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Dr. Margit Haloch, a Hungarian woman, has been appointed by the Hungarian minister of instruction to engage in geological research work in connection with a French expedition to the Atlas Mountains in Northwest Af

COURT GOSSIP ON SUBJECTS OF GREAT GENERAL INTEREST

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King Alfonso, of Spain, is not so bereft of finesse or of diplomacy as some would have the outside world believe. Relatively speaking, the royal eyes of Europe were on him when he turned his attention to the cortes after the tragic death of Premier Canalejas. It was openly predicted then that rough weather was in store and that the stability of his throne depended on his dealing with the Republicans. Judging from the results, Alfonso has made a successful attempt to win the friendship, if not the support, of the radical admirers of Canalejas. Alfonso came to the throne at an inexperienced age and is still a young man. It had the burden of stiff-necked etiquette, tradition and intrigue to bear and, to make matters worse, Portugal, smaller, and perhaps less capable of a revolution, deposed its king and established a republic.

The advanced party in Spain has made rapid strides within the last ten years. Instead of being a rebuke to republicanism, the execution of Ferrer accelerated the movement, which demanded the resuctions of the power of the clericals and concession of reforms from the throne.

Canalejas developed great strength out of this political ferment. He was the one man needed to tide the throne and the people over a stormy period. Himself a Radical, Canalejas assumed a task which a less strong man would have shrunk from.

Alfonso's views of government have been undergoing remarkable changes. His marriage to an English princess, his natural inclinations, but more than all, his schooling under Canalejas are responsible for his progressive ideas in the most feudal land of Europe. A new Republican leader has appeared in Madrid. Senor Azarate. Clericals and Conservatives, as well as Republicans, were extremely interested in his reception. The Republicans were not disappointed. He was welcomed by the King with such cordiality as to cause some of the Conservatives to fear that the reception would lead to opening the cabinet to Republicans. Indeed this is not at all unlikely. The spirit of democracy has accomplished much in other lands, so why not in Spain, the last stronghold of the Hapsburg-Bourbonic feudalism of the Middle Ages.

Henry Arthur Mornington Wellesley, Earl Cowley, had to make his third appearance as co-respondent in the British divorce court. The petitioner was Geoffrey Charles Buxton, of Yorkshire, who accused his wife of misconduct with the noble earl. The suit remained undefended and the husband was granted his decree as well as the custody of the child of the marriage, which took place in 1902.

The parties lived happily together until a year ago in April, when they were in the Riviera. Lord Cowley also was there. After their return to England Lord and Lady Cowley were invited to pay them a visit, and it was during their stay as the guests of the Buxtons that it was noticed that the earl had a great deal of attention to his hostess. The husband spoke to his wife about it, and made it a point that Lord Cowley should not be asked to his house again.

During last summer Mrs. Buxton went away from home a good deal, visiting her mother and friends. Mr. Buxton had her shadowed and soon was informed that Mrs. Buxton and Lord Cowley were stopping at the same hotel (Claridge's), using their own names but occupying separate rooms. After her return to her husband's house, the wife, being confronted with the evidence, admitted everything, confessing that she had been with Lord Cowley, and that they were fond of each other. She agreed that in case her husband would take steps to divorce her, she would not defend the action.

Lord Cowley has just entered his forty-seventh year. He was first married in 1885, his wife being Lady Violet Neville, famous beauty, and a daughter of the Marquis of Abergavenny. He then bore the title of Viscount Dangan, as it was only in 1895 that he succeeded his father as Earl Cowley. Lady Violet obtained a divorce in 1897. Five years later the earl was co-respondent in a suit brought by Sir Charles Hartrop, seeking a divorce from his wife, a daughter of the first Baron Nunburnholme. There was, however, a cross-petition, and, after protracted litigation, both suits were dismissed. In 1905 Sir Charles brought a second suit, and neither Lady Hartrop nor Lord Cowley entered any defense. Sir Charles was granted his divorce and soon thereafter Lady Hartrop was married to her former paramour, the amorous Earl Cowley, who since then again has been smitten with another man's wife.

The reported engagement of Kaiser Wilhelm's only daughter, Princess Victoria Louise, to Prince Ernst August of Cumberland may be love at first sight, but such a union would have important political bearings. The wedding of a Hohenzollern and a Guelph ought to mean the extinction of an agitation which, while powerless to shake the imperial throne, nevertheless has vexed the policies of the German Emperors.

The Duke of Cumberland, whose heir Prince Ernst is, as I recently had occasion to tell, calls himself, and is called by a few of the faithful, "King of Hanover," though no king has ruled in Hanover since 1866, when that kingdom took the losing side, was punished by Prussia, and at the close of that war annexed to the Hohenzollern throne. The house of Guelph ceased to reign, but it never has been reconciled, and its claims have been kept alive by the exiled royal family. King George, who bears the British title of Duke of Cumberland, bestowed upon the son of George III, who, on the separation of the crowns of Great Britain and Hanover, succeeded to the throne of the latter. He was succeeded by the blind King, who lost his all in 1866 at Langensalza.

That was the last appearance of the brave Hanoverians in the field, and they might even have defeated the small force which Prussia—being heavily engaged in Bohemia with the big Austrian army—was able to throw into Thuringia, but for the action of their Bavarian allies who left them to bear the brunt of Prussia's wrath for siding with Austria.

The deposed dynasty went into exile to Great Britain, but the present head of the family resides most of the year at Gmunden in Austria, where he persists in maintaining a sort of shadowy court of his own. He has a strong hold upon the affections of the Hanoverians. There is also a little group of deputies in the German Reichstag, who are proud to call themselves the Guelph party, and who never fail to use every chance they get to annoy the Hohenzollern government. They really remain the "irreconcilable," but what will they do when their idol's heir weds the daughter of the Kaiser? Princess Victoria Louise is her father's apple of the eye. He often has declared publicly that she would marry for love only, that he would never sacrifice his darling to political schemes. Has he done it? The young princess has but rarely, if at all, seen the scion of the Guelphs whom she is to wed. She was in his society actually for two hours at a tea party and the announcement of their betrothal is reported to have followed.

The news that the Princess de Sagan, Duchess de Talleyrand-Perigord (our own Anna Gould that was) is having on her French estate in addition built to her chateau, consisting in the main of an immense bath in the ancient Roman style, recalls many instances of former races spending fortunes upon luxurious bathing rooms or houses. The Romans and the Greeks of the classic period certainly believed in the invigorating properties and virtues of a body that was kept clean and wholesome. We know from chroniclers and historians that baths always have been considered a powerful agent for the acquisition and maintaining of beauty, aye that often even they have been recommended as remedies against illness. For this reason it was that in olden times so many mineral springs were consecrated to Hercules—the God of strength.

The allegory that causes Venus, the goddess of Beauty, to rise from the waters, is one that may be borne constantly in mind by the girl who wishes to become beautiful, or to retain to an advanced age the beauty that she possesses, for the frequent use of the bath is an indispensible condition to freshness, smoothness, and transparency of the perfect complexion, the possession of which can make the most irregular features attractive because the skin requires constant cleansing to retain its proper activity and free the pores of accumulations that if allowed to remain are prejudicial to health.

Modern science has made clear to every mind the law underlying a practice that prevailed among the Eastern nations as a religious rite, and that, as a luxury, was carried to an almost pernicious extent by the Romans—namely, the practice of the daily bath. In ancient Rome the public bath was a place of amusement, to which the people went as we now go to the public parks. Some people, in fact, made it their almost continual pastime. They bathed at night and in the morning; they bathed after the gymnastic exercises, and they bathed before their chief meal. They also bathed before undertaking any business of great importance. In this they imitated the Greeks, who also bathed before beginning any enterprise requiring energy and coolness. In our own time, one great preacher, now dead, invariably took to bath before entering the pulpit.

Besides the public baths, every Roman lady had her private bath at home. History tells of bath of silver, large enough to allow the bather to swim in; of ceilings and cornices of bathrooms adorned with rich mosaics; or walls incrusted with marqueterie and jeweled with Thasos stones so rare that even temples could not always be decorated with them. The most exquisite perfumes were added to the water of the bath, only the poorest of the Romans being content to use jasmine or bran.

Diane de Poitiers's "mysterious and sinister" beauty was preserved by the simplest yet most practical means of bathing and by active fresh-air exercise, with a needful amount of repose she rose at 5 a. m. and took a cold bath, using rain water as a basis of her tub and adding to this various costly ingredients. The fame of her morning bath has come down to us through the centuries in many a naive page, one chronicler going so far as to say that she scattered crushed gold over the water of her bath; but this probably is fable. Anyhow, after the legendary bath she would rise and hunt and then return to bed for an hour or two to read and rest.

A beauty bath used by belles of the Middle Ages was prepared with one pound each of barley and oatmeal, half a pound of rice, one and a half pounds of pulverized lupin seeds, three pounds of bran, and a quarter of a pound each of borage and gilly flower. These ingredients were boiled in soft water for an hour and strained and two quarts of the decoction were added to the bath water, in which previously had been dissolved an ounce each of substances similar to borax and bicarbonate of soda.

Another famous beauty bath was composed of half a pint of alcohol, two ounces each of spirit of camphor and spirit of ammonia, five ounces each of sea salt, and one quart of boiling water. This mixture, well shaken, was added to a bath of warm water, and was regarded as an excellent skin tonic.

Many famous beauties besides Diane had faith in aromatic baths for the preservation of beauty. It is strange to learn of the means that not infrequently were used to obtain the desired end. Some covered the entire surface of their bath with fresh violets in winter and rose or jasmine petals in summer. A famous Spanish dancer bathes in weak tea, to which a costly rose essence is added, the tea giving to her skin a rich, warm color. In Paris there are numerous beauty salons, and there is one in which are beauty baths at 10 francs each, that render the skin soft as velvet and youthful looking as a child's.

The Parisienne, by her tepid bath, avers that her nerves are soothed and her skin rendered elastic and firm. When she has reason to desire a tonic influence from her ablutions, her bath is rendered aromatic by means of a bountiful addition of a decoction made of 60 grams of finely pulverized carbonate of soda, fifteen grams of essence of lavender, ten grams of rosemary, and half that quantity of eucalyptus. A teaspoonful of the decoction she uses in a basinful of water for her daily facial ablutions, as well as adding the mixture to her bath.

The Parisienne seldom neglects to massage her skin daily with toilet cream, using it sparingly, but working it well into the pores. Then, again, once a week, is brought to her in her dressing room a basin of tepid milk, to which has been added a teaspoonful of tincture of benzoin and double the quantity of extract of orange flowers. With this her body is laved and all will be allowed to became absorbed into the skin, after which a tepid bath is taken to rinse off the stickiness. A bath of orange blossoms sounds luxurious and is one of the little luxuries enjoyed in season by the French woman, who, by the way, rarely is without a bottle of orange flower water on her toilet table. A simple prescription used by a very beautiful French woman for softening and clearing the skin is composed of nothing more than sixty grams of glycerine and 100 grams of orange flower water, diluted with a couple of quarts of soft water.

Cheap substitutes for the costly baths of medieval times are found in bran, oatmeal, starch, and salt baths. A calico bag, filled with starch and bran, should be boiled fifteen minutes in water and the latter added to the bath when the whitening and softening effect of the skin is excellent. Where additional firmness of the skin is needed two drams each of rosemary, camphor, and lavender, when in season, should be soaked to one pint of white wine vinegar several hours, then the mixture should be strained and the lotion added to the bath, and a delightful, invigorating effect will be the result.

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Cornish Place Names.

From the London Chronicle.

Cornish place names are remarkable for the number of obscure Celtic saints they commemorate, such as St. Tudy, St Cuby, St. Ive, St. Enodoc, St. Brisc, and St. Finbarrow. A story is told of a Cornish candidate for ordination, who, when asked by the examining chaplain where he was born, replied, "At St. Eval," giving the local pronunciation, "Sandeval." "Good heavens!" exclaimed the chaplain. "I know they have some strange saints in Cornwall, but I should never have imagined they would canonize him!" There are three other Cornish villages whose names it would be hard to match for singularity—Brumble, Lorton Apprentice, and Drunkards All

Marshall Gets Greeting from Banks of Wabash

Vice President Receives from Hoosier Poet a Production on the "Comic Muse."

Vice President Marshall has heard from the Indiana poets. He received yesterday the following lines from Meredith Nicholson, novelist, poet, and local Democratic politician. Mr. Nicholson's contribution was as follows:

Happy the man that scales the heights afar,
Bless by Olympian dews,
But happier he whose wagon and star
Follow the comic muse.

May you, oh Hoosier, rapt in toga bright,
Never the guiding lose,
Of that angelic daughter of delight,
We name the comic muse.

Philosophy, alert to heed her call,
Nothing can long refuse;
Wisdom encamped by folly's flimsy wall,
Winks at the comic muse.

The Vice President offered no explanation when he unveiled the Indiana poet's production.

BALTIMORE REPORT SAYS MARYLAND WOMEN INSULTED AND SYLVESTER IS BLAMED

Baltimore, Md., March 5.—How the flag of Maryland was spat upon and the State's women tripped and insulted yesterday by the Capital crowd was told to-day by those who suffered or had seen others suffer.

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Mrs. S. Johnson Poe said she saw one young girl chuckled under the chin by a leering man. The result will be indignation meetings of the suffragists. Protests will be made to the Maryland Representatives and formally to the Governor of Maryland. Steps will be taken to see that Maj. Sylvester, blamed by the majority for the outrage, may be removed as chief of police.

Mrs. Donald R. Hooker, president of the Just Government League, said:

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