

them. The present site was suggested to the duke and duchess. In the first place, but it was not until Belgrave and Mayfair had been vainly examined by them in search of a better situation that it was finally decided to build on it. One of the drawbacks about the site was that it was occupied at the time (in 1890) by Curzon Street chapel, a fashionable little church which it cost the Marlboroughs many thousands of dollars to have pulled down.

No one who knows Curzon street will wonder that the Marlboroughs would have preferred almost any other fashionable street in London in which to build their new palace. The wonder is that rich American society folk have been willing to follow even so illustrious a lead into the street where Thackeray's heroine quivered it and where Disraeli died.

Were it not for its reputation as one of the most stylish streets in London, the future Fifth Avenue of Mayfair might be described as quite "impossible"—at any rate as a place of residence for the exclusive. Besides being crooked and narrow, it is awkward to get at. To enter it from Berkeley square you would have to dive down a flight of steps and then thread a narrow passage—Landowne passage, it is called—with brick walls on either side, and so glibly and so easily it is to be reached with big gas lamps. And the shortest way into Curzon street from Park lane is up a flight of steps and through another rather formidable passageway that must be made at the Curzon street end. To Park lane and Pitts Head Mews, the "mews" being nothing more aristocratic than stables.

#### "CABBAGES AND KINGS."

The principal drawback to Curzon street as a place of residence for the aristocratic, however, is the fact that it is sprinkled with stables and unimposing little shops and that one side of it is cheek by jowl with an out-and-out slum. The number of these small business premises strikes one as soon as he gets into Curzon street. When fashionable charges street crosses it there are four of them—a cheese dealer's, a small livery stable, a grocer's shop and a saloon. The York Arms, when the other day the Dowager Duchess of Marlborough brought a party of American friends in motor cars to go over Sunderland House, the whole street was crowded with anxious grocers, cheese dealers and other shop assistants, whose idea it was that "Mr. Vanderbilt" had come to take possession of his house, the name of Consuelo's father, oddly enough, being made more familiarly identified with the mansion in the neighborhood than that of the duke himself.

And, as to say, Sunderland House backs directly upon Curzon street's slum. Just before one gets to the Marlborough place, going up the street, there is a sort of dingy archway, and passing through this one finds himself in a dirty little square, which calls itself Shepherd's Market, and which is filled with small shops and dwellings that, from the look of them, might be in the center of Whitechapel or Bethnal Green—anywhere but just off the street where reside the Earl of Crewe, Katherine, Lady Lettice, who is known as the most exclusive of London hostesses; the Earl and Dowager Countess Howe, Lady Mary Foley, and good, good, good, many other titled folk. It seems that this section of the neighborhood was leased long ago for a hundred years or more, and that is why it will be impossible for a long time to come to get rid of all the little rookeries—a goodly number of which are "pubs," as they call the cheaper sort of saloon over here.

#### DUKE'S DEMOCRATIC NEIGHBORS.

Behind Shepherd's Market there are "mews" and more shops, and it is on following the small street which separates them that one discovers the place completely surrounds Sunderland House on every side but one and what a democratic lot of neighbors the exclusive duke and duchess have. On one side of the aristocratic mansion are the shops of a boot-maker, a green-grocer and a clockmaker, on the other two grocers' shops; while exactly behind the imposing residence, and evidently to be regarded from its back windows, are a row of little saloons and a house which seems entirely given up to "cheap lodgings."

The Marlboroughs, however, have the satisfaction, if it is any to them, that all the nearby houses on the same side of the street also have the slums at their back doors, and hitherto American more than any other possible tenants of these houses have objected to this strongly.

"Now, could I possibly take and live in a house that looks out upon a duck-yard?" an American woman scornfully asked the real estate agent who was showing her over one of these residences not long ago. Of course the reply to such an objection is: "Well, if it is good enough for the Marlboroughs," etc.

However, in spite of the slums and the shops, land values have increased 25 per cent in Curzon street within the last two years, which means that whereas the Duke of Marlborough paid \$100,000 for the site, the Duke of Devonshire, who owns practically all Mayfair—\$150,000 for the site on the table around one very tall vase of flowers at the center. These, four, five, and even six of these rings of delicate blossoms, which mount high above the different tables, both in drawing rooms and boudoirs.

#### THE FLORAL FANCIES.

But there are changes all round in the floral fancies of the society woman. Her flower boxes which, standing on the window ledges of her house, make so gay an appearance when society is at home in London, with this year be filled with everything but the pink geraniums and white marguerites that have pleased her for so long. One of her friends leads her to have about her boudoir great clusters of the Chateaux, a not English grown rose with outer leaves that curl tightly back, which when placed beside a pink rose looks almost a flow, and which, when in near touch with a yellow flower, is decidedly pink. Her flower boxes are much admired at the moment. But the decorative piece de resistance this season is decidedly the dwarf orange, hanging in tiny balls of rich golden hue and lighting up the whole room with their glow. So difficult have these tiny orange trees been to obtain and so rare are they in London that they have created quite a furore. Yet the most startling change in the choice of flowers comes in this season's bridal bouquet. Since the cabbage, or cauliflower type of bouquet (where all the flowers were packed tightly together and hemmed in by a rigid circle of green leaves) passed from fashionable recognition, the shower bouquet with its loosely coupled blossoms and delicate feathery foliage has been all supreme. Now, however, it is a round affair or a glorious light mass of rich blossoms with long trails or blossoms and ferns it was the "shower" bouquet. Now fashion is almost reverting to the old-fashioned pattern, composed entirely of orange blossoms, and in place of foliage it is surrounded with a flourish of soft falling chape, At one wedding at the Guards' chapel,

Wellington Barracks, a large bow of silver tissue was also added to the lace fringed bridal blooms.

#### MOST PROMINENT AMERICANS.

Lars Anderson and Mrs. Anderson of Boston are among the most prominent American society people in London at present. They are enjoying a perfect round of entertaining and they themselves will entertain on a lavish scale later on. In the Duke of Sutherland's yacht, Catania, which they chartered recently, the Andersons also propose to take a party of friends for a cruise in the Mediterranean before they return to the United States. They dined with the Duke and Duchess of Roxburgh at one of the most and hotels on three occasions during the last week, and now spend much of their time motoring in the neighborhood of Hampton court and Windsor. Before they go cruising they propose to explore the Scottish highlands, when they will stay with the Bradleys-Martins.

#### INTO A NEW HOME.

Lord and Lady Essex have just moved into a new house in Mansfield street, Mayfair. His lordship is not fond of entertaining and his ladyship—who was, of course, Miss Becham-Grant of New York—appeared hitherto to prefer the quietness and seclusion of their country place in Hertfordshire where she was fond of gathering around her for social intercourse and improvement stately matrons interested in the social and moral advancement of their sex. Lord Essex is fond of his club and is not above having a bet occasionally both on cards and race horses. Lady Essex, however, will have nothing to do with unnecessary extravagance.

#### NOW IN LONDON.

Mrs. Rhineland Stewart and her daughter, Miss Andrie, of New York, have, I learn, arrived in London for the season. They are staying at one of the fashionable hotels and are inundated with invitations from some of the leading members of the American colony settlers in London. They were the guests of Lady Craven for three or four days after their arrival in London. They also stayed at Cliveden, Mr. Astor's place up the Thames. It showed them the beauties of the upper reaches of the river and they also enjoyed a full day's outing around Windsor in his fashionably equipped motor. They also had a motor ride in Rotten Row, accompanied by young Mr. Astor. They will leave London for Paris next week for shopping purposes and will return to London where they mean to spend the remainder of the season before returning home.

#### LADY MARY.

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## WISHES SHE WAS NOT A PRINCESS

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600 for the land upon which Sunderland House is built, or \$50 a square foot, a similar site in the street would now cost nearly \$100,000. Most of the Americans who have taken establishments in Curzon street lately have done so for the season. The price for a furnished house there is now about \$10,000 or \$15,000 for the so-called "season," which means three months, and the tenant has to pay for the full term whether he stays that long or not. Servants are included, but if a tenant wants to engage his own servants he can do so at his own expense, and at the same time he must provide board-wages for the others.

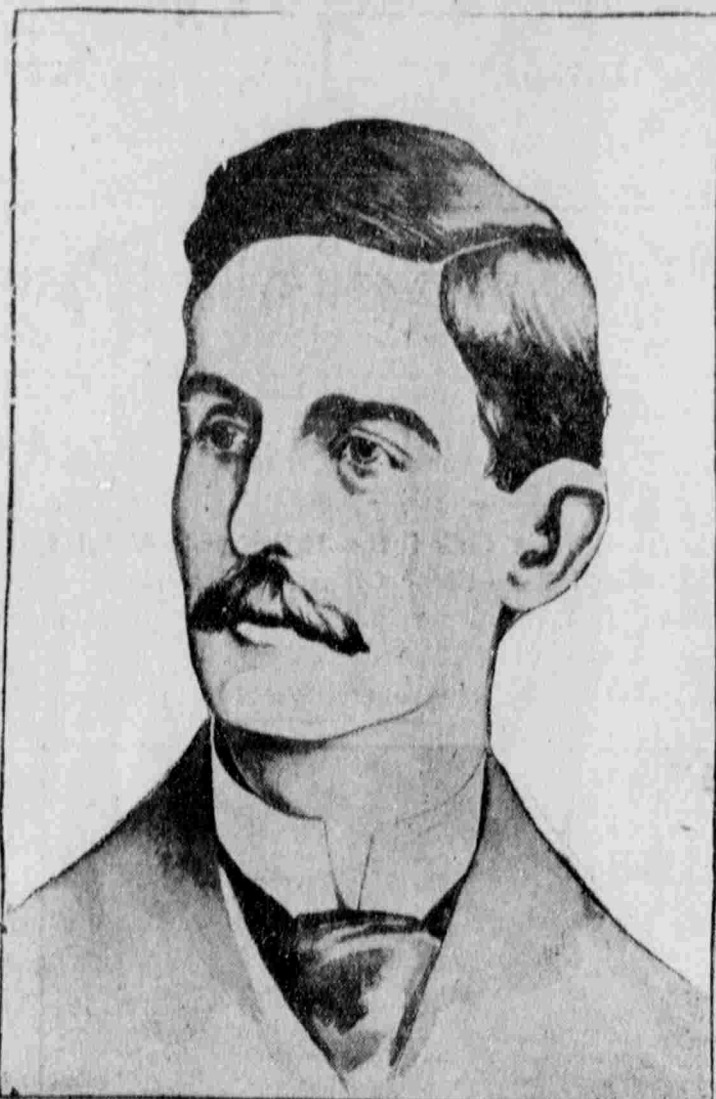
#### MARLBOROUGH'S REGAL SPLENOR.

Undoubtedly Sunderland House will be the scene of the most dazzling of the season's functions, for the duke and duchess are planning to give their \$50,000 palace such a send-off as perhaps no other private residence ever has had before. The servants are in already, and the size of the staff which the duke and duchess will have at their disposal is the subject of much comment. All told they number 60—double the number of the number ordinarily employed in a great London mansion—and they all have been selected with due regard to the important duties they will be called upon later to perform. Some of them have been seen service in royal houses both at home and on the continent. A chef, who will receive \$6,000 a year, is already on the premises. He had charge of the culinary arrangements during the Prince of Wales' late trip to Australia. It admits himself that his present salary is the largest he ever has received.

Perquisites from various sources will bring his income up to at least another thousand dollars. For this magnificent stipend he will not be asked to soil his hands, but merely to superintend the kitchen and do the buying. The duchess herself interviewed every servant before he or she was engaged. She instructed the builders to finish the servants' quarters first, so that they might be put in residence before the house was officially opened. The place is so huge that a stranger might easily lose himself, so the duchess considered it expedient to give them an opportunity of exploring the place thoroughly before they would be called upon to wait upon the distinguished master and mistress. There are so many callers even at this early stage that it takes a fully liveried servant, with powdered hair carefully arranged, all his time to keep answering the door.

Tradesmen's carts are racing up to the kitchen entrance all day long, and huge baskets of meat and vegetables are being lowered down the great stone stairs. The wine cellar is receiving special attention, and when it is fully stocked it will be one of the best equipped cellars in London. The presence of such a number of liveried servants about the new residence has enhanced the tone and dignity of the whole neighborhood, and the little local tradesmen are counting on making their money out of the new house and the distinguished looking servants who have obscured everything which had hitherto been looked upon with a certain amount of local pride and interest. Everything in the palace, as it is locally described, will be new, with the exception of some antique stuff which is stored away at Blenheim. Some family pictures and military trophies also will adorn the walls, but beyond

#### PROBABLE SHORT TERM SENATOR.



It is said that the late Senator Quay practically bequeathed his seat to his son. Much opposition is expressed to giving R. R. Quay more than the unexpired term. He expresses himself unwilling to accept this.

#### CRAVENS TO RIVAL MARLBOROUGH.

The Bradley Martins' home in Chertwell gardens, just off Curzon street, is likely to be the scene of social displays second in brilliancy only to those which will take place at Sunderland House. For several seasons the Countess of Craven, Mrs. Bradley Martin's daughter, practically has been debarring from entertaining in London through lack of a town house; but not long ago her mother placed the mansion at the corner of Chertwell gardens at Lady Craven's disposal, and I understand that she is planning to make up for lost time by giving a

series of functions that may be as much the talk of London as the famous Bradley Martin ball was the talk of the United States some years ago. Prince Dolgorouki's house, in Upper Grosvenor street, which Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mackay have just taken, always has been considered one of the most magnificent private residences in London—although it is ugly enough outside. It is especially rich in tapestry paintings by old masters and Chippendale and Sheraton furniture of priceless value. An expert who was called on to value them and make an inventory when the Mackays were taking over the house estimated that these items alone would realize at any auction sale \$500,000. The carpets are the best that can be produced, and what gives them added interest is that they have been manufactured according to designs made by Princess Dolgorouki herself. Mr. and Mrs. Mackay will only occupy the house for the season, but it is understood that they have made an arrangement by which they will have first call on it every succeeding year.

No. 30 Curzon street, which will be the headquarters of Craig W. Wadsworth of New York during the season, has been an American home for several years—that of Mrs. Adair, one of the best known American women in London society. Mrs. Adair is renting her house, as, owing to the recent death of her daughter, she will not do any entertaining this year. Mrs. Adair is the intimate friend of the Duke and Duchess of Connaught—the king's brother and sister-in-law—and ordinarily is hostess at more parties where royalty is present than any other society woman in London, with the possible exception of the Dowager Duchess of Manchester, King Edward's great chum, who is also an American.

Miss Van Wart of Washington, who for the last year or two has been one of the most lavish of London entertainers, is almost next door to Mrs. Adair, at No. 32 Curzon street. The house that Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Field Clapp of St. Louis have taken, No. 67, is that of Miss Eastwood. Later in the season the Clapps will be joined by Mrs. Clapp's sister, Mrs. Cromwell Webb of Washington, and her daughters. The Webb girls will then enter English society for the first time.

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