

FRENCH DUKE IN NEW YORK

Ferdinand de Bourbon Likes the Way They Do Things Here.

IS INTERESTED IN CHINATOWN

Impressed with the Fact that at Night Women Are Safe on the Streets of an American City.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Paris has nothing on New York in gaiety, pleasure, cooking, wines or theaters.

This is the conclusion Ferdinand de Bourbon-Oleons duc de Montpensier, who, if his family had their hereditary right, would be very close to the throne of France.

His royal highness has been making a close study of New York and he knows his Paris from center to circumference. Here are some interesting comparisons the duke makes between New York and Paris.

"Your lights are one of the most interesting and beautiful features of your night life," he exclaimed glibly.

"As a whole your streets are much better lighted than ours. And we have no Broadway. There is not one street in Paris which contains so much. Even in the shop windows we do not burn as many lights as you and as for street lights, theaters and on tops of buildings! Never have I beheld their equal."

"The horses that gallop, the baby elephant that sits on his tail, the young woman with the flowing skirt, the flimsy bottles and the steaming coffee cups—my, but they are marvelous! I think he is a great artist who designs them, we have none so clever in Paris."

Goes Through Chinatown. "You waste light as gloriously as you waste everything else," concluded the duke, smiling a bit quizzically.

"Have you been in Chinatown at night?" "Only the other night," he replied. "I saw it all, the opium dens and all the rest. It was interesting, for we have no Chinese colony in Paris. But really, it did not seem to me very wicked, as you would say. I understood that the police cleared it up a while ago," he added, a trifle wetly.

"What sort of people do you meet in your wanderings?" "All sorts—positively any one whom I might see in the day time," he answered readily.

"What impressed me most was the number of respectable women one sees on the streets alone after dark. If a woman appears without an escort in Paris at night—well, if you will pardon my frankness, she is only waiting to find one. But here it is obviously different. Young women, pre-ty, too, hurry along without glancing or being glanced at."

"Do New Yorkers enjoy their pleasures as much as Parisians?" "Everybody Looks Happy."

"But, but, yes—I am sure. Wherever I go, in the shows, in the cafes, every one looks so happy, so excited. They follow the plays with such absorption, they laugh and talk so gaily at dinner and supper. With us it is different. The faces of the men and women in our public places are often so triste, so blue."

"I have always said your theaters were most remarkable. The scenery is more beautiful and the acting is better than that I find in Paris. As for the other places that open at night—cafes, I can assure you that in the best of them the cooking is quite as good as I find at home. The wine is much stronger. So when they give me the same sort of French wine here as in Paris, it is more powerful here, perhaps that is why I see more intoxicated people on the streets. It is so rare in Paris to see a man drunk. Over here it is rare, eh, bien, not to see some man who has drunk too much," laughed the duke.

The duke recently saw a New York gang fight, in which a man was shot to death. This naturally brought on a comparison between the famous Paris Apaches and the New York gangs.

"As it happens, I have never been an eye witness of one of the Apaches encounters. But I know what they are like, and I assure you that if the fights you have here are of the sort I witnessed your streets are much more dangerous than those of Paris. In a sense, the Apaches commit more horrible crimes, for they use knives and inflict frightful injuries. I fancy, too, that they get into trouble oftener than your street roughs here. But they fight chiefly among themselves, and most important of all, they do not use pistols. That means that passersby are in very little danger."

"But here it is very different. I don't see how a dozen men escaped being wounded the way the bullets were flying around."

"It is a most remarkable thing," he said. "We have none in Paris, you know, and I believe the establishment of one would be most desirable. It is not right to put people who have not done anything into a prison, even over night. And, do you know, a great many of the people I saw there did not seem to have done anything. One boy had played ball and another had stood on a corner. Our policemen are very strict, but I don't think they would arrest boys for those things."

"It seemed to me that the judge was very kind and wise to let so many of the prisoners go."

"You have visited the roof gardens, of course?" "Yes, and I found them most interesting," said the duke, again choosing what is his apparently adjective of all work. "In Paris we have no roof gardens, but we have theaters in gardens—real ones, with trees and flowers and grass. Very charming they are. Only here I realize you would not have space for such and so you go up on the high buildings to be cool. But with us it is never so warm as you have it here. Hot, yes, but without the dampness—what you call humidity."

BLAIR LOSES OPERA HOUSE

Fire, Supposedly of Incendiary Origin, Takes Six Thousand Dollars Structure.

BLAIR, Neb., Aug. 14.—(Special.)—The Blair opera house was destroyed by fire yesterday morning at 2:30 o'clock. The building was built twenty-five years ago by a German stock company at a cost of \$5,000 and had been kept up in good repair. It was recently leased to John J. Rodgers of this city to be used for a theater.

The fire broke out in the rear of the building when it was used for a theatrical performance and other entertainments. The firemen did heroic work under the circumstances, being crippled somewhat by the bursting of their hoses at the beginning of the fire. There is plain evidence that the house was set by a knife. The firemen saved a residence property on either side of the opera house and within thirty feet of it, with slight damage to the other buildings.

There is a strong supposition that the fire is the work of an incendiary, although the street cannot be ascertained for the act. The house will not be rebuilt on the same ground or by the same parties. There was an insurance of \$5,000 on the building and \$500 on furniture. A slight rain which fell during the early part of the night prevented the fire from spreading to other roofs.

Jack Barrymore Hands Out a Defi to Sidney Harris

License is Secured and Actor Will Wed Miss Katherine, Regardless of Parental Opposition.

MANY SIGNERS IRRESPONSIBLE

Witnesses All "Original Americans," with Exception of Cecil A. Lyons—He Had Talked with Roosevelt of Contracts.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Jack Barrymore, the actor, intends to proceed with his plans for marrying Katherine Corri Harris, even though Sidney Harris, father of his fiancée, is not satisfied with the arrangements. Barrymore was told that his prospective father-in-law had seemed somewhat unsettled over the marriage plans, when he landed yesterday from the liner La Provence. His comment was:

"The wedding ceremony will certainly take place in a couple of weeks, whatever opposition is offered. Miss Harris is now taking a vacation in Canada with her mother. She is staying in a small place, the exact whereabouts I do not care to disclose, as I would not have her annoyed."

"Katherine and I went to the city hall and got our marriage license simply to show our friends that we were sincere in our intention of getting married. We did not do so to head off opposition of any sort. Of course, it would be pleasant to have all hands working together in this plan. But if anybody wants to stand out and try to start trouble, we will proceed without regard to his or her wishes."

"We have consulted only ourselves in this matter. Mrs. Harris has given her consent, too. I am sorry if the subject is discussed in the papers, but we are consulting our own wishes and not his."

INDIANS CALLED SPENDERS

If Lands Were Sold Proceeds Would Be Squandered.

WILLING TO PAY BIG FEE

Many Chickasaws testified that they were willing to give McMurray as high as a 10 per cent attorney's fee if he would sell the land within a year.

"Do you mean to say that you would be willing to pay Moriarity from \$5,000,000 to \$5,000,000 for doing something which the government has promised to do for nothing?" asked Senator Gore of Benjamin Dourian, a Chickasaw.

"Yes, we would get a quick settlement." "In the two years since these contracts have been signed have you heard of McMurray doing anything at Washington that would hasten the sale?"

"No, but we felt that he had the influence and the experience to work among the congressmen there."

"Robbers' Roost, a town of fifty population and one store in southern Oklahoma, again figured in the hearing. William Bates told of having been visited there by McMurray agents, who got him to sign contracts. It was also the point from which a McMurray agent started one day to attend a "war council" of Indians, where 50 contracts were signed at one time.

Cecil Lyon was on the stand all the morning. In previous testimony D. C. McCurtain, one of the chiefs of the Choctaws, had declared that in 1906, in the lobby of a hotel at Washington, McMurray had offered him a \$5,000,000 bid to withdraw opposition to the contracts. At the time the offer was made, McCurtain testified, McMurray had been talking with Mr. Lyon, but the latter had walked away. Mr. Lyon declared today if any bribery had been attempted he knew nothing of it. Mr. Lyon then related his connection with the old contracts.

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