

# QUAINT CLUB IN NEWPORT.

Entertained at the Ocean House—Justice Blatchford's Condition.

NEWPORT, R. I., June 25.—The members of the Quaint Club of New-York spent to-day as the guests of Mr. John G. Weaver at the Ocean House. A very pleasant time was enjoyed, carriages being at the disposal of the visitors, who were carried to all the spots of interest. At 7 o'clock to-night all the members discussed an elaborate dinner, the menu being on pretty souvenir cards in design as quaint as the club. Among the guests were Leavey Battelle, Edward A. Taft, J. T. Hanson, N. E. Weeks, Robert S. Gardner of Boston, J. D. Hashagen, J. M. Riggs, W. S. Rodie, F. B. Hibbard, E. G. Lennon, Dr. Louis M. Seaman, Charles W. Price, E. J. Richards, and E. H. Talbot. The club left for New-York on the late boat to-night.

Julien T. Davies, Jr., of New-York is registered at the Casino.

Sir F. N. Broome and Lady Broome of Trinidad, West Indies; Count Sierstopff of Berlin, J. E. Schneet and J. C. Clerk of London, England, and Count Baralson of Rome are at the Ocean House.

The yachts here at sundown were the schooners Alcica and Shamrock, the sloop Thetis, and the steamers Ava and Radha.

The condition of Justice Blatchford remains unchanged and he is very comfortable. His physician only deemed it necessary to make one regular call to-day.

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## Admitted a Woman to the Conference.

HALIFAX, N. S., June 25.—For the first time in the history of American Methodism, so far as known, a woman has been admitted to membership in conference. The Nova Scotia Conference, in session at Canso, has decided that Mary Dauphinie has a legal right to sit on a perfect equality with the male members in that body, and she will take her seat.

Three years ago the application of Frances E. Willard for similar membership was refused in a United States conference. At the session of the Nova Scotia Legislature this Spring a woman's suffrage bill came within a vote or two of becoming law.

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## Discouraging Crop Reports.

ST. PAUL, Minn., June 25.—Crop reports from Northern Minnesota and North Dakota are of a discouraging character. Owing to the hot sun and continued high winds, grain is wilting in the fields. Wheat experts say that already the damage may be placed at from 25 to 50 per cent. Many fields are worthless. Local showers in the James River Valley have been a blessing to some, but the general outlook is the worst in years. With the most favorable weather half a crop is all that can be hoped for.