

THE CHINESE CONSULATE.

New Year's Reception Day--The Visitors.

Yesterday being the last day of the Chinese New Year's, the Consul-General, Chen Shu Tang, kept open house, assisted by Hwang Tai Kuen, the Vice-Consul, and the Consul, Colonel F. A. Bee. A throng of visitors filled the Consulate, No. 917 Clay street, from 11 o'clock in the morning until long after 5 o'clock in the evening. The callers were first received by Colonel Bee in his office. Taking their cards, he conducted them to the reception-room of the Consul-General, who wore his official robes. After the presentation and a few words of congratulation, the guests were next invited to partake of refreshments—a collation being spread in the consular court-room, after which the ladies, and gentlemen who were accompanied by ladies, were invited to the parlors on the floor above, there to be presented to Madame Chen, the wife of the Consul-General, who was assisted in the reception by Mrs. Colonel Bee and Miss Safford. Madame Chen was dressed in the style worn by Chinese ladies of her high rank. Her robes were of the richest and most elegant description. The skirt of Nile-green brocade satin was laid in small pleats on either side, finished with bands of fine embroidery of the very brightest colors; down the front and back of this skirt were panels of solid silk embroidery of various colors upon a ground of Nile-green satin; the overgarment, with the large flowing sleeves and crossed upon the breast and buttoned, was of the heaviest satin, of a bright maroon color, trimmed with bands of light-blue satin, which was heavily embroidered in brilliant colors; her feet were encased in the finest of Chinese shoes, of gold work mixed with light blue and white. Upon her fingers sparkled magnificent diamonds. Her hair, which was dressed in the most elaborate style, was ornamented with gold trinkets, and the bright lemon-colored handkerchief which she carried in her hand formed a beautiful contrast to the entire costume. It was estimated that between four and five hundred guests were received, among whom were some of our most prominent citizens. The following names were among those who paid their respects:

F. P. Low, Felippo Piazza, the Italian Consul; Governor Purdy, Frank M. Bee, Mrs. Bellis Franklin, Rev. A. M. Lewis, Mrs. Thomas B. Bishop, Rev. Dr. H. D. Hoars, Henry W. Severance, Hawaiian Consul; J. S. Bacon, Vice-Consul of Hawaii; General and Mrs. Saxton, Joaquim Garcia Conde, Mexican Consul; W. S. Sutton; the Vice-Consul of France, C. Pernet, and Mine. Pernet, Commodore Edmund R. Calhoun and wife, Miss Calhoun, Mrs. Noble H. Merwin, Miss Safford, Mrs. Benjamin C. Hawes, Alfred Wheeler, E. C. Marten, Miss Emily Gill, F. B. Sullivan, Mrs. Sullivan, Professor H. H. Eldridge, Mrs. A. Lee, Mrs. William B. Bourne, the Misses Bourne, Mrs. Alexander Forbes, Miss Forbes, Miss Grattan, Miss Grattan, Charles E. Thayer, A. H. Hatch, Mrs. J. T. Tucker, Sarah M. Massey, S. G. Hilborn, Mrs. E. Randolph, Mr. Kentaro Yanagoya, Japanese Consul and wife, Mr. and Mrs. George Derby Wells, S. P. Leeds, Mrs. C. E. Cogswell, Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon, Miss Donart, Miss Duffoy, Miss May Pennington, Carrie L. Hill, Mrs. L. Sylvester, F. S. Wenzinger, Mrs. Lizzie Hoffman, F. J. Murphy, Miss Marie Juliet Gaston, E. Hawking, Mrs. N. H. Sturin, Mrs. Jacobs, M. H. Furrill, M. Brogan, Charles A. Wright, Miss A. Cline, P. B. Buchanan, Mrs. Dr. C. E. Case, Mrs. Dr. A. E. Munie, Miss Kate D. Van Arsdale, E. P. Snow, Mrs. E. P. Snow, Mrs. C. J. Hawley, E. C. Newhall, Alexander Huhn, Mrs. C. S. Boyd, the Misses Snook, Mrs. Daniels, Annie Le Gay Boyd, Donald Bruce, E. A. Sheperd, Mrs. L. M. Graham, Mrs. S. W. Boyd, Mrs. R. H. Stone, Mrs. Laura A. Stone, Rev. and Mrs. Albert Williams, Benjamin S. Brooks, Henry B. Lymanston, Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Condit, the Misses Ayres, Mrs. Noble H. Merwin, the Misses Ayres, George L. Snydman, Henry Heyman, Rev. William Danks, Rev. W. Nixon, Rudolph McDonald, Marino Luigi, J. Reed Dickinson, Miss Lizzie Chandler, Dr. C. G. Maccary, Miss Anna A. Chatman, Captain Johnson, Mrs. Cotter, Miss Fanny Goodfellow, Mrs. Horace Black, Mrs. R. G. Lewis, A. H. Wanganan, Milo Susannah, George Dwight, Miss S. R. Buchler, Mrs. E. B. Woodward, G. H. Flykeson, W. J. Moore, George H. Rice, the wife of Professor Ponceroy, Mrs. G. B. Jenks, Miss Norris, Mrs. B. H. Randolph, Miss J. B. Sloan, Mrs. M. Lockwood, Mrs. McLane, Mrs. Mary C. Bennett, Rev. A. W. Lewis, A. E. Phelps, William G. Phelps, G. Holland, Miss Gagne, E. J. Bennett, Miss Sophia H. McLane, Y. B. Hartwell, Mrs. Mary Foster, Mrs. F. W. Fuller, Mrs. Emma Lawler, Mrs. Charles London, Julia Arrell, Mrs. L. E. Wilcox, Mrs. F. Gully, Ralston K. Wilcox, A. C. Huntington, wife and daughter, Miss C. E. Andrews, Miss K. Keachie, J. H. Huma, M. F. Plant, Mrs. Lyman Bridges, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beck, Mrs. M. R. Allen, S. D. Braslow, George A. Hatchelder, Colonel and Mrs. Savage, Miss Savage, Mrs. Hull, Mrs. W. B. Greenbaum, Mrs. J. French, Miss Nora C. Hull, H. D. Hull (U. S. A.), Mrs. J. C. Lane, Miss A. Low, Mrs. Dunn, Miss Nellie Harbberger, Mrs. Goum Will, Miss Calhoun, Mrs. W. C. Woodman, Mrs. J. F. Newell, Mrs. E. A. Kloss, Miss Kloss, Mrs. W. W. Collins, Mrs. Friedlander, Dr. O. H. Smith, Mrs. O. O. Burgess, Mrs. O. H. Smith, Charles A. McFarland, Miss McFarland, Henry Kimmell, O. Johnson Jr., Mrs. A. Smith, Miss Smith, Charles Wadsett Brooks, Silas B. Smith, A. Vanvert de Meun, Consul of France; Henry S. Lamer, U. S. Consular Officer for Fiji; Jessie S. Worley, Mrs. M. J. Hunting, Florence Nightingale Morley, Gerrit S. Lansing, Dr. C. T. Drane, Dr. Alex. Rattray, Mrs. Alexander Rattray, Miss Russell, Miss Mary Scott, E. Fenn, Montague V. Leverell, Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Melliss, Robert McHaffie Melliss, Mrs. James Lintorth, Miss Jennie Lintorth, Miss S. J. Howes, William Lane Booker, British Consul; Commodore Spotts, T. H. Goodman, Dr. Mossey and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Homer, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Burns, Rev. O. Gibson, Judge and Mrs. Turner, Mrs. Voorhies, Mrs. Ayy, Mrs. S. D. Mayer, W. de la Graves, Mrs. C. H. Lord, Miss May Robinson, Governor T. N. Machine, W. H. Burton, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Sanderson, Madame Bedoll, John W. Doherty, H. P. Stanwood, Captain H. C. Dearbone, M. W. Graves.