FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN

The Busy Married Man.

When a man is safely married,
You would like as not suppose
That, his troubles being over,
He has entered on repose.
But just then he hears his lovee, lovee
Murmur questions such as these:
"Is my back hair flying, dearie?
Will you put my combs in, please?"

Maybe he is in a hurry,
Rushing out to catch a train,
When he's stopped by some one calling,
In a voice that's full of pain,
Notwithstanding he is flying,
In the hottest kind of haste,
"Will you kindly wait a minute,
Dear, and button up my waist?"

Sometimes when he takes her walking,
Spick and span, and quite at ease,
In his newest suit and necktie,
Feeling happy as you please,
Stopping on a dusty crossing,
Where the breeze is busy, too,
She comes at him in this manner:
"Won't you kindly tie my shoe?"

Often when his thoughts are busy,
From his brilliant get-rich dream
He is rather rudely awakened
With a great and dazzling scheme,
By his wife, who stands before him
In a sad and soulful pose,
Saying, "Tell me, tell me truly,
Is there powder on my nose?"
—Nashville American.

Popular Woman Type.

Miss Anna C. Wilson of Columbia Union, 101, of the International Typographical Union, who made the race for trustee of the Union Printers' Home, was born in Tuscola, Ill., and served her apprenticeship in the office of the Tuscola Review, owned by her brother. After working in that office for some time she went to Chicago about twelve years ago, where she joined the International Typographical Union. About ten years ago she went to Washington, where she joined Columbia Union, 101, of the International Typographical Union. She is employed in the government printing office. In 1904 she represented Columbia Union at the St. Louis convention of the International Typographical Union and there made many friends by her keen insight into the affairs of the organization and by her pleasing personality.

MISS WILSON.

Mrs. Egbert Parnell, an Australian, invented perforated underwear.

The woman suffragists have acquired a valuable recruit in Mrs. Maud Ballington Booth.

When the dead body of an elderly woman was found lying on the floor in her house at Clinton, near Otley, England, the two cats of the deceased were sitting at the table, looking mournfully at the body of their late mistress.

The fact that the Princess of Wales has decided to send her only daughter, Princess Mary, to a large public school when she is old enough has caused quite a flutter among those who have charge of "girls" schools for the nobility and gentry, and they are wondering where the young lady will be sent.

The Duchess of Marlborough at the dinner given in New York in honor of Mrs. Humphrey Ward, said: "From earliest childhood English women are made to feel the obligations of individual responsibility and society itself demands adequate fulfillment. It is this sense of obligation that we American women should foster and develop."

According to the annual report of the Horticultural College for Women at Swanley, England, the interest in outdoor life among women is steadily increasing. The number of students graduated last year was sixty-eight. Before the end of six months more than half the number reported that they had secured good places as gardener teachers, in charge of garden schools, head gardeners, under gardeners and market gardeners.

Monotony of Home Life.

Many wives complain of the monotony of their lot. They envy women who write, paint or act, because they imagine all these callings spell infinite variety. But any life can become monotonous if people allow it to be so. Wives who grumble at the dreary sameness of home routine forget that their husbands have to face the same tiresome monotony at the office. The only way to get out of the rut for wife or bachelor maid alike is to cultivate interests and hobbies. Marriage is monotonous only for those who make it so.

How to Clean a Fan.

To clean a fan place it in a dish and cover with gasoline. Do not attempt to rub the material. Press tightly until the dirt comes out. After freeing it from dirt and all blemishes, put it into fresh gasoline in which there is a drop of ammonia. Spread the fan on a piece of white cloth, pin the two points to secure the material, and let it dry. After it has thoroughly dried, cover with talcum powder, highly scented, and leave for one day. This destroys the odor of gasoline and makes the fan material as new.

Unfortunate Bachelors.

Unfortunate bachelors need not wonder that the neighbors think it necessary for them to go periodically for a week's housecleaning, transporting refreshments, etc., to the home of the married sister.

SUMMER GOWNS FOR MISSES AND CHILDREN.

volt. The next time you are asked to do something out of reason, give no explanations; simply don't do it. If pressed for a cause for refusal give it without bluster, but firmly. Make it plain that this is the end. Hereafter you will carry your half, but not the whole load. Then stick to it. There will probably be war, but the chances of final peace are in sight.

Health and Beauty.

Tight clothes and indigestion cause red noses.

A salve made by stewing a scraped carrot in butter will cure erysipelas.

A tablespoonful of Epsom salts taken in a glass of water will cure sick headache.

Witch hazel and rose water, half and half, is good for wind-tortured complexions.

When the hands are sore and blistered wash them in fresh buttermilk and allow it to dry on the skin, as it aids in whitening it.

Naphtha soap will sometimes remove warts. Wash your hands with it several times a day and rub a little into the places just before going to bed.

Stewed rhubarb has a well-known medicinal value, besides being a complexion beautifier; it is said to be valuable for rheumatic troubles.

An ointment made for insect bites is composed of hartshorn, oil of citronella and camphor. This gives instant relief. For aggravating bites a poultice of tea leaves is very good. Nothing cures a bee sting more quickly than wet soda.

Remember that nothing is more soothing to the diphtheria patient than ice cold pineapple juice. It contains properties that cut the inflamed membrane from the throat and at the same time heals the parts. Often in very severe cases it is used with tincture of iron and in every case it gives almost instant relief.

Straw Hat With Plumes.

A great many of the most fashionable of the large hats shown this season are almost devoid of trimming, the grace and beauty of shape being depended on to insure becomingness. Such a model is here pictured. This hat was of fine white chip, and was becomingly rolled at the left side, the trimming of a cluster of white ostrich plumes being placed toward the back at the left side. This fancy for placing the trimming at the back is especially noticed on hats trimmed with feathers or a large bow of ribbon.

Interior Decorations.

Mrs. Graham's hobby is house decoration. One day she was careless enough to drink a glass of red ink, believing it to be claret. She was a good deal scared when she discovered her mistake, but no harm came to her. The doctor who was summoned, upon hearing what had happened, dryly remarked: "Mrs. Graham, there's such a thing as pushing this rage for decorated interiors too far."

Home-Made Refrigerator.

Take two large boxes, the second one somewhat smaller on all sides, and bore two one-inch holes in each correspondingly, to give drainage and ventilation. Fill up the bottom of the larger box with powdered charcoal (or sawdust, if charcoal can not be procured) until the smaller box will stand on a level with the top of the larger box. Put the inner box in place, and fill up all the space around the sides with the charcoal. Fasten lids on both boxes to fit tightly. On each side of the inner box, by means of cleats, put several shelves, leaving a space in the center for the ice.

A rack made of lathing may be laid at the bottom, for the ice to rest upon. Legs may be added, also, and the drainage and ventilation in this way be improved. This is a rough refrigerator, to be sure, but one that has been successfully used in our home for years.—Woman's Home Companion.

Tiny jeweled watches, set in round gilt balls, are still worn as pendants, with delicate gold chains.

Painted parasols are again the fashion and spring blossoms the chosen designs. One with sprays of exquisitely tinted apple blossoms is especially appropriate for a bridesmaid to carry, as the delicate coloring will blend with any color costume.

For lingerie hats, the nightcap variety is most popular. A simple circle of all-over embroidery or net, gathered round the edge and tied with a bow of ribbon, the trimming being merely a ruffle of lace. Sometimes this ribbon is of black velvet with long ends hanging down the back. Other lingerie hats are made of pongee or tussor, trimmed in as simple a way as is found to be becoming.

Louis purple is one of the most attractive of the colors now offered for summer wear and there are cream colored ribbons flowered in the Louis purple and DuBarry pink. Pink, purple and green make an attractive combination for the woman who is getting up a Frenchy gown for smart coaching wear this summer. Another fashionable combination is brown, pink and black, a trio much used by the dress artists.

Shower bows for bridal lingerie are made of narrow white satin ribbon and are tiny enough to be easily mislaid. Some of them have two loops and two ends, others three loops and a knot and a few five loops forming a star. More white ribbon is used for bridal lingerie than ever before, and fortunately much of it is of a quality to withstand laundering, although large bows, such as those used on negligees and elaborately trimmed petticoats, are supposed to be removed before being sent to the laundry.

All kinds of devices are being used to drag in long skirts around the ankles. Strips of satin are sewed three times to the inside of the skirt, once in front, once at each side. Through these the feet are slipped, thus securely binding in the skirt hem at front and sides. Walking, sitting or standing, the skirt must drag in around the feet. Sometimes tapes are fastened inside the skirt, being tied tight, a scheme which makes locomotion somewhat difficult. In short skirts wide beading is used, sewed on the outside of the skirt below the knees. Through this a wide ribbon is threaded, pulled tight and tied with loops and long ends at side or back.

To Clean Oil Paintings.

Take a raw potato and cut in half; with the cut side rub over the picture, and, as it becomes dirty, cut off a thin slice, wiping off the dirty froth with a soft cloth. In this way go all over the picture, till it is clean, carefully wiping as you go. Then rub with a silk handkerchief till dry. Afterwards apply a proper picture varnish.

Relieves Earache.

Put two or three live coals in an old teacup and sprinkle granulated sugar over them. Place a funnel over it, and let the steam and smoke go into the ear through the tube or neck of the funnel. It can not injure the ear, and always affords relief quickly.

SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY

Seven of the sons and daughters of the Merstham, England, centenarian, Mrs. Maynard, married seven brothers and sisters named King.

The Somali soldier keeps himself in perfect fighting condition on a diet of nuts. He eats only twenty a day, but they are of a very nourishing kind.

Roumania is the most illiterate country in Europe. The last census shows that in a population of about 6,000,000 nearly 4,000,000 neither write nor read.

There are 26.78 miles of railroad line in the United States for every 10,000 inhabitants, as against 6.2 miles in Germany, 5.5 in the United Kingdom and 7.4 in France.

According to Mitchell's Newspaper Press Directory, there are now published in the United Kingdom alone no fewer than 2,353 newspapers, of which London contributes 404, including thirty-one dailies.

There were 3,962,660 cords of wood used in the United States in the manufacture of paper pulp last year, just twice as much as was used in 1899. More than 2,500,000 tons of pulp were produced. The pulp mills used 300,000 more cords of wood in 1907 than in the previous year.

Guanajuato holds the world's record as a silver producer, having yielded $1,000,000,000 Mexican in the last three and a half centuries. The actual results from the mills in operation in Guanajuato at the moment show that they are producing silver at three times the average rate as shown by the old records.—Wall Street Journal.

The Berlin Medical Society recently discussed the sanatorium question. Dr. Frankel insisted that the "Heilstatten" do a great deal of good. Other speakers declared them superfluous, pointing out that in France and England, where there are no sanatoriums like those in Germany, there has been nevertheless a steady decline in the mortality from tuberculosis.

Senator Harte, who introduced at Albany a bill against the sale and manufacture of cigarets, has many original views. These he has the talent to express in terse and striking terms. Discussing medicine, in which he places none too great faith, Senator Harte said at a recent Albany banquet; "Medicine is the art of amusing the patient while nature cures the disease."

T. P. O'Connor was presented with his portrait in oils at Leeds, Saturday night, by the Irish League of Great Britain, in commemoration of his unbroken presidency of the league for twenty-five years. John E. Redmond made the presentation and paid a tribute to Mr. O'Connor as a safe, consistent and courageous guide for the Irish people in Great Britain. John Dillon also spoke.

A girl of twenty-two, Miss Gertrude Wren, is the first of her sex to win the Pereira medal for excellence in chemistry, one of the most highly prized awards of the Pharmaceutical Society of London. At the age of eighteen she began the study of her specialty at a girls' high school in Camden Town. Botany is another study in which Miss Wren has taken a great interest, and some time ago she won a silver medal for superiority in that field.

A traveler waited at a certain English privincial town in vain for the much overdue train on the branch line. Again he approached the solitary sleepy-looking porter and inquired for the twentieth time, "Isn't that train coming soon?" At that moment a dog came trotting up the line and a glad smile illuminated the official's face. "Ay, yes, sir," replied the porter, "it'll be getting near now. Here comes the engine-driver's dog."—Liverpool Post.

Edward Rice relates that when Herr van Bulow was in Boston Napier Lowthion, musical director at the Boston theatre, introduced him, saying: "Herr van Bulow, this is Mr. Rice, a Boston man, who knows nothing about music whatever, but who has written two operas." "So?" said Von Bulow, interrogatively. "Ve haf also in Europe a shentleman vat knows notting about moosic, und haf written already plenty operas—Meestor Verdi."

General Lord Grenfell, who was recently promoted to the rank of field marshal, received high praise at the hands of Miss Eunace Manderson, speaking to a peace society in England. "He has been a soldier for about forty-five years," she said, "and his men have killed human beings in many parts of the world. But let us remember to his credit that he published an order as general commanding the forces in Ireland against cigaret smoking by the troops."

Some kinds of lizards break in two when suddenly startled. In the bush in Australia the traveler often comes across a number of these little silvery reptiles basking on a log or piece of old bark. As soon as they perceive the invader there is a great commotion; they dart hither and thither so quickly that the eye can scarcely follow their movements. The effects of the shock are evident from the quantity of wriggling tails lying about which have been cast off in the hurry; while the mutilated owners may be seen scurrying away to safety still wagging the stumps that remain.

To a reporter whose questions came rather thick and fast, the brilliant Chinese ambassador, Wu Ting-fang, said in San Francisco: "You are pushing me too hard, young man. You are taking advantage of me. You are like the Pekin poor relation. Did you never hear of him? One day he met the head of his family, a mandarin, in the street. 'Come and dine with us to-night,' the mandarin said graciously. 'Thank you,' said the poor relation, 'but wouldn't to-morrow night do as well?' 'Oh, yes, I suppose so,' said the mandarin. 'But where are you dining to-night?' he asked curiously. 'At your house,' was the reply. 'You see, your estimable wife was good enough to give me to-night's invitation.'"

Stand up for your rights. People may not like it at first, but they will soon learn to keep out of your way.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NO. 36.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested, that the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Downers Grove, Du Page County, Illinois, having ordered that a local improvement be made within the said Village of Downers Grove, as follows, to-wit: The construction of a brick pavement, grading, draining and otherwise improving Main street from the north line of Warren avenue to a point 20 feet north of the south line of Chicago avenue, Foote avenue from the north line of Belmont street to a point 20 feet north of the south line of Chicago avenue, Saratoga street from the north line of Belmont street to the south line of Franklin street, Middaugh avenue from the north line of Belmont street to a point 20 feet north of the south line of Chicago avenue, Oakwood avenue from the north line of Belmont street to a point 20 feet north of the south line of Chicago avenue, Franklin street from the east line of Oakwood avenue to the west line of Highland avenue, excepting the intersection at Franklin street and Middaugh avenue, and the intersection at Foote avenue and Franklin street, and the intersection at Main street and Franklin street; Prairie avenue from the east line of Oakwood avenue to the west line of Highland avenue, except the intersection at Middaugh avenue and Prairie avenue, and the intersection at Foote avenue and Prairie avenue, and except the intersection at Main street and Prairie avenue; Linscott avenue from the north line of Franklin street to a point 20 feet north of the south line of Chicago avenue, except the intersection at Linscott avenue and Prairie avenue; Saratoga avenue from the north line of Franklin street to a point 20 feet north of the south line of Chicago avenue, except the intersection at Saratoga avenue and Prairie avenue, Prince avenue from the north line of Franklin street to a point 20 feet north of the south line of Chicago avenue, except the intersection at Prince avenue and Prairie avenue as a connected system, together with all street and alley returns within the lines of said streets and avenues, the ordinance providing for said improvement being on file with the Clerk of said Village, having applied to the County Court of Du Page County, Illinois, for an assessment of the cost of said improvement, according to benefits, and an assessment therefor having been made and returned to said court, the final hearing thereon will be had on the 13th day of July, A. D. 1908, at 10 o'clock a. m., or as soon thereafter as the business of the court will permit. All persons desiring may file objections in said court before said time, and may appear at the hearing and make their defense.

Said assessment is divided into ten installments, said installments bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum.

Dated June 24th, A. D. 1908.

FRANK J. KNIGHT,
Commissioner. Appointed by the President of the Board of Local Improvements of the said Village of Downers Grove, to make said assessment.

Wasted Sympathy.

"Poor little girl!" said the benevolent old lady. "There is a lump in your throat. Are you sad?"

"No'm," lisped the little girl in the big sunbonnet. "It's a lump of chewing gum."

A Connecticut postmaster has thrown up his job because the receipts amounted to only 15 cents a day. He might have boomed the business by occasionally advertising a bargain sale of shelf-worn stamps.

Many make up for their resignation to the will of God by their resentment at the ways of their neighbors.

Sometimes it makes a girl blush to think how a certain young man might have kissed her, but didn't.

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