

# ABYSSINIAN THRONE \* ROYAL CHILDREN \* LORD ROBERTS' ARTICLE

## Princess Mary and Her Brothers See and Shudder in Dungeons of Castle



PRINCESS MARY OF ENGLAND

While at Norwich with Their Mother They Have Some Exciting Adventures with the Surviving Horrors of the Old Days of Torture—London Society Not Yet Very Lively.

(Special Dispatch.)

LONDON, Jan. 24. WEDDINGS in town and hunt and county balls in the country sum up the present doings of society. The King and Queen still are at Sandringham with their family. Prince and Princess Arthur of Connaught have gone to York, where the Prince will be on duty with his regiment for the next three months at least.

The royal children had a great day with the Queen at Norwich on Wednesday, where they made a private call on Bishop Follock. After luncheon Princess Mary, Prince Henry and the Princesses, with the palace gardener and saw the cathedral, where they were greatly interested in the memorial window to Miss Russell, aunt of Mr. H. P. Hansell, their tutor.

In their desire to see everything they had an exciting little adventure. They descended the steps from the palace kitchen into the dungeon, where still are to be seen the rings to which chains were attached for the fastening of prisoners.

While there the keepers closed the doors and turned out the lights, so the children had the opportunity of realizing what it was like to be confined in such a terrible prison. Then they went to the ramparts and witnessed more horrors in the form of instruments of torture, the official in charge reciting in a monotone the usual stereotypes of history without recognizing his charges to the great delight of the royal children.

King to Ride Again. It is expected there will be an influx of society before the beginning of February, when the King and Queen return to Buckingham Palace. It is understood that the King then intends to resume his series of morning rides in the park, and since society generally takes the lead from the sovereign, Rotten row is likely to enjoy a greater popularity for morning rides than hitherto.

The King, of course, takes these rides more from a sense of duty and upon the advice of Sir Francis Laking than from mere pleasure, as riding does not greatly appeal to him. From Dublin comes the report that there is likely to be a gay season there this year. The Lord Lieutenant and Lady Aberdeen already have begun to issue invitations for several afternoon receptions, and the first drawing room affair occurs at the Castle on February 4. Next Monday Lady Aberdeen is to give a children's party and entertainment at the Castle, when the youngsters will dance in St. Patrick's Hall and have tea in the adjoining picture gallery.

Lord and Lady Aberdeen also intend to be present at the Daffodil Ball in aid of the Dublin charities on February 2, as well as Lord and Lady Granard. Much interest is being taken in the civic exhibition which Lady Aberdeen is promoting in Dublin. It is to be arranged on American lines and will picture conditions of city life vastly improved by modernized sanitation, heating, lighting, cleaning, and so forth. In connection with the exhibition Lady Aberdeen has offered a prize of \$2,500 for a scheme for the reconstruction of the alum area of Dublin.

Princess and Duchess. While the Princesses of Pless and her sister, the Duchess of Westminster, have been drawing lots of money in aid of charity, appearing at performances in the new play "Pistole for Two," by "Tom" Gallon and Mr. Leon, along with professional players, including Mr. Arthur Bourchier and Mr. Olive Kelsey, at the Winter Gardens, Bournemouth, the Duke of Westminster has been entertaining a shooting party at Eaton Hall, Chester, his guests including the Duke and Duchess of Teck, Prince George of Teck, Lord and Lady Arthur Grosvenor, Lord and Lady Essex, Lady Iris Capell, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Wyndham, Major Ripard, Captain Richard Molyneux, Cap-



PRINCE HENRY OF ENGLAND



PRINCE GEORGE OF WALES

tain Harold Brassey, Captain Grenfell and Captain Ronald Graham-Murray. The Duchess of Roxburgh has been entertaining children on the Floors Castle estate. It is only a little while ago that these children subscribed for a present to the youthful Lord Bownmont of a spoon and silver porringer. The Dowager Duchess of Roxburgh, who stopped over for the new year at Floors Castle, has now returned to Broxmouth Castle.

Lady Valda Machell, who is a sister of Count Gleichen and daughter of Prince Victor Hohenlohe-Langenburg, caused a profound impression by singing the solos in Farmer's well known oratorio "Christ and His Soldiers" at Kirby Stephen Church. Lady Valda, who has a fine contralto voice, is the wife of Captain Percy Machell, the owner of Craekenthorpe Hall, near Appleby. Lord and Lady Barrymore, who have been passing Christmas and the New Year at Fota Island, Queenstown, are not yet done entertaining there, for they are giving a ball on January 29.

Americans in London. The American Ambassador, who has almost recovered from an attack of influenza, which happily proved slight, and Mrs. Page were present at a dinner given by Mr. John L. Griffiths, the American Consul General, on Monday to Senator James Hamilton Lewis. Several other American members of the Safety at Sea Conference and Mr. Sidney Buxton, president of the Board of Trade, also gave dinners to Senator Lewis. Among others present were Viscount Bryce and Mr. Winston Churchill. Mr. Ira Nelson Morris, United States Commissioner for the Panama-Pacific Ex-

## 'AN AMERICAN AMBASSADOR FOR AMERICANS' IDEA OF MR. GERARD IS VERY POPULAR WITH HIS COMPATRIOTS

In Carrying It Out the New Envoy in Berlin, When He Opens His Embassy, Does It to Admit and Receive a Group of Americans Instead of Representatives of German Diplomatic and Court Society—Other Americans Take Leading Parts in the Week's Doings.

(Special Dispatch.)  
BERLIN, Jan. 24. THE outstanding event of the week in American circles was the eleventh anniversary banquet of the American Association of Commerce and Trade at the Hotel Adlon on Wednesday. This annual event is considered more or less a family affair and, as on former occasions, was confined to the membership of the association and very few guests, among whom were the American Ambassador, the American Consul General, the two exchange professors, Professor Paul Shorey and Professor Archibald Coolidge; Mr. Joseph Clark Grew, Mr. William Spencer, Mr. Charles Ferguson, Mr. Harry B. Hirsch, of the Belmont Iron Company, of Philadelphia; Dr. R. W. Dressler and Dr. Berthling, of the Amerika Institut, and Mr. Henry Theobald, president of the Computing Scale Company, of Toledo, Ohio.

Mr. Isaac Wolf, Jr., president of the association, who presided, emphasized the importance of keeping ever in mind the two controlling maxims of international relations as set forth by the secretary, the Golden Rule and the open door. "In the annual report of the association just issued," Mr. Wolf said, "Mr. George Atwood, the permanent secretary, has some pertinent advice to give to American firms wishing to increase their export trade, the crux of the situation in the address being that American firms should send out bright, promising young men to study conditions in foreign countries. The salesman who can converse in the language of the country has an immense advantage over one who is tagged around by a guide or a translator."

"An American Ambassador for Americans" was the chief note struck by Mr. James W. Gerard in his first public utterance made after coming to Berlin, and his statement found very concrete confirmation this week in the fact that the first time the doors of the new embassy swung open it was to admit, not a gathering from court and diplomatic society, but a body of the Ambassador's compatriots. Officially the occasion was the annual meeting of the American Benevolent Association, but Mr. and Mrs. Gerard took the opportunity of extending the hospitality of the embassy to about one hundred and fifty Americans allied with this philanthropic cause.

The formal business of the afternoon was disposed of in the magnificent ballroom of the embassy, with the Consul General, Mr. Thackara, retiring president of the Managerial Board, in the chair. After the name of Mr. Joseph Clark Grew, Secretary of the embassy, had been proposed and voted upon as the successor of Mr. Thackara, the remaining members of the Board were re-elected unanimously. Mr. Frederick Wile will serve again as vice president; Mr. W. Alton Derrick as treasurer, and Dr. Alice H. Lucas, Mrs. S. H. McFadden, Mrs. Morris Cottlow, Mr. Frederick W. King, Dr. John H. Cleves Symmes and Mr. S. B. Conger are the Investigating Committee. Ex officio members are the American Ambassador and the pastor of the American Church.

Receiving Days. The list has been sent from the Lord Chamberlain's office indicating the official reception days throughout the season of the wives of the Cabinet Ministers, Ambassadors and Ministers Plenipotentiary. Countess Brockdorff, mistress of the house of the German Embassy, is receiving three days each week, as this frequency is made necessary by the fact that every one expecting to participate in the defileur cour or the later court functions must first pay respects to this recognized social arbiter. She often receives as many as 500 persons in one afternoon, and is assisted in her task by Fraulein Gundorf, first lady in waiting.

According to this list Mrs. Gerard, wife of the American Ambassador, will not be receiving until February, this delay being necessitated by the still incomplete state of the new embassy. She then will have Monday as her official day. German aristocracy is leisurely getting back to Berlin in time to participate in the round of court festivities. Count and Countess Adalbert Sierstorff are again in their Berlin apartment. The Count now has fully recovered from the automobile accident which befell him en route from his Rheinfelden estate. Count and Countess Johanna Sierstorff have taken up their winter residence in the Hotel Bristol. Home for the Winter. Prince Stolberg Verneigerode, Prince Salm-Salm and Prince Salm-Reifferscheidt are among habitual stoppers at the Hotel Esplanade for the court season. The Prince and Princess of Pless, Prince and Princess Biron von Cortlandt, Marquise Françoise de Jancourt of Paris, the Prince and Princess of Schoenburg-Waldenburg and Count and Countess von Maltzan-Militich, with their charming daughters, who were introduced to society at a large ball given at the Hotel Adlon last season, Baron von Wasenheim, the newly appointed master of ceremonies, the Landgrave of Hessen, Countess Schaffgotsch, Count Marshall von Yory, Count and Countess von Rentvold, Count and Countess Sarma, Count and Countess Guido Otto Henckel von Donnersmarck will occupy their customary apartments at the Adlon. It is doubtful if the town palace of the last named family, in the Pariserplatz, will be opened this season, as the venerable head of the house is eighty-three years old and Prince Guido has not yet sufficiently recovered from his late serious illness to leave the quiet of his country home in Silesia. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Clark Grew entertained at dinner on Tuesday Mr. Edwin V. Morgan, American Ambassador to

Brazil, now in Berlin, on his way back from St. Moritz, where he was one of the first at the opening of the winter sports season. Among those invited by Mr. and Mrs. Grew to meet Mr. Morgan were Mrs. Arthur Claffen and Miss Gertrude Claffen, of New York; Mrs. James N. Winslow and Mr. L. Lanier Winslow. There was dancing afterward, participated in by additional guests.

Mrs. Stille's Dinner. Another dinner and dance of the week was given by Mr. and Mrs. Hermann Stille, who had among their guests many distinguished persons from high military circles and the German world of art and letters. Mrs. Stille has left for Celerina, where she will be joined by Frau Otto Eysler, also of Berlin. An illustrated lecture on Yellowstone Park was given by the Rev. Dr. A. A. Pfanzstiel, pastor of the Highland Park Presbyterian Church, of Chicago, and attracted a large audience to the American Church on Tuesday. The silver offering taken at the door will be applied to the Parish House Fund, which is being slowly accumulated toward the erection of a social centre for American students in Berlin. The fund in hand amounts to something like \$13,000.

Berlin opera-goers are still under the sway of the "Parsifal" production at the Royal Opera, and so unprecedented has been the application for tickets that fourteen successive performances have been found to be entirely inadequate to meet the demand. By consent of the Kaiser the "Parsifal" period will be extended until January 25, at which time the work must be taken off to make way for the command performance of Meyerbeer's "Eufonia," the first act of which will form the gala opera to close the Kaiser's Birthday festivities on January 27. The Kaiser again witnessed "Parsifal" coming in for the last act to join Prince and Princess Eitel-Friedrich, whose appearance together in public is considered a refutation of persistent reports concerning an approaching separation.

## SYNTHETIC GEMS START ARGUMENT AMONG DEALERS

London Experts Discuss the Merits of the Jewels That Are Easily Manufactured but Difficult to Detect from Genuine Article.

(Special Dispatch.)  
LONDON, Jan. 24. THE "Synthetic Sapphires Case," as it has been called, has aroused wonderment and comment among the uninitiated. Mr. C. Mathew, a Hatton Garden expert in precious stones, has declared that synthetic sapphires can be bought by the bushel, in all shapes and sizes, for about a dollar each, but other experts are not disposed to go quite so far. "There are, of course, very considerable quantities of synthetic gems to be obtained," a famous dealer said in reply to inquiries. "But," he added, "not in bushels." "What are the principal stones to be aware of?" "Rubies, sapphires and emeralds. Some of these synthetic gems are wonderfully well done, and it is very difficult indeed to detect the fraud. My advice to the public is to deal with reputable houses only when buying stones." At the Piccadilly Gem Box, where pearls and precious stones of every description gleam and glitter, the manager advised that rubies, sapphires and emeralds were the stones to be most carefully scrutinized if their history was not fully known. "Are these synthetic stones difficult to detect?" "For any one but an expert, certainly, and I have not the slightest doubt that in many cases reputable firms unwittingly pass them as real stones. They are usually small stones, and may have been manufactured in France, or even in Birmingham." "Then they are sent out to India and return as part of parcels of genuine rubies, sapphires, or emeralds. Reconstructed rubies have, I am sure, often been sold for real stones without either seller or purchaser being any the wiser."

## Knowledge That Is Not in Books

'Howlers' About Gongs, Cows, Monks and Other Amusing Quotations by British Schoolboys.

(Special Dispatch.)  
LONDON, Jan. 24. UNDEUL knowledge among schoolboys has seldom reached such a delicious pitch as in a "howler," quoted in the University Correspondent this week. It is as follows: "Gong is the masculine of belle and vixen. Rhoses of Sunday school treats are sold in sixes. The mineral wealth of a country is ginsed beer and lemonade. And a smattering of modern topics had evidently been acquired by the young hopefuls who wrote: "An appendix is a portion of a book which nobody has yet discovered to be of any use." The flannellette 'perli means petticoat government. Other amusing "howlers" quoted include: "Much butter is imported from Denmark because Danish cows have greater enterprise and superior technical education to ours. Finally James II gave birth to a son, and so the people turned him off the throne. After twice committing suicide, Cowper lived till 1800, when he died a natural death. The tropic of cancer is a painful and incurable disease. When Chaucer describes the Princess as amiable of port he means that she was fond of wine. When the last French attack at Waterloo proved a failure Napoleon turned very pale and rode at full gallop to St. Helena. The Mediterranean and the Red Sea are joined by the Sewage Canal. Milton was called the father of English poetry because he was blind, and his daughter did the writing for him. The Minister of War is the clergyman who preaches to the soldiers in the barracks. Woman's suffrage is the state of suffering in which they were born. A candidate for the civil service must be a neutralized British subject. The immortal William is a phrase applied to the German Emperor. Julius Caesar was murdered in the Cinema House. Milton wrote "Sampson the Agnostic." The circulation of the blood was invented by Martin Harvey. A problem is a figure which you do things with which are absurd, and then you prove it. People are vaccinated by being inarticulate with lint. A synonym is a word you can use when you don't know how to spell the one you first thought of. Before a man can become a monk he has to have his tonsils cut. Chaucer's Equivocal. It's easy enough to be pleasant, and to spend all your time being jolly; but the man worth while is the man who can smile. When his wife finds a letter signed "Dolly,"

## Lord Roberts on Army Difficulties

100,000 Fewer Soldiers in Course of Last Ten Years—How to Solve Problem of Recruiting.

(Special Dispatch.)  
LONDON, Jan. 24. AN article by Lord Roberts on the difficulties and duties of the regular army appears in a recent issue of the London Saturday Review. Lord Roberts shows that only by national service can the ranks of the regular army be filled, and he sums up his argument in the following paragraphs: "It is clear that we cannot allow matters to drift any longer. In the course of the last ten years our soldiers, trained and partially trained, have fallen in numbers by over 100,000 men. Unless the system is maintained, the Army Council has been driven to resort to advertising in the daily papers for recruits, and a big contract for the purpose has been placed in the hands of an enterprising advertising agent. "Though I am convinced that nothing short of soldiers of good character being given hope of employment on their return to civil life will give us the number of recruits annually required, I see no objection to this measure, for in these days of serious competition every one must cry his wares aloud and attract attention to any post which he has to offer, and I do think that there can be no better method of placing the advantages of an army career before a lad than by putting him through a course of army training. "The great merit of such a training would be that the lad would test the life for himself, and in joining the army he would do so with his eyes open. If recruits were not obtained in sufficient numbers after every able bodied youth had seen for himself what an army career was like, it would be obvious to every one in the country that there was something wrong with the regular army as a career—and the country would insist on it that the defects should be remedied. "In short, if we adopt universal training for home defence we shall not only solve the problem of recruiting for the regular army, but we shall possess military forces which will provide for the safety of the United Kingdom, the defence of the possessions of the Crown, and the preservation of the balance of power in Europe." Soldiers of prominent military officers and War Office officials will be present at an invitation dinner at the first public presentation of the British Army film at the Palace Theatre on Monday, January 26. The film has been taken for purposes of advertising the army and stimulating recruiting. It was recently shown by command before the King and Queen, at Sandringham. Colonel Sir Edward Ward, Under Secretary of State for War, will preside at the inaugural luncheon which will precede the matinee, and it was at his suggestion that Mr. Alfred Butt and Messrs. Keith, Frowse & Co., who own the picture, decided to invite to the upper part of the house for this performance detachments of various regiments.

## Heir to the Throne of Abyssinia, Lidj Jeassu, Is at Addis-Abeba

Son of Ras Michael Arrives at Capital from Home of Father. MINISTER OF WAR GOES ON MISSION

Changes Are Very Likely in the Ethiopian Cabinet of the New Monarch. (Special Dispatch.)  
ADDIS-ABEBA, Jan. 24. LIDJ JEASSU, heir to the throne of Abyssinia, has at last returned to Addis-Abeba. For months he had been stopping at Dessie, the residence of his father, Ras Michael. His return to the capital was immediately followed by the leaving of the influential and powerful Minister of War, Fitawrari Apte Giorgis, who was sent to the western provinces in order to settle a frontier question with the Anglo-Egyptian authorities. He also will have to look into the circumstances that led to and followed the assassination of an Englishman in the west, at Boroma. It is said that this mission is not much to the liking of Apte Giorgis, whose absence is much regretted by natives and foreigners alike. It is also rumored that other changes are likely to occur in the composition of the Ethiopian Cabinet.

Lidj Jeassu, who is to become the new Negus of Abyssinia, is the grandson of the late Emperor Menelik, a son of his daughter and Ras Michael, of Wollo, one of the Emperor's chief feudatory lords. He was born in 1897 and was proclaimed heir to the throne by the Emperor Menelik himself in 1908. "In short, if we adopt universal training for home defence we shall not only solve the problem of recruiting for the regular army, but we shall possess military forces which will provide for the safety of the United Kingdom, the defence of the possessions of the Crown, and the preservation of the balance of power in Europe." Soldiers of prominent military officers and War Office officials will be present at an invitation dinner at the first public presentation of the British Army film at the Palace Theatre on Monday, January 26. The film has been taken for purposes of advertising the army and stimulating recruiting. It was recently shown by command before the King and Queen, at Sandringham. Colonel Sir Edward Ward, Under Secretary of State for War, will preside at the inaugural luncheon which will precede the matinee, and it was at his suggestion that Mr. Alfred Butt and Messrs. Keith, Frowse & Co., who own the picture, decided to invite to the upper part of the house for this performance detachments of various regiments.

## WIDOW OF PEER ENTERS CONVENT IN EDINBURGH

True Romance, Which Reads Like Fiction, Recalled When Lady Lyveden, Who Was Once a Shop Girl, Leaves Society for Cloister.

(Special Dispatch.)  
LONDON, Jan. 24. A FASCINATING romance of the peerage is recalled by the report that Julia, Lady Lyveden, has entered a convent in Edinburgh. Seventeen years ago Lady Lyveden was a pretty assistant of eighteen in a fancy shop at Eastbourne. Miss Julia Kate Emery, as she was then, attracted the attention of the late Lord Lyveden, who was seventy-seven years old and an invalid. He fell in love with her and was drawn to his bath chair every day to the shop. After fulfilling an engagement as secretary to the aged peer Miss Emery con-

sent at length to accept her patron's name and coronet, and in 1890 the marriage took place at All Souls' Church, Hastings. The marriage lasted only four years, the late peer dying in 1900, and as there was no issue the title passed to a nephew, the present peer. Eight years later the widow became engaged to Mr. Henry Hugh Maclean, but the engagement was broken off. The present Lord Lyveden has had a most adventurous career, having been in a ship's steward. When he was roughing it in America, without any apparent prospect of becoming a peer, he looked over a cable and earned a precarious living as a stab driver.

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James Marshall, Caledonia Road Serious Lo

HAMILTON, Ont., Jan. early Sunday morning a large barn on the Cal-Edon Ryckman's corner, an loss of several thousand to Carlton Fletcher, who building from James M. teen head of cattle and a horses lost their lives in the barns and its conten implements, thirty tons other stuff, being totally A man was seen running the place, and an empty the indicated that a man sleeping in the place. This time that Marshall, the building, has suffered heavy fire to his buildings, and dering if some enemy ivenge on him.

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## AN ELECT

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