SOCIAL EVENTS IN WASHINGTON

MRS. TAFT CREATES SURPRISE BY DANCING.

Takes a Couple of Turns Around the East Room at Army and Navy Reception to Show That She Is Not Sad Because She Is to Leave the White House—Planning Gift for Her.

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To see the President dancing has become a familiar sight to Washington society folk, but when Mrs. Taft joined the dancers in the East Room at the White House reception last Tuesday night there was quite an audible gasp of surprise as she swung off on the polished floor with Lieutenant Commander Timmons, U. S. N., one of the President's aids, as her partner. Mrs. Taft made several turns around the crowded room, while the President stood smilingly looking on—and that she enjoyed the dance was quite evident.

Maybe Mrs. Taft was determined that there should be no note of sadness in this, the last state function at the White House in her husband's administration, and to show that she herself was not sad she joined the merry crowd of dancers, who sought the East Room after 11 o'clock for the usual dance, which has become a feature with White House receptions since President and Mrs. Taft have been hosts.

There was the largest crowd of any since the season of official entertainments began, the guests of honor being the officers of the Army and Navy Marine Corps, and probably more familiar faces and familiar voices greeted the President, once Secretary of War, than at any other social event of the winter.

Gift for Mrs. Taft.

The fact that Miss Mabel Boardman and some of Mrs. Taft's friends are busy getting up a subscription to buy a gift of jewels for her leaked out this last week, though it was to have been kept a profound secret that it might be a surprise to Mrs. Taft. Miss Mabel Boardman is noted as being a good collector. As a society woman said the other day, she should have a position given her where she might show her wonderful talents in collecting. But though all of Mrs. Taft's friends are anxious to share in the pleasure of giving a farewell gift to the President's wife, it is generally understood that the President frowns upon the idea. If Mrs. Taft accepts the souvenir she will be the third mistress of the White House to accept a handsome present on leaving the mansion.

Mrs. Cleveland, when here on her recent visit, was wearing the sapphire and diamond ring given her by the ladies of her husband's Cabinet, and, as every one knows, Mrs. Roosevelt was given a superb diamond necklace by a number of Washington women four years ago when Colonel Roosevelt and she left Washington.

Perhaps nothing better attests the popularity of President and Mrs. Taft than the numerous invitations they have received to dine at private homes within the next month. They are to be entertained just like any other popular private citizens, and they have accepted in the same spirit, relegating the old White House etiquette that forbade the President to dine at any houses but those of his Cabinet officers to the limbo where it deserves to remain. Sometimes presidents have gone outside this charmed circle to break bread, but in such cases the event was always kept a secret; as, for instance, when President McKinley used to dine with Senator Mark Hanna.

The Tafts to Dine Out.

President and Mrs. Taft will be dinner guests of Mrs. Richard Townsend, who has been having a visit from her son-in-law and beautiful daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Goelet Gerry, who are looking for a house in which to establish themselves here; also, they will be dinner guests of Justice and Mrs. Pitney, Senator and Mrs. Wetmore and Senator and Mrs. Newlands.

At the musical at the White House Friday night Mr. Ernest Schelling, of New York, was the chief musician, and delighted his audience of some fifteen hundred folk, picked friends of the President and Mrs. Taft. Mr. Schelling was the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nelson Page. On his last visit to Washington he was the guest of Mrs. Dimock.

While the elder folk and many of the younger married folk were enjoying themselves at the White House, some hundred or two of the younger set, including the maids and young matrons and their attendant swains, were having the jolliest of jolly times at the Country Club, guests of Mr. William Hitt, who was host man today for Lieutenant Commander McCauley, U. S. N., at his marriage to Miss Jean Oliver, daughter of Senator and Mrs. Oliver. Mr. Hitt entertained, of course, all the bridal party and many more to meet them, including Miss Katherine Elkins, to whom he is still paying devoted attention. Lieutenant Commander McCauley entertained a number of friends at the Alibi Club Thursday night, there being 24 in all, who gathered about the dinner table in the quaint dining-room of the club, whose functions are always regarded as secret rites.

No Time to Keep Lent.

Thursday, the day sacred to the ladies of the senatorial set, was well observed this week, in spite of the fact that the first day of Lent was but the day before. Washington hasn't time to keep Lent; it does well if it gets all its social functions into one season, as it is. Two very popular homes were those of Mrs. Jackson, wife of the new Maryland Senator, and Mrs. Swanson, wife of Virginia's Senator.

Mrs. Jackson was "at home" for the first time since she came to the capital, and her handsome home was filled during the calling hours with representative women of Washington. Mrs. Jackson welcomed her callers in a dainty frock of biscuit-colored charmeuse trimmed with Nile green velvet, and her prettily-appointed tea table was presided over by her sister, Miss Shelmerdine, of Philadelphia, a house guest, gowned in Natier blue satin, and Miss Humphreys, a cousin, who wore a lingerie gown over a pale pink slip. Mrs. Swansen received in a gown of white lace over gray charmeuse, with a corsage drapery of black tulle.

The cabinet dinners were brought to a close this past week when the Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Wilson, and the Secretary of Commerce and Labor and Mrs. Nagel gave their dinners. For 16 years Secretary Wilson has been a dinner host to the chief executive, and it will seem strange indeed to have him absent when the next official season is ushered in. For 15 years Baltimore has shared with Washington in the interest taken in these dinners, for, for that length of time the former Postmaster General and Mrs. Gary, of Baltimore, have been his guests. This time, however, they decided they were not so young as they once were and that their own fireside was a better place for them than a state function in Washington. But the Gary family was not unrepresented. Their son, E. Stanley Gary, was here with Mrs. Gary. For many years the Secretary has had to call upon some woman friend to act the part of hostess for him in the absence of his daughter Flora, who has been on concert tours, but this week she was at home and her father's guests were delighted to be welcomed by his daughter.

Cardinal Gibbons made the journey to Washington from Baltimore the other night to be the guest of the Misses Patten, who invited a notable company to meet him.

Commander R. R. Pollock, U. S. N., gave a dinner tonight at the Chevy Chase Club for Miss Ruth Noyes, daughter of Theodore Noyes, and Dr. Ralph McDowell U. S. N., who will be married a week from Monday. Dr. McDowell is giving his bachelor dinner at the Metropolitan Club next Saturday night.

While dinners, luncheons, teas and card parties go on apace, dancing, too, is indulged in, though the events, out of due respect to the Lenten season, are called informal, and nobody speaks of them as balls, though it would take something more than a Philadelphia lawyer to tell the difference. And yet, though Lent is not really "kept," society folk are not losing any chances to take advantage of any favors that the Lenten season makes possible, as, for instance, the young bachelors of the Diplomatic Corps are to give a Micarmene dance at Rauschers Wednesday, February 26. Just why they choose to distinguish it by calling it a Mi Careme dance, when dances all during "the careme" or Lenten period are going on just as if it were not Lent. Whatever they call it, it is sure to be a merry affair, and will be the first entertainment the young bachelor diplomats will have given singly or in a body this season. In fact, the younger men of the Diplomatic Corps do not seem to be as popular as they used to be in society, neither as hosts nor as guests.

Popular No More.

Time was when a young unattached diplomat needed no boarding place. After his continental breakfast in his rooms, he was due every day of his life to take luncheon and dinner at some fashionable home, the young diplomat being the petted darling of society. Lately, American women seem to prefer American men more than foreigners for their guests and escorts. As one pretty woman put it, "We have just waked up to the fact that we have some pretty nice men in our Army and Navy and do not need the diplomats half as much as we thought we did." A sentiment which many of her sisters seem to share.

But while the younger men of the corps are not so popular, the heads of embassies and legations and the young married folk among their staffs are much sought after, and perhaps no one is more popular than the naval attache of the French Embassy and the Viscountess d'Azy. The vivacious young Viscountess is the head and moving spirit in the pushing forward of a charitable event which bids fair to be very popular and is causing much interested comment. This is the play l'Enticelle, written by the clever French woman herself, and in which her cousin, the Count de Pontac, will take part. Miss Dorothy Shuey, a debutante, will also take part, as will the authoress. This will be given at the new theater at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edson Bradley.

While Mrs. Copley Thaw, as she calls herself, is quietly and serenely enjoying herself in society here, giving interesting little dinners in her old-fashioned mansion in F street, once the home of the late Chief Justice Fuller, her erstwhile husband, the Earl of Yarmouth, also styled the Marquis of Hertford, is contemplating matrimony again. The news comes from London that he will marry the rich and elderly widow, Mrs. Mosscockle. While no engagement has been announced, it is understood arrangements for an early marriage are being made. There have been some difficulties owing to the anxiety displayed on the part of the Marquis to fix up the settlements, but matters are now adjusted, so Dame Rumor has it, and the widow is soon to settle upon her future husband a handsome settlement.

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Special Dispatch to The American.

Atlantic City, N. J., February 8.—The cold wave enveloping the East has included Atlantic City and this resort is in the hands of a small blizzard. For the second time this winter snow has fallen. But even a blizzard brings consolation to some. At least one can wear furs with comfort, and that is more than could be said a few days ago. Of course, expensive furs have been seen on the Great Wooden Way all winter long, but the neckpieces have been thrown loosely over the shoulders and the muffs were carried in one hand. That is, visitors have worn furs because it was the thing to wear furs in winter, but they were not worn as a protection against the chill breezes. Although the days are cold there is lots of sunshine, and even on the coldest days one can promenade with comfort on the Great Wooden Way, provided there is no wind. The heat of the sun has an unbroken sweep of the Walk and it is pleasant down there, even when the avenues and side streets are a bit bleak. Then, too, the breezes coming in from the Gulf Stream have a tendency to modify the temperature of the ocean front. Be that as it may, the Walk is always walkable. There isn't a suspicion of snow there.

The crisp winter weather has, of course, given a setback to the brilliant display of spring fashions. But even at that women think nothing of promenading in fur coats reaching to the shoes and topped with straw chapeaux of vivid hues. Speaking of shoe tops, the "uppers" of shoes are getting very giddy. They always match the costume, whether it be cerise or Alice blue. A woman on the Walk this morning created a mild sensation by appearing in a costume of king's blue brocaded velvet, with cloth top patent shoes in the same coloring. She wore an ermine hat and an immense ermine muff with a large buckle of brilliants in the center.

The narrow skirts are responsible for matrons and maids assuming a trotting gait when they sally forth on the walk. The long stride of a few years ago is practically unknown even among athletic girls who go in for a constitutional before breakfast. Even the slashed skirts which have been adopted by the most conservative women give very little added freedom. The slash, by the way, is responsible for the many novelties seen in foot gear. One smartly attired matron attracted considerable attention by having gray mice embroidered on the tops of her suede shoes.

A very attractive new driveway is being planned by the city commissioners, who propose to bulkhead the beach front parallel with the boardwalk, from the Inlet pavilion to Atlantic avenue, and to build a beach boulevard by extending Water street from Caspian avenue to Atlantic avenue, and by throwing the sand dredged or harrowed from the inlet channel inside the bulkhead instead of wasting it by carrying it out to sea. Such a plan will not only give the city a delightful driveway, but will also act as a jetty in narrowing the inlet channel and keeping it secured. The visitors and particularly the automobile enthusiasts, are delighted over any improvement that will give this city another driveway along the ocean.

The fact that the so-called spring season has really opened, even if there is snow on the ground, it is evidenced by the presence of so many notable visitors. Lord and Lady MacKenzie, who leased their residence on Carlton House Terrace, London, to Mrs. Anthony J. Drexel, have taken apartments at the Dennis, where they will enjoy a stay of several weeks. This is not the MacKenzie's first visit to this resort. They have been here many times and always include Atlantic City in their itinerary of the States. Mrs. MacKenzie was on the walk this morning attired in a smart costume of taupe brocade velvet trimmed with moleskin. She wore a Shetland veil over her chapeau, which was also in taupe gray.

Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan, wife of the noted financier, and Miss Ann Morgan paid their premiere visit to Atlantic City this week, having apartments at the Shelburne. Miss Morgan is always accompanied on her Boardwalk strolls by a Russian wolfhound, which she leads on a leash.

Bishop Rhinelander and Mrs. Rhinelander have returned home after a short stay at the Chelsea.

United States Senator-elect Willard Saulsbury, of Delaware, and Mrs. Saulsbury were here over Sunday.

Former District Attorney Jerome, of New York city, was also a week-end visitor.

Former United States Senator Burroughs, who has been at the Marlborough-Blenheim for some time, left this week for Washington, while Mrs. Burroughs has joined a party of friends for a cruise in Southern waters.

Miss Alice duPont was on the Walk this morning with Miss Hayes.

Colonel Tilghman, aide to Governor Phillips Lee Goldsborough, returned home early in the week after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. William H. Thomas at the Santa Rita Apartments.

Miss Louise Hershey, who is a student at Bryn Mawr College, joined her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Hershey, at the Marlborough-Blenheim over Sunday.

Miss Jessie L. Jones is at the Chalfonte, accompanied by Miss Helen B. Randall.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Gunner, of Hagerstown, Md., have taken apartments at the Traymore.

The Baltimore colony at the Brighton was augmented this week by Mr. Arthur Chilton Powell, Miss Eleanor Williams, Miss Julia Williams, Benjamin W. Corkran, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Donald N. Gilpin, Mrs. P. Lea Thom, Miss Isabel R. Thom, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Nelson, Jr., Mrs. W. W. Jackson and Mr and Mrs. Charles E. Rieman.

Mr. John Hyde, who is a frequent visitor to the St. Charles, was down over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Grogan have returned to Baltimore after a short stay at the Marlborough-Blenheim.

Mr. and Mrs. John McPhail are spending a fortnight at Haddon Hall, accompanied by Mrs. L. F. Cromwell and Mrs. Roland Hebden, of Brooklyn.

Other Baltimoreans making Haddon Hall their seashore home are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Fowler, Mrs. Robert J. Kane, Benjamin F. Bennett and S. Frank Bennett.

Mrs. E. J. Burns was out in a rolling chair this morning with her daughter, Mrs. Gilbert F. Hartge, of Shady Side, Md.

Mrs. Thomas R. Brown and Mr. and Mrs Duncan K. Brent and sons have returned home after a week's stay at the Dennis.

Baltimoreans who are now making the Dennis their seashore home include Mrs. E. H. Glidden and children, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Foster, James Clendenning, Mr. and Mrs. Archibald W. Taylor, J. E. Nash and Mrs. E. H. Glidden and children.

Baltimoreans at the Chalfonte are Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bealmear, Miss Mabel Bealmear, W. G. Lauer, Mr. and Mrs. Louis N. Wilcox, B. A. Howard, Mrs. M. E. Whittaker, Mrs. Mary Whittaker, Mrs. M. A. Brian, Mrs. I. M. Parsons.

Mrs. Blanche Veale, of Ellicott City, has joined friends at the Traymore.

Mr. Hobart Smock was among the Baltimoreans on the Walk this morning.

Among the residents of the Monumental City who are making the Marlborough-Blenheim their seashore home are Mrs. George Somerville Jackson, Miss Agnes Whiting, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. J. Holmes Whitelay, James H. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Goodenow, Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Buck, Mr. and Mrs. William H. O'Connell, Miss O'Connell, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Davis, Miss A. H. Cox and Miss S. Louise McGrath.

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S. B. HARTMAN, M. D.
Columbus, Ohio.

I give a portion of a letter lately received, which was to me very interesting. I also give a portion of my answer. The writer says:

"Dear Doctor Hartman: I am very much interested in your articles. I have no doubt they will do a great deal of good. Sometimes I am almost tempted to buy a bottle of Pe-ru-na and have it on hand, because of your convincing talk, but I belong to a health club. It is one rule of this club to have nothing to do with disease or medicine. Our whole talk is health and things that make for health. We are determined, all of us, to never use medicine in any form. Of course we do not attempt to deny the usefulness of medicine on some occasions, but for ourselves we have decided that we will so live that we shall never need the services of a doctor or the assistance of a medicine. What would you do if you were in my place?"

My Dear Boy: Your letter interests me greatly. I am glad to know that you are reading my articles that are appearing now in the papers. You have perhaps noticed that a portion of each article is devoted to the subject of keeping well.

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But you must remember that you and your club are exceptional people, that the great masses of people go on thoughtlessly. Their diet is very illy fitted to sustain their bodies properly. Their exposure to cold and wet and heat and fatigue is very reckless. In short, they do not know how to take care of themselves. Consequently, a medicine is necessary often.

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I have hoped all my life to live to see the day when obedience to the laws of Nature would be prevalent, when the people would live so they would not invite disease or provoke disturbance in the body. But I have not lived to see that day yet. I hardly think I shall. But I have lived to see the day when the people and even the medical profession are very much more interested in hygiene and sanitation than they used to be.

At one time, as a writer, I seemed to be all alone in trying to get the people to listen and become obedient to the laws governing their bodies. Now there are writers galore saying the same things. I am profoundly grateful that this is so.

So long as there are disobedient ones, so long we must have medicine. Even those who are trying to be obedient to the laws of Nature, trying their very best, need medicine for unavoidable conditions that often bring on some derangement. If such little derangements were met promptly with Pe-ru-na the day would more quickly come when even Pe-ru-na would not be needed, the day when the drug doctor would absolutely go out of business. May that day hasten. I shall do all I can while I do live to hurry on the coming of that millennium when all drugs will be relegated to the rubbish heap and all doctor books laid aside as curosities.

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BETRAYED BY A DOG

Farmhand's Cheap Trip as "Perishable Goods."

Special Cablegram to The American.

Berlin, February 8.—Karl Korrelhaus, a farm hand employed at Koenigsberg, has had a remarkable experience while traveling as "perishable goods" on the Prussian state railways, in consequence of which he is now under arrest.

Korrelhaus desired to rejoin his old employer, a priest living in the village of Garmisch, in Bavaria. Being without money, he conceived the idea of having himself nailed up in a packing-case and shipped by goods train.

He carefully prepared a packing-case, ventilated it, and took up his residence therein, with enough sausages, beer and bread to last for the two days' journey.

All went well during the first day and night of the journey, but on the morning of the second day the packing-case had to be removed to another train at a junction, and was temporarily deposited on a station platform.

The stationmaster's dog scented the contents and barked furiously. The puzzled station employes finally broke open the packing-case, found Korrelhaus, who thought he had arrived at Garmisch, and handed him over to the police.

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As Colonel Roosevelt views the Senate's attempts to prevent third terms he doubtless tells himself that he has not lived in vain.—Chicago News.

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London, February 8.—A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned at a Brixton inquest yesterday on Mrs. Alice Ethel Dowding, aged 28, of Arlsford-road, Brixton.

Mrs. Dowding was displaying her wedding dress to a neighbor when she tripped over a carpet and struck her head heavily on the floor.

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