three buttons is also placed on the shoulder of the chasuble, overlapping the full sleeve-top. The bottom of the short jacket, which ends with the girdle, is trimmed with the same fancy braid as the collar. The sleeve fullness is held with a group of tucks on the outside, just above the up-turned cuff, giving a puff effect. This cuff is ornamented with stitching like the edges of the chasuble, and a frog and button is set on the outside pointing inward.

The skirt is severely plain, except for the plaits, which turn forward in groups of two, the next two turning backward, and the next two forward, so that the finished effect is that of white box plaits. The plaits are stitched very nearly to the knee, and a simple stitching marks the hem. Of course, if desired, the braid used on the jacket might find a wider showing as a trimming for the skirt, but the tailored finish is approved, and the fact that tinsel is used in the braid suggests its unsuitability for a more ample display. This gown would develop beautifully in any of the pastel colors, or in the pinks, black-and-whites, in London smoke cheviot or serge, or in terra-cotta or raspberry tannin.

To make the jacket, No. 1819, in the medium size requires 4 1/2 yards of material 20 inches wide, or 2 1/2 yards 35 inches wide, or 2 yards 42 inches wide, or 1 1/2 yards 54 inches wide. The pattern is in six sizes, from 32 to 42 inches, bust measure.

To make the skirt, No. 1829, in the medium size, needs 12 1/2 yards 20 inches wide, or 6 1/2 yards 35 inches wide, or 6 1/2 yards 42 inches wide, or 4 1/2 yards 54 inches wide. The pattern is in seven sizes, from 22 to 34 inches, waist measure.

To obtain either of these patterns or any heretofore described in The Times, inclose your name, address, size and number of pattern, date printed, and 10 cents in a sealed envelope addressed to Fashion Editor, The Washington Times.

at the shore. He is making his headquarters at the Berkshire Inn. Miss Winifred Clarke, a pretty Washington girl, is enjoying a fortnight in the resort. She is staying at the Hotel Clarendon. James O'Brien, a Washington contractor, has been taking a week's vacation, which he spent in Atlantic City. He registered at the Hotel Chestwood. E. D. Warfield, of Easton, Pa., president of Lafayette College, has been sojourning at the Hotel Pennsylvania for a week. He is accompanied by Mrs. Warfield. W. J. Engelberger, of Washington, is spending a ten days' visit at the Hotel McVillie. Manager D. P. Rahter, of the Hotel Iroquois, who has been spending the last week or two in Haverburg, Pa., for the benefit of his health, expects to get back to the shore again the early part of next week to resume his duties at this popular hotel. Mrs. Henry Taft, William H. Taft, Jr., and Miss L. M. Taft, relatives of the Hon. William H. Taft, Secretary of War, have been enjoying a week's outing at the shore. They are at the Hotel Brighton. Mr. and Mrs. J. Arthur Richardson, of Washington, are among the visitors at the Hotel Boscobel. Mr. Richardson is a well-known sportsman of the National Capital, and he and his wife will remain here for several days. A well-known Washington family at the Brighton is composed of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Barbour and Miss Marguerite Barbour. Miss Parker, of Washington, is spending a fortnight at the shore. She is making her seaside home at the Hotel McVillie. F. A. Emery, of Washington, is spending a few days at the Hotel Wiltshire.

Registered at Hotels. The following Washingtonians registered at these Atlantic City hotels during the week: Hotel Boscobel—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brown, A. Anderson. Hotel Continental—M. E. Webster, Hotel Chalfonte—Mrs. McGowan, Miss McGowan. Hotel Dennis—Mr. and Mrs. George W. Nippold, H. M. Deacon. Haddon Hall—J. C. Young. Hotel Morton—Miss R. Parker. Hotel Princeton—M. E. Farniss. The Roxborough—Mrs. E. F. Morgan.

Ladies. Prevent colds by having your shampoos done at DALBY'S the Scalp Specialist. Your hair dried by hand massaging. 936 F St. N. W., 2d Floor Front, Rooms 3 and 4.

WOMAN'S BETRAYAL FOILS ANARCHISTS

BERLIN, March 9.—By a woman's betrayal three anarchists have fallen into the hands of the Berlin police. Because she had been fitted by one of them, the woman informed the police that Sauter, a German; Flavler, a Belgian, and Houten, a Dutchman, were spreading seditious among the Kaiser's soldiers. An investigation showed that hundreds of anarchistic manifestoes were in the hands of the troopers of the imperial guard and that manifestoes by the ten thousand had come in from Belgium and were to be distributed throughout the army in all parts of the empire.

PRICES OF REMBRANDT'S ARE SOARING SKYWARD

PARIS, March 9.—The recently formed Rubens room at the Louvre has proved such a success that the authorities are beginning to put into execution the long-talked-of plan of devoting a special room to works of Rembrandt. As regards the number of works from the brush of the great Dutch artist the Louvre comes third of all the galleries of the world.

The prices of Rembrandt's works have steadily risen during the past century. The Two Philosophers, at the Louvre, for instance, which at the Six Sale in 1724 brought 50 florins, brought \$12,000 in 1750, \$35,000 at the sale of the Duke of Choiseul in 1772, \$55,000 in 1777, and \$65,000 less than ten years later. It is now valued at over \$50,000.

RIVIERA HAS A RIVAL IN THE SOUTH OF SPAIN

ALGECIRAS, Spain, March 9.—The fashionable resort of the winter season is undoubtedly this little town, which lies opposite Gibraltar. It is now full of English and American visitors, who formerly went to the Riviera. One of the cleverest and most pushful financiers in London, Sir Alexander Henderson, recognized a year ago that Algeciras was to take the place of Cannes or Nice in the fashionable world, and he has built there a huge hotel, which is now thriving.

The thing which most amuses English visitors to Algeciras is that every proclamation posted in this little town is signed by "The Governor of Algeciras and Gibraltar (now in the temporary occupation of the English)."

ONE OF POE'S DESCENDANTS

Though many of the descendants of the illustrious Edgar Allan Poe inherit some of his rambling instincts, it is probably more marked in the case of "Johnnie" Poe, who can well be styled a typical soldier of fortune. Mr. Poe belonged to the great Fifth Regiment of Baltimore and served during the war with Spain, after which he went to the Philippines, where he was offered a commission for efficient work. For the honor and remained a private. At the expiration of his term he came back to this country and wandered to the famous Death Valley and from there to the Tonopah district, from which he was lured in the late fall by the call of the goldmin.

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Used Perfume And Employer Discharged Her

BERLIN, March 9.—The court has had an interesting case before it. It was that of a shop girl who had been discharged because she used perfume. Her employer declared that she used so much perfume on her handkerchief and blouse that her colleagues got headaches and could not remain near her, while customers declined to be served by her.

"I discharged her," he added, "because she refused to obey my orders in the matter of using perfume." The girl in her evidence said she only put a drop of scent on her handkerchief and another on her blouse. She handed her scent bottle to the judge, adding that no one had complained of the odor. Other shop girls came forward and declared that they had had no occasion to complain about the perfume.

The president of the court in giving his judgment, said that shop girls were permitted to use scent so long as it did not affect the olfactory nerves of those around them or damage their employer's business. The complainant was given a verdict for the 25 marks she sought for wrongful dismissal.

VICTORIA'S MOTHER MAY LIVE IN SPAIN

PARIS, March 9.—It is rumored here that Princess Henry of Battenberg, mother of the young Queen of Spain, has the intention of spending a great deal of her future time in Spain, and that she has bought an estate on the top of the hills opposite Miramar Palace, at St. Sebastian, and intends to build a palace for herself there.

The report has caused a great deal of satisfaction, as the princess, who is so devoted to her beloved young Queen, her daughter, is already a popular figure in Spain.

GERMANY STARTS CRUSADE AGAINST SINS OF SOCIETY

BERLIN, March 9.—A crusade against the sins of the German "smart set" has been started by a number of society ladies in South Germany, headed by princesses of the royal houses of Bavaria, Saxony and Wurtemberg. The attempt to restrain the wealthy, idle and privileged class from its pursuit of questionable pleasure has resulted in lamentable failure.

The society began its labors by sending out circulars to noble aristocrats, asking them for their word of honor not to commit an immoral act during one year. The circulars only brought ten replies in three weeks. Five of the unregenerate men asked for a definition of an "immoral action," and one promised to be good for six months, but no longer.

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DE RESZKES OPEN SCHOOL IN LONDON

LONDON, March 9.—A De Reszke school of singing is to be opened in London, as a branch of the famous atelier in Paris, where Jean de Reszke teaches voice production at high fees to aspirants for operatic laurels.

The London establishment is to be under the direction of Edouard de Reszke, the elder of the famous pair of brothers. Until now Edouard has been managing the De Reszke estates in Poland, where the disturbed state of the country has kept his hands full.

Distress has been prevalent among the peasants and he has been busy relieving it; but now that the country is more settled, he is at liberty to give effect to his brother's suggestion of establishing a branch of the Paris vocal school in London.

Edouard himself has thought of teaching in St. Petersburg, but he had been in danger of his life from the revolutionaries for three years, and might not have been much safer in the Russian capital, so he agreed with his brother Jean that London was the place for the new school.

The announcement that a De Reszke school was about to be opened brought hosts of applicants wishing to begin at once a course under the great Polish baritone. It is safe to say that his school will soon be as prosperous as the Paris establishment, which has more than 100 pupils. The London school is quartered near Hanover Square, in fashionable Mayfair, and at present the staff consists of the maestro himself, a secretary, and an accompanist.

Thirty years after his debut and nearing the end of his career, Edouard de Reszke is as rich and powerful as when it delighted fashionable audiences at the Metropolitan Opera House and at Covent Garden. He confesses, however, that he is greatly out of practice, as he found very few opportunities for singing in Poland.

"My first rule," says M. de Reszke, "will be to accept a pupil for a course of twenty lessons, either privately for half an hour or in a class of not more than three students together, when the lesson will last one hour. The experience of my brother in Paris has shown the necessity for such a rule. People would come and after a few lessons leave, and give themselves the title of 'pupil of M. Jean de Reszke,' greatly to the detriment of their maestro's reputation.

"In every detail the course here will follow the Paris model. My brother and I were brought up together in an atmosphere of music. We have studied together. Our views and our experience are the same as to the mechanism of the voice and as to style. What he knows I know, and what I know he knows."

THE THAW CASE IN MINNESOTA

Al J. Smith, county attorney of Hennepin county, Minnesota, has found it necessary to post this sign in his Minneapolis office: "Discussion of the Thaw case is tabooed in this office." Mr. Smith says: "It was absolutely necessary for us to do something to relieve the situation. We are up to our ears in work, and yet everybody who comes to the office wants to discuss the Thaw trial. It interferes with our work and the sign is the result."

Advertisement for Dorothy Dodd shoes, featuring illustrations of various styles of high-heeled shoes and the text: 'Dorothy Dodd' and 'Putnam Organs Must Go!'. The ad includes details about the shoes' quality and price, and mentions 'Parke Budget & Co.' as the retailer.