



A Country Seat to Suit Her.

Greatest Social Triumphs-Society

**Gossip of American Interest** 

ham, the great polo club's headquar-ters, this year out of pure curiosity to see the Duchess of Roxburghe gaz-ing with rapt admiration as the duke plays. He acquits himself remark-ably well, but this does not alter the fact that it is regarded as quaint in the extreme to find a society woman going two and three times a week, whatever the weather, to see her own husband play. As he does so she has eyes for no one else. There she sits in the gale or rain with eyes riveted upon one figure. Men have been say-ing he ought to be a proud man and there are a few who have been posi-tively touched by it. On the other hand there are women who laugh and regard the duchess' behavior as scream-ingly funny. It has been said that she is setting a fashion. Somebody under-took to tell the king the affalr as a joke. His majesty, however, turned round and said. "I see nothing to laugh at. On the contrary, I think the story sounds charming." GEMS GALORE. **Rich American Widow Has Found** WILL RESIDE PERMANENTLY GEMS GALORE. The duke has quite got over his aver-sion to seeing his wife covered with lewels.One time there used to be a great n the Land Where Dollars Secure the

## Leader "Camorra" to be Tried for Murder All Italy Waits for the Appearance in the Dock at Naples of Enrico Altano, Head of the Most Famous Secret Criminal Organization of Modern Times—While Directing its Operations He Posed as a Wealthey Dilettante.

Special Correspondence. APLES, July 20 .- All Italy is looking forward with intense interest to the approaching trial of Enrico Alfano, leader of the Camorra, the most powerful criminal organization in the country. Alfano was deported from New York, whither he had fled, but the proceedings there were of a merely formal character and

few details were divulged concerning his connection with the Camorra and the sensational double murder for which he was "wanted" here. As he had sailed from a French port he was shipped back to France. On his ardeal of trouble about this. At several of the great royal parties this year the Duchess of Roxburghe has been the ob-served of all observers, cutting out rival at Havre he was arrested at the instance of the Italian government.

leadership himself. The rivalry be-tween them naturally begat ill feeling on both sides. They watched each other like two jealous tom cats intent on feline conquests in the same back vard.

### SINGING A MERE BLIND.

SINGING A MERE BLIND. Cuocolo's singing, of course, was a mere blind. His voice gained him admission to the big houses, and there he utilized his opportunities to spot the booty best worth stealing. This information he conveyed to confeder-ates in the Camorra. By obtaining impressions of locks and keys, tamper-ing with burglar alarms and in various other ways he did all in his power to make the task of the actual thieves an easy one. He claimed as his re-ward a lion's share of the swag thus obtained. He complained that in the division of the profits he did not always get his fair share, but his claim

has suddenly gone on a long journey and you are to join him." Then, with a grin, one of the miscreants put his arm round her saying, "Here, give me a kiss before you go," and held the now terrified woman while his com-panion struck her from behind. When the body had ceased to twitch they looked at each other, and after a few words of congratulation on their neat methods, sacked the house, which con-tained many valuables. Cuocolo's share of stolen booty which he had not been able to dispose of. They left, and the two bodies—miles apart —lay stiff and still in the darkness until found the next morning.

## BECAUSE SHE WAS HIS WIFE.

The tribunal which pronounced sen-tence of death against Cuocolo con-

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found showing him driving in a pony trap with Alfano. DIVIDED INTO CORPS. The ramifications of the Camorra ex-tend through all grades of society. Un-der the Bourbons it was a species of political organization, but in its mod-ern form it is simply a secret society for the benefit of criminals. It is di-vided into corps, each one of which is composed of 24 "Camorrist!"-full-nedged members of the society-and 48 "Piccioti" or recruits. Each of the former has two of the latter at his disposition. The "Picclotti" in turn are served by "Giovana Onorati" or honorary members. These latter, hav-ing paid for the privilege, enjoy the protection of the society. Each corps has its chief and cashier, both of whom are elected by the votes of the members of the corps. The chief plans and directs the criminal operations of the corps. Each member is supposed to turn over to the cashier holds after the booty. Each member is disposited to turn over to the cashier house after the booty. Each member is supposed to turn over to the cashier house after the booty. Each member is disposited to turn over to the cashier house after the booty. If he really earns anything he is entitled to keep it, but homest toll is held to be degrading among the Camorra and few demean themselves by induging in it. The chief presides over the division of the spoil, which is carried out according to an elaborately graded schedule. ERNEST L. SCOTT.

# MAKING OF PEERS IN OLD ENGLAND

Details of the Process By Which Plain Mortals Are Transformed Into Legislators.

HOW ASPIRANTS QUALIFY.

While the Commons Denounce the Lords the King Still Goes on Creating Them.

Special Correspondence.

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ONDON, July 25 .- After a long search, Mrs. Marshall Field has at last found a delightful country seat which she means to have urned into one of the most beautiful ouses in England. It will be a coniderable time before the place will be eady, and during the interval she will isit Cowes. She will also make a usiness visit to America. On her cturn she will settle down definitely

I have probably previously mentioned hat she intends her two boys who are ow at school in Rugby to enter the British service, one joining the navy ind the other the army.

During the season now practically at in end, Mrs. Marshall Field has been creatly to the fore, and though she gave to crushes, she had several small parles for her immediate friends. She s very popular here and is regarded is a great hostess of the future. Deidealy exclusive she is determined to tart carefully and she means to gather ound her the right set.

THOROUGHLY BAD LOT.

Significant proof of the breach that as been caused in the Duke of Marlbrough's own family circle by his agreement with the Duchess was mushed by the big house-party which gave recently at Blenheim. His ints, the Dowager Duchess of Roxurghe, Lady de Ramsey and Lady arch Wilson rallied to his support on occasion, but his mother, Lady llandford and his sisters were condenous by their absence. They side with the duchess and hold the duke ntirely to blame for the separation. "Considering the circumstances, I cannot be friends with both," said Lady Blandford the other day to a sreat friend, "and I prefer to stick to he duchess. I have definitely decided have nothing to do with my son unill he and Consuelo come together again. No one," she continued, "can o thoroughly sympathize with Conas I do; for 1 know what I suffered at the hands of his father." As verybody knows, the late duke was a thoroughly bad lot, and his wife divorced him.

## MARVEL OF PRUDENCE.

The Duchess of Marlborough has beone a marvel of prudence and discre-She will not go anywhere uness she is attended. She is determined give scandal-mongers no excuse Although just now she is un-immediate chaperonage of her and as I write, is cruising with his steam yacht the Valiant, in ne steam yacht the valant, e a suite is accompanying her-a panion, a secretary and a maid. cone never being able to be quite ine never being able to be quite Although she looked extraor-rily pretty this season—she has im-red wonderfully in looks of late— gave everyone the idea of being far a happy. panion. from happy.

PROUD OF HUSBAND.

Many people have gone to Hurling-

completely every princess of the blood and the queen herself. There are scores of women who would look outrageously vulgar were they to arry themselves with gems as this duchess does. however, manages atways to look She fined though almost every inch of her sown glitters with diamonds. She has had a new set of emeralds this season which have literally "done for" the emeralds of every woman in England. Six immense stones each as big as a small plum have been decorating the front of her coraspe, and her necklace front of her corsage, and her necklace return she will settle down dennitely n England, and thereafter her trips and crown of diamonds and emeralds have made up the set. A good judge assures me that these jewels are worth omething between \$300,000 and \$400,000.

### SHE HAS TAMED HIM.

At the final court of the season Lady Ellenborough made her first appear-ance in society since her marriage to he elderly and impecunious peer. Their

honeymoon was spent in some out-landish part of Europe-the Balkans, I believe-that being the bridegroom's I believe—that being the blacktoom of the balleve—that being the blacktoom of a pleasent spot in which to escape the "maddening crowd." Lady Ellenborough, who was Miss Schenley of Pittsburg before her marriage, looka remarkably well. She appears to have the backtoom of the backtoom of

Ellenborough, who was also scheney of Pittsburg before her marriage, looks remarkably well. She appears to have tamed her husband a bit. He had the reputation of being a stern martinet when in the navy and was somewhat proud of his nickname, "the terror." it is quite clear that to the American woman all things are possible, for to have subdued as Lady Ellenborough has done this grim old sallor-he will soon be 67-is an achievement very few British women would ever have ac-complished. Of lete he has been kn'wn to be quite pleasant to other people beside his wife. She has not yet, how-ever, succeeded in getting him to re-linquish his distaste for soc'ety and they live a very retired life, so fur. Having accomplished so mica, she ho doubt will manage this in time. doubt will manage this in time,

## REGARDED AS A RARA AVIS.

Lady Falkland has never loved Lon-don. Although she married into one of the most aristocratic families in the the most aristocratic families in the kingdom she has never asserted her-self. Hers was one of the first Anglo-American marriages of 30 odd years and I am told her beauty in those days made a great sensation. That was the time when the American wo-inan was looked at askance by English women and the stors goes that the young daughter of Robert Reade of New York never quite got over the reception she received as a bride from those who ought to have known bei-ter. Here she is regarded as a rara those who olight to have be as a rara avis among Americans, never having shown the slightest desire to make herself feit as a leader of society. To-day the majority of her more intimate friends hall from the other side of the herring neod. nerring pond.

At a court a year or two ago Queen Alexandra was much struck by her delicate beauty and later paid her a surprise visit. Lady Faikland, how-ever, did not make much use of the opportunities afforded by this favor. Although Falkland is essentially a Scotch name and her eldest son has the title of "Master," curiously to re-late the family does not own an acre of land in Scotland. Once Lord Falkland was the proud possessor of an historic palace in north Britain where in Scotch kings resided hun where in Scotch kings resided, but the late Lord Bute fancied the place for his second son, Lord Nician Stuart, who is the present owner of it.

The very fine house the Falklands have in Eaton square is to be sold in September and after that Lady Falk-land does not mean to have a London employed and the set of the set establishment. LADY MARY.

His counsel did their best to prevent it, but he was finally handed over to the Italian authorities and teached

The Italian authorities and teached Turin a few days ago. Almost a year has elapsed since Na-ples was thrown into an uproar by the murder of Signor Giovanni Cuocolo and his wife. Murders are common enough in Italy. It takes something unusual in that line to cause a sensa-tion. But there were circumstances about these crimes that raised them far above the level of the ordinary knife-thrust affair. Cuocolo was liter-ally butchered while passing through a little-frequented street in one of the suburbs of Naples. A few hours later his wife was hacked to death in the home where she was awaiting her hus-band's return. and's return.

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band's return. Apparent motive for exercising such barbaric vengeance upon them there was none. Cuocolo enjoyed something more than a local reputation as a sing-er. He had a superb bass voice. He was in constant demand at private en-tertainments given by people of meaus. Many of those who enjoyed his sing-ing were surprised that a man so highly gifted should confine himself to appearances in private instead of essaying a more ambitious and lucra-tive role on the operatic stage or con-cort hall platforms. But that was his basiness, and nobody bothered much about it. He was numbered among the fashionables of Naples, and his popu-arity was increased by the fact that he spent money freely and was apparently chocke well supplied with tt. Nobody arity was increased by the fact that he spent money freely and was apparently always well supplied with it. Nobody connected that fact with the frequency with which burglaries took place at the bouses where he had sung. Arrests were sometimes made, but none of the stolen property was ever recovered.

COLLECTING EVIDENCE.

For a long time the affair was shrouded in mystery. Whispers were heard that the murders were the work of the Camorra, but the police brought forward no evidence definitely connect-ing that organization, of which little was then known, with the crimes. It was left to 18 carbineers to probe things to the bottom. Of their ex-ting hear the bottom. Of their exwas left to is carbineers to probe things to the bottom. Of their ex-ploits doubtless America has heard something. Taking their lives in their hands, these fellows turned theves and qualified themselves by dem-onstrating their efficiency as criminals for admission to the society. After onstrating their enciency as criminals for admission to the society. After joining it they wormed their way into the confidence of those in the inner cir-cle. And all the while they were col-lecting evidence.

## ALFANO DISAPPEARS.

ALFANO DISAPPEARS. When everything was in readiness to set the law in motion Alfano suidenly disappeared from Naples. It is sur-posed that he gol a tip from the police, for by methods not entirely unknown to America he enjoyed police protec-tion. It was in the disguise of a coal heaver that he took ship for America. Up to the time of his flight there had been no suspicion in the public mind that he was a criminal. He was well known in eaclety, had the entree to all the best houses and was, in fact, in the first flight of the Nersolitan dandles. He drove magnificent horses, wore first flight of the Macmolitan dandies. He drove magnificent horses, wore English-made clothes and cut a dash wherever he went. How he obtained the means for such a display nobody knew and nobody cared much for, like Cuocolo, he spent money lavishly. He seemed to have no other aim in life than to get all the enjoyment possible out of it. Possessed of leisure and ample means he was about the last man in Naples that would have been pleked out as a leader of the Camorra.

## JEALOUS THIEVES.

But, as everybody has now learned from the detective work of the car-bineers, both men were hand in glove with it. Alfano was at the top, but Cuocolo was not far below him. He

always get his fair share, but his claim for extra compensation was rejected.

## RETRAYAL MEANT DEATH.

It is said that in revenge he betray. ed some of his associates to the police, ed some of his associates to the police, and that in consequence they were ar-rested. This is denied by Cuocolo's friends, who assert that Alfano manu-factured evidence by which that charge could be brought home to him, The code of the Camorra sanctions private vengeance for wrongs, but ap-neal to the minons of the law is forprivate vengeance for wrongs, but ap-peal to the minions of the law is for-bidden in the settlement of quarrels between members. A Camorra man may knife a fellow criminal to get square with him without incurring any square with him without incurring any greater risk than being knifed in re-turn by the friends of his enemy, but to "peach" on any of the band is the unpardonable sin, for which the penalty is death.

#### CONDEMNED TO DIE.

When Alfano denounced Cuocolo as a traiter who had dealings with the police he adopted the most efficacious method of getting rid of the rival who threatened his supremacy. At a se-cret meeting of the supreme tribunal of the dread society Cuocolo was tried, judged and condemned without being affolded an opportunity to defend himself. He did not even know of the accusation against him. But the evidence against him was regarded as conclusive.

#### HE NEVER RETURNED.

The last day of Cuocolo's dawned gray and heavy. It was in summer and the heat was overpowering. Did and the heat was overpowering. Did he have a presentiment? That will never be known, but it would seem so, as he hung about his house all day, complained to his friends of an uncomplained to his friends of an un-accountable fear of going out of doors, but at last was almost driven by his wife in the evening to a meeting of the Camorra to which he had been called, and at which he supposed his presence to be absolutely necessary. He started twice and twice returned, to have the door at last shut in his face and he told to go about his busi-ness. He never returned. ness. He never returned,

#### FEROCIOUS CRIME.

In a lonely lane in Torre del Greco, a suburb of Naples, sandy at times and then a foot deep with Vesuvlan ashes after the eruption, two men sprang out at him in the darkness and in-tense quietness of the still summer night, and without a word struck him with their knives on the chest and back. Although he fell without a murmur five others of the 15 who had been charged with the execution of the death sentence plunged their knives into him to make sure that he was dead. Not a shout, not a moan, not even a word, and a human crea-ture ceased to live. The most remark-able feature of this feroclous crime was the absolute silence with which it was done. In a lonely lane in Torre del Greco it was done.

#### SECOND MURDER.

The 15, well pleased with their work, went gayiy back to Naples in a tram-car and there separated. Two of the number went on to the higher part of the city and knocked in a pe-culiar way, known only to the initiated at a certain door. "Who is there?" was asked. "Friend," was the reply, "was have come with a message from was asked. "Friend, was the rely, "we have come with a message from your husband, Cuocolo." The door was immediately opened and a good-looking woman appeared, holding a lamp high over her head and invited them to enter.

With it. Alfano was at the top, but Cuocolo was not far below him. He was an ambitious man and aspired to nothing," said the visitors, "Cuocolo

demned his wife to the same fate sim-ply because she was his wife, and knew of his association with the Camorra. If she were allowed to live, it was argued by the merciless judges, she would put the police on the track of the so-Disorders of speech, due to physical damage in the brain, show that words ciety.

## CELEBRATED THE CRIME.

are there arranged somewhat like books on library shelves. When a man, therefore, learns a new language, he has to provide a new shelf for its words. This is proved by the case, among many others like it, of a man who, besides his mother English, learned French, Latin and Greek. He become word bind in English but still After the successful accomplishment of the double murder the fifteen met next day in the little tavern at Torre Greco, at that time much frequent-by the Camorra, and there indulged a feast to celebrate their bloody rk. It has since become famous, n a feast work. and is doing a better legitimate bush ness than ever before. became word blind in English, but still could read French, though with some mistakes, and Latin with fewer mis-

#### CONVICTION IMPROBABLE.

takes than French, while Greak he could read perfectly-showing that his English shelf was ruined, his The Camorra will exert its means and influence to the utmost to save Al-fano from the gallows. Despite the evidence against him, it is doubtful if he can be convicted of murder. The accusation against him is that after denouncing Cuocolo to the Camorra he instigrated the sentence that was passed less so, while his Greek row escaped entirely, French shelf damaged, his Latin shelf instigated the sentence that was passed upon him and his wife and arranged for carrying it into effect. This, if proved, would make him equally guilty with those who committed the crimes, But to prove it will prove a formid-able task. He took no part in the ac-tual murders. He was not even pres-ent at the meeting at which the death of Cuocolo and his wife was decreed, for the head of the society never perinstigated the sentence that was pass first, the pronouns next, then the pre-positions and adverbs, and the nouns last. A man was brought to my clinic last, A man was brought to ity child who could not utter a word. Mi disgnosis ascribed his disability to tumor-like swelling in the speech area which might be absorbed by givin him iodide of potassium. I then has him removed so that he could no hear what was said, while I told th class that if he recovered he would for the head of the society never per-sonally appears at the Camora's "courts of justice." An understudy of his, Genarro de Marinis, officiated at the chief of the tribunal. It is doubt hear what was said, while I thin the class that if he recovered he would very likely get his verbs first and his nouns last. When he returned two weeks afterward, on my showing him a knile he said, "You cut," a pencil, "You write," etc. Three weeks later he had all his prepositions, but he could came no noun for several weeks ful if even to save their own lives thos in the innermost circles of the Camorr would give evidence against their lead would give evidence against their their for loyalty is the strongest article their criminal creed. Besides, if th secure immunity from the law the selves by turning informers th would incur the vengeance of the C Besides, if the could name no noun for several wer afterward. The reasons are th verbs are our innermost and fi morra, and their lives would not be worth a moment's purchese.

TYPICAL CAREER.

The career of De Marinis is almost as interesting as that of his chief, and throws an illuminating light on the un-derground life of Naples. As a bare-foot boy he started in Naples and ob-tained a precarious livelihood by petty plifering. When still in his teens he plifering. When still in his teens he was admitted to the Camorra as a pro-bationer. His resourcefulness and daring soon won him full membership, and thereafter his rise was rapid. He got into the inner circle, posed as a sportsman and drove fast horses. Be-sides his share of the loot he derived from robberies large and small, he de-rived a considerable income from low earnhing dens which he ran under po-A resident of Hudson, Wis., was de-ploring the resignation of Senator

ploring the resignation of Senator Spooner. "The senate can't afford to lose a mind like that," he said. "I know the man well. He practised law in this town for 15 years or therabouts. He won every case he set his hand to. "It was no surprise to us Hudsonites to find that John C. Speoner was the finest legal mind in the senate. We knew him of old, you see. When he had a case on, we used to go in droves to hear him plead. "I remember to this day a story that he once told in court in a case where rived a considerable income from low gambling dens which he ran under po-lice protection. It was Gaetano Donadic, a compara-tively humble but ambitious member of the criminal brotherhood, who ar-ranged the details of the double mur-der, though it is alleged that he got his orders direct from Alfano. As a successful assassin he possessed a claim upon the Camorra which entitled him to speedy promotion, but through the investigations of the earbineers he was "nabled" before he had re-ceived the reward which, according to the ethics of the Camorra, he had so richly merited. MORE THAN 900 ARRESTS. "I remember to this day a doty that he once told in court in a case where he was showing how, with a good mo-tive, one might still do a lot of harm, "He said that two aged Scotch min-isters sat talking one day over their

#### MORE THAN 900 ARRESTS.

More than 900 arrests have been made More than 900 arrests have been made in Naples as a result of the investi-gations originally begun to discover the murderers of Cuocolo and his wife. Among those who have been arrested is Baron Cliento, a member of one of he best known aristocratic families in Naples. Don Ciro Vittozi, a priest, who is said to have been the chaplain of the Camorra, is also lodged in jail, Part of the evidence against him is a snapshot photograph which the police "The other minister smiled. "'A welle,' he said, 'ye will hae a fine congregation, my brither, the next stormy day.'"

ERNEST L. SCOTT. WORD-SHELVES IN BRAIN.

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we see, we hear, etc., because we know what it is that we see or hear while nouns represent things outside

of us, to which we later give names

The nouns that we learn last an therefore forget soonest, are th names of persons; that is why elder

ly people are ever complaining that they canont recall names.—Dr. Wil-liam Hanna Thomson in July Every-

GOOD BAIT.

to my kine, and, show it was ad awine cauld, snawy, stormy morn.' I jul took them over to the manae, read chapter, gled them a prayer, and the to ward off the rheumatics, a gu stiff glas of the best whisky.'

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ONDON, July 25 .- While the Liberal majority in the house of commons continues to wage war on the house of lords the creation

of new peers still goes on. To commemorate his birthday King Edward has been "graciously pleased" to add four new names to the hereditary and irresponsible legislature, who, accord-ing to his constitutional advisers, are at present the greatest obstacles to social and political progress in the kingdom. It is just another lilustra-tion of those inconsistencies and ano-malies which abound in England. In-cidentally, it conveys an assurance cidentally, it conveys an assurance that the supply of peers will more than keep pace with the demands of Ameri-can beiresses.

While exercising their law making, or law rejecting, functions, peers dress just like ordinary folk, and, for the most part, are indistinguishable from the common herd, for few of them realmay be so fammed sidewise, so to speak, that not one of them can be got out, in which case the event proves that on each shelf the verbs are placed by possess those aristocratic features which the authors of servant girl ser-ials so generausly bestow on their titled heroes. But a new peer is re-quired to make his first appearance in the Gilded chamber in his official robes. Thus gorgeously attired and supported on either side by a noblemen of his own rank, the new lord walks down the own rank, the new lord walks down the floor of the house until the throne is reached. He bows solemnly to it three times while his two companions make the same number of salaams in uni-son. The lord chancellor bobs his horse-hair bewigged head three times in acknowledgement and then receives from the newcomer his patent of no-bility. He makes a pertense of perus-ing the royal authorization and hands it back, and with nine more obelsances to the throne-three aplece-the peer and his sponsors retire and that ends the initiation ceremony. After that the new earl or baron may take his seat in peace, and in plain trock coat, or suit of tweed, becomes once more outwardly a commonplace mortal. commonplace mortal.

#### KING NOT RESPONSIBLE.

Nominally, of course, it is the king the bestows these exaited honors, but a most cases it is the prime minister the is responsible for them. He tells In most cases it is the prime minister who is responsible for them. He tells the king on whom he wants peerages conferred and the king confers them. It is a case of the prime minister press-ing the button, as it were, and his majesty doing the rest. Before Mr. Balfour relinquished the helm of the ship of state he paid off some of his political debts with coronets, and when Six Henry Compbell-Bannerman grasped the tiller he added some more names to the august muster roll of the bonse of lords. In some benighted countries titles are still openly bought and cold. This is regarded as disgrace-ful here, but it is well known that sev-eral peerages have been bestowed on rich men for no other reason than that they have contributed heavily to their party's campaism funds. Most people of unbiased minds would regard the open purchase system as the better one. FEES ARE C. O. D.

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But whatever it may have cost the But whatever it may have odd the aspirant for aristocratic dignifies to get his name on the list which the prime minister submits to the sovereign he has to shell out more mozey before he can blossom forth as a full-fiedged peer. He has to pay a considerable foe for the letters patent conveying the royal authority by which he is ennobled. "The armount vertex in an ascending scale atters sat thinks one day over the church-warden pipes. "Last Sawbath,' said the younger of the two old men, 'only three folk cam' to my kirk, and, since it was an awfu' cauld, snawy, stormy morn.' I julist anount varies in an ascending scale according to the cark given him. For a baron it is \$750, for a viscount \$1,000, for an earl \$1,550, for a marguls \$1,560, and for a duke \$1,750. No reduction is

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