

### Will Lead Capital Society



MRS. EDWARD B. McLEAN

WASHINGTON—Mrs. Edward B. McLean, wife of the publisher of the Washington Post and the Cincinnati Enquirer, will be leader of Washington society during the next administration. Mr. and Mrs. McLean were members of the Harding vacation party in Texas and they will play important parts in the arrangements for Harding's inauguration.

### LONG DEVOTED TO POTTERY

Chinese Town Has Been the Center of the Industry for Seventeen Hundred Years.

Seventeen hundred years ago the Chinese potters began work in King-teh, for the town, now one of the largest towns in the country, dates from the Han dynasty, when, according to the records, porcelain was first made in China, although vessels of earthenware probably were produced some centuries earlier. A large and picturesque town of potters it still is, to judge by Frank B. Len's description in Millard's Review, and modernly interesting because its product, hitherto largely confined to China, will no doubt enter more and more into world trade with the present development of international commerce.

They call it a "town" in China because, although some 300,000 people live in it, it has no wall; practically it is a great manufacturing city, where warehouses, shops, furnaces and the homes of the people are all jumbled together, as they have come into being during the centuries, and where, century by century, the great mounds of chipped and defective pottery have grown steadily higher along the banks of the river.

Nowadays there are at least 200 firms engaged in the occupation, 120 pottery kilns, 1,500 art shops, and more than 2,000 form factories; and of the 300,000 inhabitants, about 200,000 live by the manufacture and sale of porcelain and pottery.

### Calling Back Birds.

In the devastated areas of Belgium and Northern France the birds as well as the human inhabitants lost their homes. Their nests and nesting places were destroyed.

Now they have been invited back; for the matter is not merely one of sentiment, inasmuch as the birds are needed to eat the bugs that devour the farmer's crops.

With this object in view, areas of woodland are being set aside and made as attractive as possible to feathered creatures. It is expected that by such means colonies of birds will soon be established, and that, with proper protection, they will multiply and become as numerous as ever before long.

Norway was the first country to have policewomen.

### WHALE BIT OFF TOO MUCH

Attempt to Make a Meal of Pacific Cable Proved End of Sportive Creature.

The direct descendant of the whale that swallowed Jonah flapped his huge tail through the tranquil waters of the Pacific, off Mexico. He was hungry—hungry for a new sensation. All the thrills in that neck of the ocean were on land, where the Mexicans were conquering Mexico. Idly he shot a column of water through his nose into the air. What with the submarines out of the sea, life had lost all zest for a whale. The submarine idea flashed through his brain and tickled his ambergris. What a jolly lark, to be sure! He would dive below and scare the saucer and octopus into a fit. Down he went.

Now, the All-American Cable company, which took over the Mexican Telegraph company, has some valuable rubber-wound copper wires lying on the bottom of the ocean off Mexican headlands. They met the gaze of our hero.

He seized the long thing in his mouth. It stuck. History has never recorded any whale who ever attempted to eat a Pacific cable and got away with it. Our hero was no exception. He struggled, and finally wound himself up in several thousand dollars' worth of interrupted messages. When the cable repair ships hove to and grappled for the cable to find out what had interrupted communication between Vera Cruz and Valparaiso, Chile, they dragged to the surface a very dead whale, wound up in several hundred feet of hopelessly complicated cable.

Chief Engineer James Mowat, who went ashore, and lives in New York, says, this is the first whale he ever heard of that tried to eat a cable. And other members of the crew of his ship vouch for the story.

### LONG A BRITISH POSSESSION

Island of Bermuda Colonized Eight Years Before the Mayflower. Sailed From England.

The island of Bermuda was discovered in 1515 by a Spaniard, Juan de Bermudez. Nearly 100 years later an English vessel with Virginia colonists was shipwrecked on the island, which had been known as the Isle of Devils because of the terrific storms on its coast, and had been shunned. Admiral Sir George Somers, leading the Virginians, died. His body was taken back to England, where the colonists told the wonders of the island. The Virginia company determined to colonize the islands, and had its charter amended to include islands within 300 leagues of Virginia. As a result, 50 colonists were sent out in 1612, eight years before the Mayflower sailed. Later the Virginians sold their rights to a Bermuda company, which so subverted the inhabitants that they formed a parliament and fought for their rights. Three branches of government were devised. Regulations were most severe, and penalties were of the most extreme nature.

### Won His Honors Worthily.

First Sergeant Dan Daly, undoubtedly the best-known man in all the services, with the exception of Sergeant York of Argonne fame, has been placed on the inactive list of the Marine corps reserve. Daly won two medals of honor for valor in the Boxer rebellion and in the capture of Fort Riviere, in Haiti, and is said to be the only man in all the services who holds two medals of honor. In the world war his feats of exceptional bravery won for him the medaille militaire and the croix de guerre from France and the distinguished service cross from General Pershing. His passing from the active list to accept a position with a prominent banking house in New York removes from the marines their most picturesque of the old school soldiers.

### Artificial Wool Not Much Good.

Widespread interest having been taken in a new artificial wool, an exhaustive investigation into the properties and merits of the fiber has been made by Prof. Eber Midgley, head of the department of textile industries of the Bradford Technical college, and United States Consul A. S. Ingram of Bradford, summarizes his conclusions about as follows:

The new fiber is unsuitable for use in spinning yarn on the worsted principle, it being lacking in uniformity of diameter, strength and elasticity. When blended with pure wool the result is an uneven yarn.

### Subduing the Hookworm.

Efforts of the campaign against the hookworm in Jamaica conducted by the government and an expert for the Rockefeller foundation already are felt. In Vere, one of the largest sugar centers of the colony, the laborers now work six days a week, whereas formerly they were able to work only three. On account of their improved physical condition large numbers of the workers are leaving Jamaica to work in the cane fields in Cuba.

### "Dead Men's Club."

The formation of a Dead Men's club out of the 2,000 ex-service men who, while living, are officially listed as killed in action is a probability, it was learned at national headquarters of the American legion, William Wart of Akron, O., one of the "casualties," who was gassed and left on the field in Picardy, has suggested the formation of such an organization.

## BOARD FINDS NO EVIDENCE OF BRUTALITY

PORT AU PRINCE, Nov. 26.—(By Mail)—Finding witnesses actually involved in reported indiscriminate killings of natives, and others with first-hand knowledge of misconduct on the part of the American army of occupation was a task which considerably delayed the naval board, investigating charges against American marines in Haiti during the first week of its stay at Port au Prince.

Major Jesse F. Dyer, judge advocate, admitted that it was a difficult job. Many persons, who professed to have information came forward to be questioned, but it soon developed, it was said, that most of their testimony was hearsay, which, of course, was excluded. In the hope of speeding up the proceedings, Mayor Dyer made a trip by airplane to interior points to interview natives and marines, many of whom were summoned here. Travel across the mountains is slow and tedious, however, and sessions of the court were held up until they could arrive.

Meanwhile, Rear Admiral Henry T. Mayo indicated that the court would be extremely patient, as members realized that the judge advocate came here without opportunity before hand of working up his case. Only two witnesses were examined during the first week, Major Thomas C. Turner, chief of staff, and President Dartiguenave, of Haiti. It was by the testimony of Major Turner that the court developed the fact that since the intensive campaign against bandits was begun in October, 1919, a total of 1,132 natives had been killed in actual combat. This number met death, according to Major Turner, in 198 engagements.

How many were killed from the time the marines came in until October last year could only be determined by a careful inspection of records, largely incomplete, and now in Washington, the witnesses explained, although he added that Brigadier General Barnett's estimate of 225 was "undoubtedly exaggerated."

About the most that the court may be able to recommend is trial by courtmartial of possibly half a dozen marines. Its "observations" were requested and may prove of value, but primarily it was sent here to ascertain what truth there is in charges that men guilty of violence and brutality toward natives are never brought to trial.

### LITTLE DISCOURSE OF WORTH

Short Sermon Not Delivered From Pulpit, but Deserving of Youth's Serious Consideration.

On Vanity—Boy, it gives me considerable pain when I discover that you are putting on airs and endeavoring by the way you walk and talk to impress people with your own importance. For as I see life it is no particular credit to the duck that swims, or to the songbird that sings; wherefore should the young man who has been endowed with brains make boast that he uses them? That which is natural to man should in no way be made to appear unnatural.

Don't strut and pose, as one that is better than another. For in what is natural to you, you may excel, but what is natural to another would make you appear ridiculous. The actor boasting because he acts would be like a fish making much of the fact that he can live under water.

Take this tip from me—take pride in your work, but be not proud that it is you who accomplishes it. It is one thing to deserve praise, but another to insist on getting it. And keep this truth forever in mind, since one man is given the gift to play the violin, and another to write and another to paint and still others are endowed with strength for heavy tasks, and others to lay brick for houses, he who does his best in the work he is fitted to do has no right to lord it over his neighbor who is serving the world in his way. To brag that you have brains and use them is like bragging that you have lungs which inhale and exhale and eyes that see and a heart that beats.—Detroit Free Press.

### Gasoline Production.

Production of gasoline showed a big increase during the first quarter of this year, 1,020,450,000 gallons being produced as compared with 808,535,500 gallons during the same period a year ago. Consumption increased about 30 per cent during the quarter, and exports about 12 per cent.—Goodrich Travel and Transport Bureau.

Mary A. Livermore, the centennial of whose birth is soon to be celebrated, attained a greater success in the lecture field than any other American woman. As a lecturer she traveled over 25,000 miles annually, visiting every state in the union, and also England and Scotland. Her lecture topics include historical, biographical, political, religious, and reformatory subjects.

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