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THE DUKES WERE MARRIED IN 1915

Mrs. Duke and Two Children Are Now Living at an Hotel.

Philadelphia, Dec. 30.—Members of the society set in Philadelphia and New York were surprised to learn Mrs. Angier B. Duke, wife of the tobacco millionaire's son, and formerly Miss Cordelia Biddle, of this city, had left her husband, and with her two babies joined her mother, Mrs. A. J. Drexel Biddle, in the metropolis, where they are living at a hotel.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Biddle confirm the report of the separation, but refuse to discuss its cause or offer any conjecture as to possible divorce proceedings.

The Dukes were married April 28, 1915, and took up their residence in New York after a short honeymoon.



MR. AND MRS. ANGIER B. DUKE. These pictures were taken shortly before their wedding, while they were at Palm Beach, Florida.

FORMER KING HAS BECOME A FARMER

Manuel of Portugal Goes Back to the Soil with Others Like Him.

In these days cables are laden with more vital news than the personal affairs of so unimportant a person as ex-King Manuel of Portugal, and it is by the more leisurely route of correspondence that we receive tidings of this dethroned monarch. The Cleveland Leader is responsible for the statement that Manuel and his wife have been reduced to the necessity of raising fowl and rabbits and vegetables to eke out an existence, that they are really poor in the sense that the ordinary person understands the word, and not as it might be applied among monarchs. Those who are grieved at this intelligence may be cheered by the further information that Manuel and his wife, who at one time were estranged, are said to have been brought closer together by their misfortunes and find more happiness now than they did in the days of their grandeur.

Has Small Farm. Since becoming residents of England their path has not been a pleasant one. They bought a charming 10-acre estate, Fulwell Park, Twickenham, about a year before the war, and for a time had the entire of any society they desired. It is true that even then they were not wealthy, as their only ostensible means of support was the interest on \$200,000, which was Mrs. Manuel's dowry. Manuel himself is supposed to have had nothing, for he fled from Portugal with the clothes he was wearing, and was not able to procure a reprieve to make him an allowance. He claimed particularly that the crown jewels, worth \$500,000, were his by right, but after considering the matter the Portuguese government decided that the tail went with the hide—that is to say, the jewels with the crown—and that when Manuel was deprived of one, his equity in the other vanished. It may be that the royalist element in Portugal made the ex-King an allowance, but as his former adherents became gradually reconciled to the new order of government their contributions would naturally decline, and now they are supposed to have ceased.

When the war broke out the German nationality of Manuel's wife, formerly Princess Augustina Victoria of Hohenzollern, daughter of Prince Wilhelm of Hohenzollern, head of a remote branch of the well known Hohenzollern family, imposed a handicap upon the social intercourse that had soiced their exile. It also put a stop to her income under the provisions of the Trading with the Enemy Act, for her dowry was invested in Germany. Portugal's entrance into the war in accordance with the terms of her ancient treaty with Great Britain tended to make it dangerous for Manuel to negotiate with what survived of the royalist party in his native land. Manuel's failure to put on a uniform and become seriously wounded was also seized upon as a grievance, and the London Chronicle on one occasion announced that Manuel had fallen, but that it was at a tennis game. He may have volunteered for service. The chances are that he did, for Kings and ex-Kings as a rule do not shrink from the form of danger and hardship they are permitted to face in these modern times. But Portugal might be unwilling to see her former King win any sort of military reputation, and if Manuel volunteered

NEWCASTLE MASONS INSTALL OFFICERS

Newcastle, Dec. 30.—St. John's Day was fittingly observed by the members of Northumberland Lodge, No. 17, A. F. & A. M., on Friday night. There was a large attendance of members and during the evening Past Master A. L. Kerr installed the following officers:

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Word has been received in a letter from France, from Sgt. E. C. Hambrook, of Grainfield, Northumberland county, of the death in action of his cousin, Jack Hambrook, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hambrook, of Ashcroft, B. C. He with his brother, Mark, enlisted in the spring of 1915 with the 72nd Seaforth Highlanders, the former making the supreme sacrifice over a year ago. Much sympathy is extended to the bereaved parents, who were former residents of the Miramichi. Besides his parents, he leaves several brothers and sisters in the west. John Hambrook, of Grainfield, and William, of Renous, are uncles of the deceased soldier.

It is likely that he would have been rejected.

In other respects he was treated as a loyal British subject, for he was called upon to pay heavy taxes, despite the fact that his sources of income had dried up so, and gloom settled upon the household in Fulwell Park, which once had been occupied by a very different sort of king, to wit, Sir Walter Scott. Another unfortunate occurrence was the failure of Queen Victoria, as she calls herself, to register the nearest police station as an enemy alien. One day she was at Leicester, some one hundred miles from Twickenham, when two common British policemen arrested her because of her neglect to register and also because as an alien enemy born, she was not permitted to travel more than five miles from her place of domicile. This experience is said to have exasperated the former Queen, who threatened to complain to the government unless an apology was forthcoming, to which the courtly magistrate replied, "Where do you get that stuff?" or words to that effect, and the Princess had to register.

It was at the height of the couple's unpopularity and financial troubles that the idea of making money out of the these and chickens and rabbits that they had bought to ornament their home occurred to them. As a German, Victoria knew a good deal about geese, as a Portuguese, Manuel was versed in rabbits, and as a hard-up couple of refugees they began to school themselves in the habits of vegetables, with the happy results mentioned above. Eventually they may become successful truck farmers, and of course when the war ends they will be able to receive the dividends on the German investments of the former Queen Victoria, so that if they choose they can go into the business more extensively. It seems certain, according to the voracious chronicler in the Cleveland paper, that Manuel is all through with the disquisitions that are said to have cost him his throne. If he still thinks about Gaby Deslys, his thoughts are likely to take a litigious turn, and he speculates as to what chance he could have to recover some of the costly gifts he is reputed to have made her.

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