

JURISTS AS GUESTS

Brilliant Scenes at Second White House Reception.

MRS. CLEVELAND HONORED

Throngs Pay Their Respects to Widow of the President.

Conventional Black, Black, Gorgeous Uniforms of Diplomatic Gathering, but Great Throng Makes Brave Spectacle as Mr. and Mrs. Taft Greets the Line-Speakers and Mrs. Clark, Representative Clayton, and Others of Congress Attend.

With many of the great men, lights of the country, and the widow and daughter of a former President among their number, the second of the great receptions of the winter given at the White House last night had a distinction and interest similar to that of the first reception when the diplomatic corps were the special guests of the President and Mrs. Taft.

With conventional evening dress taking the place of the uniform and court costumes that were the order of the evening at the first reception, but with a distinction as a spectacle was less important. There were not many diplomats present, and the Brazilian and Japanese were among the few in the court dress.

Scientists Were Present.

The judiciary, some eminent scientists, a number of the city's leading physicians, and many of the nation's law makers, including the Speaker, who was accompanied by Mrs. Charles Representative Henry D. Clayton, who is chairman of the House Judiciary committee, had played a prominent part in the "poor trespassment" proceedings at the capital, accompanied by Mrs. Clayton, lawyer made up the scientific guest list.

The reception which began at 8 o'clock when the President and Mrs. Taft with the women of the cabinet circle took their places in the blue room, moved on with its usual dignified and uneventful lumbering pace. Though there were no startling high notes to catch the ears of the crowd, Mrs. Cleveland's appearance at the White House by the other occupants, and there was a general feeling of sympathy for the widow.

In the deep recesses of the entrance from the red and green rooms, men and women crowded one another with the enthusiasm of schoolboys and girls for a peep at the former occupants of the White House. The corridor in the vicinity of the blue room entrance became so congested that a woman riding was necessarily abandoned.

The serving of the supper in the state dining room, the moving of the long line of guests from the east room toward the receiving line in the blue room, and the music of the Marine Band were forms of activity that went forward without a perceptible lag.

Tribute to Mrs. Cleveland.

Otherwise there was but one interest and several hundred people were on foot. It was not especially dignified, but it was very warm and accompanied by a murmur of admiration, it was undoubtedly a tribute to the woman who, apparently unconscious of the air and presence was waiting upon half an hour in the blue room awaiting her hosts and chatting with those who were presented to her.

Mrs. Cleveland was accompanied by Mrs. Esther Cleveland, Mrs. Henry S. Drexler, and Prof. Preston. They entered at the north door and, after removing their wraps, were conducted by Mr. Dunn, one of the waiters, to the blue room. They entered the line of guests in the green room and passed down the receiving line, being warmly greeted by the President and Mrs. Taft and the women receiving with them.

Bridal Parties in Line.

The house was decorated with a distinction in keeping with the dignity of last night's reception. A group of giant palms filled the large oval window in the east room, before which several bridal parties have grouped themselves in the history of the house. Pale pink carnation and white roses adorned the green room. The table in the state dining room was attractively ornamented with orchid, pansies, and maidenhair ferns. At the conclusion of the reception for Marine Band moved from the north entrance hall into the east room, where it played another hour for dancing.

President Danced With Niece.

The President was among the first on the floor dancing with his niece, Miss Louise Taft. Mrs. Taft wore a gown of black charmeuse and lace draped, and a diamond necklace and collar and bracelet set with diamonds.

In the Receiving Line.

Mrs. White wore a stunning gown of blue silk and red character, trimmed with silver lace.
Mrs. McVeigh wore a handsome gown of white brocade, trimmed with old lace. She wore a necklace of diamonds and pearls.
Mrs. Wicks wore a handsome gown of white moire antique with an overlay of black net, considered in our best and silver.
Mrs. George Ford Meyer wore a stunning gown of black net with a lower design.
Mrs. Sage wore a handsome gown of white moire, trimmed with white tulle and touches of brown lace.

Mrs. Cleveland's Costume.

Mrs. Cleveland wore a lovely gown of pale pink tulle heavily embroidered in gold and a large necklace and corsage ornaments of diamonds.

Miss Esther Cleveland, who shared the

interest of the throng of guests, were in shimmering gown of pale green chiffon over white tulle, with a train and ash of rose velvet. Mrs. Drexler wore a handsome gown of white satin brocade with a large and necklace of diamonds.
The Prof. Gaskin and Mrs. White led the long line of more than 5,000 guests through the blue room, being the first to greet the hosts. The entire court circle had assembled in the green room some time before the reception began and