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**"SHAM OF SOCIETY" MAKES GIRL GYPSY****Baltimore Debutante Tells Why She Accepted Laws of Romany.****ASSERTS HAPPINESS PERVADES HER LIFE****With Original Philosophy Jessie Habersham-Michele Defines "Real Living."**

By THEODORE H. TILLER.

"Free is the bird in the air; Free is the fish in the river; Free is the deer in the forest; Free the Gypsy wherever he wanders; Yuchza, Yuchza!"

"The untamed horse leaves not the prairie for a glittering harness; The eagle leaves not the crag of the mountain for the gold bars of a cage; The daughter of Roma leaves not the meadow and leafy forest for zibeline garments and a necklace of shining ducats."

—From an old gypsy song.

THE gypsy songster knew whereof he spoke. The daughter of Roma, adopted or native born, cares nothing for the habilitations of wealth nor the prestige of position in society once the wanderlust, the call of the wild, the love of the land of Bohemia, has possessed her soul. Within the week there has come the fiction-like story bearing out the truth of it all.

Six years ago there disappeared from her home, in Baltimore, Jessie Key Habersham, one of the season's debutantes and a girl to whom wealth and society offered its full quota of feminine happiness.

**QUEEN OF GYPSY BAND.**

Today she is camped as the queen of a roving band of gypsies, fifteen miles from the heart of the city of St. Louis. Her tented habitation there is but a temporary resting place, for tomorrow the gypsy queen and her husband, "King George" Michele, and their little band of the faithful, may fold their tents and silently seek again the wagon trail.

It is the way of the sons and daughters of Roma. It has been their work through the centuries which have caused them to be known as wanderers, homeless and wanting no home, ostracized and content to be ostracized.

**IDENTITY DISCOVERED.**

NOT until a week ago, save to her father and a few of his intimates, was the identity of "Queen Jessie" known. The girlhood friends who at first had shuddered at the thought of her possible fate, had almost forgotten the story of the manner in which she had dropped out of their eyes. The world only knew that the daughter of A. W. Habersham, a wealthy Baltimore broker, had disappeared and that all search for her had been in vain.

Two years passed before the father learned of his only daughter's whereabouts. Then, from somewhere on the trail, she sent her first note home.

"I'm the wife of 'King George,' the gypsy chieftain, and am happy," it read in substance. "I find none of the shams of society in the life of the gypsy camp."

And so she lives today, and so she says she intends to live so long as her present happiness continues. She has evolved her own philosophy of life. The best this world can offer, she says, is content and peace of mind. As an exile and a wanderer she has found that which she sought in vain under the restrictions imposed by conventionalities. She would not exchange the uncon-

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**WEATHER REPORT.**

The depression of the last week still persists over New England, and as a consequence rains have continued in that district; elsewhere over the Eastern half of the country the weather was fair.

Temperatures continue high for the season, and there will not be marked changes in them for twenty-four hours.

**FORECAST FOR THE DISTRICT:**  
Fair tonight and Monday; light varying winds.

**TEMPERATURES.**

8 a. m.	51
9 a. m.	56
10 a. m.	61
11 a. m.	61
12 noon	62
1 p. m.	63
2 p. m.	63
3 p. m.	63

**SUN TABLE.**

Sun rises	5:30
Sun sets	6:20

**TIDE TABLE.**

Today—High tide, 8:17 a. m. and 8:48 p. m.
Low tide, 2:20 a. m. and 2:30 p. m.
Tomorrow—High tide, 9:45 a. m. and 9:55 p. m.
Low tide, 3:07 a. m. and 3:43 p. m.

**CANDITION OF THE WATER.**  
HARPER'S FERRY, W. Va., April 10.—Both rivers clear this morning.

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**CAPITAL PASTOR REBUKES TITTLE****Rev. Dr. McKenney Indorses Course of Roosevelt in Canceling Reception.****OLD GUARD FAVORS THE REV. ANNA SHAW****Indications Are That the Conservatives Will Lose Control at Convention This Week.**

A verbal castigation was administered to the Rev. B. M. Tittle, pastor of the Methodist American Church at Rome, today by the Rev. Dr. W. J. McKenney, of Wesley M. E. Chapel, Fifth and F streets northwest.

Dr. McKenney's remarks came near the close of a sermon on the text: "And ye are witnesses of these things." "And ye are witnesses of these things," he said, "is the only way to win the world."

"When I was a lad in my home village, I remembered an adage that ran thus: 'He that thinks twice before he speaks once will always speak twice as well.'"

"Now, if my good brother, Dr. Tittle, in Rome, had remembered that old adage, he would not have compromised himself, the Methodist Church, and the President Roosevelt would have met the American colony, and they would have had the benefit of his presence."

"But Colonel Roosevelt, fearing to stir up strife and increase the ill-feeling, as in the case of former Vice President Fairbanks, called off his dog."

Dr. McKenney's words created somewhat of a stir. Some of the congregation, it is said, do not agree with him, while others freely expressed approbation of the stand taken by the pastor.

**COTTAGERS FLOCK TO ATLANTIC CITY****Shoreward Travel Heavy and Hotels Are Filled With Visitors.**

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., April 10.—Seashore reunions were the feature on the boardwalk this morning, when visiting thousands spent the promenade hour in renewing old resort friendships of former years. The arrival of hundreds of cottagers who opened their summer homes in Chelsea and Ventnor during the week brought down family parties, and there was a general handshaking.

Fears of April showers failed to frighten feminine promenaders who are out with their bonnets and toilets, prepared for style and beauty conquests. Rise in the temperature after three days of crisp, frosty weather led to the general abandonment of wraps, and flowered headgear took the place of the fur turbans that have been a conspicuous feature of the former spring parades.

Spring fever germs added to the financial gains of the chair barons, hundreds of tired promenaders taking to the luxurious wicker vehicles to get back to hotels after their long morning promenade.

Failed to halt the flow of shoreward travel and the big hotels were well filled. A big crowd of one-day pleasure seekers came in on the electric trains and the Boardwalk "Bowery" in the lower section of the city, started the season's business of hot frankfurters and "chicken dinners."

Mayor Stoy made his first trip along the boardwalk in the capacity of official censor of the beach sand statutory this morning to look over the work of the "sand artists" forbidden under a new city law to model undraped or lightly draped figures in the sand for the view of promenaders.

Impressed by the declaration of officials that the new law against vulgar sand statues is to be strictly enforced, the sand modelers have cut out reproductions whose main attraction is the beauty of the nude form and the city executive declared at noon that he had found nothing objectionable in the modeled groups or figures.

**3,000 CLAY MINERS STRIKE.**

TOLEDO, Ohio, April 10.—Three thousand clay miners of the Federal Clay Product Company of Mineral City, near here went on strike today. They demand 5 cents increase per ton for mining clay. The company has offered 1 cent raise. The men have been getting 25 cents per ton. This practically ties up clay mining in Tuscarawas county.

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**BRIDE IS ON HONEYMOON, HUSBAND STAYS HOME****"Loneliest Wife in World" Leaves Spouse After Elopement to Placate Her Parents in the Blue Grass State.**

NEW YORK, April 10.—The loneliest bride in the world entered the breakfast room of the Park Avenue Hotel this morning and had coffee, rolls, grapefruit and eggs served for one.

A little girl escaped Mrs. Richard Arnold, tall, beautiful and girlish, as she gazed across the table and saw the vacant chair. Mrs. Arnold, who was Helen Prentissman, of the well-known Blue Grass family of that name, is the central figure in the oddest elopement in the city's love annals, coming to New York alone while her twenty-one-year-old husband remained in Louisville to placate the parents of the young couple.

"Is this not the queerest honeymoon?" asked the girl bride as she left the dining room. "No one to chat with except reporters."

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**SUFFRAGISTS FEAR MILITANTS' POWER****Progressives Plan to Elect Mrs. Belmont as President of the Association.****OLD GUARD FAVORS THE REV. ANNA SHAW****Indications Are That the Conservatives Will Lose Control at Convention This Week.**

New leaders and new policies will loom up in the National Woman Suffrage Association, when that organization meets in its forty-second annual convention at the Arlington, beginning Thursday, for since the convention a year ago the development of the suffrage movement in the United States has been extraordinary.

About Mrs. Oliver H. P. Belmont, of New York, representing the new and more militant policies of advancing the cause, the forward movement will rally, and it is not unlikely that she will agree to the campaign which has been started to place her in the presidency of the league.

In behalf of the old organization leaders—the Rev. Anna H. Shaw, Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton, Mrs. Rachel Foster Avery, Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt—and in behalf of the established organization policies, the line-up is now being made, and while such clashes as occur in the Daughters of the American Revolution convention are unlikely, a great struggle between the conservatives and the progressives seems inevitable.

Militants Are Powerful.

Heretofore the National Woman Suffrage Association has stood in unquestioned supremacy over all the varied organizations for the advancement of the cause of votes for women, and all have been in friendly affiliation and even subordination to it.

This week's convention will find militant parties, still affiliated with the parent body, so powerful that their spirit may dominate the convention.

Since the last convention the woman suffrage party has spread across the continent. The movement to enlist working girls has brought them in by tens of thousands.

The college women, led by Miss Mary Carey Thomas, of Bryn Mawr, has become a big factor.

Mrs. Belmont's "Political Equality Association," for it is her association primarily because of her leadership in management, and her personal size that in the past year it expended \$14,000 in the cause.

Turn Mrs. Clarence Mackay has met with wonderful success with the Equal Franchise League which she has managed. In two years she has gained a national organization with headquarters in the States of the Union, its work is educational.

But it is in getting the woman suffrage association which meets here and with which it is affiliated.

**New Leaders Growing.**

The Woman Suffrage Party, the Political Equality Association, the Equal Franchise League, all three are growing rapidly, are enthusiastic and to some extent are more progressive than the parent association.

These developments of the year make it not unlikely that the conservatives will fail to retain their firm grip on the association this year.

Mrs. Shaw is a candidate for re-election and both Mrs. Avery and Mrs. Catt, conservatives, have been proposed for consideration in case a different alignment is needed.

Whether Mrs. Belmont will permit the use of her name for president is not yet clear. It is unlikely that Mrs. Mackay will be elected.

In the other offices of the association there will be many changes. Prof. Theodore Potter has withdrawn as corresponding secretary, with her assistant, Prof. Mary Ray Peck, and Mrs. Clarence Kelley, vice president, and Mrs. Ida Husted Harper, chairman of the publication committee, will not accept further terms.

**DEATH SUMMONS FRESNO CLUBMAN**

FRESNO, Cal., April 10.—Almost coincident with the death of Thomas F. Walsh in Washington, came the demise of Felton G. Berry, of this city, whose career resembled that of Walsh in many particulars, although Berry was an older man.

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**Four Noted Women Suffragist Leaders**

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**SIMPLICITY MARKS WALSH OBSEQUIES****Body Reposes Beside That of Son—Colorado Governor Sends Message.**

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**TAFT INDIFFERENCE SURPRISE IN ITALY, DECLARES REPORT****Roosevelt Said to Have Been Expecting Administration Emissary.****ATTENDS NAMING OF STREET FOR HIM****Ceremonies This Afternoon in Porto Maurizio Only Public Event of His Day.**

(By Special Cable to the Sunday Evening Edition of The Times.)

PORTO MAURIZIO, April 10.—It was unofficially reported here today that Col. Theodore Roosevelt has expressed no little surprise to close friends here that President Taft has not sent some mutual friend to meet him and talk over the present outlook and discuss future plans.

The report, although not given out as official, has not been denied. On the other hand, it is said to have been given partial confirmation by friends who were close to Mr. Roosevelt during his Administration and are now unofficial members of the Roosevelt party.

The matter is a subject of much talk among the older and best informed newspaper correspondents, and it is freely predicted that the condition of the Republican party just at this time has been for several days calling to Mr. Roosevelt's former political self to "get into the swim."

**Following Situation.**

He has known of the discord caused by the insurgents and Democrats and of their successful fight on Canonism, and although he has never mentioned anything political in his talks with the newspaper men, he has shown deep interest when any of them discussed political conditions in his hearing.

Gifford Pinchot, the deposed forester, was said this afternoon would reach here early tomorrow morning.

Colonel Roosevelt spent the morning with his family at the villa of Miss Carey, his sister-in-law, in opening his mail, and looking over scores of cablegrams from America.

Prominent among these cables were many from Catholic priests in the United States, indorsing his attitude in the correspondence with Cardinal Merry Del Val.

Lawrence Abbott, of the Outlook, of which Colonel Roosevelt is contributing editor, joined the former President and his party at Florence and was present with him today.

**Wades Through Mail.**

After the colonel had waded through his mail and answered the most urgent part of his correspondence the party took luncheon on the piazza of the villa, which is situated on a hill and commands an excellent view of the bay.

At 4 o'clock this afternoon the formal ceremony of dedicating the Boulevard Roosevelt began. The whole town again turned out to do honor to the distinguished American, and he was repeatedly cheered as he drove through the streets decorated with the American and Italian flags. The dedication took place in the piazza near the Palace Hotel and was followed by tea in the hotel itself, attended by the mayor and local officials.

**Meets Admirers.**

After the colonel had shaken hands with scores of admirers, the whole party adjourned to the Town Hall near by, where Roosevelt received an elaborately decorated parchment certifying that he is now a citizen of Porto Maurizio.

A band playing the Italian and American airs then escorted Mr. Roosevelt to the Carey villa and serenaded him again and again.

**Roosevelt to Aid, Say Pinchot Men**

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