

**VOYAGE OF FLEET OFF**

**It Is Said Louise Lonsdale, An Actress, Jilted By Blaine Elkins, Told Family Secrets to Italy's Dowager Queen, Who Brought Measures to Bear On the Duke That Completely Changed His Plans—Senator Elkins Denies They Were Engaged.**

New York, Oct. 13.—The World has received from Rome a dispatch which says:

The Duc Abruzzi will not visit America. His proposed trip has been abandoned, and should the fleet sail at all, its destination will not be America, as was at first decided on.

As to the cause of the change, opinions differ. Some attribute it to the violent opposition of Dowager Queen Margherita to the duke's marriage to Miss Katharine Elkins. Others give the Balkan disturbance as the reason. Still another and not an unlikely reason, is the rumored breaking of the engagement between the duke and Miss Elkins.

The reports reaching here from America stating that the Elkins declare no engagement has ever existed is laughed at.

Positive statements to the contrary are made by members of the royal family, and no one here doubts it.

Yet another reason assigned by the gossips of court circles, and not an improbable solution to the mystery surrounding the rumored jilting of the duke by Miss Elkins—which, by the way, is indignantly denied by the nobility, who say if there was any jilting it was done by the duke—is the reported secret visit to the queen of Louise Lonsdale, the American actress, who sued Blaine Elkins for breach of promise.

These gossips say that the actress, on invitation, laid before the queen all the facts regarding her relations with Blaine Elkins and embraced in the scandal many other private matters regarding the Elkins which she gleaned by reason of her close relationship with young Elkins. It is also stated that the actress received a handsome allowance for divulging these secrets.

Fortified with these scandals, the queen is reported to have summoned the duke and to have shown him that an alliance with one of the Elkins type would not only be a blow to royalty, but really a disgrace. It was shown the duke that marriage to Miss Elkins would not in any way benefit his noble self, but be a blot on the court that could only be wiped out by his absolute banishment from the kingdom. This opinion, it is reported, was also shared by the king.

Just what Miss Lonsdale is reported to have said to the queen is not vouched for, but certain it is some radical and stringent measures have been brought to bear on the duke and have completely changed the plans of the fleet going away, and, of course, his proposed marriage to Miss Elkins. The jilting of the duke by Miss Elkins is scouted. It is the belief prevalent here that the engagement has been broken, but by the duke and not by Miss Elkins.

The duke denies himself to all, even the queen not having access to his quarters at Turin.

That he loved and is grieving over the necessity of giving up Miss Elkins, no one doubts, but they prophesy he will soon forget the foreign "enchanted" and form an alliance befitting his station in life.

**Elkins Denies Story of Wedding.**  
Pittsburg, Oct. 13.—United States Senator Stephen B. Elkins, speaking over the long distance telephone from his home at Elkins, W. Va., emphatically denied that there ever had been any engagement between his daughter Katharine and the Duke of the Abruzzi.

"There is no foundation for the reports that have come out, both in Europe and America," he said. "No announcement of an engagement has ever been made; there is no engagement."

Mr. Elkins made this statement in connection with a report that his wife had denied the story of the engagement. When asked whether Mrs. Elkins had made this statement, he said she had not; that she had never made any statements at all; that there was no use discussing something that had never existed.

**Preacher Held As Firebug.**  
Houlton, Me., Oct. 13.—Rev. T. V. Hunter, who up to eight months ago was in charge of a church at Monticello, is confined in the Aroostock county jail, charged with incendiarism at Island Falls on Sept. 28, when his house and barn were burned. Mr. Hunter was brought before Justice George H. Dunham at Island Falls, and from the evidence presented by the state probable cause was found and he was bound over to the April term of the supreme court.

**John W. Kern's Son Has Paralysis.**  
Indianapolis, Oct. 13.—The eight-year-old son and namesake of John W. Kern, Democratic candidate for vice president, is seriously ill from infantile paralysis.

**Terrible Tests.**  
"So you are still looking for an honest man?"  
"I am," answered Diogenes.  
"What is the lantern for?"  
"That's to test him with. I am going to lend him the lantern, and if he brings that back I'm going to try him with an umbrella."—Washington Star.

**THAW TO INSANE ASYLUM**

**Slayer of Stanford White Ordered Returned to Matteawan.**

White Plains, N. Y., Oct. 13.—Harry K. Thaw was sent back to the State Hospital for the Criminal Insane at Matteawan, N. Y., until the court of appeals shall decide whether he is entitled to a hearing before a jury to determine the question of his sanity.

The prisoner's counsel again moved for a jury trial, and when this was denied asked that Thaw be discharged from custody on the ground that the jury in the last trial for murder did not find him insane.

This also was denied. Thaw's counsel then declared that they had appealed to the New York state court of appeals from the decision refusing a jury trial, and that until the higher court had given a decision they would submit no evidence on the question of Thaw's sanity.

Justice Mills said there was no other alternative than for Thaw to be returned to Matteawan asylum, and he was ordered to be returned to that institution.

**Yarmouth Loses All Thaw Money.**  
London, Oct. 13.—By an order of the divorce court, all the rights and interests of the Earl of Yarmouth under the financial settlement made prior to his marriage to Miss Alice Cornelia Thaw in Pittsburg are extinguished. According to counsel, \$600,000 was settled upon Miss Thaw for life. If she died before the earl \$300,000 was to pass to him. The settlement also gave the earl an income of \$50,000 a year from the day of the wedding. The earl made no opposition to the order of the court.

**HE HIDES IN PRISON TO ESCAPE ARREST**  
**Thief's Victim Searched in Vain For Two Weeks.**

Burlington, N. J., Oct. 13.—To hide from the man from whom he is alleged to have stolen a fat pocketbook, Walter Doyle, of this city, had himself sent to the county jail. The run-away for ten days while Doyle remained in a cell and C. H. Leith searched the county for the man he says robbed him. Then Leith sought the aid of the police and Doyle was arrested shortly after he had been released.

The two men were drinking in a saloon when Leith says Doyle took the money from his pocket. Doyle dashed out of the room, and Leith after him to continue the unfruitful search for two weeks before he finally sought police aid. Doyle made a disturbance on the street in order to be arrested, and Magistrate Smith, who held him under ball for the grand jury, had unwittingly helped him hide from his pursuer by sending him to the jail.

**ROSENTHAL GETS 20 YEARS**  
**Slayer of Reading Shirt Manufacturer Gets Long Prison Sentence.**

Reading, Pa., Oct. 13.—Abraham Rosenthal, of Philadelphia, who was convicted a month ago of the murder of Lewis B. Clawson, a wealthy shirt manufacturer, was denied a new trial in court and sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment.

Rosenthal appeared as if stunned for a time, but quickly recovered his composure. He had been hopeful of securing a new trial.

Clawson, who was Rosenthal's brother-in-law, was murdered in his office last February. Rosenthal fled and was captured in Oklahoma. At the trial he put in a plea of self-defense. Rosenthal is about thirty years of age.

**Former Congressman Scranton Dead.**  
Scranton, Pa., Oct. 13.—Former Congressman Joseph A. Scranton died at his home in this city after an illness of a year, a general break-down following heat prostration last summer being the cause. He was sixty-nine years of age and a native of Augusta, Ga., being born there while his parents were on a visit. He served as revenue collector, postmaster and county treasurer and was elected to congress in 1880 and re-elected to the forty-ninth, fifty-first, fifty-third and fifty-fourth congresses.

**Lightning Cured His Rheumatism.**  
Clayton, N. J., Oct. 13.—Walter W. Keen, who was nearly killed by a bolt of lightning during the phenomenal electrical storm this summer, had been afflicted with rheumatism for many weeks previous, and was unable to walk without a cane. The lightning so nearly cured his rheumatism that he threw away his cane and has not used it since.

**May Form Fish Combine.**  
Crisfield, Md., Oct. 13.—Frederick Thornton and Charles Maddix left Crisfield for Chicago, where they will meet several capitalists of that city who are forming a fish combine to control the fish business of the Great Lakes and of this, the center of the fish industry of Maryland.

**Drowns in Vat of Wine.**  
Santa Rosa, Cal., Oct. 13.—Mrs. George Collier, wife of a prominent vineyardist, was accidentally drowned in a vat of wine. She climbed to the rim of the vat to look in and, overcome by the fumes, lost her balance and fell in.

**Whistling Pigeons.**

One of the most curious expressions of emotional life is the application of whistles to a flock of pigeons. These whistles, very light, weighing but a few grammes, are attached to the tails of young pigeons soon after their birth by means of fine copper wire, so that when the birds fly the wind blowing through the whistles sets them vibrating and thus produces an open-air concert, for the instruments in one and the same flock are all tuned differently. On a serene day in Peking, where these instruments are manufactured with great cleverness and ingenuity, it is possible to enjoy this aerial music while sitting in one's room.

There are two distinct types of whistles—those consisting of bamboo tubes placed side by side, and a type based on the principal of tubes attached to a gourd body or wind-chest. They are lacquered in yellow, brown, red and black, to protect the material from the destructive influences of the atmosphere. The tube whistles have either two, three or five tubes. In some specimens the five tubes are made of ox-horn instead of bamboo. The gourd whistles are furnished with a mouthpiece and small apertures to the number of two, three, six ten and even thirteen. Certain among them have, besides, a number of bamboo tubes, some on the principal mouthpiece, some arranged around it. These varieties are distinguished by different names. Thus, a whistle with one mouthpiece and ten tubes is called "the eleven-eyed one."

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