

IRISH GIRLS WILL GREET PRINCESS

Daughter of King George, Betrothed to Viscount Lascelles, Will Visit His Estate at Portumna, in Erin—Fifteen Colleens Have Been Selected to Make the Linen for Royal Trousseau—Mayfair Is Interested in Nuptials of Lord Fairfax, American-Born Peer, to London Girl—Lady Howe Is Prominent in Christmas Charities.
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IRELAND is full of expectations at the reported visit of Princess Mary to her fiancé's estate at Portumna. The Viscount Lascelles is popular with his tenantry and King George thinks it would be a gracious gesture for a lot of his Irish subjects to see his daughter as soon as possible.

Fifteen picked Irish peasant girls have been selected to make the lingerie for Princess Mary's trousseau. It will be of the finest Irish linen and all garments will be threaded with pale blue ribbon, her favorite color. It is intended that she will personally inspect the progress of this work which, by special orders of the Queen, must be completed by the end of January, in time for the wedding on February 21. Princess Mary's traveling frocks will be of Irish tweeds and a number of white knitted frocks will also be made by Donegal girls.

It is understood that the American Luncheon Club, London's most representative American institution, has invited Lascelles to be the guest of honor at its next meeting, which will also celebrate the Irish peace.

SOCIETY is interested in the coming marriage of Lord Fairfax of Caperton, to Maud, the only daughter of James McKelvie, of London. Fairfax is the only American-born British peer and was formerly a New York bank cashier. He established his title in 1903 when he proved he was the heir of the Virginia Fairfaxes, holders of the ancient Scottish title. He is prominent in business, but is known best in Mayfair because of his remark that: "The women of England and America, though they differ in many ways, are both equally lovable and charming."

ADELE LADY JEAN CAPELL, daughter of Adele Lady Essex, is now in New York. She is one of the most talented of the younger set of Mayfair in amateur theatricals, and it is understood that she is now a movie actress.

VISCOUNTESS HARCOURT, daughter of Walter Burns, of New York, is associated prominently in the numerous entertainments surrounding the coming wedding of Princess Mary.

SOCIETY SOON TO WEND WAY TO SOUTH TO THE GLAMOR OF WINTER AMUSEMENT

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NEW YORK, Dec. 10.

SOCIETY will soon be wending its way Southward. The various Florida resorts, such as Palm Beach, Miami, St. Augustine, Ormond Beach, etc., will shortly be the Mecca of the fashionable social leaders of the New York-Newport set.

As some one once remarked, "Palm Beach holds a unique place among the resorts of America." It has a certain prestige which no other watering place, with the possible exception of Newport, has ever been able to attain. There is a glamor about Palm Beach that is felt throughout the entire country.

People come from North, South, East and West to while away a few weeks or the entire season at the Florida coast resorts, and since the late European war made overseas travel anything but a thing of joy Palm Beach and the other Southern watering places have become exceedingly popular with the bon-tons.

There has been a great demand for cottages, and even at this early date many notables are making plans for an early arrival at the Florida watering place.

Mrs. Frederick Guest and her kiddies will be among the first arrivals and Mrs. Guest's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Carnegie Phipps will also join the Palm Beach coteries before many weeks have passed.

Owing to the death of her

mother, Mrs. Ogden Mills, Mrs. Phipps will take no part whatsoever in the social life at Palm Beach during the coming winter. Her absence from the various functions arranged by the swaggers winter colony will leave a decided gap in the social life at the Florida resort.

Born to great prestige as the granddaughter of the late Mrs. Martin Livingston, one of "the Livingstons," she could, if she cared, become the social leader of the American Riviera.

However, like Mrs. Guest, who was Amy Phipps, she prefers to give the rather cosmopolitan social sets at Palm Beach a wide berth and devotes the greater part of her time to her kiddies and the outdoor sports for which Palm Beach is famous.

The Edward R. Thomases are planning to take possession of their villa January 1, and Mrs. Thomas' "Tales of Palm Beach and Florida" has created a great sensation, and no end of praise has been showered on the charming authoress. Mrs. Thomas is more than a society matron; she is a woman who does things which count in life.

I hear that Jack Rutherford is planning to go South on his houseboat in the very near future. The Jerome Napoleon Bonapartes, Franzler Jello, the E. Clarence Joneses, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Kidder, the Pierre Lorillard Barbeyes, the extremely athletic Annette Tilford, Mr. and Mrs. William Lawrence Green, and ever so many more will soon migrate to the Florida coast.

CONGRESSIONAL CLUB TO HAVE GAY SEASON

THE Congressional Club, which with each passing year wields a greater influence and fills a more important place in the scheme of things, has a greatly augmented usefulness in a new Administration and will be one of several agencies promoting fellowship and good feeling among the women of official life this season. The club will give a reception on January 16 for the President and Mrs. Harding. A little later in the season it will entertain for the Vice President and Mrs. Coolidge and after that will come a reception in honor of the Speaker and Mrs. Gillett. And the weekly informal tea parties, the dances and card parties, which the members find so enjoyable, will be resumed.

The first of the Friday afternoon tea parties, in fact, will take place this week with the four women members of the advisory committee of the American conference delegation as the guests of honor. Each of them—Mrs. Eleanor Franklin Egan, Mrs. Thomas G. Winter, Mrs. Katherine Phillips Edson and Mrs. Charles Sumner Bird—will give ten-minute addresses.

The club members have another treat in store for them, for on Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock Lord Riddell, chief of the British press service, will address the members. Lord Riddell is one of the greatest newspaper proprietors in the British Isles and one of the most picturesque figures in British journalism. Moreover, he has come close to the American people in general and the American newspaper fraternity in particular through his work as liaison officer between the British delegation and the press. The esteem in which he is held by the Fourth Estate is bespoken by the testimonial dinner the newspaper men—and women—of all nations assembled here for the conference are tendering him tonight on the eve of his departure. But that, as Mr. Kipling says, is another story.

The absence of Lady Bateman and Grace Lady Newborough from London during the season is a matter of considerable disappointment to members of the American colony. They were unable to stand the London fogs, which are so prevalent now, and so are sojourning abroad. Both will return for the wedding of Princess Mary.

LORD and Lady Fisher of Kilverstone are arriving in London this week for the Christmas season from their country home. They are renting a Belgrave mansion in order to entertain during Princess Mary's wedding parties. Lady Fisher is a daughter of Randall Morgan, of Philadelphia. Her husband is a son of the late Admiral Fisher.

THE smartest hostess in military circles in London is Mrs. Alfred Francis Richards, daughter of the late Isaac Beel, formerly United States ambassador at The Hague. The Richards are doing over their town mansion in anticipation of a great influx of friends from America, where Colonel Richards is well known. He is a favorite at court, while his wife is a personal friend of Queen Alexandra and Princess Victoria.

THE WASHINGTON OPERA BALL—one of the most picturesque and promising events on this week's calendar—will gain interest from the living pictures, posed by some of Washington's prettiest maids, which will take the place of a pageant. Miss Margaret Crosson, Miss Rosalind Wright and Miss Laura Bryn are shown below in their roles of lovely ladies of long ago. Miss Anna Montgomery will also pose for a famous portrait. Miss Lillian Thompson, one of next season's probable buds, is the daughter of Mrs. Douglas Thompson. She is popular with the younger set.



MISS LILLIAN THOMPSON.



MISS MARGARET CROSSON AS "CHARLOTTE CORDAY"



MISS ROSALIND WRIGHT AS "LOUISE DE FRANCE"



MISS LAURA BRYN AS "LADY HAMILTON OF NATURE"

Serbian Minister in "Official Mourning"

OWING to official mourning for King Peter of Serbia, the Minister of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes and Mme. Grouitch have been taking no official part in society, and have only been giving informal dinner parties to friends among the delegates to the armament conference. They will do no formal entertaining until January 1, after which Mme. Grouitch will resume her Friday afternoons at home.

MISS MARION DRAIN, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Drain, who will be married on Saturday to Clarence Hemphill, of New York, is spending a few days in Washington with her aunt, Mrs. Chandler Sloan, but is expected home tomorrow.

SEASON OPENS WITH SESSION OF CONGRESS

Hectic Gayeties of Last Few Weeks Likened to "Extra Session"—Now Begins the Official Entertaining of the Regular Season—First of State Functions at White House This Week. Coolidges to Be Continually Feted.

By JEAN ELIOT

WITH the Sixty-seventh Congress assembled for its regular session, the Season—with a capital S—is on.

True, it has been hectically gay here for several weeks, but it has been an "extra session" season—in a manner of speaking—much as the Congress has been in extra session up "on the hill." And now we come to the regular official season, with its White House "levees" to revive a pretty old-fashioned expression, and state dinners, its formal receptions and its days at home, and all the grist of dinner parties given by and for the diplomats and the fixed stars of the official firmament.

THE first of the "regular" state functions at the White House—the dinner to the Cabinet—will take place this week, on Thursday evening, to be exact, and the sundry other dinners and the four state receptions will follow on successive Thursdays during the season. There is a week or two skipped around Christmas time and after that the dinners alternate with the receptions until Lent comes and puts an end for the moment to the formal entertaining at the White House.

THE Congressional Club, whose structure follows the outline of Congress to the extent of convening when it convenes and closing when the session closes, is now swept and garnished for the new season and signaled its opening by a reception on Friday afternoon in honor of the ladies who are here with the foreign delegations to the armaments conference. It was a thoroughly nice party marked by that spirit of informality and chumminess which prevails when everyone present knows every all-time and yet carried out with dignity and order to the very smallest detail.

Mrs. Irvine L. Lenroot, president of the club, received, presenting the guests to the "delegation ladies." Mrs. Coolidge in the role of the wife of the presiding officer of the Senate, and Mrs. Frederick H. Gillett, wife of the Speaker of the House, did the honors at the tea table. And the members of the executive board with the wives of members of the Foreign Relations and Foreign Affairs committees, functioned as auxiliary hostesses.

I believe pretty nearly all the ladies here with the delegations were present, and from time to time most of them took their places in the receiving line, which changed its personnel several times during the afternoon. Mme. Viviani, for example, got in late as she had only reached town that afternoon from her trip to Canada; and late arrivals found her in line with Mme. Jusserand, who had been there all afternoon; Mme. van Karnebeck, and picturesque little Mme. Sze, Lady Geddes, Lady Lee of Fareham, and Lady Borden, on the contrary, came early and slipped away to keep other engagements before the guests began to thin out perceptibly.

Mme. de Catterl represented the Belgian delegation, since Baroness de Cartier, wife of the Belgian ambassador, who is also chief of the Belgian delegation, is ill. Little Mme. Saburi, wife of the counselor of the embassy and daughter of Count Okuma, answered "present" for Japan, and our own conference delegation was represented by Mrs. Hughes. Miss Nellie Scanlon, the clever young woman who has come 10,000 miles to "cover" the conference for the New Zealand press, was also pressed into the receiving line before the afternoon was over, since none of the representatives from the Antipodes on the British delegation have ladies with them.

THE Vice President and Mrs. Coolidge got back from Massachusetts on Wednesday morning—Mrs. Coolidge had meanwhile visited Boston and "opened" the three day bazaar of the Republican Women's Club—and that very afternoon she had her first big general reception since coming to Washington. It was also the first time the "cabinet-

ers" had received, and the world and his wife buttoned themselves into their calling clothes and made the rounds. Mrs. Coolidge received in her own apartment on the third floor of the Willard, the same apartment in which Mrs. Marshall was at home so many Wednesdays while Mr. Marshall was Vice President. And there was much the same atmosphere of friendliness and genuine hospitality as prevailed in Mrs. Marshall's day. Mrs. Gillett, wife of the Speaker of the House, who is the only person outside the Vice President's wife and the wives of members of the President's official family to receive of "Cabinet Day," also held a big reception on Wednesday afternoon. She had several women of the official world pouring tea, and was assisted besides by Mrs. Grafion Miles, Mrs. Thomas Blagden and Mrs. Maurice Fitzmaurice Day, all attractive young matrons and all friends of Mrs. Gillett's daughters, Mrs. Reginald Foster and Miss Louise Hoar.

MRS. HUGHES, Mrs. Weeks, Mrs. Denby and Mrs. Hoover all received at their respective homes, after the traditional fashion. But Mrs. Fall, Mrs. Wallace and Mrs. Davis, all of whom have apartments at Wardman Park Hotel, contributed their bit to the simplification of the calling problem by receiving together in the ballroom of the hotel. Naturally they had one of the largest receptions of the afternoon and it was also one of the pleasantest. Miss Ailsa Mellon, daughter of the Secretary of the Treasury, did not receive this Wednesday, but herself made Cabinet calls. However, she expects to be at home hereafter when the Cabinet ladies receive if she is in town.

Mrs. Hughes was assisted in dispensing hospitality by her daughter, Miss Catherine Hughes, and had Mrs. Henry P. Fletcher and Mrs. Frederick Deering at the daintily appointed tea table which was laid in the dining room. The Hughes' house is a delightful place, every inch a home and suggestive of both dignity and ease. It has well proportioned rooms and cream tinted walls and its furnishings seem to have grown just where they now stand, although, of course, almost everything was purchased for the house at Sixteenth and V streets, which they sold to the Secretary of War and Mrs. Weeks when Mr. Hughes resigned from the supreme bench, or for their New York home.

Even the rugs—and they are of great richness and beauty—seem to be exactly designed for the spaces they occupy. Only one thing they couldn't find a place for—Secretary Hughes' library, and there are thirty or forty cases of books as yet unpacked. You see, when Mr. and Mrs. Hughes built their V street house, they designed a great library and then built the rest of the house around it. Moreover, they had what they used to call "the understudy"—a room below the library, exactly like it in size and shape, where the overflow from the library could be stored on shelves, so that they could be reached at any moment.

This, of course, was a joy, and ever since Secretary and Mrs. Hughes gave up their V street house, they have found their books a problem. Many of them, of course, are now in Mr. Hughes' study downstairs and the family favorites are found on shelves in the living room—for no house could be a real home