

SARAH BERNHARDT PRAISED FETED GLORIFIED BY ROYAL FRENCH

King Edward Again Looked to For Latest Fashions—A Startling
Piece of Society News—An Interesting Wedding to Take Place

(BY THE MARQUIS DE CASTEL-
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PARIS, Aug. 24.—Never in her life
has our great actress, Sarah Bern-
hardt, been more praised, feted, glori-
fied, than since the Council of the
Legion of Honor refused to decorate
her. The truth about this incident has
only so far been whispered.

The fact is that it is because our
great artist was once, though for a
few days only, and in her quality of
theatrical manager, declared bankrupt,
that the red ribbon which is the in-
signia of the Order has been refused
her.

The public does not ignore that the
statutes of the Order are formal on this
subject, no bankrupt may be admitted
among the Legionaries; however, pub-
lic opinion would be glad for once to
see them disregarded.

It is a great injustice to make
the weight of a momentary and am-
ply redeemable misfortune overbalance
a lifelong career of splendid achieve-
ment such as has been that of Ma-
dame Sarah Bernhardt.

It is possible that on the 17th of Au-
gust, when the Council of Ministers
will render a decision of the subject,
they will use this statute as an excuse
for not offending the Council of the
Legion by imposing Madame Bern-
hardt upon it.

Under the patronage of King Ed-
ward VI. of England, the blue evening
coat for men, known in France as the
Barbot-coat, with gold buttons, is once
more the fashion, say once more the
fashion, for it is not many years ago,
that any gentleman with the slightest
pretension to style, would have scorn-
ed to appear in evening dress arrayed
in the black bow-tail which is worn
in the present day alike by but-
lers, hotel waiters, undertakers, dukes
and princes.

I still possess, not as a relic, but as a
souvenir, the blue Barbot coat which
I had on in 1866 at the occasion of my
marriage. This kind of coat was then
the height of fashion. In those days
men were better looking than they are
now, their style of dressing was less
sloppy and some attempt at indi-
vidual distinction was made. Today
all men look alike whatever their sta-
tion in life.

The Marquis Joseph de Montesquiou
is about to marry the youngest daugh-
ter of the Duke de D'Orville. The two
great names will be united, one belong-
ing to the ancient nobility, the other
to the titled aristocracy of the
First Empire. Hereafter the royal-
ist and imperialist nobility have

fought shy of each other. The former
accused the latter of being too new to
be worthy of serious consideration,
such, for instance, as an alliance.
However, the nobility created by the
Emperor Napoleon is now more than
a hundred years old, so that it can-
not justly be accused of too great
freshness.

Another piece of society news which
has created an impression as painful
as the first is pleasant, is the an-
nouncement of the separation of the
Prince and Princess Strozzi. This
rupture is looked upon as a social mis-
fortune, for Prince Strozzi, being an
Italian and divorce not being admit-
ted in Italy, he will be unable to
marry again and provide the world
with an heir to the distinguished name
which he bears.

A new, and if somewhat eccentric,
certainly pretty fashion, has been in-
troduced by some of our dainty mon-
daimes. This new mode is for dogs,
and consists of adorning their necks
with velvet collars harmonizing in tone
with their owners' gowns. The most
fashionable and by far the most de-
cative large dog for having about the
house is the greyhound, particularly
the long silky haired Russian variety
known as the Borzoi. These animals
are greatly in favor with our pretty
Parisiennes, who have imagined this
new method of further enhancing their
decorativeness.

The beautiful Countess Viturini,
who recently spent a few weeks in
Paris, was the first to introduce this
fad. She has a magnificent pure white
Borzoi. When in the house her dog is
as much her inseparable companion as
are most women's diminutive King
Charles and other miniature spaniels.
When the lovely Italian receives in a
pale-blue mousseline de sole gown
her Borzoi wears around its graceful
neck a band of pale blue velvet fasten-
ed with a buckle set with turquoise.
If Madame wears pink, the dog has a
rose velvet collar with coral buckle.
Or very grand occasions when its mis-
tress wears pure white the dog has a
white velvet collar with an antique
buckle set in brilliant. In the street
the dog's collar is of dark velvet, in
harmony with the tailor gown of its
beautiful owner, and the buckle is in-
variably of gold or silver without stones.

There is something in all this, the
Italian beauty and her bedecked dog
that reminds one of the stories of
Boccaccio of Florence in the fifteenth
century, of the days when people were
ashamed to indulge their tastes for
the bizarre, and life was gayer and
more full of color in consequence.

Abandon Mansion for Life in Tent



MRS. SPENCER TRASK

SARATOGA, N. Y., Aug. 24.—Al-
though Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Trask
have a magnificent country place,
Yaddo, fitted up at a cost of more than
\$1,000,000, they are about to abandon it
for life in a simple tent on a small is-
land in Lake George.

Mrs. Trask suffered a severe attack
of heart trouble several months ago.
She was in a precarious condition for
some time, and her recovery has been
very slow. Her physicians advised
her to live in the open, and a large

tent was erected for her use on the
grounds of Yaddo. Life in the tent
proved so beneficial that the doctors
advised their patient to continue it for
the rest of the summer.

In order to be free from all care of
the great summer mansion Mr. and
Mrs. Trask decided to go to Lake
George. They have leased a little is-
land near Bolton Landing, and here,
in a small tent, away from disturbing
influences, they will remain until cold
weather.

REV. C. W. FORSTER SAYS FAREWELL

Fredericton Clergyman Going to Wor-
cester—St. John Autists at
the Capital

chaplain since Canon Roberts' death,
occupied seats reserved in the front
part of the church. The sermon was a
most eloquent one and a feeling dis-
course. The preacher referred to his
work in the parish, how kindly and
graciously he has always been treated
by the congregation and by the people
of all denominations. He expressed his
great regret in severing his connection
with the parish and hoped and prayed
for its continued success. Rev. Mr.
Forster will leave on Thursday next
for Worcester, Mass., where he has ac-
cepted the curacy of the leading
Episcopal church in that city.

SEVERE KIDNEY TROUBLE

Mrs. George Lawson, Concord, Ont.,
writes:—"Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver
Pills completely cured me of constipa-
tion, rheumatism, stomach troubles
and a very severe kidney trouble after
years of suffering. I am now sixty-
eight years of age and very grateful for
what Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills
have done for me."

FREDERICTON, N. B., Aug. 24.—
At the parish church this morning the
Rev. C. W. Forster, who for the past
two years has filled the position of
curate, preached a farewell sermon to
a congregation that taxed the capacity
of the church. The Sons of England,
of whom Mr. Forster has been the

Scenes at the Druid Festival Held at Brittany



WELSH AND BRETONS IN BARDIC FESTIVAL

Days of the Ancient Druids Recalled
By Quaint Ceremonies in
Pr. Itany.

(By arrangement with the Hearst
News Syndicate.)

ST. BRIEUC, Aug. 24.—The Pan-
Celtic gathering is over, and the Barde-
the Druids, and the Ovates have gone
back again to Wales. There has been
a considerable element of the pictures-
que in the proceedings of the last few
days, but to an outsider it must be ad-
mitted that the fetes in this pictur-
esque little town have appeared much
more as an expression of Breton good-
will to the whole of Great Britain, ra-
ther than as an outburst of Celtic
enthusiasm.

Indeed, the people of this part of
Brittany, Celtic as is their origin, re-
tain comparatively few racial char-
acteristics. Out of the huge crowd that
filled the park on Monday to match the
bardic ceremonies, not five in a thou-
sand understood the Breton language,
and even fewer had any idea of the
meaning of the mystic rites.

The rejection by the Welsh of their
own language, despite their near union
with England and their loyalty to the
English government, is one of the most
curious ethnological facts of modern
Europe, but the Bretons have not re-
tained their tongue to anything like the
same extent.

The language is still spoken in the



The Duchess Anne of Bretagne and her maids of
honor at the festival.

district of Finistère, but it is not
taught in the schools, and there are
hardly any Bretons who do not speak
French, though there are many Welsh
still who do not speak English.

CELTIC CONTRASTS.

Judging, too, by the men and women
who have represented Wales here dur-
ing the last few days, there would not
seem to be much in common between
the character and point of view of the
two peoples. The Bretons are curiously
quiet for Frenchmen, but they lack the
dourness of the Welsh. They have
something of the same appreciation of
music without the Welsh executive
ability. They have the same instinc-
tive good manners as are possessed by
the Irish, Cornish, Welsh and other
Celtic people, and their women, both in

songs and for the acquiring of the gen-
eral appreciation of art which widely
enlarges the life of the Welsh minor and
Welsh peasant, and gives him some-
thing which may be called culture in
the best sense of the word.

So far as one can judge, the Welsh
national movement, which culminates
each year with the Eisteddfod, has no
parallel in Brittany, and it is to attain
the same power of adding the joys of
imagination to the toils of the modern
world that the small band of enthusiasts
in Brittany wear national costume, hold
Druidical ceremonies and employ the
Breton tongue.

How far they will succeed has yet to
be proved. On the face of things, as
the observer sees them, there would
appear to be small signs of the triumph
of their ideas, but, on the other hand,
one remembers that one hundred years
ago the Celtic language, which is now
commonly talked, was quite as dead as
the Breton is today, and that Gaelic,
which a generation ago had almost
been forgotten, is now being taught in
hundreds of Irish schools, and is used
even by the London County Council.

ROME, August 22.—It is reported
that the Pope, impressed by the fre-
quency of earthquakes in the new
world, intends ordering special prayers
to be said after mass for deliverance
from similar visitations. The Arch-
bishop of Santiago, Chile, cabled to the
Vatican reporting loss of life among
the clergy, and the Pope in reply sent
his apostolic benediction, assurance of
prayers and profound sympathy.

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE FETES.

It would be easy, indeed, to find
amusement in the sight of the staid
middle-aged Welshman attiring him-
self in white robes, dubbing himself
Druid, and enlarging on the virtues of
the mistletoe; but there is an ideal
behind the symbolism, and with the
keeping of the ancient language there
is a vast encouragement for the writing
of poetry, the composing and singing of

IS MAN OF GENIUS TOO OLD AT FIFTY-NINE?

Professor Lankester Asked to Resign
Directorship of Museum on
Score of Age.

A Man of Genius
(Special to the Sun.)

LONDON, Aug. 24.—Prof. Ray Lanke-
ster, the world-famous zoologist, has
been asked to resign the directorship
of the Natural History Museum at
South Kensington, and has definitely
refused to do so.

The request was made on the score
of age. The professor was 59 on May
15, but he believes himself capable of
many more years of useful work.

His salary is \$6,000 a year, and he has
held the post for eight years. He has
been offered a retiring pension of \$1,500
a year, and has rejected it as utterly
inadequate.



PROFESSOR RAY LANKESTER.

Since he became a director of the
Natural History Museum he has trans-
formed the place. His work has been
a difficult one, but thanks to his efforts,
the museum is now the finest in
Europe.

The professor is one of the greatest
living authorities on natural history,
and his fame abroad is equal to that
at home. His publications have ranged
through every branch of zoology.
He has held professorships at the
Universities of Oxford, London and
Edinburgh. He established the famous
Marine Laboratory at Plymouth, and
was chairman of the Tropical Diseases
Committee. The latest honor paid him
has been his selection as president of
the British Association.

MONCTON CITIZEN BRUTALLY ASSAULTED

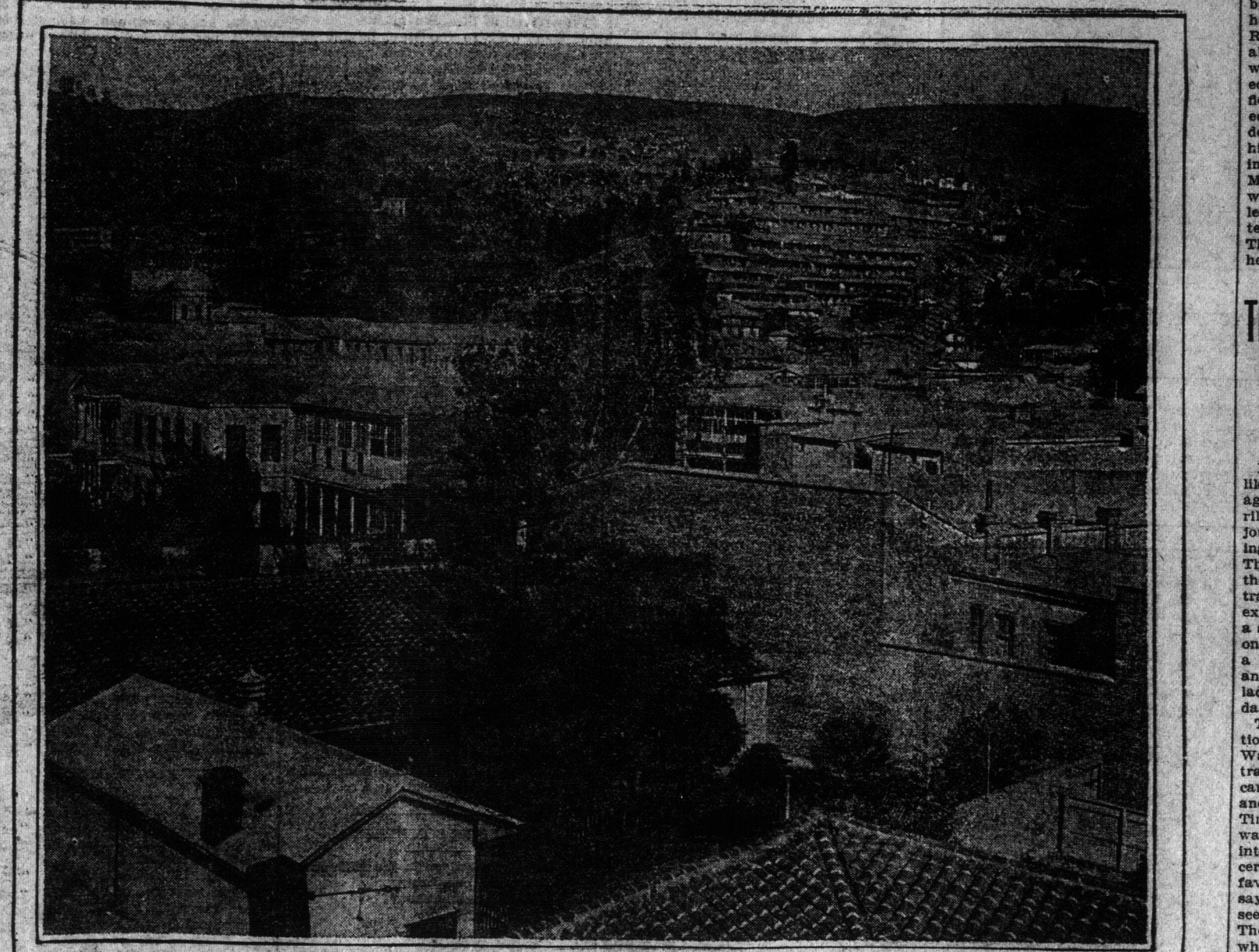
W. P. Jonah, Who Has Been Active in
Suppressing Houses of Ill-Repute,
Was Victim of an Attack.

MONCTON, N. B., Aug. 26.—A young
man named Percy Myers, belonging
to Sussex, is in jail here charged with
assault on W. P. Jonah, a well known
merchant of this city. The assault ap-
pears to be the outcome of a prear-
ranged affair, and as a result the in-
jured man is in a pretty bad shape,
having received very severe injuries to
his face and being kicked about the
body. Mr. Jonah has taken some part
in having ill-famed houses stampeded,
and it is believed the assault on him
is a result of this, and was arranged
by friends of the proprietors of these
houses. Mr. Jonah was standing in
Riverside hotel when Myers, who is
about six feet in height, walked in and
without any preliminary remarks walk-
ed up to Jonah and felled him to the
floor with a treacherous and unexpect-
ed blow. After knocking his victim
down Myers jumped on him, kicking
him brutally about the face and body,
inflicting a number of cuts and bruises.
Mr. Jonah in an unconscious condition
was carried to his home, while Myers
left hastily, but was afterwards cap-
tured at a barn at the horse track.
The affair has created great indignation
here.

TRAIN AUDITORS MAY SUE MONCTON TIMES

MONCTON, N. B., Aug. 25.—It is
likely that legal action will be taken
against the Moncton Times for a sen-
sational article which appeared in that
journal on Saturday morning attack-
ing one of the I. C. R. train auditors.
The article in question alleged that on
the night of August 21st two of the
train auditors boarded the Maritime
express at Matepédia and travelled to
a station a little further west, and that
one of the auditors poked his head into
a berth occupied by an American lady
and demanded her ticket, and that the
lady threatens to bring an action for
damages against the railway.

The auditors on the train in ques-
tion were Messrs. Stewart and J. W.
Wallace. Mr. Stewart boarded the
train and secured from the Pullman
car conductor his car record, diagram
and tickets, although it is stated by the
Times that the conductor on the car
was not awakened. As far as is known
into any berth or stateroom is con-
cerned, Mr. Wallace, who is well and
favorably known all over the I. C. R.,
says he did not do so, neither did he
see Stewart do anything of the kind.
The auditors heard no complaints
whatever from anyone on the car.
Mr. Wallace intimated today that
further proceedings would be taken in
this matter, and that he did not intend
letting it drop until it had been sifted
to the very bottom.



View of Residential Section of Valparaiso.