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With each succeeding year the change is more noticeable in the attitude of Londoners and Parisians toward Americans. There is an interchange of hospitality now existing which would not have been possible a few years ago; and, most remarkable of all, no English house-party is now quite au fait without some smart American. Many New Yorkers who are spending July in England on a tour of these parties, will return to Newport in August with a goodly representation of English guests.

At the seaside resorts the quiet days of June have given way to the opening rush of the July season. Crowds of pleasure-seekers from the heat-burdened cities and inland towns fill the hotels and cottages to overflowing. At Narragansett Pier, Long Branch, Bar Harbor and Ocean Grove there are more visitors than ever before so early in the season. At Cape May and Atlantic City the social life is fully inaugurated, the first big dances occurring on the Fourth of July.

Newport is more beautiful this season than ever before. Gardeners, as well as the choicest of foreign shrubbery, have been imported, and the discovery of blue roses and green carnations would not be surprising in some of the hot-houses. All Newport was out on the water in the early evening of the Fourth. The yachts and the detachment of a navy fleet in the harbor were ablaze with flags and bunting. It has been conceded that this will be a yachting year, and all indications point to numerous entertainments on superbly fitted yachts which resemble floating hotels, and upon which large parties may be accommodated. One summer is very much like another; but during the last two years there certainly has been an evolution of the summer girl. She no longer mopes on the hotel or cottage verandas, lamenting the delinquent man who refuses to come in and dine and dance; she goes forth to join him at his sports, which is an altogether preferable arrangement. The veranda girl is still to be found, for not every young woman is equal to the hot sun and the required effort for sports; but the smartest girls this summer are off in the early morning for hunting, riding or golf. Many of these young women are wearing their hair in a thick braid down their backs, and the problem of unruly hairpins is thus solved.

It is said that not in years has there been so fashionable a commencement as this year's at New Haven. Many of the graduating class were men representing New York's very smartest inner circle. Numerous yachts from Newport, Boston and New York came up for the final event, the boat race at New London, and, taking it altogether, probably no outgoing class of Yale ever enjoyed a gayer week. In New York the arrivals from Europe and the constant passing through of prominent persons have given a zest to social life. Most of the men are still in the city and are available for short suburban excursions in the evenings and dinners at some of the restaurants on the outskirts of the town. Dinners, by the way are good form only in the severest simplicity. Delicacy, shortness and superfine quality now are the ruling watchwords.

John A. Sizer, son of E. R. Sizer, was the victim of a painful accident last Sunday at Kearney, where, with his

brother, he was visiting his aunt, Mrs. C. W. Hoxie. In removing the chamois skin from a revolver the wrapping caught and the weapon was discharged, the ball passing through Master Sizer's hand and lodging in the thigh. He was brought to Lincoln Monday, when the bullet was extracted, and the patient is rapidly recovering.

Postmaster H. M. Bushnell will deliver an address on the subject "Commerce in the Corn Belt" before the trans-Mississippi commercial congress which will be held at Cripple Creek, Colorado, July 16-19. Mr. Bushnell will leave on Tuesday. Several other Lincoln representatives will be present at the meeting, among them Messrs. W. D. FitzGerald, Morris Weil and Morris Friend.

Mrs. E. H. Barbour and Miss Eleanor Barbour left on Wednesday for the east. They will meet Professor Barbour at New Haven in the fall and will be present at the Yale bi-centennial which will be held in October.

Chief Justice Norval of the supreme court was in Lincoln Wednesday. Judge Norval has served for twelve years on the bench and while not an active candidate for re-election, still would not refuse to accept a nomination if it were offered to him.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned C. Abbott spent Monday in Omaha, leaving for San Francisco Tuesday evening. They will sail for Manila on the transport Thomas, July 23. They will occupy the positions of government teachers in the Philippines, under the direction of Superintendent Atkinson, a Harvard graduate and well-known educator.

Mrs. Stotsenburg, widow of Colonel Stotsenburg, has had a severe surgical operation performed. She is recovering slowly. It requires a year for severed nerves to knit, and meanwhile the patient is subject to a nervousness incomprehensible to one who has never been subjected to the shock. Mrs. Stotsenburg is very brave and her temperament assists recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Tobey left Tuesday morning for a three weeks' trip through Colorado. They will visit Denver, Manitou, Colorado Springs and other places of interest, after which Mr. Tobey will attend the meeting of the Trans-Mississippi congress at Cripple Creek July 16-19.

W. E. Blake of Burlington, Iowa, general solicitor of the Boston Investment company of this city, accompanied by Mrs. and Miss Blake, also C. J. Ernst, Mrs. Ernst and Miss Grace Ernst, will leave next Tuesday on Mr. Calvert's private car, for a ten days' vacation trip through the Black Hills.

A meeting of the Humane society will be held this evening at 141 North Twelfth street, ground floor, at 8 o'clock. R. J. O'Hanlon, general organizer of the American Humane association, will address the meeting.

Mrs. Helen Woodville, accompanied by her little daughter and maid, left Tuesday for Colorado Springs. Mrs. Woodville has been spending several weeks at the Lincoln hotel.

Miss Willa Cather, who is known personally to many of our citizens and