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Royal Personages Who Have Married Morganatic Wives

Marriages Which Have Been Embarrassing to the State—An Institution Which Had Its Origin in Germany.

(By Julius Gabe.) BERLIN, Jan. 21.—At the present time there are two queens whose paternal grandmothers were morganatic wives. The one is the Queen of England, the other the Queen of Spain. The Queen of England's grandmother was a noble Hungarian lady. She was married in 1833 morganatically to Duke Alexander of Wurttemberg, and died six years later, leaving behind her a little boy of four, the late Duke of Teck. He got his title from some ruins in Wurttemberg. The Queen of Spain's grandmother died fifteen years ago. Her husband was the late Prince Alexander of Hesse, Hessian royalties have been much addicted to morganatic marriages. Like-wise princes of the name of Alexander. May Be Trouble Here. The heir to the throne of the Emperor of Austria, his nephew, the Archduke Franz Ferdinand, who paid a flying visit to London for the funeral of King Edward, was a morganatic wife, who is now known as the Duchess of Hohenberg. She has two sons—children of eight and six years—who, however, are barred from their father's rank and honors. There are people who say that this marriage may lead to trouble some of these days—meaning the fact that the Archduke, with the nature of his father, may take it into his head to desert to make one of these sons his full and legitimate heir. Perhaps so, perhaps not. The expected rarely comes to pass. There was once, long ago, a German prince, the Duke of Saxe-Meininger, who fell so much in love with his beautiful morganatic wife that he very badly wanted to make her his full wife, and her son the heir to the dukedom. But the other German princes would have none of it, and he was not able to carry out his intentions. Morganatic marriages were invented by German royalties, but they have been copied in almost every other country in Europe. There is at the present moment living in Paris a lady who rejoices in the euphonious name of Princess Yourievsky. She is of the princely Russian family of Dolgorouki, and is the morganatic widow of the Tsar Alexander II. Her three children were born at St. Petersburg in 1872, 1873 and 1878 respectively, but the Tsar did not marry her until July, 1880, only eight or nine months before he was killed by the nihilists. He blew to pieces promptly by the lady, because his royal wife, a Hessian princess, did not die until June, 1889. In Italy's Royal House. There have also been one or two such marriages in the Italian royal family. Victor Emmanuel, gallant in love as in war, had a morganatic wife. Probably the obstacle in the way of the union of a young American lady to the King of Italy's cousin, the Count of Turin, which has filled so much space in the newspapers for months and years past, is because her friends are not willing that she should be palmed off with the mere status of a morganatic consort. Quite right, too. It must be understood, however, that there is nothing dishonorable to either party in a morganatic marriage, but rather the reverse. Most royalties who contract such a union with their full-blooded spouses, with a right of succession to their rank and fortunes to their issue. But the private laws (the by-laws one might call them) of the royal houses of Europe are too firmly founded for them to overthrow. An attempt was made in Germany, centuries ago, to run a royal and morganatic wife simultaneously, but the practice did not meet with much approval or imitation. People were scandalized, and a brother of Prince Rupert, and consequently a cousin of Charles II, was the last to try a plurality of wives. In England the marriage of royalty is regulated by an act of parliament passed early in the reign of George III, because two royal dukes had married outside their royal dukedom. The last instance of an English royalty marrying beneath his rank was in the case of the late Duke of Cambridge, who married an actress, who took the name of Mrs. Fitz-George, and her children, of course, inherited none of their father's royal titles and honors. It is understood that in these morganatic marriages the bridegroom gives the bride left hand, and that the word morganatic is derived from "morgengabe" or "morning-gift" which it was the custom of the bridegroom to give his left-handed bride the morning after the nuptials. Ideas Made in Germany. The institution, as I have said, flourished first of all in Germany, and the idea was probably suggested by that form of marriage which was known as "comptio" among the ancient Romans. It was found to be a convenient means for deferring the evil effect resulting from the equal division of a prince's lands among his sons, as was the custom in Germany. When the Duke of Brunswick died, his seven sons made a voluntary agreement among themselves to take morganatic wives, all except one who was chosen by lot. In this way all the lands came eventually to that one, the sixth son, and as they had agreed at the same time to recognize the principle of primogeniture, the unity of the estates was assured in perpetuity. While the house laws of royalty remain what they are these morganatic marriages are extremely salutary makeshifts—they introduce fresh blood, which the modern science of eugenics has taught us is absolutely necessary to avoid insanity and the other evils which are the effect of long-continued in-breeding.

BLOOR-STREET BAPTIST CHOR

Vote of Thanks to Mr. Stevenson for Splendid Services During Year. Mr. M. M. Stevenson, organist and choir-master of Bloor-street Baptist Church, ought to feel proud of the very flattering report brought in by the music committee at the annual meeting on Wednesday. The report was to the effect that the present choir is the best that the church has had in all its history, and the meeting was unanimous in acknowledging the merit of his statement. A special vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Stevenson and his choir for the excellence of their musical services during the past year. No doubt Mr. Stevenson will appreciate the compliment that has been paid to his ability as a musician. He ought to be considering that a majority of the church members, as well as three of the soloists, are his own pupils.

Vegetable Leather.

Jewish Chronicle. An enterprising manufacturer has discovered a process whereby a passable imitation of leather may be manufactured from a vegetable product. The novelty owes its introduction to London vegetarians, who shuddered at the thought of the number of animals that were killed annually to keep humanity in boots. The imitation leather is being used for the manufacture of boots, shoes, Bible covers and a hundred other articles usually found in the art-leather department.

Home Steader at 102.

London Standard. That it is never too late to work has been proved by Mr. Louis Carpenter, aged 102 years, who has applied to the Saskatchewan land office for a homestead. Mr. Carpenter is strong, vigorous and active, and he is anxious to procure a pre-emption in addition.

Sheet Metal Workers.

A smoking concert of Sheet Metal Workers local No. 30, was held in the Labor Temple last night. William Glocking, president of the Dominion Trades Council, and John Fleet, organizers of the A. F. of L., both gave addresses. An excellent program was provided by members of the union.

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DRAPERIES

Odds and Ends to be Price-Slaughtered

First thing Monday morning we start a clear-out movement of odd lengths of Drapery and Upholstery Materials. There are hundreds upon hundreds of yards of this desirable stock—silks, moires, tapestries, drapery cloth of all sorts—all of it very, very pretty, and in lengths that will make up into elegant window and door hangings, as well as coverings for furniture, etc., etc.

Every Yard of it will be Sold Way Under Cost Price

We are going to sacrifice it because it doesn't pay to let the short lengths accumulate, and owing to a wonderfully large season's business there are more odd pieces than usual. It is an almost impossible task to indicate the values here. Suffice it to say that we will sell most of it at a fraction of what it cost, and to further add to the attractiveness of the offer we will agree to

Make it up to Measure and Hang it FREE

Two prominent examples of the values in this sale:

69c Yard for 50 in. Drapery Cloths

Regularly priced up to \$1.75 Yard. Close to 1,000 yards to choose from in this lot, including Figured Damasks, Gossamer Cloths, Moirettes, Alcantaras, Armures, Linen Tissues, etc. in self-colored, green, blue, rose and other popular shades; some in rich transparent art glass effects. Material, making and hanging, all for per yard 69

99c Yard for Silk Drapery Hangings

Regularly Sold up to \$3.00 Yard. Over 500 yards in this lot, comprising many of the standard high grade silk materials. Reversible Tapestries, Luster Cloths, Silk Armures, etc. in the newest shades and colorings, suitable for door and window hangings, and coverings for furniture, pillows, etc. Made up and hung free. On sale at yard 99

French and English Crotonnes, Taffetas and Other Bedroom Hangings at Proportionately Low Prices

Monday We Offer this Pedestal Table for \$10.25

Like the illustration, made of hardwood quarter-cut golden oak finish, 44-inch round top, extends to 6 feet; heavy pedestal base; regularly sold for \$14.75. On sale Monday for 10.25



Commodious China Cabinet only \$15.45

As illustrated, a good design in hardwood, quarter-cut golden oak finish, neatly carved pedestal top; four shelves, large glass doors and glass sides, polished finish; regularly sold for \$22.00. On sale Monday for 15.45



Sideboard \$17.25

Similar to the illustration, made of hardwood, quarter-cut golden oak finish, 3 display shelves, neatly carved pedestal top, large British bevel mirror, 2 cutlery drawers, long linen drawer, and double-door cupboard, regularly sold for \$24.50. On sale Monday for 17.25



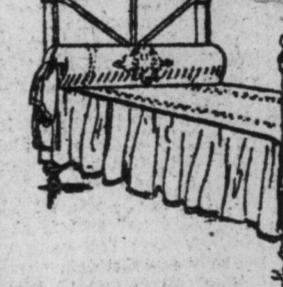
Stock taking Comes on Apace

and before the final day arrives Department Managers will go through the store and mark down everything that will make the listing difficult.

Every day next week there will be fine chances to pick up odd pieces for the home cheaply—few of these things will find their way into the advertisements.

Come to the store as often as you can—and don't forget that you can "Charge" at the special prices.

\$2.19 Buys This Strongly Constructed Bed Monday



Just like the out in 4-6 and 4-foot sizes, best quality white enamel, flat brass vases; regularly \$3.50. Monday 2.19

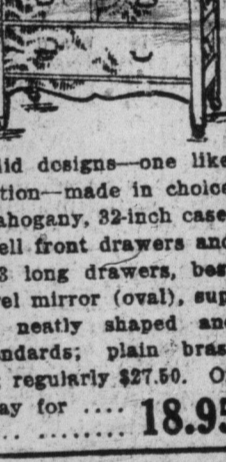
This Handsome Well-made Dresser \$13.25

As illustrated, in rich golden surface oak, quarter-cut finish, 38-inch case, 3 drawers—2 top ones well—18x23 best British bevel oval mirror in neatly shaped and heavily carved frame; plain brass trimmings; regularly sold for \$18.50. On sale Monday for 13.25



Chiffoniers \$18.95

Two splendid designs—one like the illustration—made in choice polished mahogany, 32-inch case, 2 small swell front drawers and cupboard, 3 long drawers, best British bevel mirror (oval), supported by neatly shaped and carved standards; plain brass trimmings; regularly \$27.50. On sale Monday for 18.95



8 Days Left of the January Carpet Sale

Little enough time left to profit by the reduced prices—the free sewing, lining and laying offer. Special features for Monday—

\$1.75 Brussels Carpet for \$1.18. 900 yards best quality, some with borders, odd patterns and good room lengths; regularly up to \$1.75 per yard. Monday special (sewed, lined and laid free) 1.18

\$1.25 Wool Carpet for 97c Yd. 500 yards in all, good 3-ply quality, one yard wide, reversible patterns, reds, greens and tawn; regularly \$1.25 per yard. Monday special (sewed, lined and laid free) 97



During January only you can get a Carpet Sweeper with \$25 purchases of carpets or rugs. A Vacuum Cleaner with \$50 purchases.

Velvet Art Squares Greatly Reduced in Price. 17 only Seamless Velvet Squares, in greens, fawns and reds, some in medallion patterns, in the following sizes and prices:— Size 10-6x12, reg. \$35, for 23.50 Size 12-0x12-0, reg. \$38, for 27.50 Size 12-0x13-6, reg. \$42, for 31.50

Seamless Tapestry Squares at \$14.50. 27 only best quality Tapestry Art Squares, some with medallion centres, assorted colors; regularly worth up to \$22.00. On sale Monday 14.50

Electric Fixtures



During the January Sale all fixtures wired and hung free—and prices are very low—for instance—

\$17.50 Electric Fixtures for \$14.75. Sheffield design, five lights, brush finish, wired and fitted complete with etched or fancy globes; reg. \$17.50. On sale Monday for 14.75

15.50 Library or Parlor Fixtures 12.45. 4 only to sell, with brush brass finish, 4 lights, cast brass trimmings, wired complete; regularly sold for \$15.50. On sale Monday 12.45

\$6.50 Electric Fixtures for \$4.75. Choice of an assorted lot—12 only—with 2 or 3 lights, brush brass or extra gilt finish; fitted complete with etched globes; prices ranging regularly up to \$6.50. Special Monday 4.75

Clearing Out Before Stock-taking—Odd Floor Samples of Heaters

Folks who have waited till now will rejoice at this opportunity to buy a good heater under price. These for Monday—

\$18.50 Heaters to go at \$13.25. 12 only "Oak Treasure" Heaters, 14-inch firepot, duplex grate, mica front, fancy urn. Regularly sold for \$18.50. On sale Monday 13.25

"Ruby Treasure" Base Burners, 6 only, full mica front, nickel plated trimmings; regularly \$27.50. Monday special 19.75

"Oak Treasure" Heaters, 4 only, base burners, with duplex grate, automatic sawing top, full nickel plated. Regularly \$35.00, for 26.45



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