Clough and that the other looked like George Woods. But Mr. Baldwin was in a hurry. He doesn't believe the stories that are circulated.

Sunday is a day of rest, and the clever hostess who entertains on that day contributes, by the informality of her entertainment, to a good, restful time. There are a few homes among the young married people where the Sunday tea is a feature. They set no exact hour, though all their friends know that their house and their dining rooms are open from 8 o'clock on. Nothing hot is served except chafing-dish tid bits and tea, and these may be made at any time during the evening. They are often made two or three times during the evening in eastern cities, as the occasion demands. But in the cities where the custom is more general the favored guests at these Sunday evening reunions stroll into the tea table just as his appetite moves him, and any one of the group assumes for the moment the duties of hostess. A small side table holds nuts and conserves and bon-bons, and a large punch bowl for those who prefer something stronger than tea. Bicycle teas are quite the proper thing at all summer resorts. The elaborateness of some make them quite notable affairs. Saturday afternoon teas are becoming the features of the week at these places. The inside life of summer society is to be found at one of these weekly gatherings. There the gossip of the place centers. Around these small tables are the golf players and richly clad ladies whose well-appointed traps flash up to the door and flash away again. The afternoon tea on the "at home" day is not a fad of today, but was a social function as long ago as Queen Anne's reign. Then, as now, both ladies and gentlemen were invited, and mention is made of certain fashionable women who thus "visited seven houses in a single afternoon." Once more the afternoon tea is in reality a time set apart by a hostess to receive formal calls from every person on her visiting list. If present, the card of the guest is left in the basket; or, if absent, sent by mail on the day of the "tea" proves that they fulfilled this social obligation. It is said that an afternoon call, in recognition of this form of hospitality, is neither expected nor required, as the hostess of the afternoon tea is the social debtor of her guests after it is over. In plainer phrasing, "her dear five hundred friends" have called upon her, and it remains for her to do likewise in return. With the dinner, the wedding reception, etc., it is rudeness not to make a formal visit within the prescribed time.

London society is discussing two subjects of great importance and of greater interest. What does society care about the boundaries of Venezuela or the Jamestown raid when it is said that William Waldorf Astor is a favored suitor for the hand of the Princess Victoria, the only unmarried daughter of the Prince of Wales, and that Queen Victoria is seriously thinking of abdication? The foundation for th first report is the fact that William Waldorf Astor's gift of a diamond of immense size and of absolute purity to the Princess Maud was accepted, not that it was presented– anybody who had a diamond would give it to a prince—but that it was accepted. For, in spite of his impecunious condition, the prince is very scrupulous about accepting a present which is too costly an expression of the stage of intimacy the donor has been allowed to reach. The reason why the gift from the American to Maud was not returned is because he has paid Wales' debts, as the Rothchilds, Sir James McKenzie, the Wilsons of Tranby Croft and Baron Hirsch have done before him. His guerdon is what theirs has been—social pre-eminence, rather than interest money. If he marries the Princess Victoria he stands a chance of being prince consort. The Princess Victoria is sixth in the line of succession to the throne. Between her and the throne there are the precarious lives of her puny and delicate brother, the Duke of York, and his two frail children; her eldest sister, the Duchess of Fife, and her two qually delicate babies, no further family being expected in the ducal household by reason of the duke's ever steadily failing health, for his spine is seriously affected. King George III. had an enormous family, yet the daughter of his sixth son now occupies the throne of Great Britain and Ireland. It is, therefore, quite on the cards that Princess Victoria of Wales may succeed to the throne as Queen of Great Britain and Ireland and Empress of India, in which event Mr. William Waldorf Astor would ipse facto become prince consort, would occupy the chair of state to the left of the sovereign's throne, while his son by the Princess, should he happen to have one, would become the Prince of Wales. The victories that Americans have won over England are not yet forgotten. To think that a representative of the country she once owned and tried to beat into submission should aspire to the position of prince consort is an impertinence they re-rert. The other exciting topic is the report that the queen has decided to abdicate, which is based on the fact that she looked unusually feeble when she appeared at the wedding of Princess Maud, and that she is reported to have said it was the last time she should ever be in London. What she actually said was, that she wondered if it would be the last time she would be there. She is such a managing woman that the politicians of London place no reliance on the rumors of abdication or of a regency under control of the queen. Abdication and regency combined have not caused the fluttering that Astor's astral aspirations have caused. The London correspondent of Town Topics sends the following of the queen's appearance in London at the time of the royal wedding: "As a rule, when she comes up, she drives about informally; indeed, she may be met in Regent street or Oxford street, just like any private lady, behind a pair of horses, in an unpretentious open carriage, without any special traffic arrangements. On Wednesday, however, the crush was so great in Piccadilly, near Hyde Park corner—always the most crowded thoroughfare in the season—that the police were compelled to stop the traffic in order to allow her carriage to cross. So the heterogeneous mass of omnibuses, cabs, carriages, brewers' drays and big wagons halted, a compact phalanx on either side. We made out an open landau—not at all smart—containing an old lady in black with lovely snow-white hair. All at once a rough man, an omnibus driver, called out, 'It's the Queen; God bless her!' and then an electric thrill seemed to go round. Passengers inside and outside the vehicles sprang up; the prim coachmen and footmen on the private carriages, usually as stolid as wax dolls, rose to their feet and shouted like schoolboys; the foot passengers swelled the cheering; such a cheer! London has not heard the like since Jubilee day. It was a sight I would not have missed for worlds, that forest of waving hats and handkerchiefs and the faces of the people, startled for once out of their British reserve. Every one in the crowd fixed eyes on the Queen as on a dearly beloved friend; every one shouted what came nearest: 'God bless you ma'am!' 'How well she looks!' 'God bless your Majesty!' 'Long life to her!' 'Hurrah!' I wish the folk who talk about "smouldering discontent" and "organized demonstrations" had been there. As for the Queen, she burst into tears and bowed right and left, making spasmodic efforts to dry her eyes with her black bordered handkerchief between the bows I hear that since that day she has spoken several times about the little scene, saying how touched she was by it. The people -high and low for once united, watched her till she was quite out of sight; then the traffic was resumed; every one looked at his or her neighbor; and every one, being English, became self-conscious and sheepish. We are a wonderful people, certainly!"

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## NOTICE.

F. W. Marotz, Mary P. Marotz, Sallie E. Hyatt, —— Hyatt, whose first name is unknown, husband of Sallie E. Hyatt, Thomas W. Passmore, Lewis C. Passmore, Orion C. Passmore and Howard E. Passmore, defendants, will take notice that on the 12th day of August, 1896, Martha R. Meyers, plaintiff, herein filed her petition in the district court of Lancaster county, Nebraska, against said defendants and others, the object and prayer of which are to foreclose a certain mortgage executed by the defendant Sallie E. Hyatt (by her then name Sallie E. Passmore) and one Issiah D. Passmore, now deceased, to one W. W. Holmes, and by him assigned to Mary L. Runyon, and by her assigned to the plaintiff, being upon the east half of the northeast quarter of section numbered twenty-three, town nine, range seven east, in Lancaster county, Nebraska, to secure the payment of one promissory note dated March 8, 1882, for the sum of five hundred dollars, and due and payable in five years from the date thereof; that there is now due and payable on said note and mortgage the sum of $500, with 8 per cent interest from March 8, 1895, for which sum with interest from that date plaintiff prays for a decree that defendants be required to pay the same or that said premises be sold to satisfy the amount found due, and that the interest, right and title of each defendant may be found in the said premises and in any surplus that may arise from the sale under any decree in this case.

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MARTHA R. MEYERS,
Plaintiff.

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