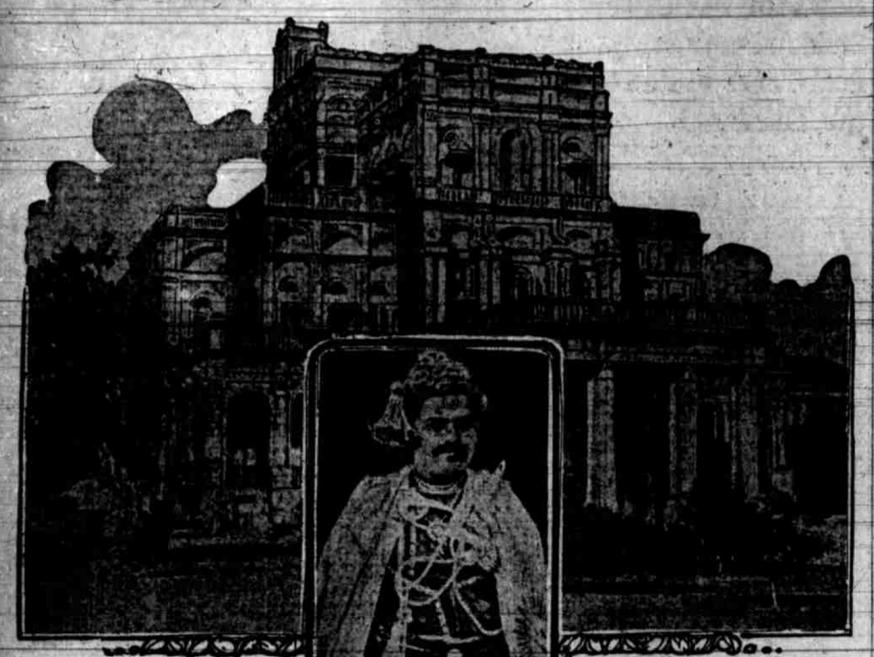


GORGEOUS EAST INDIAN RAJAH COMES TO SEE UNITED STATES



Owner of Golden Guns and Jewels Galore Arrives With Family in New York.

New York, May 12.—There arrived today from Liverpool the Maharajah chief, Gaikwar, of Baroda and his wife and daughter and an extensive suite. His highness, the Gaikwar, or Gaikwar, Maharajah of Baroda, is the reincarnation of the glories of the Arabian Nights. He is the second greatest prince of India, the other being the Maharajah of Mysore. He has more jewels than would fill a potato barrel twice over, and he is the owner of the only golden artillery in the world.

The Gaikwar of Baroda in Durbar Attire, and His Favorite Palace.

Some idea of the magnificence of the apparatus that bedecked this golden artillery can be gathered from the statement that their best trapping cost \$45,000. On the horns of the animals are golden caps, and on the legs are worn anklets of gold and silver. Each head is a flashing mass of gold, and when the guns are polished and the bullocks are in their state of the sight is somewhat dazzling. The guns are guarded day and night by picked men of the royal bodyguard, a splendid corps equipped after the European manner and officered chiefly by white men.

Gaikwar of Baroda, the Second Great Prince in India, Dazzles the Western Eyes.

Besides the golden guns the Maharajah owns a pair of silver guns of the same style as the others, but smaller, weighing only 325 pounds each. The Maharajah is the descendant of one of those great Maharratta generals who were in fact the ruling power in India when the East India company wrested the scepter from the feeble hands of the last of the once great Moguls. He is bright, clever, alert and versatile; and he loves the white people and their ways. He speaks English like an Englishman and his domestic standard is equal to that of a western potentate.

WOULD BE SUICIDE WINS FAME

French Playwright Shoots Herself When She Learns That Sacha Is to Be Withdrawn.

HOPED TO EFFACE MEMORY OF THE PAST

Regine Martial Who Had Once Been Convicted of Attempting to Kill Rival Fires Two Bullets Into Her Body, but Without Fatal Result.

Paris, May 12.—Regine Martial, the playwright, has just drawn more attention to herself than any of her plays ever did, by attempting to commit suicide, and fortunately failing. But she says she is going to begin over again the first chance she gets, so that all fear of a tragedy are not yet averted. Mademoiselle Martial, after writing a number of curtain-lifters, wrote her first big play, "Sacha," last year and brought it out only a few weeks ago at the Gymnase in Paris. She had more at stake than the ambition to make a success, for there was in her past a shady spot which she had hoped to wipe out by an artistic triumph. Five years ago she was accused of having sent

CHURCH UNION IS NOT FAVORED

Possibility That Cumberland Assembly May Turn Down the Proposed Consolidation.

PLACE LEGAL OBSTACLES IN WAY OF COMBINATION

Opponents Plan to Resort to the Courts on Proposition That Funds Were Given to Promote Special Creed.

Decatur, Ill., May 12.—It now appears possible that the proposed union of the Presbyterian and Cumberland Presbyterian denominations may not be effected at the general assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, to be held in this city next week, notwithstanding a majority of the delegates from the Cumberland Presbyterian church have been instructed in favor of the proposition. The opponents of the plan to unite the two denominations are preparing to put legal difficulties in the way and it is possible that the proposed union may be delayed. It is said that an application for an injunction against the union will be filed in the circuit court here Monday. The injunction will be asked on the ground that the Cumberland Presbyterian church properties were bought with money given for teaching and preaching the Cumberland Presbyterian faith and doctrines, and that no board of trustees or other officers had a right to transfer to the Presbyterian church any more than to Jewish or Catholic churches. The claim will be that the opponents of the union represent the Cumberland Presbyterian church, to which the funds rightfully belong. Unionists say that this position is untenable and will not stand in the courts, the general assembly having power to do whatever it pleases, though its congregation has the individual right to say whether or not it will be called Presbyterian.

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