
Montie Porch

A charmed life

The Glastonbury man who married Winston Churchill's mother



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Author's note

This book's title was originally "Monty Porch: a charmed life", but this new edition uses the spelling "Montie" throughout. Having recently had access to a further quantity of Montie's personal papers, the author acknowledges his previous spelling "Monty" to be incorrect, though it is common in newspapers and other sources. The undoubted preference of the man himself and the family is "Montie".

Otherwise this edition has comparatively minor revisions. The photo on page 13 is new.

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(INSET, MR. MONTAGU PHIPPEN PORCH, THE BRIDEGROOM)

Lady Randolph Churchill's engagement to Mr. Montagu Phippen Porch was announced at the end of last week, and it is understood that the marriage will take place very shortly. Before she married the late Lord Randolph Churchill in 1874 Lady Randolph was Miss Jennie Jerome of New York. She subsequently married Mr. George Cornwallis-West, whom she divorced. Mr. Montagu Porch is the son of a Bengal civil servant. He served in the Imperial Yeomanry in the South African War and has been British Resident in Northern Nigeria.