Interesting Gossip About Notable Men and Women.

BY THE MARQUISE DE FONTENOY.

The Sir William Macgregor whose French Government became aware that death has just taken place at Bristol is for several years prior to the conflict, not the famous colonial governor of that name, but a baronet who some that name, but a baronet who some that name, but a baronet who some acted as a secret agent of Prince Bismann and the sound and during its earlier stages, she had not not the sound and during its earlier stages, she had not not the sound and during its earlier stages, she had not not the sound and during its earlier stages, she had not not the sound and during its earlier stages, she had not the sound and during its earlier stages, she had not the sound and during its earlier stages, she had not the sound and during its earlier stages, she had not the sound and during its earlier stages, she had not the sound and during its earlier stages, she had not the sound and during its earlier stages, she had not the sound and during its earlier stages, she had not the sound and during its earlier stages, she had not the sound and during its earlier stages, she had not the sound and during its earlier stages, she had not sound and during its earlier stages. that name, but a baronet who some years ago attracted a good deal of notoriety in connection with the discovery that he was an immate of the work-louse at West Ham, in the east end of house at West Ham, in the east end of London. As soon as this fact became known, and it was likewise revealed known it was a bachelor, he was overknown, and it was likewise revealed their country by discussing its anares that he was a bachelor, he was over- and even its secrets in her presence. Her beauty was superior even to her fact of his being a sufferer of locomotor ataxia being regarded as in his favor ataxia. rather than otherwise, since it virtually Count Henckel Donnersmarck became assured early widowhood and matriassured early widowhood and matrimonial freedom to any woman who
wedded him for the sake of his title. A
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matrimonial freedom to a fre matrimonial agency opened communication with him, and he was informed cation with him, and he was informed sent to the union in deference to the Bismarck, who had a wealthy American woman was arguments of Prince Bismarck, who calmly when you are looking at me?" of marrying a titled Englishman, and after considerable negotiation an agreement was prepared by the law-agreement was prepared by the law-yers, in which it was stipulated that Sir William was to receive \$20,000 in cash on the wedding day. The arrange Sir William was to receive \$20,000 in French friends to denounce her as a man hastily. Heaver cash on the wedding day. The arrange-traitress. Paris became unpleasant to narrow escape then." cash on the wedding day. The arrangement, however, fell through at the last moment, because the lady in question demanded a duke, and would accept no demanded a duke, and would accept no one with an inferior title. As he had one with an inferior title, as he had one with an inferior title, as he had one with an inferior title. meanwhile rejected the other offers he abode of Empress Eugenie, the same St. was as badly off as before.

A little later the maiden daughters of by the servants of Empress Eugenie, the same St. Cloud from which she had been ejected by the servants of Empress Eugenie,

younger of them, ambitious to share his title, arranged for a marriage with him, but changed her mind at the last moment and induced her eldest sister Alice to conver the near the formula of the furniture in ones. Alice to conver the near the furniture in ones. A little later the maiden daughters of by the servants of Empress Eugenie, the late Capt, Gulliver of the royal as above described. She likewise revenuely heard of his plight and the venged herself upon the empress by him, but changed her mind at the last nurniture of Eugenie's private boudoir, at the Tuilleries, the furniture in question being distributed in the hogpens Alice, however, came to an un- of the principal farms at Neudeck. derstanding with Sir William, and they were quietly married shortly afterwere quietly married shortly after-wards at Southmead, and went to live by some malady which robbed her of her loveliness of face and form, and like that other celebrated beauty of

Lady Macgregor was not rich, but the Napoleonic era, the Countess de nevertheless comfortably off, and Sir Castiglionne, she withdrew into the utnevertneless comfortably off, and Sir Castiglionne, she withdrew into the uthing else? William therefore spent the last few most seclusion, allowing no one, not thing else? "I don't years of his life in what must have even her husband, to come near her, "I don't years of his life in what must have even her husband, to come hear her, seemed to him as luxury when compared with the destitution and starvation that had landed him in the West while servants who had the misfortune tion that had landed him in the West Ham workhouse. He was about 58 years of age, though his silvered hair and beard made him look considerably older, and was the fourth of his line, the first baronet, his great-grandfather, the first baronet, his great-grandfather, having been Sir Patrick Maggregor, the the first paronet, his great-grandfather, having been Sir Patrick Macgregor, the physician of King George IV., and of physician of King George IV., and of physician of King George IV., and of physician of King George IV. his brother, the Duke of York. The has a son, to whom old Prince Bishis brother, the Duke of York. The mas a son, to whom old Prince Bis marck stood god-father.

of the Ninety-second Highlanders, and of the Ninety-second Highlanders, and the third baronet, father of Sir William, was a clergyman and one of the canons of Bristol Cathedral. Sir William was a clergyman and one of the canons of Bristol Cathedral. Sir William was a clergyman and one of the canons of Bristol Cathedral. Sir William was a clergyman and the control of the canons of Bristol Cathedral. liam was educated at Haileybury Col-lege, served for a time in the army, and lost what little money he had in and lost what little money he had in wildcat schemes in the city. He was implicated in the Queen Victoria Jubilee syndicate swindle in 1897. But the with the present Emperor. evidence produced in court brought to evidence produced in court brought to light the fact that the promoters of the light the fact that the promoters of the nefarious scheme had used him as an innocent tool for the sake of his title, and, while they were sentenced to long and, while they were sentenced to long terms of penal servitude, he was acterms of penal servit Charles Macgregor, lived, he made him ton the Russian Government maint Charles Macgregor, lived, he made him a small allowance, but this ceased with his death. The baronetcy is inherited by a nephew, Cyril Macgregor, son of a by a nephew, Cyril Macgregor, son of a lights and luxurious furniture and hangings being palaces of ease for weary younger brother, and who is now about

ingnes and fuxurious furniture and nangings, being palaces of ease for weary legislators and senators. These fascinating sirens then dictate in whispers what laws shall or shall not be passed by Congress. The other Sir William Macgregor, governor of Newfoundland, is one of the most remarkable of the most governor of Newtoundiand, is one of the British the most remarkable men of the British colonial service, both physically and intores and legislators who bask in the supplicit of their faccinations. While tellectually, and, indeed, his Herculean strength has contributed in no small degree to impress the savages over whom he has been called upon to rule in the past with a sense of the over whom he has been called upon to rule in the past with a sense of the power of the British empire. He is the only colonial governor to wear the Albert medal, which is the civilian counterpart of the Victoria cross, which he received for a wonderfully heroic rescue of the crew and passengers of the steamship Syria, when it was wrecked at the foot of the Fiji Islands.

Prince Donnersmarck, who has comes oprominently before the public in connection with his contribution of two particularly in Paris, London, Berlin, burticularly in Paris, London, and even at such burticularly in Paris, London, and Rome, and even at such burticularly in Paris, London, and Rome, and Rome, and even at such burticularly in Paris, London, and Rome, and Rome, and even at such butticularly in Paris, London, and Rome, and Rome, and Rome, and Ro

so prominently before the public in con-nection with his contribution of two method with his contribution of two Russian official representatives abro-Russian official representatives abromection with his contribution of the Kaiser's million marks towards the Kaiser's are so reluctant to express themselves fund for assisting army officers in concerning anyone about whom they are straightened circumstances, and as the exponent at Paris of the Emperor's views on the subject of Morocco, probably knows France and French statesably knows France and more intimately than better and more intimately than any other includer of the German arise tocracy or official world. Colossally rich, he was formerly, as Count Guido of Henckel Donnersmarck, one of the most favored habitues of the Tuileries during the last few years of the reign of Napoleon III., and often used to lead of Napoleon III., and often used to lead the cotillions at Empress Eugenie's celebrated Mondays. While apparently devoting himself to frivolity, he kept well born, and more discreet, who are any other member of the German arisebrated Mondays. While apparently devoting himself to frivolity, he kept both his ears and his eyes open, and became a frequenter of the salons of that extraordinary woman, the Marthal extraordinary woman, the Marthal extraordinary woman, the marking do Palva (in that superb mansion). that extraordinary woman, the Marquise de Paiva, in that superb mansion of hers in the Champs Elysee, which is now the home of the Paris Travelers' Club, to which so many Americans be-

The Marquise de Paiva, like her sister, who afterward married the Marquis de Noailles, formerly French enquis de Noailles, the figh-principled and universally enquis de Noailles, Father Luis Coloma, who was summon Paiva to marry her. He shortly afterward blew out his brains when he realized the shame that he had brought upon his house by such a match. This upon his house by such a match. This did not however prevent her salon in his head and unconscious. For several upon his house by such a match. This Coloma was found with a revolver bullet did not, however, prevent her salon in his head and unconscious. For several weeks he hovered between life and death, and when at length he recovered he van and when at length he recovered he van ished, and ere long it became known that

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mons was interrupted, and Don Luis was sent away from the capital to the house of his order in the rovinces.

Debarred from saying what he had to say from the pulpit, Father Coloma sets to work to pursue the mission which had imposed upon himself by means of his pen, and ere long Madrid society was under through a succession of articles in Spanish reviews that he was a ticles in Spanish reviews that he was a torceful writer.

The climax came when he published his novel, entitled "Pequeneces," which may be translated as "Mere Trifles," the title being derived from the manner in which the great world at Madrid was accustom the great world at Madrid was accuse its members realize that there is because its members

HIS FRANK OPINION.

"Turn around," requested the young man settling his eyeglasses a little more "As have." "Not firmly on his nose. "No, I mean to one particle of influence over you in any side. I want to get the profile. H'm-n. way. Now, face me again. Close your eyes. How can I exercise my judgment

"If you had taken a step forward you might have walked into the table and smashed something.'

"I think, perhaps, it will do if you just fix your eyes on the bookcase. I don't want to be tempted beyond my strength. Your chin up a trifle, please." "Strange!" said the young man, musingly. "I believe I was. But on the other hand you were looking at me

nstead of at the bookcase." "Well, hurry then; I don't want to stand here on exhibition all day. Do you like it or don't you?" "You really want my opinion?" "Do you suppose I've been sanding

here posing for ten minutes for any-"I don't know. I wasn't sure. I mean, of course, that I wasn't sure that you attached a particular value

"Make your mind easy. I really want your opinion. I'm not above getting hints from everybody. Mr. Canlow thinks it's perfectly stunning—the most becoming thing he ever saw me

"Well, you certainly are not." wear. "Above getting hints from anybody

So he's been here, has he?" "He happened to call—yes." "And you got out your millinery show him?" "Don't be absurd and don't look at

"No, I think he called to see me." "But mother took it for granted that he came to see her, for she stayed and visited with him. Perhaps it was be-

Mention of the Marquise de Paiva and

It would be interesting to learn the

Nor is Russia the only Government that

cause I winked at her."
"Bless her dear heart," said the young man, fervently, "She's a jewel."
"Well, what do you think of it?" "See here, I don't want to decide on thing like that too hastily. What do you think of it yourself?"
"I'm not glong to help you a bit.
You seem to have a mind of your own about some things.'

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"I like that. Who made me give up smoking, I'd like to know, and who induced me to sit out a symphony concert?"

"You said you enjoyed it beyond

anything."
"So I did. My pipes were the one solace I had on earth before I met you. solace I had on eith before I met you. Enjoyment is too mild a name for it. meant the concert." "Well, enjoyment isn't too mild

"I'm disappointed in you," said the girl in a changed tone. "I really did believe you liked it.
"I did. Truly, I did." declared the
young man, hastily. "I don't know
when I've liked anything more. It believe you liked it. was the first time I had ever sat next

"It's quite a hat, all right."
"That's what it was represented to

"Ye-es, Couldn't be any mistake about it, could there? Of course, it basn't a crown, but then it has a decided brim to it, and they don't put feathers on a muff, do they? Well, as to that hat—. Turn around full face "I've turned around until I'm tired."

"You say Canlow liked it?" "Well, I don't." he girl removed the hatpins with an

offended air and then took off the hat offended air and then took off the nat and laid it on the table.

"There!" said the young man, triumphantly. "You see for yourself. Canlow's an ass—an idiot. He couldn't discriminate, that's all. Now, when you first put that thing on and turned to me it made me fairly giddy. But I to me it made me fairly giddy. But I wasn't going to let my enthusiasm run away with my judgment. "Well, you don't think it become

"Not a particle," said the young man, coolly. "Just look at it there. Did you ever see a more lopsided, idiotic futile nightmare? Become you! No, but you become it, all right! There on the table it's all that I said it was, but— Here, let me put it on again. but --. Here, let me put it on again. Now, it's a dream of elegance and beauty. It is and it isn't. Considered as a part of your toilet and attached to you it's a seven-times winner. The charm that radiates from you transforms and transfigures it. It would make any derby look sweet and coquettish if you put it on, But as a hat Well, I scorn to flatter a hat."

"Keep it on," said the young man.
"I've got the tickets right in my pocket and a cab outside."—Chicago News.

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Every now and then the swinging ing, after a terrible rainstorm, one signboard creaked and groaned as if it were determined to attract attention. a thin, weak-looking fellow, with his And it was usually successful. In addition to the name of the inn, it bore a weather-worn representation of something that faintly resembled an over-

grown soldier's knapsack. "What does that signify?" inquired a traveler, glancing up at the picture. "Ah! They don't carry things of that sort nowadays," answered the gray-haired landlord, pointing to a pile of commercial travelers' sample cases, but the 'road boys' were not such aristocrats when I was younger. Then, they used 'packs' just like you see pictured up there I was a bit hard on our ever cross my threshold, I carried his turned up there I was a bit hard on our ever cross my threshold, I carried his

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did not, however, prevent her salon did not, however, prevent her salon from being frequented by all the most from being frequented by all the most statesmen, most brilliant clubmen, foreign ambassadors, French government officials, and palace dignitaries, ernment officials, and palace dignitaries, ward president of the republic, and the was inflicted by all the ward president of the republic, and the variety of the

of the tribe came to my house and asked for shelter for the night. He was face covered by a huge ragged beard, He carried on his back an enormously lang and heavy pack, and seemed see exhausted with his heavy tramp through the mire, that I hadn't the heart to do more than order him off the "That was pretty hard, said the lis-

tener.
"I suppose it was. The peddler seeme

tured up there. I was a bit hard on one of them long ago, and ever since I've tried to make up for it by treating them.

of them long ago, and ever since Ive tried to make up for it by treating them as well as I can. It was in one of their packs that the biggest slice of luck I've ever known came to me." As he spoke he shuddered and signed in a spoke he shuddered and signed in a spoke he shuddered and signed in a spoke he shuddered some mystery behind his words.

We were high up on the wagon road that runs through Serafina Pass, and that runs through Serafina Pass, and the name of the little inn "The Travelers' Refuge," was thoroughly appropriate, for not a bagman that went that way but was fain to rest for a space within its hospitable doors.

The landlord, it was clear, was most anxious to have an opportunity of unbosoming himself further, but he waited until his daughter, a buxon waited until his daughter.

anxious to have an opportunity of unbosoming himself further, but he waited until his daughter, a buxom matron had left the room. "Yes," he mused, half to himself, "I was a bit hard on one of 'em—there's no mistaky about it. It ain't a pleasant story, but I like to tell it just to remind myself that the worst thing a man can have in this world is a hot, obstinate temper. You see, I came to this coast soon after You see, I came to this coast soon after the gold fever broke out, and settled down in the Josita Valley, below here, ranching. I was a widower even then, and had brought with me from the States my only child — a daughter.

"Saw it move?"
"Exactly. I wouldn't believe my eyes at first, but after watching intently for a while I distinctly saw the front of a first, but after watching intently for a first, but after watching intently for a while I distinctly saw the front of a while I disti "She was a pretty girl, if I do say it, trigger." murmured the listener, with

and, being as good as pretty, you can imagine I was quite wrapped up in her. Of course I was anxious to keep her with me, and, if not that, at least I looked for her to do something better than fall in love with a peddler."

"And did she?"

"Yes; you see in those days the country was full of young fellows who had struck out for themselves, and were trying to get a start by carrying knick-knacks around from one mining that pack, robber and all, clear to the follows. I was a large of the blow, I—saw a ghost."



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