# EUGENE CITY, OREGON.

THE DUKE OF MARLBOROUGH.

He Is Now In America Enjoying Himself

and Looking For a Wife. Charles Spencer, as he modestly wrote his name on the register of the Waldorf hotel in New York a few days ago, is the Duke of Marlborough, Earl of Sunderland, Baron Spencer of Worm Leighton, Baron Churchill of Sandridge, Prince of the Holy Roman Empire and Prince of Mendelheim in Suabia. He is now in this country on a 13 months' tour around the world, and incidentally to witness the international yacht race. It is intimated also that he has "come a-wooing," the loadstone which attracts him being Miss Consuela Vanderbilt, daughter of Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, to whom it was prematurely re-

ported a year ago that he was affianced. The young duke is now 24, and is the minth to wear the ancient and distinguished title of Marlborough. He is a descendant of the great Marlborough, the hero of Blenheim, and succeeded to the title three years ago on the death of



THE DUKE OF MAILIBOROUGH.

his father, the late Charles Richard Spencer Churchill, eighth duke of Marlborough. He has a mother and stenmother, both alive and well. His mother, before her marriage, was Lady Jane Hamilton, daughter of the Duke of Abercorn. She was divorced several years ago from the duke, who subsequently married Mrs. Lily Price Hamersley, the widow of a New York multimillionaire. Upon the death of the Duke of Marlborough there arose a rather nice question of precedent as to which should be the downger duchess, his divorced wife or his widow. But this was amicably settled by the latter marrying Lord William Beresford and gracefully withdrawing from Blenheim, the Marlborough country house, leaving therein, however, about \$1,000,000 worth of "furniture and fixtures," which had been bought with the Hamersley money in rejuvenating the famous old castle.

In the language of Keir Hardie, who came over from England on the same ship with him, young Marlborough is 'a pretty decent duke as dukes go.' He is tall, well proportioned and good looking, quiet, unassuming, intelligent and studions. Following the footsteps of his famous uncle, Lord Randolph Churchill, he has entered political life, making his debut at the recent opening dress he responded on behalf of the house of lords to the queen's speech.

NOT HIS AMERICAN GIRL

### Artist Gibson's Flancee Is Beautiful, but Is

Not His Artistic Ideal. Miss Irene Langhorne, whose engagement to the artist, Charles Dana Gibson, was lately announced, is an ideal type of American young womanhoodfair in feature, bright in intellect and winsome in manner, though she in nowise resembles the Gibsonian type of "the American girl" with which the world has become familiar through the artist's nictures.

Miss Langhorne is a native of Virginia-one of the F. F. V.'s-and inherited all the graces and gifts that come to the women of the upper ten of the Old Dominion. She was born in the aristocratic city of Richmond and reared in an atmosphere of wealth, refinement and culture. She is of medium height, with dark hair, expressive eyes,



MISS THENE LANGHOUNE.

regular features, an exquisitely molded figure and the pleasing manners of a southern gentlewoman. Hers is not all entward beauty. She is decidedly clever, charmingly original and highly accomplished.

When she made her debut in New York society a year or two ago, she was accorded the unusual distinction of being asked to dance with the leader of the cotillon at the famous Patriarchs' ball, a social laurel that had never before been worn by any other than a New York girl. The late Ward McAllister followed the cotillon with a dinner in her honor, which established her triumph among New York's "smart set." At the naval parade at Hampton Roads in 1894 Miss Langhorne was the bright particular star of the bevy of beauties that entertained the foreign paval officers when the warships of all the ports of the world were gathered there. Miss Langhorne has also been prominent in the social life of Philadelphia and Washington as well as Richmond and New York.

Borax is one of the most useful substances known for softening water. Many of the preparations sold for this purpose are simply made of borax, but thesimple article to be bought at any druggist's is quite as efficacious.

A MAIDEN'S LIPS.

One day when Mother Nature Was in a pieasant mood
She called about her Youth and Health
And others of her brood.
"My children, we have fashloned,
With all the aris we know,
The rose and all the fairest flowers
That how were fashloned arrow. That in our garden grow.

"But I'm not satisfied, dears. I have within my heart The image of a fairer flower, That calls for all our art. Your skill and aid I need, dears. Yours, Joy and Melody, And Beauty, Youth and Sunshine too. Come, now, and toil with me."

Long time they toiled, Dame Nature And all her offspring too. Their hearts and souls were in their

task, And fast the flowret grew. Now Nature's fingers molded. Now Laughter smoothed and curved And brightened up some little spot Her keen eyes had observed.

And Health and Youth and Sunshine Their tribute deftly paid
Till Mistress Beauty took her turn,
And then the flower was made!
"There's not so sweet," cried Nature,
"A flower the wild bee sips.

We'll name it?" And the flowret Was called—a maiden's lips. —Boston Traveller.

#### SHE WAS PRETTY.

I had stated my intention of going to see Miss Kitty clearly enough, but in doing so I had no very fixed idea as to what I should do when I did see her, and in fact I was entirely nonplused by the whole situation.

I determined to retire to my hammock and think over matters in general. As I lay there, swinging lightly over the water, and with the distant sound of the weir lulling my senses pleasantly, it is not to be wondered at that I fell into dreamy reverie.

Old half forgotten recollections came thronging upon me; of little flaxen haired Kitty, whom I used to torment and laughingly ask to be my little wifie, nearly a dozen years ago, when she was a little chit of 10; of her father, my old friend John Dobson, who used to say in his sober business way, "And so she shall be, Mildenhall, if I can belp you, and you care to have her when she is grown up;" of that quaintly touching clause in poor Dobson's will by which he had done all that lay in his power to help me.

And I, engrossed in turning over money in the city, had clean forgotten all about her!

I was aroused by the sound of voices and looked round. There, in the very identical place where Mr. Bob Tyncker had done his extremely futile fishing in the morning, he and Kitty were sitting and talking.

"And so the old fellow-and a queer old fellow he is, too," Mr. Bob was saying, "will be round at the bouse this very afternoon to see about claiming your hand."

"Oh, Bob!" said Kitty, trembling. "I say, Kitty," said Bob mischievously. 'suppose he really wants to stick to his old idea of making you his little wifie, eh? What shall you do then?"

"Oh. Bob. don't." said poor Kitty. He has been such a bugbear to me lately that-that"-("that there is a danger of a young lady shedding tears at the very mention of his name," thought to myself grimly, for Kitty did not seem to be able to complete the sen- don't you?" tence herself).

have suggested such an idea. If he a certain will which concerns you and doesn't refuse to have you, why, you will me. I want to talk to you about it." just have to refuse him, you know, and that will bring the whole matter to the still more faintly and with another fee a few months that he has become fausual way of doing things, from a young | ble and futile attempt to draw her hand | mons, or rather infamous, outside of lady point of view, you see.

Soit will," said Kitty, brightening time-when you are dry?" up once more; "but, Bob, then the \$25,-000 will have to go to the Methodist chapel, and that is just the very thing that has been making uncle so terribly

'Let him be," said Bob stoutly. "It won't hurt us after today; you will be free then, you see, and marry whoever you like. And we have plenty to set up housekeeping on between us, without the beastly money-let him be angry if

he likes. "And so he is, sir," shouted Mr. Dobson suddenly, poking his head over the top of the bank. "So he is! It would ake a saint savage to be set at defiance in this way. I begin to think"--"Stop!" I called out, rising hastily

in my hammock. Splish! Somebody had fallen into the

water. Me, by Jove, and so I began striking out lustily on all sides, with hands, feet, fingers, elbows-1 cannot exactly call myself a swimmer-and getting my boots above water more frequently than my head, I am afraid, till I was suddenly grasped by the collar firmly.

'Keep cool," said my young friend Bob Typcker authoritatively-for he it was-nimbly swimming on his back with two legs and one arm, and drawing me after him with the other. "Keep cool; I've got you all right!"

"Cool it is!" I thought to myself, my spirits reviving as 1 telt myself towed along-right across the river! For Bob, it seems, like a retriever-he certainly swam as well as one-would not condescend to lay me anywhere but at the very feet of his mistress. 'There at last! hurra''

An overwhelming rush of water across my face cut short my self congratulation; I was fairly under, in fact. And the remarkably unpleasant thought flashed upon me that I was driving down under the dipping bush. But a spasmodic jerk from Tyncker brought me to the top once more, and as I gasped for breath I heard his voice: Shift for yourself-catch hold of the

bush-I'm going!" I caught the branches as high up as possible and got a glance behind me. Tyncker was not only going be was gone, diving down under the bush, having sacrificed himself to keep me from

I saw his face disappearing beneath

lookers. The old gentleman was helplessly shouting and running to and fro, but I The difference between me and some saw his niece rapidly unknotting from other Radicals is that I am practical, her waist that heavy scarf of gold which and they are not, while between me and she had worn all day. Then, like a certain others the difference is that I flash of fire in the sunlight, one end say openly what I think, and that they. leaped out at me. Well thrown! The like the menkeys, keep their thoughts embroidered fringe fell across the to themselves or have one series of utbranches and over my wrist. Quick as terances for public and another for pri-

on the vielding twigs, and with a convulsive leap in the water had got a double turn of the scarf about my wrist. Of course I went under, but with a mind fully made up upon two pointsthat nothing but death should tear me from my hold upon that scarf - of course not!-and that if ever I was to be pulled out alive Tyncker should come

I don't know how long I held my breath-an age, I fancy, and then a rush of fire swept across my vision. I was gone-it struck me forcibly-a burning, exhilarating sensation in my throat, and the sound of a voice speaking, as it seemed, many miles away.

The voice drew close to me at a bound, and opening my eyes I saw some one stooping over me, brandy flask in hand and an expression of horror on his face. That expression instantly vanished as he caught my gaze. "This one is all right, Kitty; he is

coming round fast. Here, take the flask and give Tyncker some more brandy! Cheer up; he will be all right in a min-

Some suspicious sounds in my immediate neighborhood caused me to turn my head feebly in the direction whence they were proceeding, and then I knew everything.

Of course! We had been in the river and had been pulled out again! For there, on his back, even as I lay on mine, lay Mr. Bob Tyncker, and on her knees beside him, bending low over his face, was Miss Kitty Dobson. And the golden scarf-sadly changed for the worse-lay midway between us,

One glance was sufficient to assure me that Mr. Bob Tyncker was nearly as far advanced on the road to recovery as I was myself, and that Miss Kitty held a most exalted opinion of his late exploit. They made a pretty picture. But the old gentleman's face grew

cloudy as he looked at it. He leaned over me in irritated silence, brandy flask in hand, and I thought it was time to speak. "How are you, Dobson?" I said, with a faint smile. "I am afraid you don't

recognize me in this draggled condition, "Why, so it is!" exclaimed the old gentleman. "It's Mildenhall! Why, how do you come to be down here? I

be continued in a sort of stage say. whisper, and with a troubled look at the others, "I am very glad you have come. I'm half afraid, as it is, you are "Too late for what?" I asked, trying

to sit up and presently succeeding.
"Why, that!" he wnispered testily. and nodding his head in a disturbed

way in the direction of the young people. "Man, don't you recollect that you were to have the first say in that sort of thing?" "So I was," I rejoined, "and I will

speak to Kitty at once. "Good!" said Mr. Dobson, looking

much relieved at my alacrity and calling the young lady. "Come here, Kitty; this gentleman here wants to speak to you. Mr. Mildenhall, Kitty," he explained grimly. It was a very limp hand that I man-

aged to get hold of and shake as heartily as I could.

You see that I have lost no time in coming down to see you, Kitty," I said. holding her hand the while, and thinking it best to plunge at once in medias and who is said to have been commisres. "You reach the age of 20 today. "Yes," said poor Kitty faintly, and

"Never mind, Kitty," said poor Bob, hugging her tenderly. "I am a brute to lattle held on. There is something in were perpetrated. trying feebly to get her hand away, but chuen, in which the principal outrages desires to be alone to observe and meditate, and one might as well try to fol-

from mine. "Would not some other China. He belongs to a distinguished "No, my dear," I said. "I would rather do it now. You are a very pret-pulous politicians in the realm. He has

ty girl and a very brave and clever one, and you have just saved my life with your scarf, as I realize very plainly, so that you will always hold a very dear place in my heart. "And so I came to the conclusion"-I couldn't help pausing a moment to

enjoy her consternation-"that I will He is a man of quite unusual education have nothing more to do with you or your hand, however earnestly you may offer it to me"-letting it go at last. "I reject you entirely and hand you over to that young villain-whom I hope to call my friend for the rest of my life-Mr. Bob Tyncker."-Temple Bar.

### BOTH FOUND WIVES.

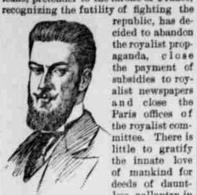
A Double Wedding Which the Preacher Celebrated by "Setting 'Em Up."

A Mr. Godwin of Camilla and S. A. Davis of Pelham, Ga., both towns being in the same county, were last week visiting John Burgess of Bowen, in Powell county, this state. Mr. Godwin married a sister of the wife of Mr. Burgess, but she died a few years since, and on Thursday of last week he remarked to his host that he wouldn't mind marrying again if he could get some one to suit him. Mr. Burgess replied that he knew a lady in the town who would suit and is a member of the Houau Literati him, and Godwin said he would go and and the Hau-Lin college, which include see her. Friday morning he spruced up all the great Chinese scholars. some and went over to see the lady, who during the day consented to change her which he ruled, is situated in the west name to Godwin. Returning to the of China, under the so called wall of home of Mr. Burgess, he informed him Tibet, and is said to have a population of his success, when Mr. Davis, being of 90,000,000, and contains at least five thus encouraged and feeling lonely un- cities with a population of 1,000,000 der the circumstances, concluded that and upward each, and at least 30 cities he also would like to marry. Mine Host of the second and third classes. The ad-Burgess, ever feady to accommodate his ministration of the political affairs of visitors, told him that he could find this vast and populous province is one him a helpmate also, at the same time of the richest plums in the imperial pie, stating her name and where she could and it is said pays the viceroy in salary

Saturday Mr. Davis repaired to the \$7,000,000 annually. residence of the lady named, and after some commonplace talk and an explana- misgovernment of the province the tion of his mission she, too, agreed to Christian missionaries have suffered terwed a Georgian. Preparations were ribly. Prior to his administration the made for the event, and on Monday missions were reasonably prosperous night the two couples were duly in- and comparatively free from annoyance stalled into the matrimonial harness. The bridegrooms, being much elated at approved the native opposition to them, their matrimonial success, set 'em up to the crowd to the extent of a gallon of red liquor each, and quite a jollification | which have shocked the world. the water; I heard the despairing cry of was sheld. On Tuesday morning the Kitty from the bank, and letting go my preacher was paid his fee for the double own hold with one hand I thrust down services, and he, too, set 'em up to the and caught the poor fellow's collar and crowd for a drink all round to those in oddest of lawsuits. At Baircuth last turned a remarkably wild eye to the on- the barroom.-Hazel Green (Ky.) Her-

Labouchere as a Radical. thought I had quitted my useless clutch vate consumption. - London Truth. THE PRETENDER OUT OF IT.

The Duke of Orleans Abandons His Campaign For the French Throne. It is announced that the Duke of Orleans, pretender to the throne of France,



less gallantry in DUKE OF ORLEANS. this exiled and wandering prince renouncing a destroyed throne, which he could but feebly hope sign of discouragement. to recover, but it is perhaps of more last royalist obstruction, however futile. which the past has left in the pathway of the third French republic.

Louis Philippe, Duc d'Orleans, is a great-grandson of Louis Philippe, the King Bourgeois, from whom by virtue of descent he based his claim to the French throne. He was born at York House, Twickenham, England, in 1869. His mother was Princess Marie Isabella, daughter of the Duc de Montpellier. Born in exile, he was the heir to a political inheritance of a purely platonic succession. nature. Without knowledge or experience in politics, without standing in the high French aristocracy, which could not forget or forgive his bourgeois origin, without moral or material support from the rich bourgeois who constituted the stronghold of his great-grandfather, King Louis Philippe, and unknown to the mass of French people, except possibly for two incidents, which were not creditable to him, the young pretender was ill equipped in his hopeless task of re-establishing the Orleanist dynasty in the face of the growing popularity and stability of the republic. He wisely therefore throws up the royal sponge.

The first of the two incidents referred to occurred when he attained his majority in 1890. In flagrant violation of the law expelling his family from France, he went to Paris and made a silly attempt to force his service in the army. The next was his scandalous peregrinations in the various capitals of Europe in the wake of the exotic prima donna Mme. Melba, whom he attended in the disguise of her valet, and his subsequent appearance as corespondent in a divorce suit brought by the diva's hus-

The Comte de Paris, father of the duke, served for a time during the rebellion on General McClellan's staff and later wrote one of the ablest and most comprehensive commentaries that have ever been published on the American civil war.

WICKED LIU PING CHANG.

The Corrupt Chinese Viceroy Said to Be Responsible For Missionary Massacres. Lin Ping Chang, who is regarded as measurably responsible for the late massacre of Christian missionaries in China.

sioned by the Chinese government to investigate and "whitewash" himself, was the viceroy of the province of Sze-

Though Liu Ping Chang has long 'Yes?" whispered poor Miss Kitty. governmental circles, it is only within family of central China, and is one of pulous politicians in the realm. He has held a number of great state positions, in every one of which he was distinguished for corruption, rapacity and avarice. It is said that he early displayed his genius for corruption by bribing the school examiners to give him a much higher rating than that to which he was entitled.



The viceroyalty of Szechuen, over and perquisites the enormous sum of

Under Liu Ping Chang's abominable and persecution. He countenanced and pursuing a policy of persecution which pulminated in the awful butcheries

### An Odd Lawsuit.

Mme. Wagner has just won one of the year, as a piece of pleasantry on the anniversary of the birth of her son Siegfried, she composed some verses and tied them to the necks of her five pet dogs. These verses got into the posses sion of a Baireuth newspaper, and they were published, provoking much amusement, particularly when the lines were Mme. Wagner's only remedy was to sue for breach of copyright. The courts as- (Fact.)- Vogue. sessed the damages at \$6.

WILL VISIT THE MOON.

An Eccentric Kentuckian Who Spends Most of His Time In Tree Tops.

The name of Judge Fenley is familiar to every man, weman and child living liant, not merely as a fashionable and in and about Russellville, Ky. The judge is a hoary headed man of

perhaps 60 years, yet he is daily preparing to start on a journey to the moon. His home is everywhere, yet the solitude of the woods is his favorite abiding place. It is reported that he once lived in a large hollow tree, and from a platform which he built in the topmost Inter Ocean with the splender of pagbranches he often stood for hours and gazed at the planets.

A short distance from the little city of Russellville might be seen an old the innate love brick wall, which the judge built as a of mankind for receptacle for the large boilers he intends using in the construction of his flying machines. The lack of means is his only impediment, but he goes on day in and day out, never showing the least

The airship is not the judge's only than passing interest, as it removes the hope of reaching the moon. As soon as he can raise sufficient means he will build a large cannon, and into that cannon he is to put a smaller one and continne placing cannon in cannon until son of the late Comte de Paris and a they have reached one that will hold a man comfortably.

In firing these cannons the judge is going to use dynamite, and they are to be touched off by means of electricity. Judge Fenley says if he fails to reach the moon by means of his airship he will beyond doubt go up by means of the cannons. He is to place himself in the smallest cannon and fire them in

"By that means," says the old man, "I can reach the moon in 10 or 12 days, traveling at the rate of 10,000 miles an hour and allowing for a variation of the course. When I get beyond the gravitation of this earth, I will be attracted to the other planet by gravitation."

He has written a history of Russellville, which he sells on the streets when he is in town. This history is said by some to be very good and wonderfully accurate. Most any day he can be seen walking briskly through the streets, with an armful of his books, stopping all whom he meets and trying to sell them one.

"I have become accustomed to being in high places," says the old man, "and I can now stand on any limb that will bear my weight and look down without the least feeling of fear or dizziness."

Het gets old boards and carries them to the tallest trees he can find. He then carries them up one by one and constructs a rude platform. In this elevated station he spends most of his time. He takes great delight in standing on

the very edge of the platforms and in cer the sudden separating of a mosaic, whose climbing to the most dangerous places parts, fitting into an exquisite and harmonious whole, were yet complete as single jewels. he can find. Few boys can equal him in climbing, and his agility is remarkable for one of his years.

Upon being asked how he expected to breathe when he leaves the earth and launches into space he replied:

"Oh, there will be no trouble about that. I will take plenty of 'mashed down' air along with me. Of course I with simple but beautiful side whiskers, will bave to make calculations as to such as Cupid or a young angel would how much I will consume on my voy- be glad to have for wings. Peris of paraage and make plenty allowance for er- dise and Naiads of the lakeside pass by rors in distance.

It is reported that he was ouce a lawyer of good standing, but whether or evitable end, thinking whereof the Hon. not this is true is not known, as his life Sylvanus F. Bill is splashed as to his is a mystery.

No man need try to follow him in his wanderings through the woods, for he into the day; the dancers of the night sink into desires to be alone to observe and medi-tate, and one might as well try to fol-"In frost broidered garments the hushed low an untamed animal.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

### A BIG EXODUS.

The Scheme of "Peg" Williams of Georgia to Lead 100,000 Negroes to Mexico

The redoubtable "Peg" Williams of Atlanta, he of the negro exodus fame, eaments of Sylvanus F. Bill as he sits by has created a small sized sensation in the great rose window in the eighth Texas and Mexico by announcing that story of The Inter Ocean building. The he would export 100,000 negroes from pajamas of blue and gold glitter in the the southern states to Mexico during first smiles of morn. The ivory slippers this winter. The above information was on the poetic feet in the casement are conveyed to Atlanta last night in a press touched with a tender glow. The tired dispatch, dated at San Antonio, Tex., elevator boy is softened. The newsboys which also stated that "Peg" had signed point with reverence to the window a contract on Saturday to furnish a where-Sylvanus F. Bill is dreaming, his wealthy planting company in Mapiamia, red Turkish nightcap pulled over his Mexico, 300 laborers, to be obtained godlike waste of brow. It is sunrise in

from Georgia. "Peg" Williams is one of the best known railroad men in Georgia, and he has been instrumental in the expertation of more worthy and worthless negroes from this state than any other half dezen men in it. He is known, and intimately, by every prospective darky exoduster in the borders of the state, from the Blue Ridge to Liberty, and to say aught against "Peg" in the hearing of any one of them is to lay yourself liable to trouble.

Did "Peg" mean what he has been telling the people out in Texas? Will he really relieve the south of 100,000 members of its population within a few months, and, if so, how will he do it? Will be colonize and march them to the land of the greaser, or will be send them in specials prepaid all the way through?

"Peg" Williams is known as a hustler, and when he undertakes to do a thing he generally succeeds. If there are 100, 000 negroes in the south who want to go to Mexico that have the necessary cash, "Peg" Williams is the man who can carry them. He is resourceful, and if they have the money he can provide transportation for that number and many more. - Atlanta Constitution.

## Cent Pieces In the South.

A year or so ago, when the average Savannahian found himself in possession of a copper cent, he felt tempted to flip the little coin into the gutter as a nuisance. Cents were unpopular. Nobody wanted them. Even the newsboys and the bootblacks disdained to waste time in waiting for a cent in change. But things are different now. The little copper coin cuts quite a figure in the city's circulation, and it is as much respected as the more pretentions nickel. Hardly a person fishes up a handful of change in which there is not a plentiful sprinkling of bronze color. The reduced street car fares and the odd cent prices in some of the leading stores have brought about the change, and it is probably a good thing. People have come to understand the value of a cent better than they ever did before. - Savarnah News.

### Bostoniana.

Mamma-Now, dear, the doctor's gone, what can I do to amuse you? Emerson (aged 5, wearily)-if you reprinted in the French newspapers. please, mother, I think I should like to go to sleep and roduce my temperature.

SUNRISE IN CHICAGO.

A Poet's Description of the Charity Ball at the Auditorium.

The charity ball in Chicago is brilan eleemosynary occasion. It is endeared to all lovers of poetical description and remantic poesy. Mr. Sylvanus F. Bill, the poet of the Auditorium, emerges once a year from that too strictly preserved retirement in which be has long been engaged in writing a poetical directory of Cook county and fills The eantry and the honey of music. The Chicago charity ball of 1895 was held at the Auditorium on last Thursday night, and Mr. Bill described it with his usual wealth of adjective and luxuriance of passion. His exordium was full of might and magnificence:

Like a grim, impenetrable fortress of mediaval times the Auditorium looked before the moon swung out like a silver lamp in the mid-night sky and cast around the gray tower and night sky and cast around the gray tower and austere walls the soft, transforming tissue of its woven beams. Far out over the frozen wa-ters of the lake gazed the deep windows from under their arched brows of fluid stone, as the great meanment of Chicago's power flung out a challenge to the eastern world. High in the air the tower, like a mighty forefinger, was pressed upon the changing pulse of Bo-reas, while the quick voice of the telegraph reported the condition of the weather to the intening town.

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Clouds hung like a frown upon the building's granite brow, but its heart was filled with lody and beating with human sympathy and kindliness. The charity ball was on! And as the music swirled on through the great arch-es, twinkling with the lights that jewel the roof and fluttering like bright plumaged birds among the boxes of ivery and gold, the feet of the mimic armies advancing and retreating fell into rhyme, young voices into sweeter cadences, the scowl on the face of the bending sky melted in laughter, and as the lours with

iden feet slipped by sliently, one by one, in the infinite meadows of heaven ossumed the beautiful stars, the forgetme-

nots of the angels. Mr. Bill, too, swirled in music through the great arches, twinkled and fluttered and advanced in cadence. We seem to see his eyes glittering beneath fluted eyebrows and his pencil pressed like a mighty ferefinger upon the paper that throbs with the quick coming thoughts. As he whirls like a strain through the south tunnel we hear with him "the words of the poet architect" of the building:

The utterance of life is a song, The symphony of nature.

The jewels flash, the laces glitter. The great procession comes: Stately downgers in velvet gowns, with white hair piled high under diamond tiaras, and de inntes with diaphanous draperies, soft locks ished back from untroubled brows and a se tucked over one pretty ear; Youth and

Age, meeting and courtesying, and when the

Palmetto leaves from the bayons of the south, palms from the islands of the Indies, were knotted with the orange colored taffeta cioth of the orient, but it did not need tropical foli age to suggest the beauties of Araby. Dark eyes and midnight tresses were there, and girls as fair as the peri who stood at the gates

The Hon, N. K. Fairbank goes by in bright ranks and to stately measures. Supper is had, and now comes the intender nose with drops of vague regret:

earth is swaying

The poem has been written, and the proof has been read, but the first flushes of the dawn illuminate the pensive lin-Chicago!-New York Sun.

### SASSIETY SURPRISED

This Time by Mrs. William Astor's Determination to Move to Paris.

Although I believe that Mrs. William Astor has the use of the residence 350 Fifth avenue for life, she must have turned it over to her son, Jack Astor, for in the spring it will be pulled down to make way for the grand new Jack Astor hotel. Mrs. William Astor has taken a long

lease of an apartment on the Avenue des

Champs Elysees, where her daughter, Mrs. Coleman Drayton, may reside with The demolition of the Astor mansion and the expatriation of the lady who so long and so charmingly presided over its hospitalities are a remarkable outcome of the very remarkable series of events that have been happening in New York

society. If ever a woman did seem to belong to New York and to have made her name and position inseparable from New York, that woman was certainly Mrs. William Astor.

If asked a short time ago to say who was the woman least likely to give up her home and distinction in New York, 99 people out of 100 would have said Mrs. Astor.

All of which only goes to prove what a tremendous social catacylsm has been going on in New York, of which only the merest rumors have reached the surface.—Cholly Knickerbocker in New York Recorder.

### In a Hurry.

"It's a rapid age," said the big policeman thoughtfully. "A terribly rapid age. Everybody's in a hurry. 'What's the matter now?" inquired

the man who was waiting for a street "Why, we've got the trolley car,

haven't we?" Yes.

"And the cable car fender?" "To be sure."

"And the cigarettes?" "Quite so. "

"And yet you read in the papers every day about people so blamed impatient that they go and commit suicide. -Washington Star.

last census year, 305,807 bushels of rye | Yellow Aster" as his text for an appr from 24,283 across Missouri produced, according to the from 24,283 acres.

A CITY WITHOUT A GOVERN

Elections Every Year, by Redhot Elected Never Quality. The town of Humboldt, Kan organized city of the third class 1,500 people, and for 18 years the not been a municipal officer laths although the city election has begin overy year. Thereby hangs a talas it contains a warning against on ing of bonds and going into de should be told.

In the spring of 1870 there was jected south from Junction City to sons a railroad called the branch of the Union Pacific, Har was not a young town then, but i voting was the fashion, and Read which was old enough to know be voted bonds to the extent of \$13 for the road. Not satisfied win debt, in 1876 the town voted \$20.00 the Fort Scott, Humboldt and Woo a road known in the west as they Fifth Parallel." This read was a from Fort Scott to Humbuldt by was never equipped. The grade as seen today by passengers riding a the Missouri Pacific. But the grade not bring the flood of trade that was pected, and the bonds being self be usual "innocent purchaser" the began to skirmish around the con keep from paying an unjust delt inevitable came, and in 1878 theta as a legal corporation, dissolved thin air.

Then when the officer of the ter came to Humboldt in 1876 to complete mayor to turn over the interest as the bonds he found that, althour to had been a redhot election the gra-before, and although there was in there called mayor, there was has and in legal truth no mayor at al

The situation has remained the for 18 years. In two years more first will be outlawed. Then Hambon coming up to breathe the freezh more as a municipal corporate present the programme is writen to a "tangled web." Everyyearthers and city council are elected. Thesis ministration retires and the new about istration comes in-only it does't comes to the threshold, but it does enter. It does not "qualify."

The council meets without the canoffice. The mayor is merely characteristics. of a committee of citizens-theam and the meetings of the commina held regularly. Ordinances are party giving the city marshal and the commissioner power to keep them orderly and clean. The council can handle any public money. The im-money used by the council is risch solid lines broke up and swept in small detach-ments into the graceful convolutions of the dance it was like the shattering of a rainbow private subscription among the mile of the town, and as it doesn't gothers any red tape machine and as every who pays these volunteer taxs in just how much he pays for svertile the money is not squandered has fact, a business administration ? city marshal is only a fiat function As city marshal be has power to nothing except scare small beys to throw melon rinds in the alleys mit notify owners of pigpens to dear but as constable of Humboldt tous he can arrest men and enforce this as well as the best policeman has

world. The street commissioner has now. save with the consent of the pok whose property he grades up grant He is a sort of advisory board Theor clerk issues licenses to show which w clearly fiat, and his records of the po ceedings of the council world have no weight in any court. None of these uppointive officers qualifies The who And now are the daughters of Music essaying | machinery of administration in the

For the God child, Creation, a slumber song town is carried on by commen due The present mayor-the man when elected, but who has not qualified a will not-is W. T. McElroy, chart the Humboldt Union. Mr. McElique been in the little town for 30 years! his paper is 29 years old. He when the citizens get out of this the man who offers to vote a but a

the town site will be hanged He says that the city stands rahi compromise with the "innecest ! chasers" of the bonds for exactly the purchasers are alleged to have p 25 cents on the dollar. This proposa he declares, has been made and roll several times. Every few months at ficer from some court tries to fait to of the extinct corporation in some in the country. Not long ago the detried Iola. But so far the comst been unable to get the funds Tisk town seems to have the best of the test, and only time will release the the trouble. - Memphis Commercial

peal. LUCK FOR THE BATTENBERGS

The Boys Are All Doing First list, the

You, Just at This Writing. Fortune is once more looking fat ably upon the Battenbergs. Ams is afoot in Bulgaria to place Pri Joseph upon the throne occurred for few brief years by his gifiel bett Alexander, and as the precal ruler rapidly losing his popularity, which never great, the change is not if improbable. Joseph's brother B the husband of Princess Bestria been again received into high fast his mother-in-law, Queen Vice whom he had offended by fancied upon her daughter.

Today we learn that the Britis miraky has adopted an irrent Prinsa Louis Battenberg, whois 2 cer is the royal navy. Last yes corded in The Sun, he devised semaphore for signaling about which, however, did not turn of of much practical use. His se vention, described as a course infinite has had a better fate. The admits as the result of exhaustive trial ordered that the flagships, and cruisers be fitted with it Man perienced mayal officers reperied versely upon this course indicater ground that it was calculated to es der carelessuess among navigating cers, but the prince's influence ! ly prevailed. - New York San's B pean Letter.

An Anti Antitoxice Cruside Opposition to the use of the autil ine treatment for diphtherinhas als taken an organized form in England

deputation headed by Lord Cole has protested to the authorities age its use in the bospitals on the god that "public money ought not to b voted to experiments in psychology-A Progressive Pulpit.

The modern clergyman would set himself were he not thoroughly ap date. His latest exploit is to use ciative sermon. — Boston Transcript