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I find myself quite at sixes to know where to begin. The Ton has been up to their usual tricks to a point that Mr. Faraday's Helium balloon seems not at all inflated compared to their egos. Perhaps I ought to begin with the most tawdry piece of news first: Lady M allowed a most indelicate noise to escape her person at Lady E's Venetian breakfast Thursday last and for the rest of the event every other member of the party was treated to a distinct scent of sulfur.



One less pungent anecdote includes that the scandalous Lord P was seen riding neck or nothing through Hyde park with absolutely no regard for life or limb of anyone, including his own. It can be hoped that he made it back safely to number 53 Mayfair and somehow learned his lesson. Seventy-five bets at Whites would seem to say differently, however. Lady J will soon be adding a new title to her repertoire, this time as grandmother as her new daughter-at-law is increasing, with, if rumour is to be believed, two babes. In the way of scandal, little could be more of note than the fact that the Earl of Astatine seeks to break the entail and sell his infant heir's estate out from beneath him to cover an unfortunate number of gambling debts. What with one thing and another, there is never a dull moment during the Season in London.

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