

PRINCESS REFUSES TO COME BACK

LOUISE OF SAXONY IS NOW IN SWITZERLAND WITH HER BROTHER

CALLS HER HUSBAND A BEAST AND A BOOR

She is Said to Have Eloped With a Frenchman and the Prince is Declared to Be in Love With an Actress—Sensation That Keeps the Gossips of the Continent Busy.

GENEVA, Switzerland, Dec. 23.—The crown princess of Saxony is here under the name of Fraulein von Oben. Her brother, Archduke Leopold Ferdinand, and Prof. Girou are at the same hotel. The archduke has assumed the name of De Buriano. The party are living quietly and propose to spend Christmas here.

DRESDEN, Saxony, Dec. 23.—King George and the Crown Prince Frederick know where the Crown Princess Louise has sought refuge, but they have decided to accept the estrangement of the princess and her husband as irreparable. They have made the cabinet privy to the circumstances of the princess' flight as they see them and a decree of divorce is talked of as a necessary sequence to the princess' resolution to leave the court forever.

This determination the princess announced to her husband early in November, after one of their frequent violent scenes. She also confided her intention to separate herself utterly from the court and "all its wretchedness," to two or three of her intimate friends and discussed with them the impossibility of her longer enduring the artificial etiquette of the court and the "forced companionship of a man who was loathsome to her."

The princess wrote to her mother at the end of November that it was her purpose to leave the crown prince and give up the prospect of the queenship, which instead of being attractive, the princess frequently said, was detestable to her. She formally told members of her entourage in Dresden that she was going to visit her parents at Salzburg. The letter of the princess to her mother brought the archduchess immediately to Dresden. She implored her daughter to reconsider her determination and make the best of an unpleasant situation for the sake of her children and see as little of the crown prince as permissible. The princess refused, according to one of her confidants, that she would see nothing of "that beast," the prince, and her children was largely taken out of her hands and that she could not bear to see them spoiled by "the hypocriticalness of the court." What she complained of in the prince was his impudence, his indifference and his partisans affirm, his cruelty of disposition. They affirm that he has had for years a liaison with an actress named Baste, and it is credibly reported that at a review of troops at Grimma, a couple of years ago, the prince, with his horses, indicated, in front of his regiment. However true these incidents may be, the court and all Dresden knew that a chasm separated the affections of the crown princess from the crown prince. Though he seemingly had given his assent for his wife, the prince did his share of quarreling and often tried to impose his will upon her, but he always hoped that she would in the end humble herself.

His attitude recently, until she had actually gone, appears to have been that of disdainful indifference and disbelief that she really intended to carry out her threat.

The crown princess' days at Salzburg were spent in controversy with her father and her mother. She had excuse her for a moment in her mad desire to leave her position and family. Her brother, Archduke Leopold Ferdinand, took his sister's part, but the circumstances of the princess' flight are still obscure here and no further reliable news is available. The only fact that seems clear is that the king and crown prince know where she is and are in communication with her, but it is learned that she is absolutely intractable.

Dresden is absorbed by the sensation. The theory that the crown princess is suffering from mental derangement is now only feebly propagated by the Saxon court and the crown prince's adherents' intimate that an illicit love affair is the cause of the princess' desertion. The Dresden Nachrichten, one of the principal newspapers and having considerable influence, after saying it could almost be sorry for the princess, with a disposition incompatible with that of the prince and disliking the attitude of the court, suggests that "to find the reason for her departure one must find the man." The man in this case who is associated with gossip with the princess is a handsome Frenchman, who was tutor to the princess' children. He was perhaps originally discharged by order of the crown prince Dec. 2.

An instance of the princess' lawless disregard of court manners was her scolding through the streets of Dresden with an American dentist, who, at her request, taught her to ride a wheel, though the king and crown prince commanded her not to learn. The name of this dentist was at first coupled with that of the princess when it was heard that she had disappeared, but as he is quietly living here with his family, the story was dropped.

The crown princess had a lively Viennese manner. She was independent and high spirited, and was inclined to ridicule the observances of the little Saxon court, which takes its origin from the days of Frederick the Great.

The crown prince, who has recovered from the injury that he recently sustained while hunting, drove out today with two of his sons.

TURKEYS ARE COSTLY BUT THE ECONOMICAL HOUSEWIFE WILL HAVE ONE

Christmas Feast Without the Bird Would Be a Melancholy Affair—In England the Goose is the Fowl Sacrificed for the Festal Occasion.

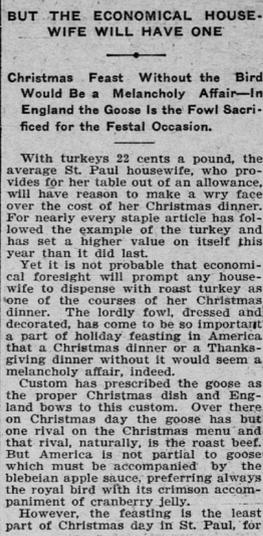
With turkeys 23 cents a pound, the average St. Paul housewife, who provides for her table out of an allowance, will have reason to make a wry face over the cost of her Christmas dinner. For nearly every staple article has followed the example of the turkey and has set a higher value on itself this year than it did last.

Yet it is not probable that economical foresight will prompt any housewife to dispense with roast turkey as one of the courses of her Christmas dinner. The lovely fowl, dressed and decorated, has come to be so important a part of holiday feasting in America that a Christmas dinner or a Thanksgiving dinner without it would seem a melancholy affair, indeed.

Custom has prescribed the goose as the proper Christmas dish and England bows to this custom. Over there on Christmas day the goose has but one rival on the Christmas menu and that rival, naturally, is the roast beef. But America is not partial to geese which must be accompanied by the blebeian apple sauce, preferring always the royal bird with its crimson accompaniments of cranberry jelly.

However, the feasting is the least part of Christmas day in St. Paul, for

NEW "COFFEE JACKET WAIST"



Plain shirt waist of white and black striped liberty satin worn under a jacket of black taffeta laid in plaits which are secured with embroidered ribbons. The deep cuffs of the waist are trimmed with bands of the taffeta, the stock also combining both silks.

Hat of black velvet with white bird plume.

It is the gift-giving that inspires the most pleasant anticipations and that absorbs most of the attention. Charles Dickens, who caught and immortalized the very spirit of an English Christmas between the pages of a book, showed that spirit to be one that delighted in the good cheer of the table and in the old fashioned games that preceded and followed the feasting. It is a spirit that busies itself very little with gift giving.

The man who will give to the world a true picture of the American Christmas is the giving. The spirit that he will impart between the pages of his book will be a commercial spirit that demands value received for every gift. The spirit that he will impart between the pages of his book will be a commercial spirit that demands value received for every gift.

SOCIAL

Mrs. J. J. Hill gave a cotillion last night at her home on Summit avenue for her daughter, Miss Gertrude Hill, who was recently introduced to St. Paul society. The party was not a large one, but one of the most exclusive of the season. E. N. Saunders led the German, introducing several

CLUBS AND CHARITIES

Mrs. Matt Clark and Mr. Cook gave a sleigh ride yesterday afternoon for

PICTURE PUZZLE



Can you see another trainer and his mount? Solution for yesterday's puzzle: One wild hog is in front of the lower jaguar, and the other in background above upper jaguar.

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FIVE THOUSAND EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS

Still Greater Number of People Reported Killed in the Calamity at Andijan.

ASHKABAD, Russian Turkistan, Dec. 23.—Even the worst of the earlier report of the recent earthquake disaster at Andijan quite underestimate the appalling loss of life. A telegram today from the scene of the catastrophe puts the number of victims in the native quarter of the town at 4,000. Already 800 corpses have been disinterred. The Russian work of excavating progresses slowly. The state treasury containing 5,000,000 roubles is in the ruins and officials are sliding the debris of the inhabitants under the supervision of a strong cordon of police. The water in the wells has disappeared and a general subsidence of the site of the town is feared. Large numbers of laborers are being sent to excavate. Sappers have arrived and are expected to make more rapid progress. The shocks continue with increasing violence. The area of seismic disturbances comprises 200 square miles. The Russian population is camping at the railroad station, where 500 cars are placed at the disposal of the population. The local government officials are requested to dissolve the organization for the destitute are being built as rapidly as possible. Free soup kitchens have been started and officials are sliding the debris of the inhabitants by distributing food, money and free railroad tickets.

At St. Petersburg it is estimated that nearly 5,000 have been killed by the earthquake at Andijan.

LADRONES GRAYING HAIR OF AMERICANS

Three Provinces in the Philippines to Be Placed Under Military Control.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 23.—It is stated by officers arriving on the transport Thomas that the provinces of Cavite, Batangas and Tayabas in the Philippines are to be placed under military control because of the difficulties of the civil government with the provinces. D. J. O'Connell, a Manila newspaper man, said: "The proposed change is due to the increase of robber hands which infest those provinces. Aglay, a Filipino agitator, has declared himself pope of the Philippine national church. He is the head of a movement for the reorganization of the insurrection element. The ladrones keep the constabulary in a state of constant fear. They come within a few miles of Manila and fire upon the mounted patrols. The military authorities do not interfere because the situation is in the hands of the civil government."

TOO WARM IN LIBERIA FOR MINISTER CROSSLAND

He Has Been Investigated and Will Withdraw From Office.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—Leave of absence had been granted to J. R. A. Crossland, United States minister resident and consul general to Liberia, and upon his return to this country he will resign.

Minister Crossland was appointed to his post from Missouri in January and his conduct has been under investigation, owing to a personal encounter between himself and one of the officials of a legation.

New Statute of Washington.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 23.—During the recent unveiling of the monument to Louis Kosuth in this city, a project was informally started by representative Hungarian-Americans to erect a statue of George Washington in Hungary's capital, Budapest, by popular subscription. E. T. Kohany, editor of a local Hungarian paper, has taken up the enterprise and has received enthusiastic expressions concerning the proposition from many prominent statesmen, as well as from his own countrymen.

The list includes Senator Hanna, Gov. Nash, of Ohio; Senator Chauncey M. Depew, Gov. Pennypacker, Gov. Bliss, of Michigan; Senator Hoar, Senator Fairbanks, Congressman Dick, John Wanamaker, Grover Cleveland, W. J. Bryan, Congressman Burton, Tom L. Johnson, Perry S. Heath, Senator Frye and Carter Harrison.

New Haitian President.

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