

SOCIETY OF AMERICAN WOMEN

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LARGER QUARTERS FOR CLUB

Christenings Are Becoming Smartest Functions in England—King as First Assistant to Copid.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—(Special.)—Mrs. Whitehead Reid has become honorary president of the Society of American Women in London, a fact that gives a good deal of satisfaction to the members, for during the Choate regime there was more or less ill feeling between the society and the wife of the American ambassador.

Smart Christenings.—Quite the smartest functions which have taken place lately have been christenings. In their own way they have been quite as interesting as weddings.

One of the first young Americans to realize the social possibilities of the smart christening was Mrs. Walter Burns, who had quite a memorable show when her little girl was received into the church. But it is difficult to explain the beauty and picturesqueness of the christening of the heir of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Harcourt.

After the service the guests all assembled at a reception luncheon, cards for which were purported to have been issued by the small hero of the occasion. They were tiny things of cream parchment with silver lettering inscribed with the words "Come and see me christened and afterwards look in and lunch with me."

His Majesty's Gift.—The house was a mass of gorgeous white blooms. Floral bells by a clever arrangement of a fashionable florist were made to ring out a peal after the manner of joy bells. His majesty's gift, the everlasting silver-gilt porringer which he buys for the dozen for such purposes, was in a conspicuous place on the table near the immense and very beautiful christening cake.

Men, save the immediate relatives of the family, do not generally put in an appearance at such ceremonies, but they are always to be found in numbers at the luncheon and wear the buttonholes which are presented in honor of the occasion—usually white gardenias.

Edward a "Darling King."—There is known to be a strong dash of sentiment in the composition of King Edward. When the course of true love has not run smooth he has times out of number thrown oil in the shape of kind words and suggestions to the parents of the pair.

The Road to Success.—John G. Johnson, Philadelphia's famous lawyer, was talking in the smokeroom of a liner about work.

REVOLVING IN GERMANY GROWS

Emperor William is Now Faced by DIVINE RIGHT IS NEAR ITS END

Opening of a Momentous Struggle Marked by the Recent Outburst of Public Opinion in the German Empire.

Important Yankees Absent.—Although this is what is termed "the little season," which in years gone by used to be so popular with rich Americans, as I write the important Yankees here could almost be counted on the fingers of one hand.

Berlin, Dec. 5.—The outbreak of feeling in Germany against the kaiser marks the opening of a momentous struggle. In two months the kaiser will be 60 years old; already he has reigned for more than twenty years. His personality is no unknown quantity, and he may well be aghast that so casual a thing as a newspaper interview should be seized by his subjects to diminish his stature publicly and forever.

The country has suffered increasingly from bad economic conditions for the last three years, from overproduction, from the difficulty of finding markets, and from the loss of commercial profits, from anxiety over the enormous and necessary increase in taxation. Besides, there is the certain survival of particularist sentiment in the non-Prussian states of the federal empire.

Basis of the Trouble.—Socialist propaganda, if the flamboyant pretensions of the pan-German expansionists have had their share in disturbing the productive community. Most of all, and here has proved to be the kaiser's pitfall, there is a brooding anxiety over the manner of managing Germany's foreign policy.

That policy, all Germans agree, does not secure the results that the country's strength and ambition might obtain; yet the foreign policy has been the emperor himself, the first patriot of them all. To take his control from his hands is to hold him convicted of personal incompetence as a statesman.

Public Opinion is Powerful.—While all these barren negatives have enclosed the legislative authority of the Reichstag, public opinion has grown up vigorously outside. A member of the Reichstag has no voice in the making of ministers or in procuring local appointments, but to avoid chronic public discontent between the legislature and the executive the practice of lobby bargaining has grown up.

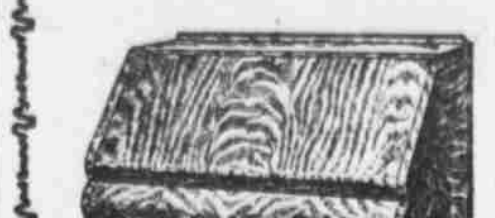
Emperor's Position is Strong.—There is only one master in this country; he will not suffer another by his side. So spoke Emperor Wilhelm at Dusseldorf, when he had been five years on the throne. Yet he, himself, aided by the excesses of his favorites, by his speeches and by the intransigence of his policy, has created "another master"—German public opinion.

Sovereign to Executive.—The executive power belongs exclusively to the sovereign, declared Bismarck, and he provided that the sovereign should "represent the entire empire in its relation to foreign states." The Federal Council, it is true, had to give consent to a declaration of war, but in his quality of king of Prussia the emperor remained master of the council.

Powers of the Reichstag.—The Reichstag is elected bodily for three years. It was at first arranged that there should be one member for each 100,000 of population, but although the German empire has now 65,000,000 inhabitants the Reichstag has only 37 members. Nominally the Reichstag is entitled to propose its will on questions of taxation, railways, civil and criminal legislation, army and navy expenditure. The constitution states that "every law of the empire requires a decision by the Reichstag."

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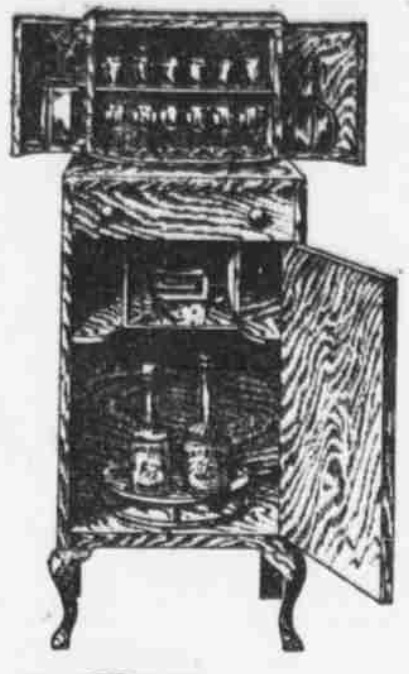


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