

LADY CURZON HAS NO LOVE FOR INDIA

Birth of Little Girl Baby May Cause Viceroy of India to Resign Post—Other Gossip of English Nobility.

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(By Paul Lambeth.)

London, April 9.—With the possible exception of the sudden development of the Duchess of Marlborough's new fad for the reclamation of the unfortunate of her sex on the lines laid down by Lady Henry Somerset, and in the prosecution of which she may draw the viceroy of India, the only event of recent import has been the arrival of the viceroy at the home of Lady Curzon of Kedleston, the wife of the viceroy of India, and once Miss Mary Lett of Chicago.

This pleasant break in the general monotony was immediately followed by the announcement that Lord Curzon will return to England on an extensive leave of absence. A natural wish to see his newest baby might easily inspire the action of Lord Curzon. But even Mr. Balfour's carefully framed and highly ambiguous reply in the house to a question as to whether Lord Curzon's return to England would involve his resignation, that the return of the viceroy would of necessity end his term of office, and that it would then be open to the king to reappoint him if he chooses to do so, does not serve its purpose of hiding the truth, which is that Lord Curzon has no intention of returning to India.

Lady Curzon's Dislike.

To those who are aware of Lady Curzon's dislike of India and the thousand petty ceremonies and rules of etiquette in which she has had an enforced part, the speedy termination of Lord Curzon's reign seems certain.

Lady Curzon's health has suffered severely under the strain of the duties imposed on her, and when she left India a few weeks ago it was with the determination that no power could induce her to return.

Of Lord Curzon, Lord Roseberry once said that he would have made an ideal church warden. He loves power and patronage above all things else and was extremely anxious to retain his post until the end of his term.

Lady Curzon, once in England, however, decided that she would no longer risk the break down of her health and that of her little daughter by returning to India.

And thus Lord Curzon will contentedly come back to Kedleston and retire into the obscurity of an every-day peer and average country gentleman.

Fall of Whims.

Nothing in the many sweet and lovely characteristics of the Duchess of

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to say that every statement I shall make is susceptible of the strongest proof. I can use nothing by misstating anything and the story is more interesting, I think, than any fictitious narrative of which I am capable.

In Three Sections.
"I shall divide my statement into three classes. First, I shall describe how and why I became engaged to 30 young women. Then I shall show the true circumstances of my marriage to Miss Bird and Miss Quinn, and shall show that I was forced into those marriages and that I contracted them under the impression that I was doing those young women a service.

"Thirdly, I shall take the liberty of making a few remarks upon the marriage habit and upon the various methods of love-making of which I have some knowledge. I can get over my early life in a paragraph. I am 38 years old. I was born in England and went from England to Canada when I was 15. My father had a stock farm business. I came to Los Angeles in December, 1889. I went about a great deal with the English set at Catalina and Santa Barbara and I met a great many charming girls.

"I always had a penchant for brunettes. I do not know why. I always cared a great deal for vigorous athletic exercises, but my favorite pastimes have always been chess and cribbage and tennis. I lived upon routine and frivolity, and that she knew no higher lot on this earth than that of following in the steps of the great and good woman whose story she had heard that day.

The duchess has, however, been constant to one thing—her love of reciting. It has long been the standing joke of the clubs and the dinner table that whenever the duke—at heart a true son of his father—displays any disposition to wander from the track of steady habits, the duchess looks him in a room for his sins and recites to him by the hour.

Fatti Was in Luck.

With the home-coming of Fatti, who from the moment of the arrival of the duchess has been vowing that she will never, never, never set foot again on the soil of the United States, which has given her a profit of only \$40,000 on her recent tour, comes a little story which shows how Fatti was once arrested in her sleep, locked up for debt and released without being in the slightest degree aware of the fact.

The incident occurred during a tour managed by Colonel Mapleson. The colonel was surprised after paying for the train to receive a "stand and deliver" demand for \$300 as a special fee for running Fatti's private sleeping car over the line.

The colonel had not \$300 in the world and was compelled to rush off to the theatre to raise the money in advance, return to the station and take Fatti out of pawn.

By and by, in the brightness of the morning, she awoke declaring that she had had a most delightful sleep. She had dreamed that fairies were watching over her.

The week's business through Canada more than set Colonel Mapleson on legs that were never at any stage of his career very stable.

ENGLAND MAY MAKE MISTAKE IN THIBET

Exposition Into Tartary May Bring Grave Complications to the British—Russia Arousing the Hordes of Asia.

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Bombay (British India), April 9.—It is understood that Russia is arousing the Tartar hordes of eastern Turkestan, Mongolia and the Altai mountains in order to send them to fight the British force now in Thibet, should it advance too near Lhasa.

Not a little alarm is felt accordingly, for the receipt of news here means that the fighters of central Asia are already on the march for the Thibetan highlands, and may be nearer the present some hostilities than is safe for their comparatively small number of British troops, whose leaders have apparently been dilatory in leading them toward the Doloi Lama capital.

Anxious to Go to War.

The Tartars are now as ever anxious to go to war. They have since some years been virtually overawed by the Russians. But the chance to fight the British, whom they have been carefully taught to regard as enemies and the foes of Islam in general, even though there be no booty in prospect, is one they would not think twice of before accepting.

They are splendid fighters, and do not deserve the stigma of irregular troops, which ignorant Europeans have cast upon them. From them have sprung some of the most noted generals in the history of the world—Genghis, Khan and Tamerlane. But the general may appear among them, for Tungfu Hsiang, the most excellent military leader in Chinese, is one of their people. In case the Russians should see fit to bring them to clash with the British, it would

make matters serious in the Indian empire.

Should Expedition Fail.

Should the expedition to Thibet be driven back unsuccessful, several prominent persons will be called upon to make explanations. One of them is Douglas Freshman, who headed the diplomatic mission to the land of the Lamas last June. This mission was expected to call the Doloi Lama's representative to account for Thibet's ignoring its commercial obligations to India. It advanced a few miles through the Himalayas, rested and accomplished nothing. The present expedition, under Colonel Younghusband and General McDonald intended to bring the Thibetans to book for their negligence, has, it is said, lagged along until it almost suffered defeat at the hands of the native mob at Guru.

Criticism is Rife.

Considerable discontent prevails in India because of the state of affairs. Many hold with Sir Harry Goodwin, the opinion that Great Britain should not attempt to force itself upon Thibet because of the grave complications which may ensue. Criticism is rife, and Lord Curzon's words do serve to quiet the apprehensions.

The hope is expressed that Younghusband and the Chinese and Thibetan representatives will be able to reach some agreement within the next few weeks about 100 miles south of Lhasa. It is believed that the conference will resolve itself into an effort on the part of Younghusband to save Great Britain's face. The Mongolians know who is their ally in the north, and are not inclined to submit to dictation.

PORTLAND HAS PLENTY OF THEATRES

There will be a great diversity of amusements for the Portland public this summer. There are a total of 19 places where professional actors of more or less ability appear daily and nightly before the footlights.

The entertainment of patrons, there never has been a season fair to surpass all past years in this direction.

The leading "legit" houses are the Marquam, Cordray's, Baker's and Empire. The latter is now dark, but will

undoubtedly have its line of attractions this season. Vaudeville houses are numerous. Shield's Park, the open-air summer vaudeville place, is closed now, but will open early in the summer. The Arcade and the Park theatres now furnish entertainments in vaudeville, while protected enterprises in the vaudeville line include the Edison, the Orpheum, the Bijou, the Keating, the Columbia, and one to be built at the corner of Park and Washington streets.

Six saloons are provided with stages where vaudeville is given nightly.

JAPANESE MYSTERY CLEARLY EXPLAINED

A German Naval Officer Tells the Secret Which Enabled Mikado's Ships to Approach Russians at Port Arthur.

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Berlin, April 9.—It has puzzled the naval experts here how the Japanese Admiral Togo was able to approach Port Arthur through mist, snow and darkness without any mishap of any kind.

A German naval officer, who recently returned here, having served several years in the mikado's navy, now explains the mystery and tells of a remarkable sound signaling system with which the Japanese navy is equipped, and which had been proved even more valuable to warships than the Marconi instruments, with which they are also provided. The apparatus, which is an English invention, enables a ship to move safely to its object through darkness, dense fog or blinding snow, and

it has been used in approaching Port Arthur under all these conditions.

Mystery Explained.

An unseen object or vessel can be safely reached or avoided in darkness by the use of a locator, which measures sound and indicates to the listener the distance of any whistle, siren, bell or screw or roll of water on a beach, besides the direction in which the sound waves travel.

The navigator is called to the receiver by a bell, which records the receipt of sound, which, to the unaided, would be inaudible.

A special watch is set going on the ringing of the instrument, and as soon as the sound becomes audible in the machine the watch is stopped and the distance is shown without calculation. By this means a ship can steal away with lights out without giving warning. The system is based on the velocity of sound carried by the Hertzian waves.

mapy and he has on several occasions visited the German ambassador in Vienna and has repeatedly met the kaiser on neutral territory, but a compromise between the two royal houses is as far off as ever.

Even a marriage between the German crown prince and a daughter of the duke would probably not make any difference in the position taken by the head of the house of Hanover as pretender to the throne of his grandfather.

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UNION PACIFIC WANTS THE LINE

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San Francisco, April 9.—The Harrison and Hill interests in the north bid fair to clash seriously in the future. The Southern Pacific president is gradually extending his interests in Hill's territory and the latest rumor in railroad circles is to the effect that the Union Pacific is negotiating for the purchase of the Bellingham Bay & British Columbia railway.

This is the line in which D. O. Mills and P. B. Cornwall of this city are the principal stockholders, and several months ago the capitalists were negotiating with Hill's representatives, who journeyed here to effect a purchase of the property after the northern magnate secured an option on it.

Several conferences were held, and at that time it was generally understood that Hill had secured the road, since the supreme court decision affecting the northern railroads' merger had been handed down, it is announced that the almost completed negotiations with Mills and Cornwall have fallen through, and that Harrison is eager to purchase the road for the Union Pacific, and has secured an option on it.

The line extends through Washington from Bellingham Bay to British Columbia, and is a valuable link in northern railroad properties, having developed a rich section of the country in conjunction with the Bellingham Bay Improvement company.

Fictitious Names Used.

It is noteworthy that all of the evidence thus far adduced by the government in its investigations of the frauds that were perpetrated while Hermann was land commissioner, leads up ultimately to him. Homesteads entered under fictitious names were hurried to patent in his office with a speed never shown in the case of legitimate claimants. The gigantic frauds of Benson and Hyde were accomplished during Hermann's administration, and the testimony given before the federal grand jury in Washington pointed strongly to the conclusion that he was equally guilty with them. For many weeks mysterious rumors have emanated from Washington to the effect that disclosures are yet to come in the land frauds which will involve some of the most prominent men in Oregon. Among those who have followed the developments thus far the belief is universal that Binger Hermann is one of those to whom these rumors allude.

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NO RECONCILIATION SAYS THE KAISER

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Berlin, April 9.—I hear from persons near the kaiser that rumors spread by the English press concerning a reconciliation between the houses of Hohenzollern and Hanover are without foundation.

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REAL PRINCE IN A REAL VULGAR JAIL

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Paris, April 9.—A real prince, his Highness Prince Leon Louis La Forge, Prince de Vitanaval and Duke de St. Leon, is at present inhabiting an ordinary cell in a Paris prison awaiting trial for the theft of several valuable paintings and for swindling an old lady of the French aristocracy out of 15,000 francs.

The case promises to be highly sensational, as the prince has been received in the most exclusive circles and even at the Palais Elysees. He is defiant and threatens to expose scandals which he says will startle all Paris.

Some years ago he was in trouble for dealing in the orders and decorations of the order of St. Leon, which he created himself. When arrested he was lying in a sumptuous apartment in Rue Pagalle, and the detectives who forced their way into his bedroom past his private secretary and chamberlain found him fast asleep in a bed perched upon a platform and hung with draperies of pale blue silk. On each side of the bed stood two figures dressed in suits of mail, each holding an enormous lance with fluttering pennants.

Can't Be Avoided.

From the Washington Times. In spite of all that anybody can say, it seems to be impossible to avoid calling the Russians hard names.

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