POLITICS WAKING UP.

ON THE EVE OF STRENUOUS CITY CAMPAIGN.

New Style of Caucus is Orderly and Satisfactory—Majority Gossip—Doings in the Wards—Some Candidates.

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turbed. No intimation was given of his voluntary retirement until the eve of the caucuses, and then it occasioned much comment. The surmise is that there are other fields in politics which just now interest the First Ward alderman more than does the City Hall.

The nominee of the Democrats for alderman of the First Ward is Evan

EVAN W. OWENS.
[Democratic candidate for alderman of the First Ward.]

W. Owens, familiarly known as "Scotty" Owens. Mr. Owens is a resident of Broad street and for years has been a locomotive engineer. He is one of the best known men in the ward and is known up and down the New York Central as a competent, industrious engine driver. The picture which the Globe presents of him to-day was taken many years ago, but the features are so familiar that he will be quickly recognized. Mr. Owens has always taken an interest in the affairs of the ward and in the harness with Bob McCreary he will have a congenial running mate.

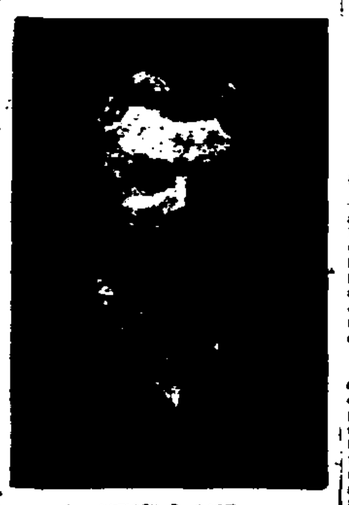
Both parties make a deserved concession to the Italians of the Fifth Ward by giving the nominations for alderman and supervisor to men of this progressive people. They have a peculiar interest in the locality which has been so completely transformed by their industry and thrift and should have representatives of their own race in the local government. The two men selected for alderman typify the business acumen of the Italians. Salvatore Pellettieri and Antonio Sisti are acknowledged leaders of their people, to whom others look with confidence for counsel and assistance. The nominees for supervisor, Alfred Bertolino and Rocco Pellettieri, are less widely known outside of their ward, but are popular and trustworthy. The race between these two sets of candidates should prove interesting and probably will become exciting.

The Democrats in the Sixth Ward in picking out their candidate for alderman chose one of the most popular men in that section of the city, when they named John Weikert, the well known cigar manufacturer. Two years ago Mr. Weikert was elected supervisor from his ward and his fine record in that board made him the logical candi-

JOHN WEIKERT.
[Democratic candidate for alderman of the Sixth Ward. Photo by Frey.]

date of his constituents for the office of alderman. He was born in Utica 40 years ago and received his education in this city. In his youth he learned the cigarmaking trade and for the past 20 years has been a manufacturer in that line. He also conducts a cafe in Whitesboro street. All of Mr. Weikert's life has been passed in the Sixth Ward and no one is more familiar with its needs and advantages. He is a member of the Elks, Deutscher Bund, Utica Turn Verein, and for 21 years has been a member of the Cigarmakers Union.

The Seventh Ward Republicans have made an exceptionally strong



EDWARD B. CASE.
[Republican nominee for alderman of the Seventh Ward. Photo by Frey.]

selection for alderman. Edward B. Case is a popular business man of genial manner, sound principle and broad public spirit. He was born in New York Mills October 4, 1851, and after receiving an education in the schools there worked in the mill. He was clerk in the store of Mackie & Stiles and also deputy postmaster until he came to Utica in 1871, when he became a clerk in the store of J. M. & P. R. Cutley. In 1872 he opened a clothing store on Lafayette street and later was a member of the clothing firm of Cutley & Case at 54 Genesee street. In 1881 he went on the road as a commercial traveler and for 17 years followed this calling representing at various times George Young, Sherwood & Hammons, H. H. Cooper & Co. and Crouse & Brandegee. Since 1896 he has been engaged in the undertaking business on Devereux street. He has strong fraternal connections, being prominent in Masonry as a member of Oneidal Lodge, Oneida Chapter, Utica Commandery and Zivara Temple. He was a charter member of Imperial Council Royal Arcanum, and is a member of the Chamber of Commerce. He has always been a Republican but never an office seeker. For 14 years he has been a resident of the Seventh Ward.

The nominee for alderman of the Eleventh Ward Republicans is Gerard S. Foster, of the firm of David S. Foster, Sons & Co., and the indications are that he will prove an energetic campaigner. He is a native of the ward and has spent all his life there. He knows its needs and has the capacity to secure for it what it needs in the Common Council. As a business man he is interested in the general welfare of the city and projects

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[Republican nominee for alderman of the Eleventh Ward.]

calculated to improve conditions would have in him a ready champion. Mr. Foster is a well-equipped young man.

The Twelfth Ward Republicans have nominated a young man for alderman in the person of Edward K. Miller. Mr.

EDWARD K. MILLER.
[Nominee of the Twelfth Ward Republicans for alderman.]

Miller has been a lifelong resident of the ward and is a taxpayer. He learned the clothing cutter's trade after leaving school and has followed it industriously. He has been active in the Clothing Cutters' Union. For a number of years he has been active in the National Guard, and now is second lieutenant of the Twenty-eighth Separate Company. He is an earnest young man, who has taken an interest in public affairs and is capable of making a good representative in the Common Council.

Henry D. Mooney, nominee of the Democrats and Independence Leaguers for alderman of the Thirteenth Ward, is a resident of Morris street and is deeply interested in real estate in his own and the Tenth Ward. He was for

HENRY D. MOONEY.
[Democratic nominee for alderman of the Thirteenth Ward.]

a number of years doorman at the New York Central station, from which position he retired. He has always been a loyal Democrat and has taken a deep interest in public affairs, giving him ample qualifications for the aldermanic office. Few men in the ward are better known and he will make a lively campaigner.

For the first time since the ward was created in 1897 the Fifteenth Ward was without a caucus contest among the Republicans. For 10 years this Corn Hill section has furnished some of the most interesting political reading, but this time lion and lamb lay down together and there was no strife. Republicans say this augurs well for their ticket and that with harmony they will do what has never yet happened in the ward—elect a Republican alderman. They have put forward a popular candidate in the person of Robert O. Morris, the well-known singer. The ward always gives from 150 to 175 Republican majority on all offices except alderman. There the drift has generally been the other way. Now the Republicans say they will stop it. To overcome the handicap Frank Bugental has got upon two tickets.

A QUARTET WHO PROMISE WELL.
[Kane, Kerr, Gleason and Coughlin, who have done good work for the Utica and who will probably be with next year's team. Photos by Manning.]

PERSONAL.

—Mr. and Mrs. William S. Mahan, of Albany, are visiting in the city.

—The Misses Mary P. and Cornelia White and John D. White are home from Europe.

—Dr. Rose Cogan, of Union avenue, has returned from a two weeks' vacation spent at "Camp Neodak," Fourth lake.

—Miss Hermann, of Jay street, assisted by the Misses Mitchell, gave a variety shower Thursday evening for Miss Mae Sherman, who is engaged to Lewis Pratt.

—Miss Crouse gave a dinner to 14 young ladies and gentlemen Tuesday, in honor of Miss Comstock's engagement to Mr. Yale at her residence 315 Genesee street.

—John H. Sheehan and Miss Sheehan, who sailed for Antwerp on the steamer Finland, several days ago, left the Belgian city soon after arriving and are now at Dover, Eng. They will spend some time at Wiesbaden, Germany. They will return home about November 1.

—Mr. and Mrs. G. Fred Heller and daughter, Josephine, who have been visiting George F. Heller and family, of this city, for the past month, have returned home to Poughkeepsie. While here they attended the State Fair at Syracuse and visited Richfield Springs, Rome and other places.

—Wednesday, Rev. Father Lechner officiating, in St. Mary's Church, took place the wedding of Miss Pauline Lusk and John Shuster, both of this city. The bride and groom were attended by Miss Katherine Schiffler, of Utica, and Edward Long, of Canajoharie. After a western trip Mr. and Mrs. Shuster will reside at 211 South street, this city.

—Wednesday morning in Oswego, Rev. Father Collins performing the ceremony, Miss Minnie Riefke, of Oswego, and Frank Lynch, of this city, were married at St. Peter's Church. Miss Lena Riefke and John Carey attended the couple. After a reception at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lynch came to Utica, where they will reside.

—John A. Edwards, of Trenton, N. J., is in town after an absence of seven years. Mr. Edwards is an old Utica boy who left 30 years ago to make his home in New Jersey's capital and who returns occasionally to keep up old-time friendships. Father Time deals gently with him, a fact which his friends hereabouts do not fail to mention. He is stopping at the Butterfield House.

—In Easton, Pa., Wednesday afternoon Miss Hazel V. Oliver, of that city, became the bride of John W. Stevens, a well-known young resident of this city. Linn Green, of Utica, was best man and two of the groom's classmates at Lafayette College were ushers—Alton Lauer and Abel Blewitt. The bridesmaids were from Easton. The bride and groom, who are enjoying an extended trip, will make their home in Utica, where they have a host of well-wishing friends. Mr. Stevens is connected with the bridge department of the New York Central Railroad.

—Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Father W. A. Ryan, D.D., performed the ceremony in St. Agnes' rectory when Miss Emma Elizabeth Yeker, of this city, became the bride of Mott K. Merrill, of New York, a former resident of Utica. The attending couple were Miss Clara Bach and Frank D. Sawtelle and George Merrill was the usher. Following the ceremony a wedding supper was served at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. H. A. St. John, 221 Elizabeth street, and in the evening a reception was held. Mr. and Mrs. Merrill, who are a very popular and esteemed young couple, will reside at 143 East Forty-second street, New York. They are now enjoying a western trip.

—Thursday evening, Rev. E. H. Coley, rector of Calvary Episcopal Church, performing the ceremony, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Lane, 188 Seymour avenue, took place the wedding of their daughter, Miss Charlotte M. Lane, and Charles Ehresmann, both of this city. Attending the bride and groom were Miss Minnie Ehresmann, sister of the groom, as maid of honor, Miss Lena Ehresmann, another sister, and Miss Edna Ball, as bridesmaids. Fred Hill acted as best man and the ushers were Edward Bramer and Henry Alberding. The wedding supper was served in a large tent on the lawn. Mr. and Mrs. Ehresmann, who have a host of friends in Utica, are enjoying an extended wedding trip. The groom is engaged as foreman by the J. & M. Electric Company.

Was Old Enough to Marry.

Abner James, aged 97 years, who lives in a little town in Pennsylvania, thinks that when a man reaches his time of life, he needs nobody's permission to marry and neither does he need to have a license. Recently with his blushing bride-to-be he went to Butler in that State and told the justice of the peace that they wished to be joined in the holy bonds of matrimony. The justice asked to see their wedding license, whereupon Abner announced that he hadn't one and what was more refused absolutely to obtain the document. The justice told the couple that in Youngstown, Ohio, a license was not necessary and for that city they left immediately.

A Buchanan Monument.

Work has been started on the foundation for the monument to James Buchanan at Stony Batter, Franklin county, Pa., his birthplace. The road to the birthplace leading from the pike, a distance of a half mile, had to be macadamized in order to fit it for the heavy hauling. A stone crusher is on the ground to crush 135 perches of stone for the foundation. Several curiosities have already been uncovered, one being two pieces of pig iron fastened together several feet underground, where the old fireplace was situated.

ALBERT L. SCRANTON.

At his home, 279 South street, Monday afternoon, occurred the death of Albert L. Scranton, a well-known resident of East Utica. Mr. Scranton was the son of Sarah J. and the late Francis C. Scranton and was born in Utica 42 years ago, receiving his education in the public schools. In his youth Mr. Scranton learned telegraphy and was an operator in the Western Union office for several years. Later he became a foreman in the spring bed factory of the Lorig-Teuscher Company, a position he held for many years. Then for two years he worked at the grocery business. Mr. Scranton was a member of St. Agnes' Church and of its Holy Name Society. He was an honest and upright citizen and was greatly esteemed by all who knew him. Twenty-three years ago he married Miss Rose Kinsella, who survives with the following children: Katherine, the eldest, who has entered the Order of Sisters of Mercy, at Mt. Hope Retreat, Baltimore, and Raymond, Bessie, Thomas, Sadie, Frank and Eugene; he leaves also his mother and one sister, Mrs. William Ness, of Auburn.

The late WALTER CULLEN.

Walter Cullen, who passed away Monday at his home, 119 Kossuth avenue, was a son of Mary and the late John Cullen and was born in New Hartford 35 years ago in February. At an early age he located in Utica and made his home in the Eighth Ward, where all his life was passed. During the past two years he had been employed in the city engineer's department and was a capable worker and popular with his associates. Besides his mother he leaves a brother, William H., and a sister, Miss Gertrude M. Cullen. He was a member of St. Agnes' Church.

A Carnegie Protege.

P. T. F. Lovejoy, a millionaire of Pittsburg, began his career 20 years ago as a telegraph operator. He was called as a test operator. He was sent to the offices of the Carnegie Steel Company and Andrew Carnegie, always lingering about the clicking instruments, took a liking to the young operator. He gave him a clerical position and always had his eye on him. When the United States Steel Corporation was formed Lovejoy walked out of his office with $[illegible] in stock of the new company. When the split came between Frick and Carnegie Lovejoy was one of the few of the younger partners who sided with Frick. For that reason he incurred the enmity of Mr. Carnegie, the man who had made him a millionaire. But the $40 a month telegraph operator had his millions. He wields a power of his own, independent of his early benefactor. Financially, at least, he does not suffer from the break.

An Arab Contest.

Travelers who pass through the province of Constantine are often surprised by a company of Arab boys who dash out from somewhere and, after turning a few handsprings by way of practice, stand upon their hands and heads in a long line.

The one who wins this strange contest, by standing the longest on his head, advances toward the travelers for a reward.

One who watched the party for some time found that the travelers were fooled into believing it a real contest, inasmuch as it is always agreed beforehand which boy shall win. In this way the spoils are more evenly divided.

Tommy's Wish.

"Now," said Tommy's mother, "I hope you'd profit by that spanking, and not be such a little savage hereafter."

"Boo-hoo!" blobbered Tommy. "I wisht I was a little savage. Little savages' mammas don't wear aligators."

HENRY FOULKES.

A Sterling Welsh Resident Who Died This Morning.

Death came to one of Utica's best known Welsh residents this morning when Henry Foulkes passed away at his home, 73 Hobart street. Mr. Foulkes was born in Marlon-shire, North Wales, March 26, 1834, and came to this county and to Utica in 1856. He was educated at the Whitestown Seminary and after graduating taught school in Marcy for three years. Later after a four years' residence in Ilion he returned to Utica, where he had since lived. Some 30 years ago he started a grocery store at the corner of Whitesboro and Genesee streets, which he conducted for 20 years. For a time he worked for William E. Owen, and then for many years was with David Pierce & Sons.

Mr. Foulkes was in his youth a fine bass singer and during the course of many years sang with different choruses in this city. He also sang in Trinity Church for some time. He was a charter member of the Plymouth Congregational Church, a deacon and the librarian. He also acted as treasurer for the Homestead Aid Society when the church was erected.

HENRY FOULKES.

He never married and had lived at 73 Hobart street for the last 13 years. Mr. Foulkes was a true Christian. He was a man of sterling integrity, always affable and courteous, and in his death the community suffers a distinct loss. John H. Foulkes, a brother, and Mrs. Annie F. Owen, a sister, both of this city, are the near relatives who survive him. He leaves also a number of nephews and nieces.

STATE FAIRS.

They Began in a Modest Way and Were Held in Different Cities.

The success which attended the State Fair in Syracuse last week brings to mind that New York's first venture in this line was in the then village of Syracuse, in 1841. It was a small affair and was held on the northerly side of the Erie canal, between Clinton square and what is now the West Shore station. There was no enclosure. The pens for the cattle were in a grove and the farm implements in the Court House. Some 12,000 people attended, or about one-fourth the number who now patronize the Onondaga County Fair at Rome. On account of the success of the first fair, a dinner was given in the Syracuse House in the evening at which 1,200 were present.

Albany had the second fair and Rochester the third. Here the grounds were enclosed for the first time. Utica had its first in 1846, and made the biggest kind of a success, the attendance being 40,000. Joseph Quincy, of Massachusetts, was the orator of the occasion. Then it fell to Auburn, Saratoga, Buffalo, and returned to Syracuse in 1849. Albany had it next, and then Rochester, which broke the record by an attendance of 100,000. Utica came afterwards in 1852, and Horatio Seymour was the oratorical attraction. Then Saratoga had the fair for a second time, and after New York city, where it was a complete failure. Elmira atoned for this in 1855 by giving a big attendance.

It was successfully held at Watertown, Buffalo, Syracuse, Elmira, Watertown and Rochester, in 1863 it came to Utica for the third time and was held on the old Butterfield farm, lying above Pleasant street and reaching from Genesee through to Oneida street. Over 70,000 visitors made it an exceptionally successful exhibition. Rochester had it next and then Utica in 1865. This also was noted for its big patronage. In 1866 it was in Saratoga, then Buffalo, Rochester and Elmira.

For the fourth time it came to Utica in 1870. Then it alternated between Albany, Elmira, Albany, Rochester, Elmira, Albany, Rochester, Albany, Rochester and Elmira. Utica had it for the fifth time in 1879, when it was held in what is now Utica Park. Albany and Elmira came afterwards, and Utica for the sixth time in 1892. Then followed Rochester, Elmira and Albany. For the seventh and last time it was held in Utica in 1896. Then it was at Rochester, Elmira and Albany. At this point Syracuse gave the site of 100 acres conditional that the fair should be held annually in that city, which was accepted and the first exhibition was held in 1900. Since then the fair has been growing in importance each year.

Prince Wilhelm to Marry.

Prince Wilhelm, of Sweden, second son of Crown Prince Gustave, who visited the United States in August, will be married next month, according to a special dispatch received recently in London from Copenhagen, to Grand Duchess Marie Pavlovna, daughter of Grand Duke Paul Alexandrovitch of Russia. The ceremony will be performed in St. Petersburg and will be marked by a number of brilliant festivities.

THIRD PLACE FOR US.

THAT LOOKS LIKE UTICA'S PLACE IN THE RACE.

And Therefore We Are Satisfied—We Set the League a Hot Pace and Kept in the Game to the Finish.

THE results of yesterday's games leave the Utica in third place, with the probability of staying there, although there is a possibility of finishing either second or fourth. If Utica should win the last three games, which is likely, and Syracuse lose two games, which is less likely, we would be in second place at the close of the championship race. If Utica should lose a majority of the games with the Jags and Troy, and a majority of the games with the Albanys, we would go to fourth place. While the result might be variously affected by varying combinations, the probability is that Albany will win the pennant, Scranton finish second and Utica third. So narrow a margin, however, separates the first four teams that there is little more real glory in winning the pennant than in winding up in fourth place.

The standing to-day is as follows:

Clubs	Won.	Lost.	P. C.
Albany	76	49	.608
Scranton	70	54	.565
Utica	70	54	.565
Troy	70	55	.560
Wilkes-Barre	66	59	.528
Syracuse	56	71	.441
Binghamton	56	71	.441
Jags	39	92	.298

If Utica finishes in third place she will be where her work in the interferes entitles her to be. Albany won a majority of the games from Utica, and so did Scranton, while Utica defeated all the other clubs more times than they defeated her. The margin over Binghamton, the Jags, Syracuse and Troy was so large that had the Utica done at all well with Scranton she would have won the pennant. Scranton was our stumbling block and Albany hit us pretty hard, though we tried hard to hold the Senators. On the whole the season's work has been most gratifying. Starting with a team which on paper gave very little promise, Dooley had the boys working like a perfect machine before the season was well under way. The sensational base-running and timely hitting gave them the leadership for a long time and they would have held it but for the accident to Rutherford, which crippled the infield and broke up the winning combination. Especial credit is due the pitching staff. Schitzer did phenomenal work and Flater was right after him, while Hefferman was sandwiched in with good results. Coughlin had hard luck at the start but rounded to and has pitched some excellent games.

The most noticeable feature of the averages this week is the gain made by Carroll, who has been pounding the ball hard, making 11 hits in 26 times at bat. Swayne has just held his own and will have to do some slugging to-day and to-morrow to get into the .300 class, according to the unofficial averages. The official averages will probably change the figures slightly, though they will not differ much. The averages up to to-day are:

Kerr	21	80	8	21	2	3	1	4	1			.263
Swayne	132	484	50	146	12		1	45	27			.300
Carroll	131	457	71	125	15	2	1	58	32			.274
Flater	30	125	16	29	2	2	0	3	5			.232
Steelman	110	397	71	85	8	1		7	15			.222
Kennedy	129	451	47	100	10	6	2	25	8			.222
Kane	132	488	52	108	12	3	2	30	10			.219
Gleason	5	10	1	3								.210
Coughlin	17	5		1					1			.200
Shaw	132	488	64	101	11	6		38	21			.207
Whitney	40	111	13	27	3				1			.205
Rutherford	112	401	39	82	8			18	18			.204
Kane	10	21	2	3	1				1			.143
Hefferman	26	67	4	11					3			.164

A GOOD NUCLEUS.

While the Utica's are being robbed of some good material, Dooley is getting together the nucleus of a good team for next season. With Flater, Schitzer and Swayne drafted and a possibility of others being taken, it is necessary to pick up new material. For pitchers he will have Coughlin, Reardon, O'Connor and Hefferman, if the latter will play next year, and some others whom he has strings on. Steelman and Kerr are capable catchers. Kane is showing up finely at first and will probably be one of the star men in that position in the league next year. He is a veritable India rubber man. He seems to be able to stretch into any direction for wild throws and plays gracefully. When he gets his eye on the pitchers of this league he will bat heavily. Gleason looks good and ought to fit well into next year's infield. Some new material will be found for the outfield.

We have no kick on 1907; give us as good ball in 1908, Mr. Dooley.

EDUCATING ALIENS.

Schools of Citizenship Being Established in Various Cities.

Congress has given us better naturalization laws, and the question of immigration regulation and restriction is under active consideration, the committee that went to Europe to obtain new data thereon having returned and being about to prepare its full report to the National Legislature. In various ways the quality of the newer Americans should show considerable improvement.

But in addition to all that is being done or planned by Congress, the States and municipalities have duties, opportunities and resources of their own in this broad field of activity, and they can do a great deal to facilitate assimilation of the alien that are pouring in annually to make it easier for them to become intelligent and useful citizens.

Of course, many cities, large and small, maintain night schools for adult immigrants, and the usefulness of these is undoubtedly great. The English language and other elementary studies are taught in them, and the essential needs of the newcomer from continental Europe and other countries are thus supplied in a measure. But New Jersey and the Boston School Board have, each in its own way, "branched out" and undertaken novel tasks with the view of fitting aliens more directly and more thoroughly for citizenship and general conduct. New Jersey has enacted a statute which provides for the establishment of a special and novel type of school for immigrants—a school that will teach them not only the language of the country but something about our government, our laws and institutions, our history, our current politics and moral principles. Attendance is not compulsory, but the idea is that the new schools should be made useful and attractive enough to render compulsion unnecessary—even assuming that it could legally be applied.

How Germany Deals With the Tramp Evil.

In an effort to exterminate the tramp nuisance the police of the town of Altenburg, Germany, have evolved a radical measure to do away with indiscriminate charity. They have issued a ukase declaring not only begging a criminal offense, but also laying alms giving under the ban. It has been ordained that any person found giving alms may be arrested and subjected to an exemplary fine. Should the offense be repeated, imprisonment without option will be inflicted. This, it is believed, will rid the town of the undesirable itinerants who prey upon the public.

WIDOWS ARE QUEENS.

THEY RULE SOCIETY IN THE GREAT CENTERS.

Mrs. Mackay, Mrs. Astor, Mrs. Porter Palmer, Mrs. Marshall Field and Mrs. Jack Gardner Are Conspicuous Examples.

IT is the widow and not the matron or the married belle who rules society. However famous or rich he may be, a husband seems to be a social drag. In the merry-go-round of marriages which latter has proved more than ever the danger-ous one of the widow bride as a matrimonial expert, it after all is the widow who really shows the brains and social art which attain eminence. Widows are calm, diplomatic, and born commanders. There is no city of the world which does not count a widow among its most prominent social leaders.

These are the real society "bosses" women who not only have influence more or less apart from great wealth, but who also have added stability of a conjugal type to their many attributes. Year after year they remain unquestioned chiefs of their own social sets.

MRS. MACKAY RULES IN PARIS.

In Paris Mrs. John Mackay is known as the "Mrs. Mackay." Her unusual social talents and her great wealth have given her a position in the world of such importance that this title is her admiration. She is the most prominent American in Paris and leaders being the leader among Americans there she has conquered the really impregnable set of the blue blooded French aristocracy. Mrs. Mackay is admired and unanimously feted by even those people, and her originality her entertainments and her taste in dress and the beauty of her jewels receive their homage from the Parisians just as they did in London. In London her house at 5 Carlton House terrace always has been one of the centers of everything that is best in society. She married her granddaughter Bianca, daughter of the Princess Colonna, to one of the oldest of the Italian titles lately and unlike her mother's marriage that of the granddaughter gives every promise of being happy as well as brilliant.

"QUEEN ASTOR."

Mrs. Astor, of New York, is known as "Queen Astor" the world over. If she opens Beechwood, her Newport house, for the summer, society rejoices. If she sails for Europe for the summer it misses the strongest motive power out of its whirl of interests.

It is not easy to occupy the throne as ruler of so fickle a thing as New York society, but Mrs. Astor has held it for many years and does it all without hurry. She is the most systematic woman in New York and with all her grandeur perhaps the simplest. In spite of this she makes and unmakes social lights as no other woman in New York can, and her morning mail is quite as full of pleading epistles from women who want to get into society, effusions from the hangers-on and invitations from the unknown and uninitiated as it is full of begging letters.

One thing Mrs. Astor will not do that the more anxious society queen does invariably—that is, to rush to entertain foreign counts and princes who bring letters of introduction to her. Unless she has some reason for knowing them she will not take the trouble, although she has many friends among the best foreign families, which are part of her own life abroad.

SUPREME IN BOSTON.

What Mrs. Astor is to New York Mrs. John L. Gardner is to Boston. Long ago the polite world of the Hub accepted her as a social leader, although she has chosen the independent rather than the conventional habit. She has set an example of ignoring a certain awkward strictness that is Bostonian and has entertained Bohemia as well as becoming a sort of public philanthropist. With all of this she only gains in prestige. After the death of her husband, who belonged to one of the oldest and best families in the city, she established Fenway Court, the marble palace which is at the same time the home of a wondrous collection of pictures and which is thrown open to people like a public picture gallery.

Mrs. Gardner is well known in Chicago and New York as well as in Boston society, but not so well to the New York policeman. It was at one semi-public affair in New York city that Mrs. Gardner had forgotten her entrance pass or ticket. "I am Mrs. Jack Gardner," she said to the policeman confidently.

"I can't help it, madam, you will have to have your pass."

"But I am Mrs. Jack Gardner, of Boston," persisted this society queen.

"I don't know who you are, madam, but you will have to have your pass," said the stolid policeman, when just then Miss Helen Gould and Mrs. Russell Sage saw Mrs. Gardner, and Mrs. Sage's name proved to be a counter-sign in the New York stronghold.

No leading Boston events are complete without Mrs. Gardner and she entertains beautifully, although just seldom enough to make people appreciate the chance of being entertained by her. She lives at Fenway Court during the winter and at her Brookline home during the summer.

Mrs. Marshall Field's widowhood is as short as Mrs. Caton, but it remains to be seen what she will do as Mrs. Field. Those who know how she began at once to refurnish the Field house realize how much there would have "been doing" long before this in Chicago society had Mr. Field lived.

Away Much?

Ever Telephone home? Ought to.

USE THE BELL.

It treats everybody well.