

# OF INTEREST TO WOMEN.

## FROM WOMAN'S POINT OF VIEW

We are told so persistently that success comes from singleness of purpose and doing the work close at hand, while regarding it as a stepping-stone, that we have come to believe it. We affect to see in failures a jelly-like resistance against the obstacles which are put in the pathway of every struggler, and I am not sure that the affection is not a true attitude in the main. There is surely something coming to those who do their best, to those who expect much even if they achieve little, and if it is something below the first prize it is a deal better than nothing at all.

I have met men and women with cherry natures who expected everybody to like them, and whose expectations were realized. I have met human beings who resolutely shut their eyes to anything but the promise of a bright future, and won a share of it by persistence. I find hundreds who are content to do the best with what falls to their lot and with the sure reward such an attitude secures. It is not great wealth, but it is ordinary, everyday satisfaction, and that is mighty close to real happiness.

There must be somebody to do the humble tasks, to look after the humdrum details of everyday living. We must be sheltered from the weather; we have to eat, and the body must be clothed, and somebody must attend to the building, the cooking, and the serving. A career is a fine thing, but it is impossible without the assistance of the humble worker. It is noble to seek out the distressed and alleviate suffering, but it is scarcely fair to the family at home to take away comfort and happiness and replace it with neglect.

There would be but little misery were there a general effort to stick to duty. If men worked faithfully and used their money in the support of those who rightfully belong to them, there would remain only the poverty which comes through illness and death. If there was a determined effort to be kind and loyal and industrious, there would be contentment and a greater degree of prosperity. The shirkers are the ferment which work harm to the community, breeding discontent, envy, and malice.

The busy man has no time to think upon unpleasant matters. The busy woman has neither time for gossip nor thought for scandal. Both are intent upon the work in hand, and can be relied upon to give some degree of satisfaction. I never feel impatient with the saleswoman who keeps me waiting while she neatly folds away the articles she has shown me instead of carelessly pushing them aside. I realize that she has her employer's interest at heart, and such sentiments deserve encouragement—faithful workers are all too few.

BETTY BRADEN.

### A Crisp Salad.

For a wine dressing for the fruit salad stir together six tablespoonsful of sherry, three tablespoonsful of Madeira, and half a cupful of sugar. Any fruit salad should be left on the ice long enough to be thoroughly chilled when it is served.

For an attractive fruit salad, cut a peeled pineapple in rather thin slices and remove the hard center fiber. On the pineapple slices arrange thin rounds of banana and on them either strawberries or maraschino cherries. Serve with French dressing.

A mixture of sliced pineapples, oranges, bananas, and white grapes or maraschino cherries dressed with oil and vinegar or with wine dressing makes an excellent dinner salad.

A delicious luncheon or supper salad is made of asparagus tips and shrimps. Drain a can of the tips and a can of shrimps. Use half as much shrimps as asparagus and toss them together with a seasoning of salt and pepper. Make a French dressing and heat with it the yolks of two or three hard-boiled eggs that have been rubbed through a sieve. Turn it over the salad before it goes to the table.

Belts of leather or suede are again in vogue. They are about five inches in length.

## MORNING CHIT-CHAT.



Ruth Cameron.

Every time one fails to acknowledge a kindness properly, he does a great deal more than prove himself a churl and hurt his benefactor's feelings. He also runs the risk of hurting a great many other people.

I thought of that yesterday when I saw a pretty little scene with a rather distinctly unpleasant denouement.

At the table across from the one where I was dining, a woman with two little children was in the throes of getting the youngsters into their outer garments.

She was tying the baby's bonnet strings, while the older child, though hardly more than three or four years old, was trying bravely, though not very successfully, to struggle into her coat alone.

A busy little waitress who was scurrying past with a tray piled high with dishes, saw the child's predicament, stopped, set the tray down, and helped wriggle the obstinate coat on.

The little scene took place in a restaurant where the waitresses do not receive tips, so I knew that there could be no ulterior motive for the deed, and I looked instinctively toward the mother for the pleasure of seeing the radiant smile that I felt sure must acknowledge such a gracious act.

And will you believe me—although the mother simply must have seen the whole thing, she neither smiled nor spoke nor in any way made acknowledgment of the courtesy and kindness shown toward her little daughter and herself.

Of course virtue should be its own reward, and kindly deeds should be done simply for the sake of doing them, and not at all for the thanks we get.

But as long as human nature is human, I fancy that ingratitude will always tend to curdle the milk of human kindness, and graciousness will be apt to make the cream rise on its surface.

If the next time that little waitress sees a chance to be helpful to some one and passes it by, it seems to me that the blame of that kindness omitted will belong partly, at least, to the woman who did not say, "Thank you."

When a woman fails to thank a man for giving her his seat in the car, she makes him just so much less apt to repeat the chivalrous act for some one else. Other women will probably suffer for her ungraciousness.

The most gracious possible reception of any kindness shown him is a duty that every one owes to himself, of course, but even more to the world at large.

Any one who receives a kindness with genuine, hearty gratitude may thereby stimulate the flow of the milk of human kindness.

Any one who receives a kindness ungraciously may thereby rob the world of many kind acts.

RUTH CAMERON.

## IN THE KITCHEN.

Clothes that have been boiled in water in which soap has been chipped often have rust spots appear on them after being blued. I have learned, says a housekeeper, that tiny particles of the soap clinging to the clothes cause the rust spots by the chemical action of the bluing in them. I now merely drop one large piece of soap into the boiler or washer, and have had no further trouble.

A kitchen apron made of gum tissue, bound with white tape, is one of the most serviceable kinds. When soiled it can be easily washed and dried. It is also a useful apron to wear when giving the children their baths. The gum material can be purchased in all widths and the pieces left are convenient for many other purposes.

A little salt rubbed on the cups will take off tea stains. Use salt and water to clean willow furniture. Apply with a brush and rub dry. A small quantity of salt put into a whitewash will make it stick better.

To preserve a natural color of "greens," add a little sugar to the water, and boil as rapidly as possible without covering.

When washing windows put a few drops of turpentine in the water and you will be able to dry them much quicker and they will be clear and bright.

### Smothered Chicken.

From the New York Mail.

When the chicken is dressed ready for cooking split it down the back and place flatly in a covered pan, dredge with salt, pepper, and flour, and spread with softened butter. Have only enough water in the pan to produce steam. When closely covered it soon becomes tender. Then remove cover and brown. Serve with rich cream gravy. The best way to cook a spring chicken—far superior to frying.

New evening coats are all on the burnous or kimono lines. In coloring they contrast with the dress underneath, but the linings are the same shade as the dress, and very often of the same material.

## LATEST FASHIONS.



3164

LADIES' HOUSE GOWN.  
Paris Pattern No. 3164  
All Seams Allowed.

The house gown is the one thing a woman cannot get along without, and to be of desirable design it should be comfortable first of all, then pretty and becoming, also not of difficult construction, all of which requirements the garment pictured fills to perfection. The collarless neck is a particularly pleasing feature, and the neat wrist-length sleeves will be appreciated. The skirt has a pretty flare, and the entire effect is certain to attract. In the large view the gown is made of gray and scarlet flannel, with trimming bands of plain scarlet silk. Other materials suitable for its construction are flannel, cashmere, challis, henrietta or cotton crepe. The pattern is cut in four sizes, from 22 to 44 inches bust measure. For 28 and 30 inches bust require 7/8 yards of material 36 inches wide, with as in the front view 1 1/2 yards of contrasting material 22 inches wide.

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Address.....  
Size desired.....

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### The Feminine Surveyor.

Female students of engineering at the University of Texas will hereafter appear for practice in surveying uncorseted. A magnetic needle in the transit used in surveying is the reason, a recent experience of two fair co-eds having shown that the needles will unerringly point out the whaleness in the make-up of lady civil engineers. Prof. Battell the other day was instructing two young ladies in the mysteries of the transit, when the compass needle attached to the apparatus began throwing fits on the approach of one of the students. The professor was mystified. He approached the instrument, and the needle pointed straight to the territory disputed by Peary and Cook. But when one of the ladies again attempted to squint through the transit, and the needle defying precedent, turned southward to point at her, a light broke on the professor. "You ladies can't work this thing with steel in your clothes," he said politely, and the students retired for a change of costume.

Touques and turbans are very Turkish and Russian. The best turban is that copied after the one worn by the Sultan. It has straight, hard lines, with a single upstanding brush. The hat is more of a fez than anything else, yet the effect is elegant.

## MILLS' END SUDDEN

Famous Financier Victim of Heart Trouble.

### MR. REID'S FATHER-IN-LAW

D. Ogden Mills Started Life as Clerk in Country Store and Went to California During the Gold Fever, Widely Known as Philanthropist, Millionaire Many Times.

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 4.—Darius Ogden Mills, one of the most widely known financiers and philanthropists in the United States, a pioneer of California, and father of Mrs. Whitehall Reid, wife of the United States Ambassador to Great Britain, died at his winter home, near this city, last night. He was eighty-four years old.

Death was due to heart disease, and came so suddenly that his physician was not with him at the end, although he was summoned at the first sign of collapse.

Mrs. Reid, who came to California with her father a few weeks ago to spend the winter, was at the bedside. His son, Ogden Mills, and his wife left for the East yesterday, believing that Mr. Mills was in his usual health. Mr. Mills, accompanied by his daughter and Ogden Mills, came to San Francisco several weeks ago to spend the winter at the financier's mansion, near Millbrae, twenty miles south of this city.

Mr. Mills was born in West Salem, Westchester County, N. Y., in 1825. He was educated at North Salem and at Mount Pleasant Academy, Sing Sing, New York.

Starting his business career as a clerk in New York City, he became cashier of the Merchants Bank of Erie County at Buffalo in 1847. When the gold excitement arose, Mr. Mills came to California, arriving in 1849, to take from the start a large part in the development of the Gold State.

He first founded the D. O. Mills Bank in Sacramento, and in 1854 became president of the Bank of California, which post he held till 1867. When this institution became insolvent in 1878 Mr. Mills again took the reins and placed it once more on a sound basis.

The greater part of his time since 1880 was passed in New York City, where he built a system of hotels and lodging-houses for the poor, founded a training school for male nurses, and was active in many other charities.

Reid Coming for Funeral. London, Jan. 4.—Whitehall Reid, the American Ambassador to Great Britain, will go to the United States on the first steamer in order to attend the funeral of his father-in-law, D. O. Mills, who died suddenly at his home at Millbrae, San Mateo County, Cal., last night.

Mr. Reid will try to sail on the American liner St. Louis to-morrow, but if this is not feasible, will go on the Lialtanis, which will start for New York on January 8. The body of Mr. Mills will not be buried until the arrival of Mr. Reid.

Owing to the expected departure of Mr. Reid for America, the wedding of Mr. Phillips, the secretary of the legation, and Miss Caroline Astor Drayton, daughter of J. Coleman Drayton and Mrs. Haig, his former wife, will be postponed.

### HARVARD CLUB ELECTION.

Plans for Annual Dinner Also Discussed at Meeting. Officers for the year were elected at a meeting of the Harvard Club, held at the University Club last night. They were: President, Percival Hall, vice presidents, Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, Hennen Jennings, Assistant Secretary of the Navy Beekman Winthrop, and George N. Henning; secretary, John Washington Davidge; treasurer, Pickering Dodge.

Plans for the annual dinner of the club, to be held at the Raleigh February 2, were discussed. Among those expected to be present and deliver addresses are Dean Briggs, of Harvard University; Thomas W. Slocum, president of the Associated Harvard Clubs; President Edwin A. Alderman, of the University of Virginia, and Dean William B. Vance, of George Washington University.

At the conclusion of the meeting the members enjoyed a smoker.

### JEWISH DANCE ENJOYED.

Adas Israel Congregation Attends Annual Event. Adas Israel Synagogue congregation gave a dance and entertainment for the benefit of its Sunday school last night at the National Rifles Armory, Ninth and G streets. Miss Ida Harmel directed the entertainment, assisted by Misses Jennie Harmel and Dora Steerman.

A Mother Goose operetta was one of the most amusing numbers of the programme. Parts were taken as follows: Horsemans, Jacob Glehner, and David Hornstein; Little Bo-Peep, Miss Hilda Young; Humpty Dumpty, Abe Goldstein; the Crooked Man, Harry L. Cohen; Jack Sprat, Melvin Schlossberg; His Wife, Miss Lillian Weyer; Jack, Paul Robinson; Jill, Miss Ida Saver; Little Miss Muffet, Miss Helen Stein; Black Birds chorus, Misses Lillian Rosenthal, Hattie Friedman, Bessie Weisberg, Fannie Robbins, Fannia Posner, Mildred Schlossberg, Rosa Cohen, Lillian Cohen, and Lenora Weissberg; King, Leon Weinberg; Queen, Miss Frances Keroes; Queen of Hearts, Miss Edna Oppenheimer; Three Piddlers, Norman Kaleski, Joseph Landau, and Leon Schlossberg; Chorus—Misses Rose Bernman, Isadore Saldman, David Saldman, Ross Blumberg, Goldie Goldstein, Jonas Lesser, Pauline Cordover, Albert Small, Moses Schindler, Belle Gardner, Selma Stein, David Cohen, Ruth Reichgut, Annie Dobkin, and Milton Goldstein.

Husband Names Two Co-respondents. Alleging infidelity and naming two co-respondents, William H. Farrington yesterday filed suit for divorce from Addis F. Farrington. The couple were married in Baltimore, March 31, 1878. The petitioner is represented by Attorney A. D. Smith.

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## BEARING BURDENS.

The Washington Herald Optimist Club Announcement for the Coming Week. BY THE OPTIMIST.

"Bear Ye One Another's Burdens."

The Washington Herald Optimists, who wear the club's button with "Let's Help" proudly displayed, know what it is to bear burdens.

They also know how to bear them so that they rest but lightly. Willing shoulders lighten burdens.

Are your shoulders willing? Have you always viewed the daily task with a consciousness that it is a privilege to be able to add your little mite to the great labor of the world?

Optimists see the best in everything. There is no burden so heavy but that they know some way to make it lighter. They are cheerful in adversity and happy in being able to do something for a neighbor.

Unless you are an optimist you cannot see clearly the uses and benefits of adversity. Burden-bearing is the lot of every one. Perhaps you think your burdens are too heavy, or that they are beginning to gall your back as you stagger along life's pathway under their weight.

Be an optimist, and you will learn how to lighten your tasks, and you will be given strength to help some one else, too. The greatest service is in doing for others, and until you know how to help yourself you cannot expect to help others.

The Washington Herald Optimist Club is made up of workers and burden-bearers. It is a joy and a privilege to be of their ranks.

If you are not already an Optimist, you should become one without delay. Send in a contribution about "Bearing burdens." On Sunday, January 16, there will be a whole page of contributions on this helpful subject. Perhaps yours will be among them.

For expressions on "Bearing burdens" there will be given the customary prizes—\$5.00 for the best essay, \$3.00 for the second best, \$2.00 for the next best, and five prizes of \$1.00 each for those deemed deserving of them.

The Optimist Club is an established institution and you cannot afford to be on the outside. Membership is always open, and every member is striving to get his friends to join and receive the benefits of looking at life in the right way.

## SEVEN FIRES IN ONE DAY.

Slight Damage in Various Parts of Washington. Fire yesterday morning at 10 o'clock in the upper rooms of the residence of John P. Geier, 1417 First street northwest, did damage to the furniture estimated at \$75.

A blaze in the stable in the rear of 220 H street southwest at 11:30 o'clock yesterday morning did small damage. The stable is occupied by Samuel Springman.

By the explosion of a gas meter in the basement of the store of Morris Elsemann, 267 Twenty-fifth street northwest, at 2:57 o'clock yesterday afternoon, a fire resulted that did \$300 damage to the property and stock.

Acker Brothers, doing business at North Capitol and E streets northwest, lost by a fire yesterday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock \$25 in damage to the stock.

Escaping gas started a fire yesterday afternoon at 4:26 o'clock in the commission house of A. B. Able, 519 Louisiana avenue northwest, causing a damage of \$100.

Hot ashes started a fire in the rear of 482 D street northwest, yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock on the premises occupied by W. Michaels. The damage was slight.

A chimney fire in the house at 317 Holmeade place, at 8 o'clock last night, occupied by George Shannon, did slight damage.

Urges Skating Facilities. Director Durrant, of the Census Bureau, has asked the Commissioners to favor a small appropriation to be used in keeping frozen lakes and fish ponds in the District in good condition for skating. He calls attention to the pleasure and safety it would prove to the large crowds who gather in Rock Creek Park and near Washington Monument especially.

For Additional Cadetship. Commissioner Macfarland yesterday called attention of the board to his suggestion that the District be given two cadets each at West Point and Annapolis. He believes there is a good prospect now for obtaining the additional cadetship at West Point. Congress will be asked to grant this.

## EXCURSIONS.

The convenient schedule of the Norfolk and Washington Steamboat Company boats, and the direct connections they form at the Southern terminal port, make them especially well patronized at this season, when there is so much travel to the winter resorts of the Lower Atlantic States. For the special convenience of this class of tourists, the Norfolk and Washington Company also offers through tickets to any of the Carolina, Georgia, and Florida wintering places. Steamers sail daily at 8:45 P. M. from the wharf, foot of Seventh street. Week-end tickets defraying best expenses and hotel accommodations at the Chamberlayne, Old Point Comfort, are sold weekly over this line. City offices are located at 730 Fourteenth street, first floor of the Bond Building, and at the wharf.

SKANNON'S & CO. 8th St & Pa Ave. THE BUSY CORNER

Calendars greatly reduced. CALENDARS UP TO 19c, NOW 5c. CALENDARS UP TO 25c, NOW 10c. CALENDARS UP TO 50c, NOW 15c. CALENDARS UP TO \$1.00, NOW 25c. CALENDARS UP TO \$1.50, NOW 40c. CALENDARS UP TO \$2.25, NOW 75c. CALENDARS UP TO \$3.00, NOW 95c.

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G. A. R. OFFICERS INSTALLED. Phil Sheridan Post and Corps Hold Impressive Ceremony. Addresses by Representative Gardner, G. C. Kiffin, and E. H. Holbrook Concludes Programme. With impressive ceremonies the new officers of Phil H. Sheridan Post, No. 14, G. A. R., and Phil Sheridan Corps, No. 12, Woman's Relief Corps, were installed at G. A. R. Hall last night. The post held its exercises first, and those installed were: Commander, John D. Russell; senior vice commander, Isaac D. Williamson; junior vice commander, Robert S. Copeland; adjutant, H. F. J. Drake; quartermaster, H. C. Trapagen; surgeon, Myron J. Brewster; chaplain, Theodore H. Brown; officer of the day, Samuel G. Mawson; officer of the guard, D. H. Bricker; quartermaster sergeant, Arthur Small; sergeant major, Daniel Beach, and patriotic instructor, C. M. Robinson. Twelve-year-old Olivia Lawrence was installed daughter of the post, and the retiring commander, C. M. Robinson, was given a jeweled Grand Army badge in recognition of his faithful work during the last year. Past Commander Charles F. Garrett making the presentation. Officers of the corps were then installed by Mrs. Annie W. Johnson, past department president. They were: President, Sallie P. Perren; senior vice president, Emma S. Estabrook; junior vice president, Ella L. Washburn; chaplain, James N. Bridgman; treasurer, Sarah E. Beach; secretary, Marlan B. Parks; conductor, Margaret Wallace; guard, Margaret Mawson; assistant conductor, Margaret J. Copeland; assistant guard, Carrie Gaury; patriotic instructor, Mary V. Fauth; press correspondent, Lucy S. Weaver; color bearers, Hannah J. Devoe, Winnie McDonald, Mary Bushby, and Marie Clendaniel; musician, Katherine M. Phillips. The evening's programme concluded with addresses by Representative Washington Gardner, of Michigan, former commander of the Department of Michigan, G. A. R.; Col. Gilbert C. Kiffin, and Edwin H. Holbrook, commander of the Department of the Potomac, G. A. R.

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## EXCURSIONS.

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NEW NORFOLK LINE \$2 One REGULAR Round \$3 SPECIAL SATURDAY EXCURSION—\$2.00 ROUND TRIP. Potomac & Chesapeake Steamboat Co.

NEGRO SHOT BY DAUGHTER. Robert Smith Wounded in Abdomen. Woman Arrested. Robert H. Smith, a negro, fifty-three years old, living with his family at a two-story brick north-west, yesterday afternoon with his daughter Rosa Smith, twenty-five years old, was shot in the abdomen. He was taken to Freedmen's Hospital where a bullet was removed by the surgeons. While badly wounded the physicians say he has a chance for recovery. The daughter was arrested last night by Policeman J. W. Slims, and placed in a cell in the Fifth police precinct.

Hints on Neatness. There is a noticeable difference in the shape of a coat that has invariably been placed on a hanger and one that has invariably swung by the loop in the back of the neck. It would probably be more to the point to say that one has shape while the other has not.

Most women, unfortunately, make the mistake of considering shoe trees a luxury instead of a necessity, and their shoes are an unmistakable evidence of the fact. The woman whose feet always look trim and tidy is the one who has shoe trees and uses them.

The occasional use of hot irons and a little care in folding when putting away will keep veils fresh and new looking for a long time, and for cheap veils a thorough rubbing in soap and warm water is beneficial. The worst thing in the world for a veil is to leave it tied around a hat, particularly if it is at all damp.

## Thunderstruck, Indeed.

Even Lippincott's Magazine. While on his travels, he was thunderstruck at receiving from his wife a telegram which ran as follows: "Twins this morning. More later."

Women's Outergarments. Libbey's 1331 F ST. N.W. OPPOSITE EBBITT HOUSE. Misses' Outergarments. Three Big Specials In Women's Dresses, Tailor-made Suits, and Coats. A SPECIAL PURCHASE Of these all new and high-grade goods enables us to sell them at a sacrifice. Special Values in Women's Dresses. The greatest showing of a choice lot of Women's Dresses—broadcloth, serges, and homespuns. These values sold up to \$30. Special Prices, \$7.50 and \$10.85. Women's \$25 Tailor-made Suits. A fine variety of Tailor-made Suits—serges, chevots, diagonals, broadcloths—in such colors as black, navy blue, and all popular shades. All strictly high-class goods. None worth less than \$25. Special Prices, \$10.85 and \$13.75. Sacrifice Sale of Women's Coats. A splendid collection of Women's Sample Coats, in full lengths and three-quarter lengths; in black and blue, in mixtures, imported tan coverts—all worth more than double the price; at this sale for \$7.50, \$10.85, and \$13.75.