

## BERLIN

The German Empress and the Crown Prince, the Crown Princess, Princess Victoria, Prince Friedrich Leopold, and Prince Eitel Fritz, were present on Tuesday evening at the concert given at the Philharmonic under the patronage of the Crown Prince for the benefit of earthquake sufferers at Messina.

The Kaiserin evidenced the warmest interest in the collection of Cottage work and industrial art from Great Britain, and was hardly less interested in the collection of Indian work from America, when she visited, on Tuesday afternoon, the really remarkable display of People's Industrial Art from all countries which has been gathered together by the Lyceum Club and was thrown open for sale to the general public yesterday (Wednesday) morning.

The Empress was wearing an elegant tailor-made costume of mauve silk cloth, and a toque with mauve ostrich plumes. She looked charming, was in the best of spirits, and chatted and laughed most animatedly, putting innumerable questions to the ladies of the Club who presided over the different sections.

Princess Victoria Louisa, looking pretty and girlish in a cardinal coat and skirt, grey muff, and big fluffy red hat, followed the Empress, who was also accompanied by Princess Heinrich of Prussia. Princess Victoria Louisa, it must be admitted, took rather less interest in the Exhibition as a whole than her august and gracious mother. She stood, for the most part, a little in the background with an expression of good-humoured and slight but unmistakable boredom while the Empress minutely examined the articles. The Princess did, however, take a lively interest in the feathered head-gear of the Indian chief "Jermino" when she came to the American department, and was greatly amused at the ungraceful Indian blanket-garments, consisting of a straight piece of cloth with a hole cut for the head.

When the Kaiserin, with her party, entered the Section for Great Britain, Russia, and America, Gräfin Harrach, the President of the Lyceum Club, presented the ladies who had organised and were presiding over the sections. Mrs. Robert-Tornow, President of the Section for Great Britain, was the first to be graciously greeted by the Empress. Then followed a minute examination by the Kaiserin, under Mrs. Tornow's guidance, of the varied and interesting collection of English and Scotch art and industrial work. Shetland shawls of wonderfully fine workmanship; Scotch plaids, tartans, travelling-rugs; wooden chairs with quaint rush-backs, from the Orkney Islands, (which were veritably rushed and sold out entirely at the opening on Monday night); massive Scotch silver jewellery, set with agates and Scotch pebbles; heavy silks and throwns from the Windermere Spinnery; and a quantity of work from the Soldiers' and Sailors' Help Society—basket-ware, wooden puzzle games, tall wooden candle-sticks, etc. The Kaiserin purchased a number of the baskets made by disabled British Soldiers and Sailors before she left, and was interested to learn that Princess Christian was at the head of the Society in England.

The American section was the next to be examined. Illness prevented her Excellency Frau von Versen from being present, and her place was taken by Mrs. A. M. Thackara, wife of the American Consul-General, who with Miss Thackara was presented to the Kaiserin, and proceeded to point out to her Majesty the different exhibits of especial interest. For a variety of reasons the American exhibit is not yet by any means so good as it might be, and does not "begin" to represent the splendid industrial-art work which is characteristic of America. Some idea of the beautiful Indian bead and basket-work is, however, given, and there are some interesting specimens of Indian garments, Indian toma-

hawks and war-implements, etc., as well as a most representative exhibition of Mexican work, contributed by the wife of the Director of the Berlin *Volksmuseum*, Frau Professor Seler, who has travelled extensively in America. Many ladies of the American Colony have contributed interesting articles to the American exhibit. The Kaiserin, by the way, was especially interested in the Indian baskets, admiring the patterns, and wondering for what they were used. Some embroidery from the Philippines, the property of Mrs. Thackara, and the Spanish drawn-thread work from Mexico interested the Kaiserin particularly.

Another American woman, Madame D'Artsimowitch, wife of the Russian Consul-General, was presented to the Kaiserin. Madame D'Artsimowitch is largely interested in the modern department of the magnificent Russian exhibit. The antique Russian exhibits are in charge of Princess Helene von Sachsen-Altenburg.

Mrs. Isabel Drew Mack, of San Francisco, who with her daughters has been spending the winter months with the Misses Bollé, also of San Francisco, at their apartment Martin Luther Strasse 13, has left for America.

Miss Edith Walker, of the Royal Opera at Vienna, has been engaged to make a number of appearances as *Gast* at the Berlin Royal Opera. Miss Walker begins her "Gastspiel" on Sunday in the rôle of Brünnhilde in "Götterdämmerung," and will later appear as *Isolde*.

Mrs. William H. Taylor, of New York, has taken a suite of rooms with Mrs. Bennett at Bellevue Strasse 12a. She will remain several months, as her daughter is in Miss Luce's school.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred W. Fitz, of Chelsea, Mass., after an absence of several months have returned to Berlin to be near their daughter, Miss Margaret, a pupil at Miss Luce's school. Mr. and Mrs. Fitz are at Bellevue Strasse 12a.

At a meeting of the German Colonial Society held on Monday, a lecture was delivered by M. Chailly, a member of the French Chamber, on France and her policy in dealing with native tribes. M. Chailly began by explaining the two methods adopted in French colonies. The system of equality of rights for all men alike might, he said, be good where the number of natives was limited, but it would become dangerous where the native population equalled or exceeded the number of colonists. The other system, that of adaptation or accommodation to circumstances, consisted in educating the natives. The lecturer then proceeded to speak with approval of Richelieu's policy of encouraging the sending of the younger sons of families to colonies; a policy which might be recommended to Germany. Germany needed markets for her produce, and settlements for her emigrants.

Herr v. Holleben, the President of the Society, thanked M. Chailly for his lecture, and remarked that Colonial policy tended to bring about unity and friendship among the nations.

The Köpenick shoemaker, Wilhelm Voigt, who jumped so suddenly into notoriety by the daring joke which he carried out at the expense of the local authorities, bids fair to become a perpetual joy, at least to the newspaper Press, which seems to follow his movements with eagerness. According to the latest report of the hardy cobbler he is about to enter an action against a Berlin lady whose admiration of his exploit was mingled with pity, for she promised him a monthly allowance of £5 on the sole condition that he would sign the receipt for the allowance every month as follows:—

"William Voigt, Kapitän von Köpenick." Naturally enough this condition was accepted gladly by the shoemaker, and for several months he received the allowance; but just at the height of the Christmas season the allowance was stopped. Wilhelm Voigt maintains now that his interests have been damaged by the stoppage of the allowance, and the Courts of Law will have to settle the dispute—so at least says a contemporary.

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	This evening:	
Royal Opera House	Siegfried	at 7
Royal Theatre	Der Schlägbaum	7.30
New Royal Opera Theatre	closed.	
Deutsches Theatre	Revolution in Krähwinkel	8
" "	(Kammerspiele) Der Arzt am Scheidewege	8
Lessing Theatre	Der König	8
Berliner Theatre	Herodes und Mariamne	8
New Schauspielhaus	Julius Caesar (Jos. Kainz)	8
Kleines Theatre	Moral	8
Hebbel Theatre	Revolutionshochzeit	8
Comic Opera	Zaza	8
Residenz Theatre	Kümmere dich um Amelie	8
Lustspielhaus	Die glücklichste Zeit	8
Schiller Theatre O.	Charleys Tante	8
" Charlottenburg	Comtesse Guckerl	8
Frdr. Wilhelmst. Theatre	Husarenlieber	8
Luisen Theatre	Die Ehre	8
Bernhard Rose Theatre	Einjährig unfreiwillig	8
Trianon Theatre	Der Satyr	8
Thalia Theatre	Meister Tutti (Girardi)	8
Urania Theatre	Eine Nilfahrt bis zum zweiten Katarakt	8
Theatre des Westens	Der tapfere Soldat	8
Bürgerl. Schauspielhaus	Die Goldgrube	8
	<b>Every evening until further notice.</b>	
Metropol Theatre	Donnerwetter — tadellos	at 8
New Operetta Theatre	Die Dollarprinzessin	8
Wintergarten	Spezialitäten	8
Berl. Operettentheater	Das Himmelbett	8.30
Passage Theatre	Spezialitäten	8
Walhalla Theatre	Spezialitäten	8
Folles Caprice	Servus Pachesina. Der lustige Ehemann.	8.15
Carl Haverland Theatre	Spezialitäten	8
Apollo Theatre	Onkel Casimir. Spezialitäten	8
Casino Theatre	Die Dianabäder	8
Gastspieltheater	Der Plennigreiter	8
Gebr. Herrenfeld Theatre	Die beiden Bindelbände	8
New Theatre	Israel	8

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### ANTI-JAPANESE LEGISLATION.

#### CALIFORNIAN GOVERNOR'S STATEMENT.

Sacramento (Cal.), January 20.

Governor Gillette has authorized the publication of a statement to the effect that, after consultation with several former members of the State Legislature, he is convinced that legislative proposals directed against the Japanese cannot become law. He is gratified to observe that the Californian people and their legislators thoroughly appreciate the efforts undertaken by the Federal Government and the Japanese Government to prevent Japanese immigration. It would, in his opinion, be a deplorable error to formulate anti-Japanese laws. The Federal Government is profoundly interested in this question, and its views should receive the careful consideration of Californians.

#### GREAT BRITAIN AND VENEZUELA.

London, January 20.

The *Standard* says the British Government has sent telegraphic instructions to the British Minister

at Caracas to urge the new President of Venezuela to remove the 3% duty levied on goods imported from the British West Indies. Trinidad is specially affected by that extra duty, which was first imposed in 1882.

#### AUSTRIA-HUNGARY AND SERVA.

##### RUMOURED MEDIATION BY ITALY.

Belgrade, January 20.

The *Wetscherni Novosti* learns that Italy has offered to mediate between Austria-Hungary and Servia. It is said that the Bulgarian garrison in the frontier town of Zaribrod has been strengthened by infantry and artillery within the last few days.

#### VOLCANO ERUPTION IN PHILIPPINES.

Manila, January 20.

An eruption of the volcano Lugas, situated in the province of Payabas, south-west from Luzon, has caused vast damage. The crops are destroyed, and the roads are impassable. The eruption was heralded by loud subterranean noises, which warned the populace and gave them time to gain shelter. No loss of life is reported.

#### FASHIONS FROM POLAND.

In Paris all the novelties of the season are said to be inspired by the national costume of Poland. This January finds us, writes "L.S.R." in the *Graphic*, giving to every airy trifle a Polish name. The long coat, which began life as a surplice, now shamelessly declares itself to be Polish also; in fact, almost every fashionable garment has mysteriously acquired a likeness to the old national costume of Poland. Years ago, in delightfully simple days, this was worn by the notability and peasantry alike.

#### THE ENTENTE CORDIALE.

Shortly after the visit of members of the Paris Council to London, baskets for waste paper were introduced into the Paris parks and streets; now we learn that the Chief of Police, M. Lepine, has issued a warning, to be seen on the city's hoardings, against throwing orange peel and banana skins on the pavements. It seems, however, that in 1790 a law was enacted under the Revolution, but it had become obsolete, for the safety of the users of the street, and that Mr. Lepine's ordinance is an elaboration of this ancient provision.