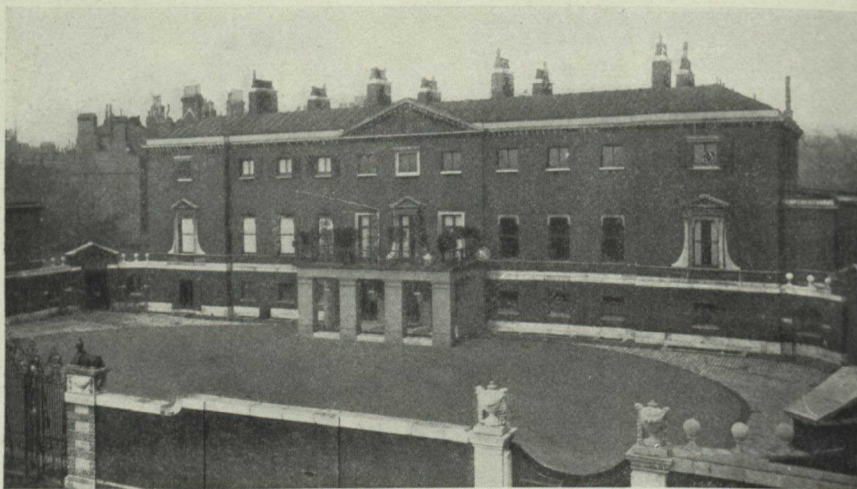


then there have been nine dukes. Invariably, each has had the "garter", that rarest of orders which, until a couple of years ago, never included a commoner. An exception was made for Viscount, then plain Sir Edward, Grey.

Yet none of the Cavendishes has ever been remarkable for brilliance and only one for genius. The outstanding quality has been a certain desire for service and a solidity and stolidity which make a good governor or administrator. The exception was the Cavendish who was England's

in synthetic chemistry, which passed to them at the end of the last century. Were this done, it would help a great deal to give England that industrial priority which, after the war, is a goal. The Duke of Devonshire is heart and soul behind the movement.

So far as the women of the Cavendish family are concerned, they have included some famous personalities: Christian Bruce, Bess of Hardwick and Georgiana Spencer. This last was one of the world's supreme beauties, and one or two of the Cavendish



DEVONSHIRE HOUSE

The London residence of the Duke of Devonshire

greatest chemist, Henry Cavendish, who ascertained the composition of water and arrived at the defining of the density of the earth. The present Duke, incidentally, is keenly interested in science. His laboratories are extensive and replete, and it is said that he personally is so interested in science that his main ambition is to make some sort of mark in the scientific world comparable to that made by his great ancestor. This is important, because it is index to the desire in England that the English shall conquer the Germans in the matter of their possession of the superiority

ladies have been famed for their clever wit, their daring, and their love for gaming. The Cavendish type is picturesque, modest, self-repressing, perennially courteous; their men strong and virile and clean and hard-working, but rarely brilliant.

The present Duke accords pretty well with the type. His is an interesting face. To begin with it is large and heavy. It is the Cavendish face in its length and heavy jaw. The forehead is broad, the hair is inclined to length and was reddish, tending darker, and readily turning gray. The eye is rather sleepy, the very anti-