



LADY CURZON AT SIXTEEN.

credited monarch should take for calling a new peace conference at the Hague. It was summoned to meet during this month of October, but, in view of the Pan-American Congress, the meeting has been postponed till the spring. This will secure a much larger attendance than had it met in October. Some forty nations, it is expected, will be represented in that great Field of the Cloth of Gold in a nobler sense than that tournament of chivalry at Guisnes. The Spanish-American republics, which have been engaged in such almost ceaseless wars and revolutions, will be for the first time represented at this peace congress, and their presence will be a pledge and prophecy of the cessation of their fratricidal strife. This great palace of peace is a worthy monument of its noble purpose. It is a striking example of the architecture of the Netherlands, with its massive and pinnacled towers, its many dormered and steep roofs, its noble arcades and splendid surroundings.

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Three continents, says the Christian Herald, have a mournful interest in the death of the lady whose portrait appears on this page. America was gratified by the fact that one of her daughters had become so distinguished and powerful among the world's

rulers; Europe welcomed her as a charming and attractive personality, and in India she is remembered as a beneficent and sympathetic friend of the poor and needy. Lady Curzon was, in all her varied relations, and in all ranks of society, a kindly and gracious representative of her native land. It is only eleven years since, as Mary Victoria Leiter, eldest daughter of Mr. Levi Z. Leiter, of Chicago, she married the Hon. George N. Curzon, the son of Lord Scarsdale, of England. The wedding took place in Washington, D.C., and was a memorable social function. Three years afterwards, her husband, who had in the interval been created Baron Curzon, was sent to India as Viceroy. There Lady Curzon, in the new and difficult role of the representative of royalty over a nation of three hundred millions of people, won golden distinctions not only from the subject princes, but from the common people, by her many acts of beneficence. During the



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