THE SOCIAL WANDERER

Dear Roamer

What a week! Be it ever so humble, there's no place like Home. Anyone who might have called or phoned had no occasion to utter a favorite comment "You're never home", if by some chance one happened to be out the moment they called. Housed and at home and liking it—till now. All of which proves, that tucked away by my own fireside, hedged in with snow or every side, I've had little opportunity to find out what the rest of my little world is doing. I do know that a great many of my friends and yours, most likely too, are sick. Old man La Grippe seems to be all powerful, and the sooner he bids us farewell, the more delighted we'll be to speed the parting guest.

But, on to topics of cheer! This week we have learned of a wedding of much interest to many in the county.

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Childs, of New York, has announced the marriage of her daughter, Betty, to Mr. M. Milleret De Brou, formerly of Paris, but now of New York. The ceremony was performed on January 6th at St. Paul's P. E. Church Brooklyn, in which city they will reside.

Mrs. De Brou, the granddaughter of Mrs. Hiram S. Brown and niece of Col. H. S. Brown, of Godlington Manor, is a graduate of the Southern Seminary in Virginia as well as the American School of Dramatic Arts in New York. She also attended Washington College, at which time she made many friends here, as well as on her frequent visits to Godlington Manor.

Mr. DeBrou, was educated at the Glen Cooe School, L. I. and later was graduated from the University of Bordeaux in France. He is now a member of the French Purchasing Committee in New York, for the duration of the war.

Col. and Mrs. H. S. Brown, have returned from Los Angeles, Cal., where they have been guests for the past five weeks of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Brown, Jr.

Mrs. Catherine Beck Jones leaves to-day for Washington, where she will take a four week's course for Executive Secretaries given by the Red Cross. During this time, Mrs. Jones will make her home with Mrs. Albert Lieber.

Mrs. Morton Coale was hostess at a beautifully appointed luncheon yesterday, Friday, at her home on Southeast Creek. Mrs. Coale will also entertain at a second luncheon on next Friday.

Believe it or not, here endth the week's chronicle. When I write next, we will have said Hello to February, and be almost ready for Pancake Day. Lent is just around the corner. Then things really will be quiet. Oh, well, it's a compensation of old age to enjoy lassitude.

Yours on the brink,

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BAY SCHOONER AUSTRALIA TO BE MADE INTO YACHT

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McHenry proved too hot. Admiral Cochrane ordered his fleet back.

Through the dark and rain—it was 3 A. M.—a snow-rigged British powder carrier slipped past the fleet. The British dared not hail her, to tell her master of the retreat. She sailed on until she was rammed and captured by Maryland militia.

Formerly Named 'Alma'

The powder carried was the Australia then the Alma. The date was April 12, 1814. It was that morning that Francis Scott Key, seeing the Stars and Stripes over Fort McHenry, wrote "The Star Spangled Banner."

Today the Australia's cabin door bears a carved wooden plaque reading: "Captured prize. God we trust."

A note beside the name of the Australia in the "Register of Merchant Ships" says: "Formerly Alma (prize). Date of building, unknown. Place, unknown."

Where the British got her, no one knows. Her figurehead, a slant-eyed maiden, and her teak construction sugested that she had been built in the Orient. Her crew, too, was believed to have come from Australia's prison camps. Hence her present name.

From her capture until today, the renamed Australia has seldom been idle. Through the rest of the War of 1812 she carried hams, oysters, molasses and tobacco for the American troops.

A collision destroyed the slanteyed figurehead. Her rig was changed to schooner type. United States Navy and Baltimroe militia fought for her, and she was sold at auction for $500.

For a while she carried bricks on the Hudson. A mahogany board in her cabin says, "Repaired at Shipyard of John Grantham, Patchogue, 1883." The brickyards sold her to an Irish skipper named Donahue, who sailed her in the Chesapeake trade until, one stormy night in 1843, Skipper Donahue elected to climb into the rigging and play a concertina at the wind. His helmsman ran her on Tangier Island, and Skipper Donahue, helmsman and concertina were lost.

Sold for $25 to a pitch distiller, the Australia was rebuilt and mysteriously sold in 1851 to a Nassau firm. In 1861 she was sold for Confederate bonds to southern contraband-runners.

In 1862 she played a part in the "Trent" affair. It was the Australia that put John Slidell aboard a British vessel, to be captured by a Federal ship. Before Slidell left the Australia, though, he had been through a hurricane that left the Australia wallowing mastless about the Atlantic.

The brig Perry captured the Australia later, brought her as prisoner to Point Lookout. There Confederates tried to burn her with pine knots, to cut off a means of Northern retreat.

In 1863 she was sold to the firm of McCready and Philips, and began a career of lowly freighting punctuated by storms, wrecks and once by the murder of her skipper by a drink-crazed mate. She was badly damaged by a huricane in 1908, and in 1931 a storm blew her 200 yards inland and landed her in a watermelon patch. She sold, that time, for $300.

Cheaspeake Bay boatsmen speak of her speed and her air of jauntiness. Her dimensions are 67 feet over all, beam 18½ feet, draft four feet, nine inches.

The duPonts say they plan no extensive changes. Bunks for four or five will be installed. Outwardly, says E. Paul duPont, she'll look the same as ever, save for her new dress of white paint.

Pride of the Navy

To the Constitution more than to any other ship has been given the credit of establishing the prestige of the American navy. She and her sister ships, the Constellation, Chesapeake, United States and President, with their ability to outfight and outsail the best ships of the world, became the patterns for the navies of other countries. And of this first American fleet the Constitution was the leader.

French Service Decoration

The Medaille Militaire, France's premier decoration for distinguished service in action, commands so much respect for its owner that even in military prison unusual favors are granted to him, declares Collier's. As another honor, the medal is fastened to the front of his cell door and a guard is stationed there to watch it.

Deserted Cook Stove

Spiritualistic fortune telling, free love and soul mating having broken up my home, will sell Universal steel top, six hole range with coil, gas water heater and other furniture. Call Sunday, 9 a. m. to 7 p. m.—Classified Ad in the Tacoma (Wash.) Sunday Ledger.

Phonograph Market

A new field and market has been opened at Bendigo, Australia, for the phonograph trade. Some boys, unable to induce a snake to come out of its hiding place, brought a portable phonograph and played records until the snake finally emerged and was killed.

Warm Holidays in Iceland

Reykjavik, the capital of Iceland, has the same average annual temperature as Milan in Italy. Warm sea bathing is found in Iceland due to proximity of hot springs near the beaches.

New Travel Record

Pan American airways reported 417 air passengers passed through Miami, Fla., on February 21, 1939, to set a new travel record between the United States, Havana, Nassau, West Indies and South America.

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Farmdale Lima Beans No 2 can 10c doz $1.11
Farmdale Asparagus 2 No 2 cans 29c doz $1.63

Mixed Vegetables 4 No 2 cans 25c

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