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A PAGE OF SPECIAL FEATURES FOR SATURDAY TIMES READERS

MISS SHERRAN AND LORD CAMOYS TO WED

One More International Marriage This Year

CARNEGIE WILL PROVIDE

To Care for Children of Widowed Niece—Boy Will Soop Own Ansonia Hotel—Hindoo Cult Devotees in New York Number Many

(Times Special Correspondence.)

New York, Oct. 6.—The fear expressed here in the spring and summer, that New York would have no international wedding of importance to look forward to this season, seems to have been premature. Mr. and Mrs. William Watts Sherman, heading the list of the bridegroom's chum, Lord Decies and Vivian Gould, last season. While acting as the best man of Lord Decies, Camoys met and fell in love with Miss Sherman, who was one of the bridesmaids of Miss Gould. Whatever opposition there was on the part of William Watts Sherman to an early marriage has been swept away and he is said to be now disposed to do whatever his wife and daughter desire to make the ceremonial the one big feature of the early winter season for society. Lady Camoys, the mother of the peer, is expected to come over for the marriage, and it is said will bring with her hand some presents for the bride. Additional interest will be lent to the nuptials by the presence of a distinguished company from Britain, friends of the bridegroom. The question of whether it will be a church or a house wedding has not yet been decided but this is a detail which in all likelihood will be settled before the end of the week. The bride to be and Lord Camoys will remain at the summer home of the Shermans at Newport until the end of the month, completing their plans, which they will announce on their arrival here the first week in November. Society continues to discuss the probability of still another engagement evolving before long from the Decies-Gould wedding—that of the Hon. "Bobby" Beresford, younger brother of Decies. He was very popular when he was over here to marry his brother and made a deep impression upon at least one eligible maiden, whose interest was not altogether unreciprocated. Before the winter frosts come along, society is inclined to suspect that some announcement on this score will be in order.

Carnegie Will Provide

Andrew Carnegie will provide for the future of his two grand-nieces, the children of James Haver, the groom of his brother, Thomas M. Carnegie, and the latter's daughter, Nancy. Haver's death from the effects of injuries sustained several years ago, by a fall from a horse, leaves the widow, who was the steel master's favorite niece, with her two children to bring up. The Laird of Sibbo, who has been their mainstay since his niece shocked society by eloping with Haver, the handsome family coachman, is very fond of the children, and will see that they never want for anything. Whenever he has been in town, the children and their mother have been always welcome guests at his mansion. To emphasize his approval of the wedding, which society has never ceased to declaim, the uncle gave Haver a valuable estate of eighty acres on the outskirts of the city, where the former coachman raised thoroughbred horses.

Boy Will Own Big Hotel

Widespread interest is being felt in fifteen year old W. E. D. Stokes, Jr., who within the next week will become the owner of the Ansonia, the largest hotel in the United States. Ever since the hotel (Continued on page 9, fourth column.)

Armchair Reflections

BY H. L. SPENCER

While Little Uta and I were walking in the Old Burial Ground a few weeks since, a friend presented her with a magnificent bouquet of late blooming flowers. She thanked him profusely and looked at them admiringly. Then she turned to me and said, "When you go away I will put such a bouquet on your grave." After a pause she added, "But I may go away first." She did not say this as if she dreaded such a contingency, for the Beyond, it seems to Little Uta, is but a step away from her—that really sometimes she is bathed in its sunshine. I think it is Wordsworth who says that Heaven is all about us in our infancy. Alas! that it should recede and disappear from the vision of so many of us as we grow old! She has no fear of the blind archer whose arrows are flying in every direction, for what is it to "go away"? but to join the little companions who have disappeared from her sight, soon to be joined by those who may survive her; to walk by still rivers, on whose banks the flowers never fade, and in whose groves the birds of wonderful plumage are always singing their sweetest songs. There is the wisdom of Solomon, of Plato and Seneca and Marcus Aurelius and Shakespeare in the prattle of children like Little Uta, for it is the expression of thoughts born of the soul and uncorrupted by the world. Much as I delight in the company of my little friends I grow sorrowful in their presence, for I cannot help thinking of the evil possibilities of their future should they survive the years. The victims of malice and deceit, of falsehood and treachery, how those little hearts may writhe and break—how the heaven by which they are now surrounded may fade away and leave nothing but a desolate void.

POLICE, PAST AND PRESENT

Seated one night
On a bench in the square,
Viewing the people
And taking the air.

A policeman passed by
Looking natty and neat
Gracefully stroking
His orderly beard.

A contrast, I thought
To the old time police
And the methods they used
In preserving the peace.

Tho' years have gone by
And they've all passed away,
Here's how they loomed up
Before me today.

The coat of the sergeant
Was faded and old,
The sleeve showed the mark
Where the stripes lost their hold.

A half dozen buttons
Made fast with a nail,
Four on the breast row,
And two on the tail.

If passing a bar
In the dead of the night,
They saw thro' the shutters
A glimmer of light.

Strange as it seems,
When the baton would knock,
Instead of the front door
The back would unlock.

Then a couple of fingers
For dear Auld Lang Syne
And that closed the case
In regard to a fine.

If the sergeant got drunk
And the case was made known,
The chief held inquiry
In ways of his own.

If the person accused
Was an intimate friend,
The charges were groundless,
And there was the end.

RUBRID TITTLING.
St. John, Oct. 5, '11.

A Pittsford High School boy held a horse for nearly an hour in the pouring rain for a fashionably dressed woman while she did her fall shopping. When she came out of the store she recompensed him to the extent of six cents.

FABLES IN SLANG

Series of 1911 --- BY GEORGE ADE.

THE 1911 FABLE OF THE FLAT-DWELLER AND LIFE IN THE OPEN



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One Day a regularly appointed Bank Inspector went into a Stronghold of Finance situated in a One-Night Stand and found the President of the Institution crying all over the Blotter.

"Why these tears?" asked the Official.

"Are the Farmers paying off their mortgages?"

"Worse than that," replied the Elderly Man, whose Side Whiskers were a Tower of Strength in the Community. "We are entering upon an Era of Extravagance. The Tillers of the Soil, are no longer Hewing Wood and Drawing Water. They are now hewing Holes in the Atmosphere and drawing Gases. Not many years ago

THE 1911 FABLE OF THE LOCAL PIERPONT WHO WAS TROUBLED IN SPIRIT AND NOT WITHOUT CAUSE

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Once there was a tired Denizen of the Big Town whose home was at the end of a Hallway in a Rabbit Warren known as the Minnehaha.

It was not a tenement because he had to pay \$30 a Month for a compressed Suite overlooking 640 acres of Gravel Roof.

Sitting back in his Morris Chair with his Feet on the tiny Radiator he would read in the Sunday Paper all that Bank about the Down-and-Outs of the City hunking back to the Soil and making \$8,000 a year raising Radishes.

He saw the Pictures of the Waving Trees and the Growing Crops and the delectable Natives and he yearned to get out where he wouldn't hear the Trolleys in the Morning and the Kids could get Milk that came from a Cow.

So he gave up his job in the Box Factory and moved out to Jasper Township and tackled Intensive Farming.

He had been Precinct Captain in the Ate Ward and by applying Metropolitan Methods at the Yap Primaries he succeeded in breaking in to the Legislature and soon owned the Farm on which he lived and two others besides.

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Why are you annoyed by these Evidence of Prosperity?" asked the Official.

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THE ROYAL SUITE ON THE IRELAND

Interesting Facts Concerning Women

Duke of Connaught's Voyage To Canada

AM "AMATEUR POLITICIAN"

Sir Max Aiken so Announces Himself in Retuning Sessional Indemnity to British Government—Canada Gets Advertisement in Elections—Personal Notes

(Times Special Correspondence.)

London, Sept. 26.—Remarkably little can be learned concerning the details of the decorations in the royal suite on board the Empress of Ireland which is being prepared for the Duke and Duchess of Connaught for their journey to Canada. This is said to be due to the desire of the duke to avoid the widespread publicity which has been given to his every movement since his appointment as governor general; and this feeling is reflected in an official reticence in circles where such information is usually given.

I learn, however, that a large portion of the ship's accommodation has been reserved for the royal travelers and their staff and that the scheme for furnishing and equipping the ship has been designed by the duke himself. It is said they will rank among the handsomest of such apartments ever seen on shipboard when the duke and duchess take up their quarters on October 6.

Of the staff accompanying His Royal Highness, Major H. C. Lowther, his military secretary, is a brother of the speaker of the House of Commons and has served the duke in South Africa and accompanied him in his visits to the royal houses of Europe. Captain Long one of the aides-de-camp, is a son of the Rt. Hon. Walter Long who, many think, will one day lead the Unionist forces in the United Kingdom. Captain T. R. Bulkeley, the controller of the household, has held military appointments in South Africa, India and the Mediterranean.

The love of horses, so pronounced a characteristic of the late King Edward, is fully shared by the duke and an favorite charger and other horses will be shipped from Bristol.

An "Amateur Politician"

Speaking at a Unionist demonstration of more than 4,000 people from his Ashton-under-Lyme constituency, Sir Max Aiken, M. P., said:

"It is just a year since I entered England, and in Ashton I have spent some of the happiest days of my life. Many times have been told to desist you, however, it has been reported that I had cornered cotton, and that by doing so I had interfered with the livelihood of the cotton-workers in Lancashire. That falsehood has already been knocked on the head."

"Now another lie has been circulated. It has been stated that I bought shares in the Canadian Cement Company for \$17,000,000 and sold them at a profit of \$14,000,000. The statements are false, and I believe they are malicious."

"There must be a change, improved conditions, and a job for every man—not two men for every job. Before this can be done there will have to be tariff reform and imperial preference. I believe that the growing markets of the world are in North and South America and that the problem of unemployment in Great Britain will be solved there."

At the close of his speech Sir Max said he would not touch a penny of the money paid him as salary by the government. He would still be an amateur politician."

Election Comments in England

The Canadian elections have turned out to be the most wonderful of all the years of advertising Canada has had in the old country this coronation year. No doubt the sensational result has had something to do with the immense volume of interest taken and the voluminous comments in all sorts of papers and magazines.

The central fact, however, from a non-partisan point of view is the publicity given to the affairs of the dominion, which has surprised Canadians living here and who has undoubtedly caused the resources of old and great future Canada as a nation, to be driven home in quarters where the facts have been ignored and in some cases denied.

Sir Max and Lady Creton are entertaining Miss Doris Trotter of Montreal at (Continued on page 9, first column.)

LORD STRATHCONA AND MR. BORDEN



This picture is interesting because it is the first of Mr. Borden taken since his triumphant day, and it is the only picture taken of Canada's High Commissioner during his flying visit to Canada. It shows Mr. Borden and His Lordship together when the latter stepped off the train at Ottawa. He was in Ottawa about three hours, all told, about half of that time with Sir Wilfrid and the other half with Mr. Borden. His rush trip may be taken as a wonderful thing for he is ninety-one years old.

THE SINGLE TAX IN VANCOUVER

How it Works and Some Figures Which Show How Much Good it Has Brought

Vancouver, the first city in the world to adopt the single tax upon land values, is described by The Single Tax Review, of New York, as "a city set on a hill, whose light cannot be hid." Much has been written of the wonderful results which have followed the adoption of the single tax in Vancouver, but for a full and complete account of the origin, genesis and present status of Vancouver's successful experiment with the practical application of the teachings of Henry George, one must turn to the May-June number of The Single Tax Review, whose representative, Luther S. Dickey, spent several weeks in the British Columbia metropolis gathering material, and who has since visited Edmonton and other Canadian cities on the same mission.

Vancouver did not adopt the single tax hastily, nor without experiment. Prior to 1880 municipal taxes were assessed on buildings and land alike, but in that year fifty per cent of the value of improvements was exempted from taxation. Ten years later, in 1896, the exemption was increased to seventy-five per cent, and four years' experience of taxation on this basis resulted in the complete exemption of all improvements from taxation. For the past two years municipal taxes in Vancouver have been levied only on land. A lot on

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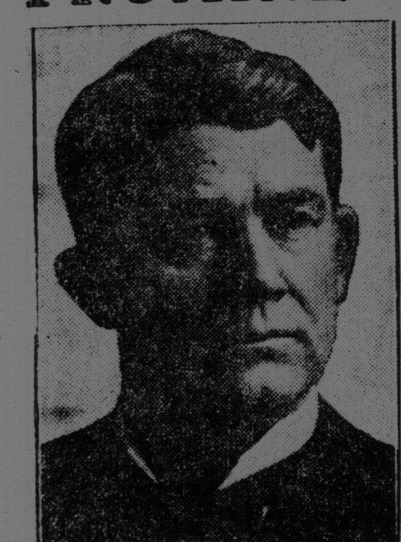
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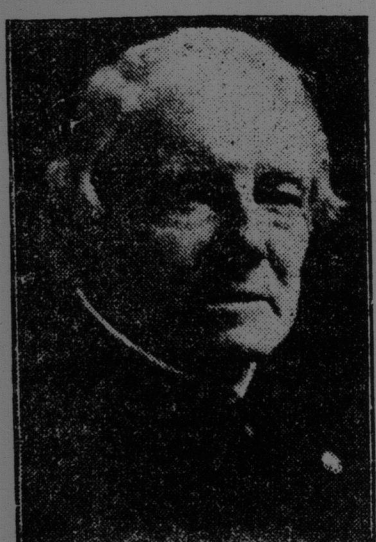
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PROMINENT PEOPLE AT METHODIST ECUMENICAL CONFERENCE IN TORONTO



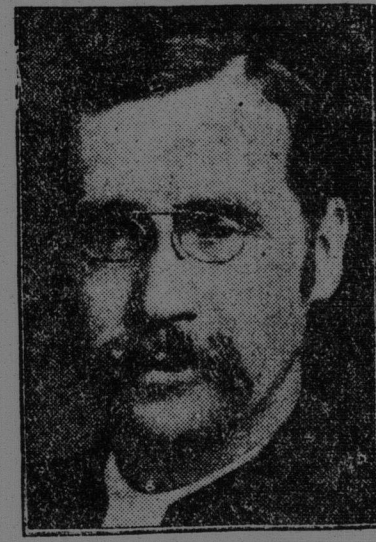
HON. J. FRANK HANLY, L. L. D.
Methodist Episcopal Church, Southern States. Picture taken on eightieth birthday.



REV. JOHN WALDEN, D. D.
Principal of Methodist Training School for Missions, Chicago. She is one of the several women delegates to the conference.



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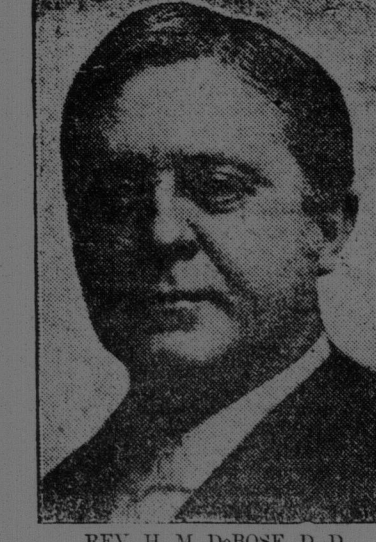
REV. HENRY HAIGH, D. D.
President of the British Wesleyan Conference, who preached the opening sermon.



REV. H. M. HAMILL, D. D., L. L. D.
of Nashville, Tenn., superintendent of the Sunday school Teacher Training School of Methodist Episcopal Church South.



J. A. W. AIKEN
of Winnipeg, one of the prominent delegates from Western Canada, which is well represented at the important gathering.



REV. H. M. DE-ROSE, D. D.
of Augusta, Georgia. Rev. Mr. DeRose is not only a preacher but an editor and an author as well.