

BERLIN

Mrs. J. T. Oxtoby, Miss Oxtoby, of Saginaw, Michigan, and Mr. F. B. Oxtoby, of Chicago, who have spent the winter in Berlin, leave this week for Italy.

The sombrely-panelled auditorium of the Royal Ethnological Museum was crowded far beyond the last sitting-place on Saturday evening, when Mr. Walter McClintock's lecture on the Blackfoot Indians was delivered in German by Professor Carl von den Steinen. For an hour and a half the lecture held the absorbed attention of an audience consisting largely of German *Gelahrten* and their ladies, with a sprinkling of every-day Berliners, and a still smaller leavening of Mr. McClintock's fellow-countrymen and women, who occupied places of honour down in the front of the amphitheatre.

Mr. McClintock's series of tinted lantern slides which last year made such an impression on an audience in the same museum, were this year supplemented by photographs taken last midsummer at the "Sun Festival" of the tribe. All the various stages of the characteristic Indian ceremony were shown in striking photographic slides, concluding with the repetition of the impressive Indian prayer of intercession to the Sun-God for the welfare of the tribe.

The Indian songs reproduced by Mr. McClintock—an Indian riding-song, to the accompaniment of bells; an Indian war-song; song of Indian children at play, and an Indian love-melody—seemed to be easily the most popular feature of the evening.

Professor Carl von den Steinen, at the close of the lecture, apparently echoed the cordially-felt sentiment of the audience when, speaking in English, he asked Mr. McClintock to "accept the sincerest of thanks for his interesting observations, his charming pictures, and his lovely songs."

The attention of Americans is called to the wonderful floral display which will tomorrow (March 10), the anniversary of her birthday, adorn the statue of Queen Louisa in the Tiergarten. Annually, on this day, the crowd of visitors anxious to honour Queen Louisa and to see the phenomenal array of flowers is so great that the police are called out to regulate them, the people being admitted within sight of the statue in successive companies. This continues from about 9 a.m. to sun-down.

Mrs. William Irvin and Miss Irvin expect to sail on or about March 15 to accompany the remains of the late Dr. William Irvin to America for burial.

Many Americans were present at Marcella Sembrich's concert on Sunday, at midday, in the Philharmonie. An additional "drawing-card," in the eyes of the Colony, was the fact that Mr. Frank la

Forge, the talented young American who toured with Sembrich two years ago, acted as her accompanist.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nevin, who lately left Berlin to go South for the benefit of Mr. Nevin's health, have had a delightful Italian trip and are now in Cairo, Egypt, with Berlin friends, Mr. and Mrs. Goetschius, of New York, who spent a part of the winter at Motz Strasse 36.

Mr. Nicholas H. Edwards, of California, who has been connected with the American Bank in Berlin for the past two years, and who had lately been suffering from an acute attack of blood-poisoning of the arm, is now well on the road to recovery.

Mr. Wm. Whyte Campbell, originally of Edinburgh, Scotland, now of Colorado Springs, has been sight-seeing in Berlin in the course of a Continental tour, and left on Sunday night for Paris.

Mrs. Jamie Duncan Hill, of New Orleans, who has been well known in the American Colony for the past six months, expects to leave in about a fortnight for Dresden and South Germany, en route to Paris, where she will visit for several months before sailing for America—probably via England and Scotland.

Miss Idelle Morrison, of California, who has been spending the winter with Mrs. Bernard Goldsmith at Regensburger Strasse 28, left on Monday with Dr. Babcock's party for the Spring tour to Italy and Greece. Miss Morrison will return to Berlin in about two months' time, at the end of the tour, and will probably spend the summer with friends in Norway.

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FRENCH MILITARY BALLOONING.

BALLOONS NOT TO CROSS THE FRONTIER.

Paris, March 7.

As a number of French officers who had made an ascent in a balloon landed in Germany, the Minister of War has issued an order that military balloon expeditions must not extend beyond the frontier.

RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

MONUMENT TO RUSSIAN SOLDIERS.

In an Imperial Rescript addressed to the Premier, the Czar commands the formation of a special committee for the organisation of a national subscription for the building of a cathedral to perpetuate the memory of the Russian soldiers who died for their country on the battlefields of Manchuria.

Like the committee which was formed last year, under the presidency of the Queen of Greece, to erect a memorial to the Russian sailors who lost their lives in the battle of Tsushima, the new committee will enjoy the patronage of the Czarina. It will be presided over by the Grand Duchess Olga, the sister of the Czar, and the vice-presidents will be M. Akimoff, President of the Council of the Empire, and M. Khomiakoff, President of the Duma.

HONOURS FOR THE BROTHERS WRIGHT.

Munich, March 6.

The *Technische Hochschule* here has conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Technical Science on Mr. Wilbur and Mr. Orville Wright, in recognition of their achievements in solving the problem of flying.

THE AUSTRIAN PRESS SANGUINE.

Vienna, March 6.

The *Neue Freie Presse* writes: "Diplomatists here are pleased at the step taken by Count Forgach at Belgrade today; they believe that this mission of the Austrian Minister Resident will have contributed much to the clearing-up and improvement of the situation. The communication of Count Forgach to the Servian Government was couched

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This evening:	
Royal Opera House	Symphony Concert at 7.30
Royal Theatre	closed.
Deutsches Theatre	Revolution in Krahwinkel (Kammerspiele) Frühlings Erwachen 7.30
Lessing Theatre	Griselda 8
Berliner Theatre	Einer von unsere Leut 8
New Schauspielhaus	Faust. I. part 7.30
Kleines Theater	Moral 8
Hebbel Theatre	Revolutionshochzeit 8
Comic Opera	Die Fledermaus 8
Residenz Theatre	Kümmere dich um Amelie 8
Lustspielhaus	Im Klubsessel 8
Schiller Theatre O.	Rechts herum 8
Charlottenburg	Die Karolinger 8
Frdr. Wilhelmst. Theatre	Schl. gende Wetter 8
Luisen Theatre	Bis früh um fünf 8
Bernhard Rose Theatre	Das Warenhausräublein 8
Trianon Theatre	Der Satyr 8
Thalia Theatre	Wo wohnt sie denn? 8
Urania Theatre	Auf den Trümmer Messinas 8
Theatre des Westens	Der tapfere Soldat 8
Bürgerl. Schauspielhaus	Der Schwabenstreich 8.15
Every evening until further notice.	
Metropol Theatre	Donnerwetter — tadello at 8
New Operetta Theatre	Die Dollarprinzessin 8
Wintergarten	Spezialitäten 8
Berl. Operetten Theater	Das Himmelbett 8
Passage Theatre	Spezialitäten 8
Walhalla Theatre	Spezialitäten 8
Folies Caprice	Ein lediger Ehemann 8.15
Carl Haverland Theatre	Spezialitäten 8
Apollo Theatre	Der junge Papa (Spezialitäten) 8

FOR SUMMER WHITE HOUSE.

BILL TO ERECT MANSION AT WEST POINT FOR PRESIDENT—TO COST \$250,000.

Representative Landis, of Indiana, wants a summer White House constructed for the President of the United States. He has introduced a bill to appropriate \$250,000 to erect within the United States military reservation at West Point, N.Y., a suitable residence and office building, which shall be available as an official summer residence and executive office.

The building is to be designed "the Country White House."

THE BLIZZARD IN WASHINGTON.

The passengers who travelled in the various trains from New York in order to witness the inaugural ceremony at Washington, had a terrible time during the journey.

The blizzard caused huge drifts in which the trains were stuck for hours, and there does not appear to have been a train that accomplished the journey of 226 miles in less than nineteen hours.

Two persons died from the cold, while no fewer than one hundred travellers are suffering from exposure.

Sixty miles of telegraph poles are down, and communication is being conducted with the outside world with the utmost difficulty.

ERBSLÖH IN DANGER.

DESCENT IN NORDERNEY.

Norderney, March 7.

The balloon "Elberfeld," which started from Barmen, landed here this afternoon. At a height of 9,000 feet it had become enveloped in fog, and been driven out to sea without the occupants being aware of their danger. In landing one of the passengers sustained a fracture of the collar-bone. The aeronaut Erbslöh was in charge of the balloon, and the passengers numbered three: a gentleman and two ladies, all belonging to Barmen.

throughout in very friendly terms. Servia, who wishes now to communicate to the great Powers a Note in reply, as revised by Russia, will promptly receive from England, France, Italy, and Russia the answer that those Powers can do nothing for her. Servia will then enter into direct negotiations with Austria-Hungary, a step which will have been much facilitated by Count Forgach's proceeding today. In those negotiations, however, Servia will express the wish that certain questions not directly affecting the political and economical relations between the two countries may be laid before the European Congress after an agreement has been reached."

FRENCH PRESS OPINION.

Paris, March 7.

The *Temps*, commenting on the step taken yesterday by the Austro-Hungarian Minister Resident in Belgrade, says it must not be regarded either as an ultimatum or as a trap. On the contrary, appearances warrant the belief that Freiherr v. Aehrenthal sincerely wishes to contribute his share towards the attainment of an understanding. Servia ought to take the interests of Austria-Hungary into consideration.

THE PORTE SATISFIED.

Constantinople, March 7.

The *Sabah* says that the Porte has informed the Minister of War that Servia and Montenegro have given an assurance that the extraordinary warlike preparations are not directed against Turkey.

DIFFERING BROTHERS.

The Solicitor-General for Scotland, who has managed to retain his seat in Edinburgh, but with a greatly reduced majority, is one of three brothers, sons of the late Mr. John Dewar, the Perth whisky distiller, who have in turn become M.P.s. Two of them are Radicals in politics—the returned member and Sir John Dewar, who sits for Inverness-shire. The other, Sir Thomas Dewar, is a stalwart Unionist, and represented St. George's-in-the-East from 1900 to 1906. The two knighted brothers control the destinies of the firm established by their father.