

Francis Joseph's Home.

Deep in the beautiful valley of the Salzammergut, at the spot where the wide mountain streams of the Traun and the Ischl unite, embosomed in woods of fragrant pine, upon which look down from afar the snow clad peaks of the Pavian Alps, is the summer retreat of the most hard-worked and conscientious, and yet, perhaps, the most unfortunate of European crown heads.

Driving up a broad gravel road bordered on both sides by a closely shaven sward, dotted with clumps of majestic evergreens, extending on your right to a lolly pine-clad hill with winding paths and rustic summer houses, known as the Kaiserburg, you approach the house, a plain mansion of white stone, looking cool and refreshing in the sunlight; with its bright green jalousies and its framework of pine-wooded hills. In front is a wide parterre, ablaze with beds of hot-house flowers in all colors of the rainbow. Flanking the vestibule are two grand hunting subjects in bronze, the size of life, purchased by the Empress at the Vienna Exposition.

You enter the spacious hall, and are told that the splendid antlered heads, each with a little ivory tablet bearing a date, which line hall and staircase from floor to roof, are all trophies of the Emperor's prowess in the chase. A capital shot and a passionate sportsman, this is his only relaxation from the cares of State. You happen to have a friend among his personal attendants. Their Majesties are driving out and you are permitted to see their apartments. Those of the Emperor are simple enough—two plain rooms, covered with India matting and simply furnished in dark sober-looking walnut. By his bedside stands, before a prie-dieu, a silver crucifix, with ivory Christ, the gift of his father, the late Arch-duke Franz Karl, on his first communion, as the inscription at its base tells you, and which always accompanies him on his travels. On his writing-table are lying some coarse Virginia cigars—for he is an inveterate smoker—and on a shelf above are a well-worn military cup and a few books in several languages.

A long corridor divides these rooms from the apartments of the Empress still, in spite of her rising family of grandchildren, a celebrated beauty. Here is imperial splendor enough. Ante-chambers, filled with choice exotics, Louis Quatorze furniture in white and gold, rooms in rose and blue and pale green silk, Aubusson carpets, and gilded mirrors, curious cabinets, and what most attracts your notice, is a fine collection of water-color drawings of Tyrolese scenery. In one of the ante-rooms is lying, on a deer-skin mat, a big full-blooded English mastiff—a great favorite with Her Majesty, and her companion on all her journeys. This Imperial dog has a special attendant devoted to his service—a gayly-dressed Moor, sent as a present to the Emperor by the Viceroy of Egypt, after his last visit to Vienna. As you step out of the villa you notice a large swing, with which the Royal children amuse themselves; and grazing in the paddock are half a dozen Hungarian mares.

The flash of a causer's white plume comes in sight, and their Majesties drive past on their way home in a low, open carriage drawn by a span of grays. A tall spare man of soldierly bearing, in the light blue uniform of an Austrian General, who does not look much over forty, though he is nearer fifty, with sandy hair cropped close to the head, and turning an iron-gray regulation military whiskers and a mustache, small, restless gray eyes and blunt features and heavy lips that distinguished the Hapsburg family. This is the man whom, thirty years ago, a bloody revolution called to the throne of Austria. He is master of half a dozen European languages, and wins the hearts of his subject by addressing deputations Hungary and Bohemia, from mother tongue. In spite of his almost proverbial misfortune in war, he is personally very popular all over the Empire.

At Ischl, the Emperor rises with the sun, and after a cup of coffee and a kipfel, starts off in an old undress uniform jacket and toraging cap, with a stick for a companion, on a solitary hour's ramble in the woods. Toward the Imperial courier arrives in Vienna, and some time is spent in attending to dispatches, and papers of State—of Francis Joseph olds the strings of two or three portfolios in his hands, and is not a crowned puppet. Then if the weather is fine, he breakfasts with the Empress and his children in a pretty garden pavilion. At four he dines generally en famille.

Prosaic and matter-of-fact as the Emperor is there is a touch of romance about his marriage. The Empress Elizabeth is his cousin. Her elder sister, now Princess Thorn Taxis, was destined for the Imperial throne. But the young monarch, on going to Munich to visit his intended bride, was so struck with the charms of her younger sister that after a ball at the Schlos of her father, Duke Max, he presented to the young Bavarian Princess, then a girl of sixteen, a bouquet, telling her that she was henceforth Empress of Austria and Queen of Hungary and Bohemia.

A pleasant little anecdote of the Crown Prince of Germany is told by Mrs. Hopper. It was at the beginning of the Franco-Prussian war that the King and Prince passed through Hamburg on their way to the field. A young American girl staying with her parents at one of the hotels, hung a large American flag from her balcony, and as the royal couple passed waved an enthusiastic handkerchief. The King and his son looked up and bowed, and like the courteous gentleman he is, the Prince summoned an Aide-de-camp and gave an order which was passed down the line—an order for each regiment as it went by to salute the Stars and Stripes.

STYLES.

For the Ladies to Read.

Panier are worn on all ball dresses in Paris. Beware of the cheap imitations of material.

Bengaline gauze is the newest ball-dress fabric.

A bunch of keys is the odd design for a silver pin.

Evening boots are made of brocaded and damasse silk.

Chemise embroidery on net is one of the latest fancies.

Smooth coiffures are more fashionable than fluffy ones.

Felt bonnets embroidered with gold are among the novelties.

New fans are painted with figures only, flowers are out of style.

Pekin is the general term applied to all striped silken material.

Three-sided mirrors are found; the handsomest in Japanese ware.

Swiss and organdy aprons are all the rage for dressy home toilets.

Carnations are the fashionable flower for head-dress with the ladies.

New chatelaine bags are of leather, with braided leather chatelaine and catch.

Chatelaine bags and belts of velvet are embroidered to match in colored silk.

One of the handsomest brocaded velvet and satin materials is called "Opaix."

Parisian dressmakers are making short ball dresses for the most fashionable women.

New scarfs are of Brussels net with embroidery, in the shape and colors of peacocks' feathers.

Fashion declares that bridesmaids' dresses shall be made alike and of the same mixed material.

Bretonne lace vests, composed of insertion and edging, are the most recent of the accessories of the sort.

Pretty fichus of white satin, polka-dotted in fancy-colored silk embroidery, and trimmed with fringe.

Dainty cravats are made of white, pale gold, ciel-blue and rose-colored crepe.

The new ear-rings are smaller than those lately worn, small hoops, keys, or crescents being the popular shapes.

A new material for winter suits is called "Sangler," and is a heavy wiry material which will be very serviceable.

The Transcript tells a story of a Boston minister, one who presides over a large and flourishing church at the South End, and "lends a hand" in all good enterprises.

He was to preach in Providence, spent the night before with a friend in a village some miles distant, and walked to Providence on Sunday morning. On his way feeling hungry, he stopped at a house by the wayside, rang the bell, and asked the motherly-looking woman who came to the door if he could have a glass of milk and a slice of bread.

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