

LA MARQUISE de FONTENAY

The Gold and Silver Sticks and the Rods of Various Colors—Police Court at Ascot—A Royal Picnic

King George has a number of human sticks at his disposal. They are not termed thus in any derogatory sense. On the contrary, the designation of Gold and Silver Sticks to His Majesty, are titles of high honor.

So, too, are the terms Black Rod, White Rod, Green Rod, Scarlet Rod, and now Blue Rod. The latter has more access to a recent issue of the official London Gazette, being bestowed by George V. on Sir William Bullfinch Hamilton, who for many years was chief clerk of the colonial office, has been the secretary of innumerable colonial conferences, and who was appointed by King Edward on his accession to be principal officer of arms to the Order of St. Michael and St. George. It is as such that he has been invested with the title of Blue Rod; probably because the predominant hue of the order, that is to say, of the mantle and of the ribbon, is of Saxon blue.

As Blue Rod, Sir Willis is entrusted with the organization of all ceremonies in connection with the Order of St. Michael and St. George, with the administration of its affairs, and with the care of its records. Green is the color of the ribbon and mantle of the Order of the Thistle, and that is why its officer of arms is termed Green Rod. He is the Earl of Mansfield, Charles George Barrington, formerly auditor of the royal civil list, and a relative of Lord Barrington and of Lord Grey, is known as Scarlet Rod, as officer of arms of the Order of the Bath, the ribbon and mantle of which are red.

There are two Black Rods, one of them, Admiral Sir Henry Stephenson, who is officer of arms to the Order of the Garter, and delegated by the king to remain in attendance on the House of Lords, at a salary from the latter of \$5,000 a year; while the other is Vincent Charlton, who is officer of arms to the Irish Order of St. Patrick.

This one is Maristable. Then one is White Rod, is a Scottish dignity of a most peculiar character. For it is not, like the others, in the gift of the sovereign, but has become an object of barter and purchase, and the White Rod, Sir George Anderson, president of the Bank of Scotland, and who makes his home at Edinburgh. The office was created by King William the Lion, of Scotland, who bestowed it upon his natural son, William de London.

Robert II., by a patent dated 1373, still in existence, bestowed the office of the White Rod of Scotland, upon Alexander de Cockburn, and his heirs. In 1577, the head of the house of Cockburn became bankrupt, and his barony of Langton, and his hereditary office of White Rod of Scotland, were sold by order of the court of sessions at Edinburgh, for the benefit of his creditors. Nine years later, the Cockburns managed to repurchase it, but were again obliged to sell it in 1791, the buyer on this occasion being Sir Archibald Campbell, who paid \$60,000 for the office.

In 1805 the office again came into the market, and was bought by William Walker of Coats, for his second son, Patrick, who appeared as White Rod of Scotland at the coronation of George IV. at Westminster Abbey. When he died, without issue, the dignity passed along with his estate to his two sisters, Barbara and Mary Walker, who left all their money to build the Episcopal cathedral church of St. Mary's at Edinburgh, and who founded for that object the Walker Trust.

It was as representative of the Walker Trust that Sir George Anderson officiated as White Rod of Scotland at the coronation of Edward VII., being knighted on a similar occasion, and will figure in similar capacity next week at the coronation of George V.

The Gold Sticks are Field Marshal Lord Grenfell and Field Marshal Sir Evelyn Wood, as colonels of the First Life Guards, and the Royal Horse Guards; while the Silver Sticks are the commanding lieutenants of these two regiments. All of them carry wands of office, tipped in the case of Gold and Silver Sticks, with gold and silver, while the rods are of the color designated by their name, and topped with the royal arms in gold, and are borne by their owners before the sovereign on all state occasions.

Court at Ascot. During the whole of this week Sir Albert de Rutzen, chief of the metropolitan police magistrates of London, will be absent from his world-famed and historic court of Bow street, of Covent Garden; for the scene of his judicial activities is transferred during the entire period of the Ascot races to the Ascot race-course.

Keep pure the mouth, the gateway of health. Mother, you should realize how unclean teeth destroy your child's health and prospects in life. Teeth not brushed every day decay, become tender, and the child cannot comfortably chew his food. Poor digestion means lack of nourishment to the little body; the blood becomes thin; the constitution weakens; the child is an easy victim to disease, suffering the while from the bitter pain of decaying teeth.

For generations children have loved SOZODONT. Its fragrance makes the tooth brush lesson easy. Its efficiency makes results certain. Made from the choicest and purest ingredients, and containing anti-septic of high merit, SOZODONT stands out pre-eminently the greatest of American dentifrices.

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STEEL TRUST OFFICIALS GIVING EVIDENCE IN INQUIRY



From left to right—Norman B. Ream, Judge E. H. Gary, Percival Roberts, and Richard Lindabury. These are the men who are giving facts to the United States Steel Corporation to the house committee in Washington. (Photograph, Underwood & Underwood, N. Y.)

ARE YOU ANAEMIC OR BLOODLESS?

If So, the Spring is a Most Trying Time for You

Your Hope Rests in Getting the Blood Rich and Red by Using

DR. CHASE'S NERVE FOOD

Shortness of breath and fatigue with slight exertion, failure of the vital organs to properly perform their functions, and pallor of the gums and eyelids, are among the indications of anaemia or bloodlessness. The blood is thinner and more watery in the spring than at any other season. For this reason the person who is subject to anaemia, or lack of blood, should use Dr. Chase's Nerve Food.

You must increase the number of red corpuscles in the blood, and this can be done by using Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. This great restorative treatment does not merely stimulate the system to renew itself, but it actually builds up the system. For this reason its benefits are both natural and permanent.

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The Evening Chit-Chat

By RUTH CAMERON

HEAR me if it just makes me feel wicked to be going into the country to enjoy myself while so many people have to stay all summer cooped up in miserable little flats and tenements in the hot city.

A very generous thought, that isn't it? So aware of the lady to remember her less fortunate brothers and sisters right in the midst of her own happiness.

That's what I thought—at first. Then I wondered. For the lady was going away for two months. During that time her home in the suburbs will be closed up—of no use to anyone.

Perhaps the five other families in our neighborhood who closed their pleasant homes for one or two months last summer, could not possibly have found through any agency some desirable family to enjoy their own homes during the summer months.

Will Close on August 10 and Half Million Deposit Must be Made—Hon. Mr. Pugsley Speaks of the Great Work Here and Elsewhere

In the Times this afternoon will be found an advertisement for tenders for harbor works in Courtenay Bay, including the construction of a breakwater, dredging for a channel and basin, for filling up the beach and for a dry dock and ship repairing plant.

Both the department of public works and the department of railways and canals are carrying on undertakings of the utmost importance to the transportation of the province.

THE SECRET. All true success is the outcome of real personal interest and genuine endeavor. You may be designing a battleship or you may be thinking out a bright idea for a 15 cent toy, controlling a commissariat or puzzling and experimenting with fruit and spices in order to perfect a new recipe for the home table, but the real road to success is just the same in one case as in each of the others.

Women Need sympathy and help when they are attacked by weakness and suffering. At times when Nature seems cruel and very hard—when depression and discouragement come—kind womanly friends may give sympathy.

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Little ailments are to be slight weaknesses of the heart for a simple reason that one thinks it will right itself, and therefore he neglects to make it. It is only when a "block" comes that the weakness of the heart becomes apparent.

Branch Lines. The agreement under which the government may require the Canadian Northern to deliver its traffic to the Intercolonial at Montreal is one of the very important to the future of the Maritime Provinces.

Public Works. "What about our own department of public works?" Dr. Pugsley was asked. "This department is also doing its largest part of the work in the province."

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