

EX-GOV. WOLCOTT ACCEPTS THE ITALIAN PORTFOLIO.

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WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—The Hon. Roger Wolcott of Boston has accepted the President's offer of the Italian portfolio. The new ambassador, at present in Paris, is expected to make a flying visit home before assuming his new duties.

MRS. DRAPER'S SUCCESSOR.

Mrs. Roger Wolcott Comes From a Distinguished Family and Abhors Notoriety.

A worthy successor to Mrs. William F. Draper at the Italian court, in the opinion of those who know her, is Edith Prescott Wolcott, wife of the new ambassador, Roger Wolcott. Especially adapted, they say, she is to fill all the social requirements, being by birth, education and in person one "to the manner born." Mrs. Wolcott also possesses marked tact and amiability beyond compare. Best of all, she is generous, just and always approachable. All who have met her become at once impressed with her magnetism. She makes friends unconsciously.

In Boston and elsewhere she is greatly beloved for her unostentatious charity. Very little has been said concerning the ideal home life of this interesting and typical New England family. It was

father, William G. Prescott, was one of Boston's prominent citizens.

The Wolcott Arms.

Their city home on Commonwealth avenue is quite unpretentious, yet it has an individuality all its own. Inside the walls are adorned with pictures and heirlooms of the Wolcotts and Prescotts. The Wolcott coat of arms attracts one in the library. They are on a silver field and represent a sable chevron between three chess rooks, or castles, also sable.

The story goes that John Wolcott, ancestor of the house, was playing chess with King Henry just before the battle of Agincourt. After a hotly contested game Wolcott (who was no flatterer) succeeded in checkmating the king with the rook, or castle. In memory of the achievement, as well as for his bravery next day in the strife, the king changed the three fleur de lis, which he had formerly borne, to three chess rooks.

The favorite abiding place of the Wolcotts is "Hill Farm," their suburban residence, topping one of the Milton hills, reached via Readville. It is a big colonial house, most hospitable in appearance, and is a part of the inheritance of the present owner. Surrounding it are more than 100 acres, handsomely laid out. A small-sized forest forms part of the property, and from the house a superb view unfolds itself, covering many towns and counties. The State House dome is

widespread acquaintance and in many lands. It was declared most fitting, in view of her many charities, that she should be appointed by the President to represent the United States at the international convention of women's charities at the Paris Exposition. It was partly because of this that the family sailed early in the summer for Paris, where they were joined by their eldest son, Roger, Jr., a fortnight ago.

The Colonial Dames and other organizations claim Mrs. Wolcott as a member. She is vice-president for Massachusetts of the Mary Washington Memorial Association, is honorary state regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and a member of the Warren and Prescott Chapter, named for Bunker Hill heroes. She also belongs to the exclusive Mayflower Club, and is identified with various philanthropic and educational movements.

Her Love of Patriotism.

Out in Groton is a sacred spot, the early home of the Prescotts, where Mrs. Wolcott was born. It is a veritable shrine for this gifted woman, and is now occupied by her brother, Mr. William Prescott. Not far from the homestead is a beautiful monument erected by Mrs. Wolcott in honor of her ancestor, Colonel Prescott. On Nov. 1 last year another memorial was placed in Pepperell in commemoration of the men from that town who went out to fight for liberty. Among these men was the ancestor of Roger Wolcott. This, too, was the gift of the ambassador's wife, and the exercises at the unveiling were impressive.

Mrs. Wolcott will be quite at home in

hauteur. She is tall, with fine coloring, rich, reddish-brown hair, deep blue eyes, erect poise and well-developed figure. Her face lights up during conversation, and at all times she is gracious and serene. Her servants adore her and find her a model mistress. No environment—Italian or otherwise—is likely to change her temperament, and Americans going to Italy may be assured of a cordial welcome at all times. Monday has been her at home day in Boston, and she may adopt Mrs. Draper's plan of receiving Americans on a day set apart from the official at home, that they may feel more at ease.

It is quite unlikely that any court functions will demand her presence for some time, owing to the unfortunate death of King Humbert. Meantime the Wolcotts will undoubtedly return to America for a brief stay, when opportunities may arise for proffering the aid and comfort of a host of friends. Women in Massachusetts who know her feel proud that the State is to be represented by such a gracious, lovable and thoroughly American woman as Edith Prescott Wolcott.

ALL OVER FIFTY.

Elder Brethren Hold Their Twenty-second Annual Gathering at Tuck's Point.

MANCHESTER, Aug. 1.—The twenty-second annual gathering of the Elder Brethren—an organization confined to men in this vicinity 50 years of age and older—was held today at Tuck's Point under fa-

The Law of Natural Healing

has been practised by a few gifted souls in all ages. If there had been MORE blessed with the natural healing power, there would be fewer in need of today.

Among the rare number of natural healers of today there are none who outlive the

Renowned Dr. Immanuel Pfeiffer, Who is generally known as THE APOSTLE OF HEALTH,

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He successfully treats all manner of diseases by the simple laying on of hands.

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HOME TO MAINE.

Clubs From This State Will Go to Portland in a Body.

TAKE SPECIAL TRAIN TUESDAY

Representatives of Twenty-five Clubs Meet and Perfect Arrangements.

WILL PARADE IN PORTLAND.

Final arrangements for attending Maine's Old Home Week celebration, which is to be held in Portland Aug. 7, were made by the executive committee of the Dirigo Federation, representing some twenty-five Maine clubs in the State of Massachusetts, at a meeting held in the Parker House yesterday afternoon.

Preparations are being made for a splendid showing of former Maine people in the delegation from this State. As nearly as could be announced at yesterday's meeting of the executive committee every club in this State will be represented. Accommodations have been provided for 1000. Two special trains, one on the Eastern and one on the Western division of the Boston & Maine, will leave Union station at 7:30 a. m. Tuesday, Aug. 7, arriving in Portland at 10:30.

A neat badge bearing the seal of the State and the words "Dirigo Federation, Maine Clubs of Massachusetts," and the date of the Old Home Week meeting has been prepared and will be issued to each delegate. The city of Portland is preparing to receive the returning sons of the Pine Tree State coming from Massachusetts with special favor. A grand stand for their use has been erected next to the stand to be occupied by the city fathers, and numerous receptions are being planned in their honor. Many of the Massachusetts delegation will go on regular trains. An urgent request was yesterday extended to these to meet the special delegation trains on their arrival in Portland, that all the Massachusetts visitors may march to the grand stand together.

The order of the different clubs in the line of march, which will be formed at Union station on their arrival in Portland, is not yet completed. Every club is to have a Massachusetts banner, and at the head of the procession is to be carried a State flag and the national colors. It is expected that the delegation will be met at the station by the Lewiston City Band.

POST'S NEW SIGN UNIQUE.

Has a Plate Glass Front and Shines Like the Post's Circulation.

The Post building is attracting an unusual amount of attention this week from the thronging crowds on Newspaper Row. First, the new sign went up on Monday, a novelty in itself as well as a work of art. Then, yesterday, there was another novelty that caught the eyes of thousands, in the form of a bulletin giving the circulation figures of the Post for the month of July.

The sign, by the way, is worth more than a passing notice, for it is unique as well as attractive, and is the first of its kind to be constructed or put up in this country. It is twenty feet long by two feet in width. The letters, of gleaming gold, are of Old English type, and are cut V-shaped into the background, which is of a rich, deep mahogany.

Like all signs just from the maker, the Post sign shines with the flashing of its high polish. But, unlike all signs more than a few weeks old, this one will retain its gloss so long as the sign shall last. This is due to the fact that the entire surface of the sign is covered by an excellent quality of plate glass, highly polished. The sign was made by Hughes & Mayo, 21 Cornhill.

BALLARD SMITH DEAD.

Ballard Smith, the journalist, died at the McLean Hospital at Waverly Tuesday, after an illness of three years. Mr. Smith was a native of Durham, N. C., and was 48 years old. He was well known in newspaper circles, having been for many years managing editor of the New York World, and also its London correspondent. He left a widow and child.

METAL WORKERS ORGANIZING.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 1.—Representatives of the metal workers of the United States from Chicago, Toledo, Cincinnati, Cleveland, and other large cities, met in the Stevens building today for the purpose of organizing a national society. The strength of the proposed organization in the United States will be about 150,000 members.

LUSANDER BEACH VERY ILL.

HAMPTON, N. H., Aug. 1.—Lusander Beach, founder of the Beach Soap Company, of Lawrence, Mass., is in a critical condition at his summer home here. His ailment is meningitis, following prostration from nervous trouble. His attending physician fears the end is not far off.

THUSERS

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"Your Money Back If You Want It."

BERNARD M. WOLF,

"MY CLOTHIER,"
Cor. Hanover and Portland Streets.

CUBANS MAY STAY

Many of Them Talk Now of Teaching Spanish Here.

LIKE, AND COULD DO WELL.

But Others Say Last Day Will See Them All in Line.

PLANS FOR NIAGARA VISIT.

Although more than two weeks distant, the departure of the Cuban teachers has become their one theme of discussion. If current individual assertions are to be taken seriously, the exodus on Aug. 11 will not be a general one.

This one is to remain and become a teacher of Spanish; that one prefers to stay here and learn more English; the other one has been offered an excellent opportunity to remain here and become a governess at a flattering salary. Another has received assurances that her lessons in Spanish here will net her more in three months than teaching school in Cuba will bring her in a year. One, at least, has about made up her mind to accept the offer of a childless American couple, friends found here, to become their adopted daughter.

Still others have less tangible reasons for not returning upon schedule time, yet are not lacking in resolution to remain. "Oh, yes; they say that now," said one of the teachers last night. "And they may say it and mean it up to the time of departure. But when the time comes, few, if any, will be missing. Many of us will return when opportunity offers, however."

Salaries Drawn Today.

Payment of the teachers' salaries for the month of July begins today. Secretary Morales, by dint of extraordinary exertion, has managed to secure the receipts of a little more than one-half of the teachers. In exchange for the signatures, Senator Morales gives a card, which the possessor will present to the treasurer of Harvard University in exchange for the money drawn.

It is reported that several of the teachers are soliciting signatures to a petition, addressed to the Cuban authorities, which asks that the August salaries be paid at Cambridge on the 17th inst., so that those who wish to remain here a few days or weeks longer may get the benefit of the month's salary without returning to Cuba for it. No confirmation of this report could be secured last night.

Planning Niagara Visit.

Superintendent Frye has written from Washington to the effect that it is doubtful if he can arrange to take the teachers there before they return to Cuba. Plans for having them all visit Albany, Niagara Falls and New York are nearly complete, however.

The army transports which will carry the teachers back to Cuba will be available on Aug. 19.

The Catholic societies will give a concert in Sanders Theatre tonight in honor of the teachers.

Superintendent Frye is expected to return to Cambridge today.

A party of 100 teachers will visit the Brookline public bath and the Brookline High School tomorrow.

The teachers' excursion to Green Lodge, Westwood, yesterday afternoon, closed the series to that beautiful spot—this contingent of 181 making a grand total of 800 who have participated in the five scientific "field meetings" there. This final party embraced eighty ladies in its total.

Messrs. Pierce and Collins handled the large number with ease, and the instructors and interpreters attended to the edifying programme with equal skill. Mr. and Mrs. Washburn were, as usual, active and solicitous for the comfort of their guests.

The occasion was a fitting climax to this unique and delightful series of visitations. Before breaking up, the Cubans sang with patriotic fervor their stirring national hymn, and were addressed in appreciative speech by both Mr. and Mrs. Washburn.

Yesterday afternoon a party of Cuban teachers, who are especially interested in developing charitable institutions in Cuba, visited two of the chief institutions in this city for the care of children. They spent two hours in examining the House of the Angel Guardian, on Vernon street, under the guidance of Brother Jude, superior of the Christian Brothers, in charge, accompanied by Father La Porte, the chaplain, and Father J. A. Walsh of St. Patrick's parish.

They then visited St. Vincent's Home for Orphan Girls, on Cambridge street, and were conducted through the entire establishment by the sister superior of the Sisters of Charity in charge. In both of these institutions the visitors found many valuable hints to carry back to Cuba. This is the first of a series of similar visits to public and private charities about Boston.

CUBANS AT CHURCH.

To the Editor of the Post: Sir—The committee in charge of the Catholic record at Harvard University has been led to believe that your report of the Baptist services on Sunday evening will prove misleading to many of your readers. Not all of the Cuban teachers attended the service, nor nearly all; nor were there 200 persons present. About 8 or 9 per cent of the teachers were there, and they made up about one-seventh of a congregation of 100 or more.

It is not so much to correct your news item, however, that I write you. The mistake is one that may easily occur with no wrong intention. It is the inference to be drawn from it which I wish to speak of, for the presence of so many teachers would indicate that the Baptist societies are endeavoring to attract the Catholic Cubans as well as the Protestant to their services. We should be sorry to think this the case, for such a course would be entirely out of harmony with the spirit in which the whole expedition has been planned and thus far conducted, and equally out of harmony with the spirit in which we believe Protestants in general look upon the Christianity of the Cuban people.

JOSE HALE DOUGLASS.

Harvard University, Cambridge, Aug. 1.

settled, but the law of supply and demand and competition will force a readjustment of the ratio.

WELCOME CUBAN TEACHERS.

Acting Mayor of New York Will Appoint Committee to Receive Them.

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—Alexis Everett Frye, superintendent of schools in Cuba, called on Acting Mayor Guggenheimer today and asked to have the acting mayor welcome the 1500 Cuban school-teachers now at Cambridge, Mass., when they come to this city. Mr. Guggenheimer said he would be delighted to do so. He also said he would ask the council to appoint a committee to receive the teachers.

HIS 90TH BIRTHDAY.

The Rev. Mark Trafton, D. D., a former Episcopal divine, yesterday celebrated his ninetieth birthday at his home, 20 Chester street, West Somerville.

Connecticut that bred the Wolcotts, the family of one of the heroes of Louisiana, of a signer of the Declaration of Independence, famous for civil and military virtues, patriotic in the Revolutionary War and wholly American. Roger Wolcott was named for one of the men of Pepperell and he was born there. He met Edith Prescott, also of Pepperell, when a very young man, and they soon afterwards married in September, 1874.

As a result of this union five children graced the home, Roger, Jr., a Harvard, '90 man, now a student of law; Cornelia Prothingham, the only daughter, who, by the way, resembles her mother more closely than the boys; William Prescott, Samuel Huntington and the baby of the family, Oliver, aged 2, or thereabouts. Their first child, Huntington, lived but two years.

Mrs. Wolcott also comes from a distinguished family, and can trace her ancestry back for centuries. The first Prescott came to Massachusetts in 1640, and from him was descended William H. Prescott, the historian, and Colonel Prescott of Bunker Hill fame. Her last

also plainly seen by night as well as day. It was in this home that the Wolcotts in the summer of 1897 gave a large and brilliant reception in honor of the fleet officers and wives of the North Atlantic squadron.

Mrs. Wolcott is somewhat averse to notoriety or display, and has worn her honors modestly. As the Governor's wife, her manner differed in no way from that of heretofore, and she was quite as easily approached on any subject—not for publication—always, however. She enjoys a

her new surroundings so far as social etiquette goes, for she is mistress in the art of entertaining and is ever a striking figure, queenly in bearing yet lacking in

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OLD RELIABLE AND SUREST CURE FOR DYSENTERY

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