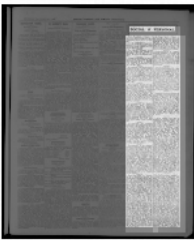




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Mr. C. W. Abrams, proprietor of the Straits Motor Garage, returned to Singapore by the P. and O. s.s. Kashgar.

T. R. H. Prince and Princess Sukodaya and T. R. H. Prince and Princess Svasdi are leaving Bangkok on a holiday to Egypt this week.

The following passengers arrived from the Dindings this morning by the Kedah: Mr. and Mrs. G. C. G. Muller, Mr. Scott, and Inspector Lisamer.

Amongst the passengers who arrived by the Malaya from Renong and Tongkah to-day were Messrs. C. Beamish, J. R. Ferguson, Mr. R. Y. Cavanagh, J. F. Johns, H. B. Wall and E. Clason, and Mrs. Wall.

The following is an extract from the Supplement to the "London Gazette" of Friday, 31st December, 1920. Regular forces—S. Staffs R.-Lt. Col. and Bt. Col. L. B. Boyd-Moss, C.M.G., D.S.O., having completed his period of service in Command of a Bn. is placed on the H.P. list 1st January, 1921. Major and Bt. Lt. Col. R. W. Morgan, C.M.G., D.S.O., to be Lt. Col. 1st January, 1921.

The Installation Meeting of Lodge St. John, 1072 S.C., took place at the Masonic Rooms, Bangkok. Wor. Bro.



E. B. Eastwood acted as Installing Master and the attendance of Brethren of the Lodge and visitors was larger than for the past decade. The new R. W. M. is Bro. Herluf Elsoe, with Bro. T. H. Pollard as W. S. W. and Bro. A. H. Pollard as W. S. W. A number of cables were received from Brethren in Europe.

In connection with Mr. Boulon's claim against his former employers the Gaston, Williams, and Wigmore Corporation, Shanghai, for \$300,000 damages for alleged malicious criminal prosecution and injuring his reputation and credit, the defendants have filed an answer repudiating the jurisdiction of the United States court in China, contending that the firm is organized under the New York State laws, and is subject to that jurisdiction.

As a good many quite misleading rumours have been going around about the health of His Excellency the Governor, it may be advisable to state that he was looking exceedingly well at the luncheon given to the captain and officers of the Malaya yesterday, says Tuesday's "Straits Times." The injury to the knee cap is, of course, painful, and deprives His Excellency of the physical exercise of which he is so fond, but he is mending rapidly and his general health is all that could be desired.

The Committee of the Singapore Nursing Association submit the following report on the work of the Association for the year, 1920:—At the annual general meeting held on Wednesday, January 28th, the following Officers and Members of Committee were elected for the year. President, Lady Guillemard; Vice-President, Mrs. Langham Carter; Honorary Secretary, Mrs. J. Lornie. Miss Walton arrived from England and took up duties on March 30th. She has been occupied 148 days in attendance on 15 cases. Patients have acknowledged most gratefully the value and excellence of her services. The vacancies on the committee were filled by Mrs. Dash-

wood Saunders, Mr. A. P. Cameron and Dr. Hunter.

From "The Planter" for January: Mr. W. E. Warrack has assumed the management of Sungkai Estate, Sungkai. Mr. F. B. O'Malley of Batu Tiga has been appointed Manager of Cashwood Estate, Sitiawan. Mr. H. Emerson, formerly manager of Bungsar Estate, Kuala Lumpur, and V. A. for the Societe Financiere des Caoutchoucs is on a visit to Malaya. Mr. A. F. Choveaux has been appointed manager of Repah Estate, Tampin. Mr. J. Bruce, Vice-Chairman of the P.A. M., unfortunately, is in indifferent health. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce leave for Home early in March. Mr. Maurice Maude, formerly of Cicely Estate, Teluk Anson, has returned to Malaya. Mr. H. de H. Smith and Mr. J. W. Cruickshank of Teluk Anson leave for Home this month. Mr. and Mrs. Francis J. Fane of Nilai have returned from Home. Mr. P. J. A. Williams of Jementah Estate, Batu Anam, has returned from a trip to Australia. Mr. W. J. Warin of Cubang Estate, Nilai, has left for Home via America. Mr. H. G. H. Bartlett of Braemar Estate, Kajang, has returned from Home. Mr. Carlyle Bell, formerly of Damansara Estate, Batu Tiga, has returned from Home and is now managing Reading Estate, Klang. Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Bennett of Sungei Rengam Estate, Batu Tiga, have arrived from leave. Mr. R. Gooch of Seremban has left for a trip to Australia.

Mr. George Brauns, Inspector of Salt Revenue for Shantung, died at the University Hospital from pneumonia following an operation for abscess on the brain. Mr. Brauns, who was born in Petrograd, in 1882, had been in China for over 20 years, and was well-known in Shanghai and Peking. He leaves a wife and three small children.



At choir practice at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, on January 19, a presentation of a wrist watch was made to the choir master, Mr. E. A. Brown, by the Archdeacon on behalf of a few of the older members of the

choir. Mr. Brown has just completed 20 years of active service in the choir, during 13 years of which he has been choir master.



Admiral Joseph Straus, who comes to the Far East to relieve Admiral Albert Gleaves as commander of the United States Asiatic Fleet, will arrive in Shanghai on the Empress of Russia but will continue on to Manila where he will take his new command. Admiral Gleaves, who is now in Vladivostok in connection with the Court of Inquiry conducting an investigation of the killing of Lieutenant W. H. Langdon by a Japanese soldier on the morning of January 9, returned on the U.S. S. New Orleans, which was expected to remain at Vladivostok only a few days, until the inquiry was completed.

Passengers arriving at Singapore by the Melchior Treub included the following:—Capt. J. Case, R. Tovey, Cozens, O. K. Hampton, Mr. and Mrs. Hartman, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Miller, G. Watson, E. O. Donoghue, Miss Braine, A. A. Hall, J. C. Coxey, J. Herpick, Miss E. Herpick, Mrs. J. H. Rees, Miss E. D. Rees, Mr. and Mrs. Werry, Dr. B. Croce, W. B. Gillespie, Mrs. S. T. D. Massey, A. Hall, jr., David, S. Purrington, Le Comte Charles de Nodilles, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Melby, Pooley, Mr. and Mrs. Toulomin, J. E. Mathews and T. Arnold.

A pretty wedding took place at Singapore on Saturday afternoon, the contracting parties being Major Douglas Fraser, M.C., of Malacca, only son of Mr. and Mrs. James Fraser of Port of Spain, Trinidad B.W.I., and Miss Heera E. Kennedy, younger daughter of the late Mr. Robert Kennedy and Mrs. Kennedy of Woodthorpe, Orpington, Kent. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. G. H. Douglas at the Presbyterian Church. The bride, who was given away by her brother, looked very charming in a white satin brocade dress with court train decorated with orange blossom and white heather.



She wore a tulle veil, tastefully arranged with orange blossom, and carried a beautiful bouquet of white orchids with sprays of stephanotis. The train was carried by little Miss Rosemary Dove and Master James Linton, the former in a Kate Greenaway frock of white muslin and pink ribbons with hat to match and the latter in a white sailor suit, completing a pretty picture. Mr. A. A. A. Paterson acted as best man. The reception was held at Chatsworth, where the guests were entertained. Mr. Linton proposed the health of the bride and bridegroom and the latter suitably replied. The happy couple then left for Malacca. The bride's going-away dress was of white crepe de chine with picture hat of coarse straw. The wedding cake was supplied by Mrs. Howe.



The black races have produced a Coleridge Taylor. It looks as if they might soon produce a Leighton or a Tadema. A native from Lagos, who has shown great talent in his own country, has come to England, and is receiving a good art education at the St. John's Wood Art Schools under Mr. Walenn. Mr. Arna Onabalu looks about 28 or 30; but has many years of art experience behind him. He says—and he speaks excellent English—that he was born at Jebnode, and was brought to Lagos when quite young. There he was educated under the guidance of Sir John Randle, an old friend of his father, Mr. Jacob Onabalu, an ex-member of the Legislative Council of the Tjebu government. For several years his son Arna worked in the Civil Service, the Customs of West Africa, pursuing art in his spare time. After painting the landscape around him, he took to portraiture, working first from photographs, but afterwards from life. Most of his subjects were European settlers. What he considers his best work so far is a chalk sketch of a native chief. There is something very distinctive about all his work. Some of his portraits have been brought to England and exhibited at the school. Mr. Onabalu says there is a primitive art in Lagos which is not, as one might have expected, connected with the

have expected, connected with the
Egyptian. He hopes to go back to
Lagos and start an art school there.

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