

LADIES OF A COURT.

WIVES AND WIDOWS OF UNITED STATES SUPREME JUDGES.

After the Wife of the President They Are First on the Social List—Not Very Gay, but Very Gracious—Brief Sketch of Their Lives.

The ladies composing the circle of the supreme court of the United States, being wives of men who have earned their distinguished positions after many years of eminent and honorable service, are not supposed to be very young, very gay nor very fashionable. Being women of marked individuality and coming from sections widely apart, all seem to have fully realized in character, graciousness of manner and kindness of heart the Bible standard of womanhood.



MRS. FIELD. MRS. BROWN. The court ladies receive their guests on Monday, and, after the wife of the president, are first on the social list, wives of senators, cabinet officers and representatives calling on them first. The wife of the chief justice is supposed to be entitled to somewhat the same distinction among the ladies that his position entitles him to among the judges, and any innovation or change in established form must receive the seal of her approval before final adoption.

Mrs. Fuller was born at Burlington, Ia., and educated in the schools of New York and Massachusetts. Mrs. Fuller went to Chicago upon her marriage and there resided until called to Washington. As the wife of the chief justice an unusual amount of interest centers in her, and Mondays bring to her parlors many of the distinguished citizens and visitors of the nation's capital. The mother of nine children, with the additional care of stepchildren, her life has been a busy one. Of the five daughters in society, she has witnessed the marriage of four, all of whom save one are settled in their own homes.

The tastes and inclinations of Mrs. Fuller's daughters have varied so widely that with the introduction of each an entirely different set of young people have frequented her entertainments. Miss Katherine is the present queen of the household. Mrs. Fuller's characteristics are very pronounced, her preferences strong, and she is removed from affectation and pretense. She has no fads and tolerates no foolish pursuit of hobbies. A warm admirer of the Cleveland, their coming is matter of rejoicing in the Fuller household.

Mrs. Field has perhaps wielded as wide an influence over society as any one woman in Washington. A Kentuckian by birth, a Californian by rearing and education, her spacious and historic home on Capitol Hill has been the scene of wide and much enjoyed hospitality. She has visited almost every foreign land and been presented at many of the courts of Europe, that of Napoleon and Queen Victoria when a very young woman. Broad minded and public spirited, Mrs. Field is one of the governors of the Ladies' club and president of the Washington Statue association, her object being to present France with a statue worthy of American women and the "Father of His Country." The necessary funds having been collected, they now lie in bank awaiting models to choose from. Mrs. Field is one of the national vice presidents of the Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

For 30 years the home of ex-Associate Justice Miller was a synonym for hospitality, and Mrs. Miller did much to establish Washington's reputation for elegant official entertainments. Since his death three years ago she has resided in Colorado Springs with her daughter, Mrs. Tonzain, who, with her son, a lawyer in Chicago, are left of the four children who called her mother. Widely traveled, Mrs. Miller never lies in bank awaiting models to choose from. Mrs. Field is one of the national vice presidents of the Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

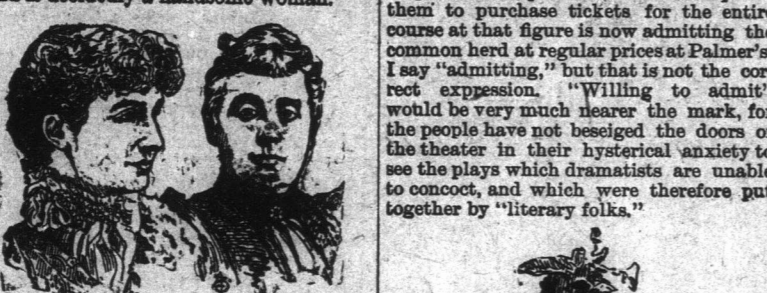


MRS. WAITTE. MRS. WOOD. The wife of Associate Justice Blatchford was born in London of an English mother and American father. As Caroline Appleton she came to Boston when a child and resided there until her marriage. New York city then became her home. For 11 years they have lived in Washington. A woman of pronounced and decided views, she expresses her convictions with earnestness and as one who thinks and reasons for herself, being little influenced by the opinions of others. The Blatchford dinners and luncheons are given, and through mainly given to small parties are much enjoyed. One

married son, a lawyer in New York, is her only child. The Blatchfords own their cottage at Newport and spend their summers there. Like their Washington home, it is handsomely furnished, numerous and choice embroideries and engravings from all parts adorning the parlors. Mrs. Brewer is a true hearted Green Mountain (Vermont) woman, born at Burlington, on Lake Champlain, and has never lost her love for the hills. Going to Kansas at 16 on the death of her mother, she there met, loved and married her husband. She has four daughters. Mrs. Brewer delights in china painting and exhibits some very creditable specimens. Singularly pretty, she blends the blond and brunette types. Mrs. Brewer is exceedingly domestic, enjoying calling most when, as she says, her husband can accompany her evenings, though the home circle and comfort of her family absorb most of her attention. Genial and cordial, her manners are marked by a singularly free and unassuming affection. Blond in coloring, she is slender and graceful, with an abundance of light, fluffy hair. Her deep blue eyes have an expression of pleading confidence seldom seen in one past early girlhood. A womanly woman, with other than love, her nature passes Goethe's beautiful limit, for not only "loves God and little children," but opens her heart to all who need her affection.

Mrs. Brown is from a long line of ancestry noted from the foundation of our government for its brave men and beautiful women. The blood of John Alden and Priscilla Mullens courses her veins. A gracious manner, beautiful face and exquisite form are blended to make a picture of loveliness seldom seen. No children grace her home, so her husband and his friends have been her most constant associates. This is perhaps accounted for the fact that she is interested in such matters as men discuss and feels it best to leave all national questions in their hands. She likes political discussions and reads history rather than fiction. Greatly admired, her ill health, which forbids all social life, is matter of universal regret. A good German and French scholar, the pleasure of frequent trips to foreign lands has been greatly augmented by this fact.

As Lillie Kennedy, daughter of Robert and Charlotte Kennedy, Mrs. Shiras was born and resided in Pittsburg until her husband was elevated to the supreme bench last October. As a child she spent much of her time in a rambling, old fashioned house surrounded by a majestic oak grove. With dogs and birds for companions, her natural fondness for animals was developed, early flowers and the study of botany early became subjects of interest. Her sunny rooms at the Arlington, with flowers on mantel, windows and brackets, speak eloquently of continued care for her old favorites. Of her two sons, the elder is married and has two children. Mrs. Shiras has a tall, commanding figure and is decidedly a handsome woman.



MRS. BROWER. MRS. SHIRAS. Mrs. Waite, widow of the late chief justice, was born in Connecticut of French and Huguenot ancestors. Of her five children only two are living, a son and daughter, the latter at home with her mother. It was said the justice never employed a clerk, but with Mrs. Waite's assistance did all the work incident to the preparation of his cases. She thereby earned the title of "her father's right hand," which might be extended to her mother. Domestic in heart, for such she seems, Domestic in taste, Mrs. Waite thoroughly enjoyed entertaining the distinguished men her home was thronged with during her husband's life. An extensive traveler, she has been abroad a number of times, while all parts of the United States are familiar to her. Making acquaintance, her life in Washington has done much to remove the feeling that she is meeting strangers in extending its limits.

The recent death of Justice Lamar has revived a number of the romantic stories which found their way into the press when he and Mrs. Holt of Mason married six years ago. There is true enough of truth in all to preclude denial of any one of Mr. Lamar's daughters said to me that the first and most beautiful love story she ever heard was told by her mother, and her father was the hero. Mrs. Lamar retains much of the beauty for which she was noted when a girl, and there is an air of sincerity and cordiality of manner when she says "I am glad to meet you" that causes one to feel as unrestrained as if greeting an old friend rather than a representative of our highest social circle. It is not probable that Mrs. Lamar will again make her home in Washington. She cares little for gay society, so it is quite likely she will dispose of her pretty home and hereafter reside with Mrs. Virginia, her last remaining child.

The widow of William Burnham Wood was born in Ohio by birth and education, though her father, William W. Warner, and her mother, Eliza Bance Williams, were from Vermont and Massachusetts respectively. Mrs. Wood resides with her children, a daughter and her son, a lawyer in Chattanooga. She devotes herself to making their home happy and attractive, considerable time being given to reading. Having traveled extensively in her own and foreign lands, she is a cultured and attractive woman. She is an Episcopalian in faith, a daughter of the Revolution by inheritance, though not by affiliation, and a member of a total abstinence society. Her aims in life are exalted, and she endeavors so to live that "each day's ending sun sees some kindly action done."

A THEATRICAL REVIEW.

Mrs. Frank Leslie's Adaptation of "Le Demi Monde."

THEATRE OF ARTS AND LETTERS.

The Barren Results of a "Stage Revival" Experiment—The Coghlan's Revival of "Peg Woffington"—The Youngest American Playwright—Other Chtchats.

NEW YORK, April 26.—The only real theatrical novelty in the city is another of the numerous adaptations of "Le Demi Monde." This particular version, which is entitled "The Froth of Society," is the work of Mrs. Frank Leslie, who thus makes her debut as a playwright. The piece has been on the road and is said to have been very favorably received in the south. The principal roles are entrusted to Joseph Haworth and Emily Rigi, two particularly competent actors. In fact, it is my opinion that Mrs. Leslie's operators in highly original roles in the whole world can be counted on the fingers of one hand.

Mrs. Leslie explained to me some time ago that it was her desire to make the acts of the characters in her play seem more logical than in the original, and several of the changes that she has made are, it must be admitted, decidedly for the better. Mrs. Leslie also told me that she intends to do a good deal of playwriting. She thinks that she possesses the true dramatic instinct, no matter in what particular respects her work may be defective now, and I am inclined to agree with her. The "Froth of Society" may not be considered a phenomenally brilliant adaptation, but the measure of success which has been accorded it will doubtless serve to encourage the brilliant woman who is responsible for it to persevere in her new line of work until she shall have evolved a play which will give her as high a position as a dramatist as she now enjoys as a litterateur and playmaker.

The good people who read New York newspapers and New York dramatic letters will now have a rest from the Theater of Arts and Letters until next season, for that peculiar institution is winding up for the year at Palmer's theater. This exclusive "subscription" organization which charged its patrons \$5 a performance and compelled them to purchase tickets for the entire course at that figure is now admitting the common herd at regular prices at Palmer's. I say "admitting," but that is not the correct expression. "Willing to admit" would be very much nearer the mark, for the people have not besieged the doors of the theater in their hysterical anxiety to see the plays which dramatists are unable to conceive which were therefore put together by "literary folks."

It has been generally supposed that Glen Mac Donough is the youngest successful playwright in America, but it seems that he is not, as Paul Kester is not yet a man. Rather he has not yet attained his majority. Kester commenced writing plays a few years ago. His first work was called "Countess Rudine." It was submitted to Mme. Modjeska, who accepted it. Immediately began work on another play, which he has named "The Earl of Grammont."

Meanwhile Modjeska had produced "Countess Rudine" in New York, but the young author was so busy with his new piece that he did not come east to see the premier of his first play. At the time Kester was living in Detroit. When he had finished "The Earl of Grammont," he sent it to Alexander Salvini, who liked it and requested Kester to meet him in Chicago. Salvini then engaged him at a large salary to travel with him and write plays especially adapted to his abilities.

Next season, besides "The Earl of Grammont," the brilliant young Italian actor will produce at least one other of Mr. Kester's plays, which is to be named "The Last of the Moors." Salvini's role in this piece requires heroic acting, and the play admits of elaborate mounting—two things of which he is particularly fond. Mr. Kester, it should be stated, is a native of Virginia, but was reared in Ohio.

I hear that Felix Morris, Rosina Vokes' remarkably clever leading man, is to star next season in a play especially written for him. If the rumor be true, the venture ought to result in the addition of another luminary to the stellar firmament of Felix Morris probably has no superior in his present management during the World's Fair and will then go to London, where she has an excellent engagement beginning next October. When she leaves these hospitable shores, she will be the possessor of much more wealth than she now has. Of course Mrs. Pompon likes "dear America" very much.

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A CRY FOR

Fuller Particulars of of Kincolth—Wan tution Resul

Archdeacon Collison's Plea—Petition to the Department

Already sympathetic in a practical way to relieve occasioned among the residents by the fire which devastated settlement at the month Sunday the 3rd instant.

disaster were published in gram to the COLONIST yet and later in the day the brought the following letter: Archdeacon Collison, rector, Kincolth, Niasa Mc

DEAR SIR: I regret to inform you that in one of the Indian houses before its progress was arrested almost some hay had been piled have been rendered homeless new church was consumed.

We need a temporary frame mission services and help for Indian Christians. May I beg that you will appear in your columns, as I am many friends in Victoria to help in such a case as this I shall ask the Board of receive subscriptions, or the direct to the COLONIST.

The fire occurred in the service was being held in church, only recently erected between \$7,000 and \$8,000 residents Kincolth, Niasa Mc the sacred edifice, and was the first to notice open window the smoke accidentally originating in of the fire and carried by a prearranged destruction to the congregation was had, headed by their p women battled heavily against which, fanned and spread by from the water, mounted direction of the church.

With no apparatus for their common efforts volunteer brigade were Soon thirty houses were cinders and pieces of burnt up by the wind and carried air had set fire to the dry, seasoned timber and it, too, was soon in ruins of the fire was not in hours, yet in that short time of the church, storehouse and ing had been accomplished destruction of their homes of the misfortune which has people of Kincolth. Many already procured their which also were lost, and are now in danger of being for the stores in hand are but a few days and the p can spare little from their aid. The Bishop of Caledonia Victoria, gives many details which show the fight made Kincolth to have been a Archdeacon, who faintly two chasteon church, which he covered and again plunged was ably supported by both white and red. Mr. Col her attention especially to furniture of the church—reading desk, font, lamps, of for her energy, would have with the building. The m was saved with extreme use of blankets and buck neighboring well. It being the Indians, or the majority goes to procure what supplies was practically defenceless force numbering fewer than including Mr. Woods and came over from the Cascade their aid.

It is difficult to estimate the involved—the majority of the lost their all, small as it expressed in dollars and cents which had not long been valued at about \$7,500, e \$150 memorial window pre Indian chief converted to Christianity. Charles Barlow, the storehouse his loss at \$5,000, and twice will not average less than \$40 the total loss may be put mately at \$20,000.

At present the majority are camped upon the beach tents to protect them from they will rebuild with their material can be got on the ground it is possible to replace the a new one services will be con old church, which is at present school house and place of the distressed families as well from those in urgent need has down by Bishop Ridley, and Indian Department. It asks the government to ad to be repaid in annual instal with which it is hoped to build and fit out building mat. The generosity and charity are also appealed to direct ions, in money, clothing or be gladly received by the Boocowitzi. Mr. Friend, by clergy of the Episcopal of office of the local newspaper.

KINCOLTH, Sept. 4.—The 18th day's fire is found in setting of a kettle of fat cabins, the occupants of which no one engaged to there was no insurance, numerous buildings destroyed.

Old CARIBOO still looms up dead, that the people have gro of the country. He returned the other day from land, and at once proceeded Williams Creek. Nearly tw expert was engaged to the property, and his report on owners' belief of the richness. It is estimated that some \$20,0 taken out of the locality, but ing exhausted the paper that it was rich enough to more. Consequently negotia which called Mr. Whittier expert was engaged to the. The result is the formal with lots of capital backing tion is to commence work r push it along as fast as ppe being to have as much as m completed in position before th