

WOMEN AND FASHION

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

WOULD NEVER MARRY. Most of us have often heard women, and those with children too, stoutly declare "If I were single again I would never marry."

Very often such language has no effect for the speaker does not mean it. Let some accident occur in which the husband is injured, or he is taken sick suddenly, perhaps called from home on business, and how restless she grows; she is realizing how dear he is to her, how dreary life would be without him, and yet, but a short time ago, she was one of those who declared, "if single again she would never marry."

It's of no use to talk disparagingly of married life to your daughters, hoping that your influence will cause them to live a single life, for such influence counts for naught, when they in their turn as their mother did before them, meet the one whom God intended for her, and realizes that life would be a blank without him.

"FIGHTING BOB'S" WIFE. Every Saturday night when at sea for nearly forty years Admiral Robley D. Evans has, with his fellow-officers, drunk a toast to "our wives and sweethearts," and in drinking it his thoughts have gone over the water to a modest home in a now unfashionable quarter of Washington, where dwells the admiral when ashore, and where dwells at all times the lovely white-haired woman, his wife.

Mrs. Evans, who prior to her marriage was Charlotte Taylor, was "Fighting Bob's" youthful sweetheart at the time when with a landing party he stormed Fort Terry, there to receive four gunshot wounds and to be unattended on the sand for hours until a surgeon came, who wanted to cut off his leg. It is declared that the powerful language on the part of the young ensign saved his leg from amputation.

Mrs. Evans has watched her husband's sea career nearly half a century, but it is doubtful if she ever watched any part of it with more solicitude than she will watch the cruise of the great fleet of battleships from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

It is a big undertaking that Admiral Evans has ahead of him. His wife wishes him to round out his career with the same kind of credit that has always clung to him. It is understood that she will go to San Francisco to welcome him when the fleet puts into the Golden Gate. It is probable, she hopes, that before her husband meets her on the Pacific Coast he will have dropped the title of Rear Admiral for that of Vice Admiral.

Admiral and Mrs. Evans have come to their Indiana avenue home in Washington because of its association with their early married life. Many of the older families of Washington lived near the Evans' home since upon a time, but one by one they have taken their departure to more fashionable districts. Once anchored the Admiral and his wife have been content to stay at their moorings. A naval officer does not have to live in fashionable neighborhoods to keep up his social prestige.—Chicago Post.

FROM A MAN'S STANDPOINT. A man can keep another person's secret better than his own; a woman, on the contrary, keeps her secret, though she tells all others. "I like women," said a clear-headed man of the world; "they are so finished." They finish society, manners, language. Form and ceremony are their realm. They embellish trifles. It is a misfortune for a woman never to be loved, but it is a humiliation to be loved no more. Women like brave men exceeding; but audacious men still more. There are 24 hours in a day and not a moment in the 24 in which a woman may not change her mind. A man is in general better pleased when he has a good dinner than when his wife talks Greek. Women give in entirely to their affections, set their whole fortunes on the die, lose themselves eagerly in the glory of their husbands and children. Women divine that they are loved long before it is told them. There will always remain something to be said of a woman as long as there is one on the earth. Woman's happiness is in obeying. She objects to men who abdicate too much. Men are generally kind when women look their best. Women are sure to be discontented somewhere. It is their birth-right.

ent somewhere. It is their birth-right. In the dissolution of sentimental partnerships it is seldom that both partners can withdraw their funds at precisely the same time.—New Haven Register.

COLOR SCHEMES AMAZE FRENCH WOMAN.

The manner of choosing colors for evening raiment shocks Countess Martel, a vivacious Frenchwoman, who is the guest of Mme. Jusserand, wife of the French Ambassador. In Paris there is a regular scale of colors for evening apparel, another for afternoon finery and still another for tailored gowns. In parts of America, says this critic, no system at all is observed. For instance, Mrs. Longworth this winter appears devotedly attached to a ball gown of brown tulle, trimmed in gold sequins, and it is eminently becoming; even though brown is excluded from the list of evening shades. The Baroness Moncheur frequently wears a robe of heavy blue crepe, trimmed in tulle of the same hue, with insets of silver spangles, and she looks well, even though Countess Martel says that navy blue is "simply impossible" for a decolette corsage. It is a revelation to the French visitor that all society women do not blindly follow the decrees of Paris.—New York Press.

VISITOR MUST BE ENTERTAINING. To be a well bred and considerate guest is more difficult than to be a successful hostess, for the latter takes the initiative, while the former must follow or conform. Failure to do this is inexcusable from a social point of view. A guest's obligation begins with receiving an invitation, for the acceptance or refusal of it must be made immediately. Too often however, time in answering is allowed to drag, and the woman who has sent an invitation is often uneasy to know whether or not her friends are coming. A tardy refusal may throw out the entire success of the occasion, through the hostess' lack of time to substitute other persons for those who fail on the last day.

When the invitation is for a luncheon or dinner, and has been accepted, guests should time their arrival to five minutes before the hour appointed. To be too early is almost as bad as being tardy, for a hostess is rarely ready to receive until the hour mentioned, and to have some one waiting in the drawing room while she finishes dressing is awkward for both.—Rosina Schuyler in the New York Telegram.

TO EARN PIN MONEY. There are lots of girls with plenty of time who might earn pin money and also help out some other girls who are in business positions, perhaps, and whose time for sewing is more limited, by embroidering shirt waists and other articles for a reasonable sum, without loss of dignity to either party. The very high prices of hand-made articles place them entirely beyond the reach of the majority of business girls, and unless possessed of unlimited ambition and strength, they are obliged to go without the dainty embroidered garments that all girls delight to wear.—Hartford Courant.

GOWN AND PINS. Some women are marvelously clever with their needles, and others with their pins. There is one royal lady, the Queen of England, who relies upon pins greatly, and she is acknowledged to be one of the most cleverly gowned women in all Europe. Such women make the dearest alterations in their toilets, correcting a too short-waisted appearance by a sash made to point downward in front, or an overlong one by the same device applied the reverse way. It is far easier to make a long waist look short than a short waist long, and as at this moment the latter is fashion's choice, much perturbation is saved. But the short girl who wants to look tall should not draw attention to her lack of inches by putting on an empire costume belted beneath the arms.—Worth of Paris in Harper's Bazar.

ABOUT MIDDLE AGE. It has been frequently said that there are no middle aged women nowadays, that they have learned the secret of prolonging their youth and maturity, and that the grandmothers of today are as young as their grandchildren, says Woman's Life. But that as it may, and though women do not put themselves on the shelf at as early an age as they did last century, when a girl of twenty was looked on as an old maid, and a matron of twenty-four wore caps, there is still the fact to be faced that there does come a midway state in every woman's life, no matter how she may try to forget it.

FASHION NOTES. Last season it was cretonne hats; this season it is cretonne coats. The Greek key design is a favorite in decorating all kinds of garments. Even the lingerie petticoat has its flounce decorated with lace let into it after this design. Skirts are plaited, circular and gored, many of them with front panel effects. A wide band at the hem tips upward. When it is desired to combine appearance with comfort, then a shoe with a pointed toe should be chosen in a longer length. The jumper dress had a style which made it a favorite from its very start. No very high heels nor flat heels are necessary to comfort, for Cuban and the usual heel in medium height will be much more satisfactory in every way.

NEW WALKING COSTUMES.



rose bugs. Kerosene removes lice from poultry and cures scaly legs. Wash perches with it now and then. Sometimes it is quite effectual in family in sore throat, rubbing on outside with the hand. This, however, is only for sore throats from cold, as sore throat with fever and pain needs a physician every time. Best medical authority advises coal oil for hair tonic, rubbing in scalp thoroughly with ends of fingers, applying at least once a month. The odor quickly passes away. Nothing better for cleaning zinc and tin.—S. B. Bowerman, in exchange.

Ideal House Mother. Let every woman take it to heart to make everybody about her as happy as she can. Let her see that as far as possible they have the rooms they like best, the little articles of furniture and ornament they prefer; let her not disdain to pay such attention to the chairs and sofas of the family dwelling rooms as that every individual may be comfortably placed and feel that he or she has not been left out in the cold. Let her try not so much to make her rooms splendid as thoroughly habitable and comfortable—a drawing room bright and sweet with flowers in summer or dried rose leaves in winter, plenty of soft light and warmth, or coolness adapted to the weather—this sort of thing belongs properly to a woman who seeks to make her house a province of the Kingdom of Heaven.

New Uses for Electricity. Electric appliances are entering into family service at a surprising rate. Hot water bags are superseded by an electric sheet of a given size, exceedingly thin and pliable. It may be purchased at an electrician's supply shop. This thin metal sheet may be heated to three different degrees, and thus proves invaluable in the sick-room. The pliability of the metal makes it possible also that this conductor of heat may be changed to all parts of the body.

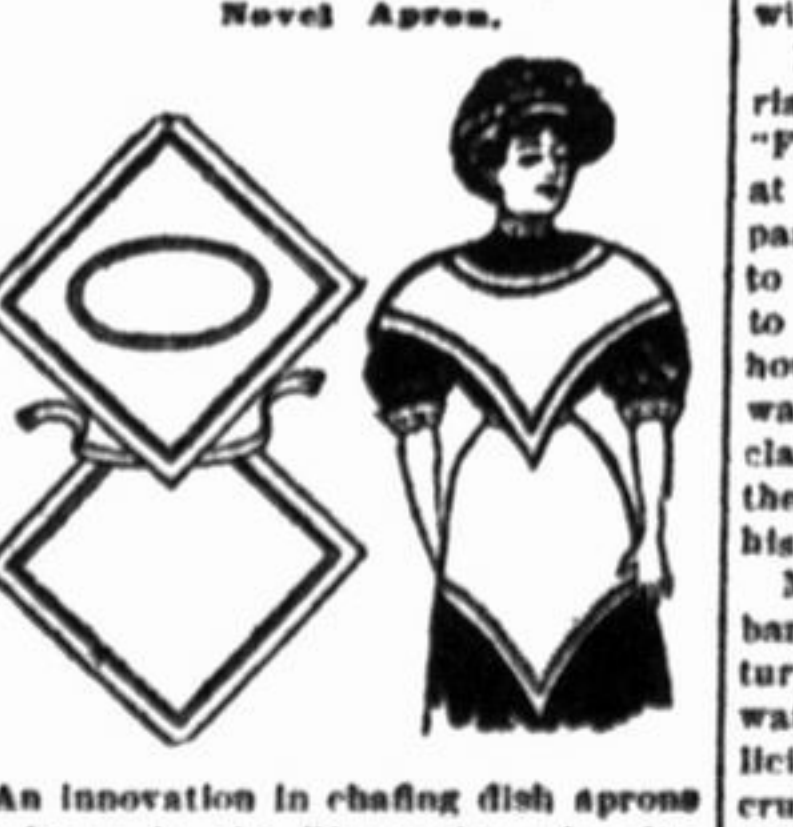
Tail and Short Waists. If a girl is tall and short-waisted she should contrive to have the tucks in her waist running up and down, and the tucks and ruffles in her skirt going around. A narrow belt of the material of the waist should always be worn. A tall, slender girl may wear picturesque hats, the large and drooping kind, but should avoid the new striped effects in suitings, as well as the long panel effects in skirts and coats.



No woman with a liking for short sleeves need feel troubled lest long sleeves are to usurp the field next season. More long sleeves are being made for many a day, but short ones are also popular and are coming in the handsomest gowns of all classes except strict tailor-made. The spring and summer traveling suit will have long sleeves, as it should always have had, but the other summer run-around and house frocks will be in order with short ones. Nice fashionable women out of every ten wear the bell-shaped skirt with long pointed train, which dress prophets declare will reign for many a moon. The tooth woman, who, for one season or another, prefers a walking skirt, will be less common in the time to come.

Some of the British police wear straw helmets in the summer.

ed plaited models, although the efforts to shorten the gored style sometimes result in a garment which does not sag at the sides nor fall in about the feet. Long skirts have brought in their wake longer jackets. Fetching affairs have fitted backs and cutaway fronts which, in common with the redingotes—some of which extend to within a few inches of the skirt hem—open over smart waistcoats, deeply pointed at the throat and cut squarely off at the waist line. With the light-colored broadcloth and kersey suits, the vests are usually of corded silk of precisely the same shade, and many of them are double-breasted and finished as in the masculine garment.



An innovation in chafing dish aprons is shown in the illustration, the distinguishing feature of which is the attachment of the bib to the belt in back where it comes down to meet waist line. Large bandanna handkerchiefs are appropriate for aprons of this sort which are practical as well as pretty.

The Buttermilk Bath. Now it's the buttermilk bath taken internally. It's the newest beauty secret, yet already it is sweeping through the ranks of the elect at a rate that threatens to make it universal before the Newport season opens. Possibly the bath in itself doesn't give so much of the benefit as does the rest it entails. It must be taken in bed, and the taking requires a whole day. Which means that the woman who takes it doesn't get up at all. She awakes at her usual hour, but instead of rising or even drinking her morning coffee or chocolate, she swallows a draught of buttermilk. Then she turns over and goes to sleep for an hour or so. When she awakes she drinks more buttermilk. Another nap follows if she feels inclined. If she doesn't she drinks more buttermilk. And when she has done that she drinks more buttermilk.

To Shine as a Fool. Ought we really to regard silliness as an "asset"? It is not at first sight a flattering proposition, yet if we begin to count the truly silly people we know, those who are delightfully idiotic when every one else is merely dull and sensible, we begin to realize that it really requires no uncommon gift to shine as one having a splendid reputation as a fool.

Fine Muslins. Very fine muslins should be soaked in tepid water in which borax has been dissolved; one teaspoonful of borax to a gallon of water being sufficient. After half an hour they can be rubbed gently in soap suds made of fine, white curd soap. Boiling water is then poured over them and allowed to cool. They should be well rinsed and squeezed rather than wrung out.

Tan Shoes Popular. And still it is the tan shoe, dealers declaring that it is more popular than ever before. It may be harder to keep in nice condition, but it is always a comfortable shoe and seems so especially suited for street wear and outdoor purposes generally.

Health and Beauty Hints. Remember that excessive exercise wears away fat, while moderate exercise develops it.

The skin that cannot use glycerine sure may suffer no evil effects if it is diluted with soft water or with lemon and water.

It is a mistake to tuck the nightdress under the pillow by day, as is the habit with many. First air it thoroughly and then hang it in the closet.

If you want to strengthen the muscles of the throat both inside and out try puffing out the cheeks and at the same time blowing hard with the lips.

In getting any tooth powder in quantity it is better to take out but a small portion at a time for daily use, as, if exposed to the air, it absorbs impurities.

If you ever are troubled with buzzings and thumping noises in the ears a physician should be consulted at once, as the hearing is too delicate to be trifled with.

It is a mistake for a person in ordinary health to force herself to eat when she has no appetite. Some people think it almost a crime to miss a meal and ruin their digestion in consequence.

Stretching the jaws as widely as possible, and, while held in that position trying to force the corners of the mouth together will bring into play all the muscles around the mouth that too often sag from lack of exercise.

When you first feel a sensation of pain in the fingers that may mean a felon, at once put rock salt in the oven, pulverize it and mix with equal parts of turpentine. This mixture applied frequently will destroy within twenty-four hours even a felon that has made some headway.

Checkerboard Design.



A favorite combination of black and white is in the checkerboard design, like the sketch. The skirt is plaited and finished with a plain hem. The waist is made jumper fashion and trimmed with black braid and flower-like ornaments made of loops and black cat's-paws. The girde closes in the back and is of black satin.

Turpentine in the Home. After a housekeeper fully realizes the worth of turpentine in a household she is never willing to be without a supply of it. It gives quick relief to burns, is an excellent application for corns, and is good for rheumatism and sore throats. Turpentine is a sure preventive against moths; by dropping a trifle in the drawers, trunks and cupboards it will render the garments secure from injury during the summer. It will also keep ants from the closets and storerooms if a few drops are put in the corners and upon the shelves, while it is sure destruction to bedbugs and will effectually drive them away from their haunts if thoroughly applied to all the joints of the bedstead. It drives neither clothing nor furniture. One tablespoonful added to a bucket of warm water is excellent for cleaning paint. Turpentine is used in laundry work in conjunction with ammonia or clove oil to remove stains from colored clothes. The two liquids are mixed and the stain dipped in and rubbed until it disappears. It is also used in cold water starch to make the iron pass along the fabric smoothly. Proportion, four drops to one tablespoonful of starch.

Hang to Return. Bangs are coming back to fashion, but that does not mean that young women need cut their front hair short and do it up in crimps at night, neither smear it with the stick quince seed and dandelion lotions of ancient days. The new bang is a soft, fluffy row of what are called pin curls resting on the forehead, and just below the pompadour; and they are called pin curls presumably because a good many of them are attached to a hair-arrangement and tucked in after the pompadour is finished. That is to say, they have no more connection with the woman's head than they have with the beads and puffs and curls that decorate the top of it. This little row of curls being across the forehead is considered more and more an asset as the days go by.

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