

JAMES R. KEENE'S PICTURESQUE LIFE

Droll Anecdotes Are Told of Dead Financier.

HE HAD WONDERFUL GENIUS

Mr. Keene's Prodigious Winnings on Stock Exchange and Race Track Established Records—He Used Foresight and Generalship That Bewildered Competitors.

James Robert Keene, who died recently, was a highly vitalized combination of marvelous powers and contradictory traits. A master speculator, one of the greatest tacticians which Wall street ever knew, adamant when roused to resistance and implacable as a foe, he also had hidden strains of simplicity and benevolence.

It was the turf which found his heart. As a child he loved horses; as a man he idolized them. His greatest joy in life was in rearing victors for his colors and in advancing the interest of the American sport of racing.

Had Record Winnings. From 1898 to 1908 the remarkable turf winnings of Mr. Keene (during which time his horses were trained by James Rowe) exceeded \$2,000,000, and no other stable in the world has that record.

At least a million dollars of the large sum won in the period above named was earned by horses whose immediate sires or dams were by Domino, and it was the purchase of this renowned racer as a yearling in 1892 for \$3,000 which laid the foundation of his enormous successes.

Paid Big Price For Information. "I can lay bare the one sole reason for my triumph with a word. The world is my spy. I pay the highest price for information."

Some years ago one of his friends asked James R. Keene to what he attributed his great success in life, and the financier replied in the words quoted above. Certainly none of his friends and associates ever accused Mr. Keene of not knowing every detail of anything in which he was interested.

The story of the last thirty years of his life is the story of most of the sensational deals put through in Wall street during that period and of the triumphs of famous race horses on the turf before the "sport of kings" was killed by the Hughes anti-racing law.

Keene was in the vortex of speculation once when suddenly it was noticed that he began to lose interest. He had foreseen the end and was unloading his securities and stocks as fast as he could. His fellow brokers called him crazy.

At the top of the market he had emptied his strong boxes. Gold stocks that had been selling at \$500 and \$600 a share dropped like lead and continued to fall. Mr. Keene drew out of the market with a fortune of \$6,000,000, and soon after that the Bank of California failed. The president of the institution in despair threw himself into the Pacific. Here it was that James R. Keene performed an important public service, for largely through him a guarantee fund of \$8,000,000 was raised with which to pay depositors, and of this he subscribed a million himself.

Going After Gould. One of the stories told of Mr. Keene is that one day he saw Jay Gould in Broadway.

"I have \$4,000,000," he said. "I guess I will go after that man's scalp." The conflict did not come then and there, as for a time he and Mr. Gould were on good terms and were allies in several operations. When the clash came, years later, and disaster overtook the house of Keene one of its choicest possessions, a picture by Rosa Bonheur, was sold in meeting a debt. Mr. Gould bought it, so the sequel goes, and hung it in his house at Fifth avenue and Forty-seventh street and ever afterward designated it as "Jim Keene's Scalp."

The break between the men was due to a little dispute in which Major J. R. Selover, a Keene follower, wound up with throwing Jay Gould down an areaway. Mr. Gould, still smarting under the indignity, went to his office and started some things which made the major \$20,000 poorer before the day was done.

ENSIGN ORDERED TO ARCTIC.

Navy Man to Help Survey Island Found by Peary.

Ensign Fitzhugh Green, U. S. N., has been detailed to accompany the Crocker Land expedition to the arctic which sets out next July. He will act as topographer and physiographer.

This latest arctic enterprise purposes to establish the existence and to survey a body of land commonly called Crocker Island, which Peary reported he had seen in 1906 from Cape Thomas Hubbard at a distance of about 196 miles across the ice. Adjoining territory will be explored and mapped.

The expedition will be a joint undertaking under the auspices of the American Museum of Natural History and the American Geographical Society and Yale University. It will be under the leadership of Donald McMillan, who was with Peary on the north pole trip in 1909.

MILLIONS IN GEMS AT LOUIS XV. BALL

Pearls Outshine Wealth of "Ormuz and of Ind."

IS BIGGEST EVENT OF KIND

Eighteenth Century Affair Given by Mrs. W. F. Draper at Washington Proves One of Unrivalled Splendor. Guests Garbed in Costumes of Years Ago—Women's Jewels Dazzle.

A display of pearls that probably literally "outshone the wealth of Ormuz and of Ind" marked the eighteenth century ball given by Mrs. William F. Draper in Washington.

Famous as a hostess because of the splendid coming out ball for her daughter, Miss Margaret, and of many other entertainments that cost fortunes, Mrs. Draper surpassed herself in this affair.

Although the announcements as well as the Louis XV. costumes proclaimed its name, it will go down in social history as the "pearl ball." Probably never in America were so many and such marvelous pearls assembled in a ballroom at one time.

Hostess a Scintillant Figure.

The hostess, who possesses \$500,000 worth of pearls, wore nearly all of them. Her hair, done in the Louis XV. fashion, was crowned by a tiara of pear shaped pearls, some of which were as large as a small pear. Also she wore earrings and a collar of pearls, a four strand necklace and a long strand which hung from her shoulders nearly to the floor.

The same sort of jewels formed her corsage ornament, and a stomacher fashioned of them covered her waist and hips.

The design of her costume was in representation of the dress of a lady of the court of Louis XV. Her gown was of white satin with broad stripes of black velvet.

Miss Margaret Draper, dressed as a young woman of the court, wore the famous necklace whose separate jewels have come from the four quarters of the globe. The first jewel in the necklace was given to her by the dowager Queen Margherita of Italy, who was her godmother, for Miss Draper was born in Rome while her father was American ambassador to Italy. She is the wealthiest unmarried woman in Washington society.

Other Magnificent Strands.

Among other women who opened their jewel caskets to wear their pearls were Mrs. MacVeagh, wife of the secretary of the treasury, whose pearls, like her emeralds, have been carefully selected by an expert who travels all over the world for the purpose.

Mrs. Joseph Leiter wore the gift of Mrs. Levi Z. Leiter, a companion strand to those of the Duchess of Suffolk, the late Lady Curzon and Mrs. Colin Campbell of England, daughters of Mrs. Leiter.

Mrs. Peter Golet Gerry, who made a personal canvass of Europe in search of the pearls for her strand; Mme. Haug, Mrs. Richardson Clover and Miss Rudora Clover all added to the beauty of the "pearl ball."

Most of the costumes were designed from paintings of the eighteenth century. The ballroom was decorated in the fashion of the French Yuletide entertainments of that period, although American Beauty roses were used in the place of the red carnations of France.

The minuet was danced, Miss Helen Taft and Mr. Robert Taft being among the dancers.

Miss Margaret Draper and her house guest, Miss Lavina Fish of New York, were the guests of honor at a dinner given before the ball by Mrs. Richard Reid Rogers and Miss Elizabeth Rogers. Out of compliment to her guest of honor Mrs. Rogers transformed her house into an eighteenth century French garden and even costumed her servants in the fashion of that period.

Wed Again Month After Annulment.

Within a month of the annulment of their previous marriage Peter W. Vantiene and Maria Anderson, both of Newburg, N. Y., were married again. Vantiene is nineteen years old. He and Miss Anderson were married secretly in July. The youth's father had Judge Tompkins annul the marriage. Meantime young Vantiene won his father's consent.

LIPTON HOPES TO WIN CUP IN 1914

Declares Wish to Enter Big Yacht Race Again.

WILL RACE AT GOLDEN GATE.

Irish Baronet Announces Plan to Figure in Event on Opening of Panama Canal—Gives High Praise to Yacht Club and Man Who Crossed Ocean in Launch.

Sir Thomas Lipton entertains the hope that he will be able to race again for the America's cup off Sandy Hook in 1914 under the universal—or European—rule. He declares that the New York Yacht club has always treated him very handsomely and that if it has ever made any mistakes in its negotiations or dealings with him they have always been in his favor.

Two hundred men or more attended the dinner. Probably a third of the number were members of the New York Athletic club. Among the other two-thirds were former Commodore Wilson Marshall, former Fleet Captain Morton W. Smith, former Vice Commodore F. M. Hoyt, Clay M. Greene and several others of the Lachmont Yacht club; Commodore J. Stuart Blackton, Fleet Captain Ernest Malcolm and about twenty members of the Atlantic Yacht club; Commodore M. W. Houck and several others of the New Rochelle Yacht club; Commodore H. H. Melville, Fleet Captain John M. Shaw and others of the Motorboat Club of America; H. A. Jackson, Jr., Commander Alfred Brooks Frey, C. S. King and J. A. Mahlstedt, athletic club men who are distinctly of the yachting contingent of that organization, and the members of nearly all the yacht clubs on Long Island sound and Gravesend bay.

Among those at the table of honor were Vice Commodore Edward A. Sumner of the yachting department of the New York Athletic club, who acted as toastmaster; Colonel Duncan F. D. Neill of Sir Thomas Lipton's entourage, Vice President Ernest F. Haubold, New York Athletic club; Roy Allen, Senator Francis Atwater of Connecticut; Brigadier General Tasker A. Bliss, U. S. A.; the Right Rev. Charles S. Burch, Ernest Birmingham, Charles Chapman, Charles Davis, Justice Dike of Brooklyn; Justice Donnelly, Captain Thomas Fleming Day, Hon. Henry A. Gildersleeve, Hon. David Leventritt, Captain Thomas C. Meadows, Commodore J. Blackburne Miller, Dean Andrew Phillips, Yale university; Hon. Thomas Iversen, New Jersey; Don C. Seltz, Hon. George W. Schurman, Rear Admiral Charles D. Sigsbee, U. S. N.; William Stone, Major William S. Terriberry, M. C., N. G. N. Y., and Hon. Henry A. Wise. It was distinctly an assembly of the admirers of the Irish baronet, and, in a measure, one representative of the great body of yachtsmen of the United States.

Sir Thomas was introduced as one who had done more to promote good fellowship between England and America than any other man who had ever crossed the ocean either way. He talked for twenty minutes or more and devoted a considerable portion of his attention to the praise of Captain Thomas Fleming Day, because of his performance in crossing the ocean in a thirty foot motorboat.

He also told of his proposal made to the yachtsmen of San Francisco, to race with them with a 23 meter boat off the Golden Gate in 1915, the year of the opening of the Panama canal, and of the prompt acceptance of his proposition, and intimated that he had reason to believe that one or more boats would be built by eastern yachtsmen to enter the contest. He hinted further that former Commodore Wilson Marshall, who won the emperor's cup in a race across the Atlantic seven years ago, would be represented in the event. Sir Thomas said that his present Shamrock had started in eight races in German waters during the past season and had won six first prizes and acknowledged that his success was due in part to the good offices of former Commodore Robert E. Tod of the Atlantic Yacht club, who had sailed on his yacht in all, or nearly all, of these races.

Don C. Seltz, who was the second speaker, expressed regret that interest in yachting in a considerable degree and that yacht racing was on the decline, and urged that yacht clubs take up the matter of racing with flying machines. Justice Dike of Brooklyn, Admiral Charles D. Sigsbee, U. S. N.; United States District Attorney Wise, Thomas Fleming Day and Commodore Melville of the Motor Boat Club of America were also among the speakers.

Progress on Cape Cod Canal.

The Cape Cod canal is three-eighths completed in estimation of the engineers. They refuse to predict the date of the opening of the waterway, which is designed to be the northern end of a system of inland courses along the Atlantic coast.

CHOOSING A HOBBY.

Make It One That Will Relieve the Tension of Business.

Writing on the advantage and enjoyment that a busy man will derive from a hobby, Arnold Bennett says in the Metropolitan:

"In choosing a distraction—that is to say, in choosing a rival to his business—he should select some pursuit whose nature differs as much as possible from the nature of his business, and which will bring into activity another side of his character. If his business is monotonous, demanding care and solicitude rather than irregular, intense efforts of the brain, then let his distraction be such as will make a powerful call upon his brain. But if on the other hand the course of his business runs in crises that string up the brain to its tightest strain, then let his distraction be a foolish and merry one.

"Many men fall into the error of assuming that their hobbies must be as dignified and serious as their vocations, though surely the example of the greatest philosophers ought to have taught them better! They seem to imagine that they should continually be improving themselves in either body or mind. If they take up a sport, it is because the sport may improve their health. And if the hobby is intellectual it must needs be employed to improve their brain.

"The fact is that their conception of self improvement is too narrow. In their restricted sense of the phrase they possibly don't need improving, they possibly are already improved to the point of being a nuisance to their fellow creatures; possibly what they need is worsening. In the broad and full sense of the phrase self improvement, a course of self worsening might improve them.

"I have known men—and everybody has known them—who would approach nearer to perfection if they could only acquire a little carelessness, a little absentmindedness, a little illogicalness, a little irrational and infantile gaudiness, a little unscrupulousness in the matter of the time of day. These considerations should be weighed before certain hobbies are dismissed as being unworthy of a plain man's notice."

PICTURESQUE HAVANA.

A Foreign City in Every Sense, With Its Own Odd Charm.

Americans driving to their hotel through Havana's narrow, noisy streets invariably exclaim that it seems to them "as if they were abroad." The question—to borrow a phrase from the widely traveled but unemotional Mr. Baedeker—"need not detain them long." They are abroad. Havana is not merely "like a foreign town," it is a foreign town. It has its own odd look, its special picturesqueness, its own tumultuous life. It abounds in unknown dishes and strange fruits, and upon the hot tropic night it pours out half barbaric music and queer melancholy songs.

The long traditions of the Spanish dominion of the two Americas still cling about Havana's fortresses and the palaces, churches and monasteries of her ancient streets. She was a proud, rich city, the entrepot of the west, when our northern mainland was a wilderness. And now in the Cuban twentieth century she is a crowded, thriving, gay metropolis, with her own pride, her own tropic airs and graces, her own wholly un-American individuality.

She may be crowded in the brief winter season with American tourists, may contain (as indeed she always has contained) a considerable American business colony and may be a refuge for derelicts and vagabonds straight from the pages of O. Henry, Richard Harding Davis and other Kiplings of Spanish America. Still, she is always the old Havana, the Cuban capital of Cuba.—Harrison Rhodes in Metropolitan.

Sir Humphry Davy.

Sir Humphry Davy married a widow as peculiar as himself. His pet affection was a lack of time. He was always in a hurry. He pretended that he had no leisure to dress himself, and when a change of linen became necessary he simply put one shirt over another until he was known to have on five or six shirts at a time. Of course he could not wear this amount of apparel without appreciably increasing his size, and his friends not in the secret were sometimes surprised to see him fall off in apparent weight twenty pounds in a day. His wife's great anxiety was to keep him "fit for company," but as he did not care a fig for company she had no easy task, and domestic discord was a common thing.

The Light That Failed.

It was by an accident that Mr. Kipling got his famous title, "The Light That Failed." He had almost decided to call the novel "The Failure," although he was dissatisfied with this. One evening as he was sitting in his study reading by lamplight the light went suddenly down—almost failed, in fact. In a second Kipling jumped up, exclaiming excitedly, "By Jove, I've got it!" Pointing to the lamp, he said "The Light That Failed."

As an Offset.

"That girl has been promoted twice to my office. She has all the luck in this office."

"Well, I notice that she also has most of the work on her shoulders. So I guess she's entitled to the luck."

Washington Herald.

Made Her Laugh.

Tom—Did Miss Roxley entertain your proposal? Jack—On the contrary, my proposal seemed to entertain her.—Boston Transcript.

MANY A CITIZEN FINDS THE STRUGGLE HARD

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APPRAISEMENTS—Notice is given that appraisement of \$300 to the widows of the following named decedents have been filed in the Orphans' Court of Wayne county, and will be presented for approval on Monday, January 20, 1913—viz: Geo. J. Bergmann, Texas; Personal. Geo. W. Butterworth, Sterling; Personal. W. J. BARNES, Clerk.

WAYNE COUNTY SAVINGS BANK ELECTION.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Wayne County Savings Bank for the election of directors, will be held at the banking office on

Tuesday, January 14, 1913, between the hours of three and four o'clock p. m.

H. S. SALMON, Cashier. Honesdale, Pa., Dec. 24, 1912.

COURT PROCLAMATION.—Whereas, the Judge of the several Courts of the County of Wayne has issued his precept for holding a Court of Quarter Sessions, Oyer and Terminer, and General Jail Delivery in and for said County, at the Court House, to begin on

MONDAY, JAN 20, 1913,

and to continue two weeks: And directing that a Grand Jury for the Courts of Quarter Sessions and Oyer and Terminer be summoned to meet on Monday, Jan. 13, 1913, at 2 p. m.

Notice is therefore hereby given to the Coroner and Justices of the Peace, and Constables of the County of Wayne, that they be then and there in their proper persons, at said Court House, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of said 13th day of Jan., 1913, with their records, inquisitions, examinations and other remembrances, to do those things which to their offices appertain to be done, and those who are bound by recognizance or otherwise to prosecute the prisoners who are or shall be in the Jail of Wayne County, be then and there to prosecute against them as shall be just.

Given under my hand, at Honesdale, this 24th day of Dec., 1912, and in the 13th year of the Independence of the United States of America. FRANK C. KIMBLE, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, Honesdale, Dec. 24, 1912. 102w4

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