

DUKE'S COUSINS AS BRIDESMAIDS



Two cousins of the Duke of York will act as bridesmaids to Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon. They are Lady Mary Cambridge on the left, she is engaged to marry the Marquis of Worcester, a chum of the Prince of Wales; and Lady May Cambridge on the right. Their resemblance to Princess Mary is noticeable.

Suspect Confesses To Fortune Teller

Court Accepts Testimony in Arson Case—Same Community Hanged Woman for Same Thing 100 Years Ago.

London, March 30.—(By Mail).—A recent sensational divorce case was remarkable for the evidence of a woman who called herself a "psychologist" and other people in court used the harsh word "fortune teller." In fact, she was consulted by the respondent in the divorce case as such, and the piece of news she "revealed by vibrations" eventually led to one of the most interesting and sensational matrimonial suits of modern times.

Now we have a case at Lampeter, where evidence was given against a man accused of arson by a woman, who was consulted by him before his case had been heard in court, says "The Cardiff Times and South Wales Weekly News." It appears he went to the woman and asked her to "look through the cards for him." She did so, and he then inquired if things "looked black against him." She replied, after studying the cards, "They are not very clear." Following this he is alleged to have made a confession. The woman in court detailed what the man told her as evidence against him—a very part of Wales—at Pen Cadre, to a certain farmer was accused by a woman of being the father of a certain child. Pressed as to how she knew the name of the father the woman said that it was revealed to her by the cards. When upon she was accused of being a "witch," and went through the classic and unpleasant ordeal of "proof by water." She was bound hand and foot, taken to a pond, and cast in. As she sank three times she was declared a witch by the malice of the devil and left to drown.

As a matter of fact, justice has often been helped by presumed magical means, although, of course, upon inspection the magic will prove merely the exploitation of human credulity and human superstition.

A good many years ago a gentleman called upon Madame Blancy, a sybil famous through fashionable London, for her "Revealing of Fate" by card telling. He was an utter stranger to her. The sybil arranged the pasteboard according to the Egyptian wheel pattern, and looking up, said: "Your wife is dead!" With an ashen face the man fell upon his knees and said dramatically: "My sin has been found out!" Then, to the astonishment of the woman, he detailed minutely the murder of his wife, which had taken place by unsuspected poison. At the conclusion he left. The police were informed, but before the man could be arrested he had committed suicide. Investigation proved his wife had died of poison.

A rather similar case is mentioned by Lombroso, the criminologist, in his "Fear and Confession."

A wealthy countess in Florence died suddenly and was buried. Her husband appeared overwhelmed with grief. Soon afterward he married his ward. At a party one day a woman, who was supposed to have a clairvoyant gift, offered to tell fortunes by cards. The husband was laughingly pressed to submit. He appeared agitated, but through the fear of ridicule consented. Examining the cards "You are a bad man—you have something buried that haunts you!" speaking jealously.

SPAIN GIVES MODEL OF SANTA MARIA TO ENGLAND

London, April 23.—An exact model of Columbus' ship, the "Santa Maria," has been given by Spain to the British Government and was recently exhibited for the first time at one of the London science museums.

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A LUBRICANT—NOT A LAXATIVE

One Who Performed Ceremony Tells of Bernhardt Wedding

Service at Which Great Actress Became Bride of French Actor Was Long Profound Secret.

London, March 29.—(By Mail).—Interesting details of Mme. Sarah Bernhardt's secret marriage in 1882 are given me by the Rev. W. Greenwood, who has been vicar of St. Benedict's, Cambridge, for the last sixteen years.

reports "The Westminster Gazette." Doubt as to the scene of the wedding has been raised by a statement that she was married at the Greek Consulate in London. Mr. Greenwood, who himself officiated at the ceremony, confirms the statement of "The Westminster Gazette" on Tuesday that she was married to M. Damala, who was a member of her company, at the Church of St. Andrew's, Wells Street, London.

"I remember the occasion well," Mr. Greenwood told me today. "Nobody knew anything about the marriage until it was over and then there was a great stir—it was like a bolt from the blue. St. Andrew's, Wells Street, was at that time one of the best known of London churches, and I was a curate."

"The date of the marriage was 4 April, 1882. I was on duty on that



particular week. I had just finished taking the ten o'clock service when the

verger told me that two people were waiting to be married. He produced the license, which I think, had been issued from Doctors' Commons. I, of course, at once recognized the names, as at that time the Divina Sarah was wonderfully popular.

"I married them in the ordinary way, and the only unusual feature was that they did not appear to know much about the English service. As far as my memory serves me, the only person present, besides the contracting parties, the verger, and myself, was Sarah Bernhardt's manager, whose name, I believe, was Meyer. After the ceremony they came into the vestry to sign the book, and I will remember that Sarah Bernhardt gave me a most wonderful bow. I accepted an invitation to the wedding breakfast, which was held in a house in Berners Street, which I

think was Mr. Meyer's. "The secret of the marriage had apparently been well kept. There was a big fuss when the news leaked out, and I was besieged by all sorts of people."

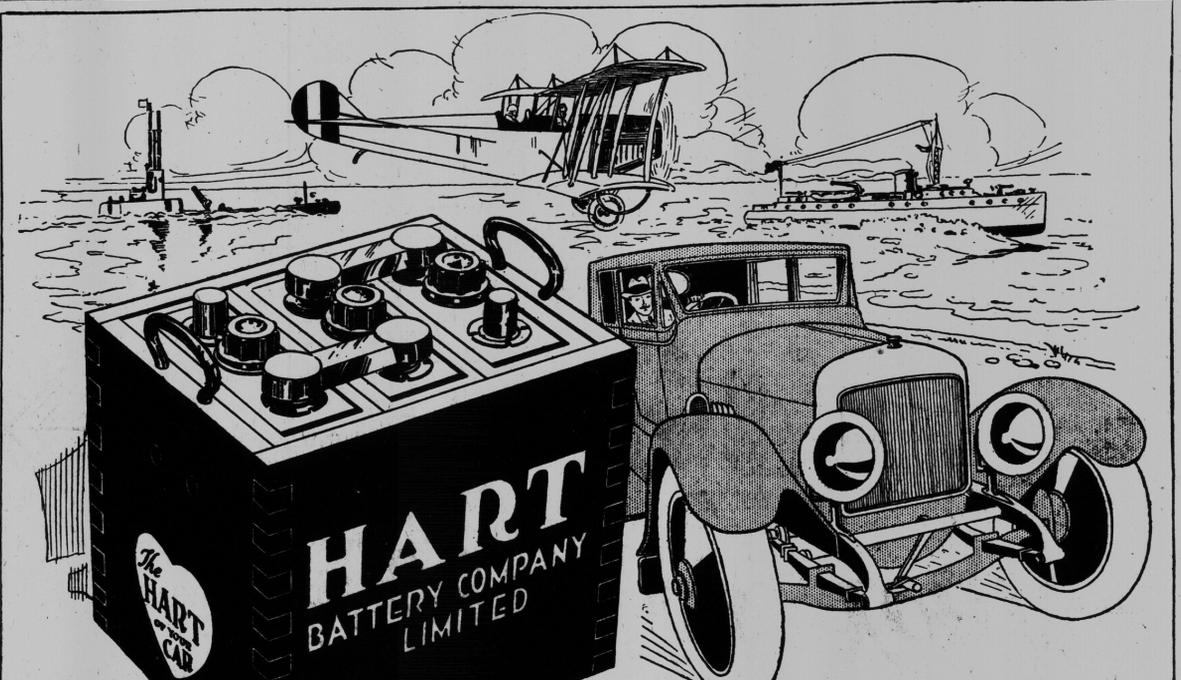
"When Mme. Bernhardt returned from her honeymoon she sent me a box-ticket for her first performance in London, but although I have seen her act many times, I never met her personally again."

Mr. Greenwood is interested in the reported ceremony at the Greek Consulate, and would welcome any definite information on the subject. If another ceremony was gone through, he points out that it must have been before 10 o'clock in the morning, or after the wedding breakfast, which was held in a house in Berners Street, which I



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