



# THE HOME MAGAZINE PAGE



## THE CHARM OF THE FEMININE By BEATRICE FAIRFAX

### The Famous Writer Tells Girls They'll Lose Nothing by Being Modest and Lovable.

By Beatrice Fairfax.  
Who occupies a unique position in the writing world as an authority on problems of love.

"I SUSPECT," writes Joseph Conrad, "there are very few women in the world, though, of course, I am aware of the multitudes of mankind and the equality of sexes in point of numbers." From which one concludes Mr. Conrad was of the opinion that not many women possess in full degree, feminine and womanly qualities.

Modesty, delicacy, tenderness, tact are listed in the dictionary as normally feminine traits. What girl doesn't admire a manly man? The slang phrase, "he-man" is used to describe the man who has full measure of strength, courage and honesty. Then how natural that men should admire in women qualities distinctly feminine. Each sex is attracted by characteristic fine qualities in the other, repelled when there's imitation of the opposite sex.

Women are released from restrictions of Victorian prudery to-day—they're free. And experience proves they can use this freedom to carve careers in art, the professions, big business, and can enjoy life side by side with men without losing one iota of feminine charm.

There's "Ma" Ferguson, Governor of Texas. She's typically domestic. Surely Texas will benefit by her government, since the State as much as the family needs the cleanliness, order and comfort—the home touch a woman can give. After all, running a State is housekeeping on a big scale.

Our most efficient business women in their dress, manner and speech cultivate the grace and graciousness associated with a gentlewoman.

Women to-day are independent world travelers, explorers, scientists, professional athletes, financiers, leaders in the professions and arts and in business. And they succeed invariably not by crushing the femininity but by cultivating it in full degree.

Greater mental and physical strength and initiative hasn't made the modern girl less charming. But don't make the mistake of discarding the gentleness, modesty and delicacy that characterized your mother and grandmother. They're compatible with self-reliance, level-headed wisdom, initiative—every quality that spells success.

Men adore a feminine woman. Profanity, excessive indulgence in smoking and drinking, loud braggadocio, coarse jokes may be for the moment smart. But they'll get a girl nowhere in business or professional life and much less will they help to a happy solution of problems that trouble her heart.

ual pettings, kisses distributed freely, high-art make-ups and absolute lack of reserve. But the attention attracted in this way seldom leads to marriage. If it does, separation usually follows.

Madeleine's surrounded by men who admire and flatter her. But when it comes to marriage they look for the more quiet, home-making type of girl. Some may fall genuinely in love with Madeleine in spite of her wild ways. But if ever a man does truly love her, be sure of one thing—he'll start promptly trying to make her over into the sweet, reserved girl of his dreams.

Every man is at heart a romantic idealist. And since idealism is inherent in his nature, thank God, man is likely to remain an idealist, seeking as the object of his love a woman a little sweeter and purer than himself.

To be bright, breezy, full of fun, up to date, entertaining is enchanting—every one likes that kind of girl. But you'll lose nothing, gain much if you add to these charms, tact, delicacy, tenderness. For these eternally-loved feminine qualities, your heritage, more than all others, will win for you the undying affection of the man of your heart.

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### SECRETS OF HEALTH AND SUCCESS

By Charles A. L. Reed, M. D., Former President of the American Medical Association. The Control of Scarlet Fever.

SCARLET fever has long been dreaded because it has been the scourge of communities. The prevention of the disease has been delayed because, until comparatively recently, knowledge of its causation has been inexact.

It has long been recognized as a communicable disease, infectious in character, and therefore logically due to a particular germ. The fact has now become established that the disease is due to various strains of organisms belonging to the class known as streptococci.

The first is a means of determining the susceptibility of a child to the disease; the second is a means of establishing actual immunity against the infection and the third is that if immunity has not been established and the disease has actually been contracted it may be aborted.

In other words the isolation of these strains of organisms has led to the development of both preventive and curative antitoxin. The test for scarlet fever susceptibility is known as the Schick test. The immunization is done by means of the Dick test. These are technical procedures that are familiar to your physician.

In communications made to the American Public Health Association it was brought out that in over 12,000 normal persons and in over 300 cases of scarlet fever, the Dick test was demonstrated to have been a valuable index of immunity and susceptibility.

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This is the essential principle of prevention and another example of the relation of natural law, this time the law of infection to ethics.

The guide for the observance of the Golden Rule is thus again found in the laws of science.

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### CORRECT MANNERS

By Mrs. Cornelius Beekman.

An Escort's Thanks.

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### FASHION FADS AND FANCIES

By Mildred Ash

IMPRESSIVE but impractical are the black voile handkerchiefs that are being featured. These small squares, trimmed in broad borders of black or white crisp net, seem all for style, but surely not for service.

Other shades of voile kerchiefs also emphasize the rage for cotton, which is, at present, so much smarter than silk or linen.

Cellophane chapeaux are the latest millinery fad from France. Glistening and gleaming in the light, this material makes very snappy, slick little hats when used alone or when combined with plain or figured silk.

A lucky dog is that little pet whose mistress so seldom uses the leash upon it that she has decided to wear it as a belt to break the line of her severely plain woolen sports frock.

Following the peasantry of central Europe, Dame Fashion approves that style of blouse, gayly embroidered in vari-colored yarn and fully smocked in typical peasant effect. In white or in colored (red is quite the rage) silk or in white voile, such a waist is quite the thing to wear with the new suspender skirt.

"Seeing is believing," is probably the reason for a "doubting Thomas" to insist upon seeing things "in black and white" (as the saying goes). Black-and-white combinations are very smart, both in outer and undergarments.

### FOXY GRANDPA'S STORIES

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WHY HIS ROSE-BUSHES BLOOMED.

"I am simply discouraged," said I one day, walking in my rose-garden, where I saw that as each rose opened and commenced to bloom it quickly withered and never came into its full beauty.

"What's doing this?" asked Bobby, who was walking by my side. "Oh," said I, "hundreds of little blight insects which feed on them and as a result the blooms are not perfect."

"Too bad," said Bobby. "Of course," I said, "I can't blame the little insects. That is their only way of living—they've got to eat. But unfortunately they fancy rose-bushes."

"Yes," mused Bobby, "everything in the world lives on something else." "That's so," I agreed. "Yes," said Bobby. "It makes me sad to think how popular rabbit-stew is." "And he gave a great sigh and stroked his whiskers thoughtfully.

"I must do something about these little destructive bugs next year," I declared.

### ADVICE TO THE LOVELORN

By Beatrice Fairfax

Return His Gifts.

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX: I went about for a year with a young man. I have never loved him, which he knew from the start, but he is madly in love with me.

The reason I went about with him for so long a time is that I thought I might grow to love him. After being engaged for six months I have found out a good many of his faults. This caused many quarrels. The last quarrel resulted in his breaking our engagement.

I have returned the engagement ring. He now wants me to return all the gifts that he presented to me.

YOU should return all gifts of any financial value received from him after your engagement as well as the engagement ring. Now you see do you not, why it is foolish to accept expensive gifts from any man except one's husband or a close relative.

Gifts accepted before the engagement he cannot legally demand. But as a matter of good taste I suggest that you also return those and make it a point hereafter not to receive such gifts from men.

### WHEN DID IT HAPPEN?

WHEN was Virginia readmitted to the Union? 2—When did Torricelli discover the principles of the barometer? 3—When did Dumas publish "Twenty Years After"? 4—When was Winfield Scott Hancock a candidate for United States President? 5—When did James Freeman Clarke found the Church of the Disciples?

ANSWERS

1—Yesterday's Questions. 2—The Silver Grays bolted the Whig Convention in New York in 1848. 3—The University of Upsala, Sweden, was founded in 1477. 4—Michael Angelo's nose was broken in a quarrel about 1491. 5—Torquemada was made Inquisitor-General for Castile in 1493.

6—The Virginia Resolutions against the Alien and Sedition acts were passed in December, 1798.

### THE RHYMING OPTIMIST

By Aline Michaels

From Within. MEN may talk of luck, the fickle, and the freakish whims of Fate, who can raise the weak and humble, make them powerful and great. They may wonder at the strangeness of high Destiny's decree which may leave a hero shackled and may set a villain free.

Though it seems past comprehension who will miss his goal, who wins, those who seek to find the reasons only need to look within. Look within the dim recesses of the souls of men they meet, where are written all the causes that can make life sad or sweet. All their faults and all their folly, all their weakness and their sin come not from some far, high power but from forces deep within. All their beauty, all their grandeur, all the splendid heights they win are the rare and perfect flower of the love within.

### HINTS FOR THE HOUSEHOLD

Soap should never be used on kitchen tables, as it has a tendency to make the wood turn black. Use plenty of warm water, dip the brush in the suds and scrub with the grain of the wood. After rinsing, wipe dry with a clean duster. Do not use soda in the washing water.

Cold water should not be placed in enamel vessels while they are still hot from cooking. This causes the enamel to crack and peel off.

