

THE HOME, ITS PROBLEMS AND INTERESTS

Observations of Peggy

It surely is a feather in the cap of the suffragists that a jury of women was impaneled in Chicago some little time ago to decide the advisability of separating a destitute, nearly blind, and almost destitute mother, in order that she should be sent to the home of the city's poor.

The mother and child were miserably poor; the woman's husband was dead, and they were literally starving and almost naked. The jury of women previously impaneled confessed their inability to decide the case, hence the Judge's action in calling for six women, and the women decided not to separate the two, although they were sent to the poor house.

Yet in order to legalize the decision, the men had to sign the verdict.

This, in my opinion, is a step forward. There are questions which women, by reason of their training and experience, are more fitted to pass upon than men, and there is no reason why they should not work together for the common good. When men and women walk together and are agreed on all topics affecting the progress of the world, it is to be expected that the world will be better governed than when men and women walk apart. The wheels of this old world will run smoothly, and not until then. But before this happy result is attained, each must feel his and her incompleteness without the other.

Some will scoff at this, feeling so very self-sufficient, but I have always remarked on the remarkable speediness of the surrender of this independence on the part of man or woman, when Mr. or Miss Right made their appearance. Sufficient evidence of the instability of the former premises.

Colds are very prevalent just now, as well as throat troubles. To ward off these things is better than a good breathing exercise, but this must be taken in good air in order to be effective. Raise the arms straight above the head, palms together. Take a deep breath, rising on the toes, and make some half a dozen steps across the room. Exhale the breath sharply, dropping the arms to the sides, and come down upon the heels at the same time. Repeat this exercise ten times. Taken in the morning near an open window, or before going to bed at night, this simple exercise will be found very beneficial.

The trousseau of Princess Alice of Albany is to be made in England. There's patriotism for you! Yet we over here who boast so much of our dressmakers and tailors, have to go to Paris to have our made—when our fortunes amount to anything, or when we can give weddings for the benefit of the public. But, then, Lillian Bell graphically depicts a scene on an ocean liner when, out of over a hundred good Americans but two could sing "The Star-Spangled Banner" through. Can you? Talk of patriotism!

It is now stated that sleeplessness is often due to going hungry to bed. A glass of milk and a few crackers before retiring will alleviate this, and surely a moderate dinner partaken of at 6 in the evening may well be followed by hunger at 11. Yet many have formed the habit of eating nothing after dinner and deploring themselves into thinking they cannot be hungry when they are.

PEGGY QUINCY.

A CHIC SPRING CARRIAGE COSTUME



OF MOLESKIN BROADCLOTH AND RUSSIAN LACE.

The Pond Lily Hat Gives the Final Touch of Beauty.

Spring is here again! Only January, and yet the stores are full of lovely spring costumes and dainty fabrics suggesting soft breezes and warm sunshine. Velvet, so popular during the winter, is giving way to cloth in the early spring costumes. The new shade moleskin is very much in evidence.

A handsome costume is produced in moleskin broadcloth elaborately trimmed with the heavy rich Russian lace so much in vogue. On the skirt the lace forms a yoke effect at the top and divides panelwise down the front.

A delicate touch is added to the waist by the tucked chignon vest.

The long shoulder lines are emphasized by the low set of the sleeves.

Folds of panne velvet edge bodice and sleeves. Chenille tassels finish off the cord trimmings and add much to the chicness of the costume.

The hat to be worn with this gown is a dainty affair, the chief ornamentation of which is pond lilies in a big soft bunch.

The smart woman's wardrobe is entirely incomplete without a hat for each costume.

It must carry out the suggestion of the gown and give the final touch of beauty and fitness to the whole.

The pond lily hat shown here gives just the proper touch, bringing visions of rippling water and balmy spring airs.

USEFUL LOVE AGENTS.

In China the matchmaker, or "go-between," is a very important factor in domestic life. He it is who casts his watchful eye around that he may find suitable husbands for the daughters of his acquaintances, and then approaches the parents with due circumspection as well as a good deal of tact and diplomacy.

To the family of the young man he narrates the good qualities, beauty, and amiability of a certain young girl; then he makes a visit to her father and dwells upon the riches, learning, and freedom of a youth he knows.

If he finds both sides willing to consider the question, he pines back and forth between them with all the eagerness of a man anxious to drive a good bargain. He knows that if he succeeds in getting a nice little fee from each family, and so he paints the many charms of the young couple in glowing terms.

He is not always truthful, and oftentimes the bridegroom, who is not allowed to see his future wife before the ceremony, finds that after the red cloth and veil are removed he is married to an ugly old crane.

There are instances of bad faith on the part of the "go-between" are fortunately rare, and usually he exhibits much discretion in his matings.

SENSIBLE UNDERWEAR AFFECTED

Women who intelligently seek to be beautiful are striving for greater simplicity in their wearing apparel. It is an encouraging symptom of a rational reform.

This new idea of combining daintiness and simplicity comes from Paris. The woman who inclines her ear to the wise sayings of French modistes may be sure it will be to her advantage. Instead of no corsets, bloomers, ugly undergarments, and ill-fitting gowns, such as faddists have advocated, the French reformers go to the other extreme. They know that only few women can be induced to make freaks of themselves.

"From the skin outward," says Madame, as she lays a union suit of soft clinging silk before her patron's eyes. This may be sleeveless or have sleeves, as the wearer chooses. The only requisite is that it must be in one piece and cling to the figure like a pair of tights. Not a line will be impaired; not a wrinkle will be possible.

"The corset," says the arbiter, "must also fit like a glove." The newest corsets are called "stays," which they really are. Instead of extending up to the breast bone and cramping the chest and its muscles, they do not extend more than five inches above the waist line. They may be made of either silk, coutil, or batiste, be heavily embroidered or plain; but they must be long-

waisted, taper well at the hips, and lace in front. To remove they may be unclasped at the side.

No steels are needed to adjust such a stay, which is slipped over the head and laced to fit the figure, leaving free the shoulders and chest, as well as the muscles of the diaphragm.

After the corset comes the one-piece undergarment, which is a marvelous combination in lingerie—four garments in one. Over the corset this dainty affair looks like a corset cover and petticoat, but it is also chemise and drawers.

This combination garment is as far removed from the so-called "health-garments" as can be imagined. It is made of fine handkerchief linen, and is trimmed with Valenciennes lace. White silk wash ribbons, three-quarters of an inch wide, are run through banding at the neck, waist and above bounces. It is slipped over the head.

The long petticoat which comes next should have a habit back and fit as smoothly as the sheath-like dress skirt.

Instead of seven pieces of wearing apparel only three are necessary in this new way.

The new style of dress has other advantages which might be cited, but an important one is its easy adjustment when the wearer is traveling, especially when dressing in the close quarters of a sleeping car.

HELPFUL SUGGESTIONS TO BUSY HOUSEKEEPERS

MENUS FOR TOMORROW

BREAKFAST.	LUNCHEON.	DINNER.
Bananas, Cream.	Lamb Chops.	English Beef Soup.
Cereal.	Green Peas.	Hamburger Steak.
Buckwheat Cakes.	Potato Salad.	Celery.
Honey.	Fruit Glace.	Hash Browned Potatoes.
Country Sausage and Hominy.	Chocolate.	Cauliflower.
Coffee.		Hot Mince Pie.
		Coffee.

SEASONABLE FOOD SUPPLIES ON MARKET BENCHES.

Moderate prices prevailing and the supply being large, buying was brisk at Center Market today. Many housekeepers and marketers buy their Sunday provisions on Friday, and thereby save a trifle on the prices, which are noticeably tampered with on Saturday. Meat prices and the figures quoted on vegetables were only slightly changed. The difference was in favor of these who buy.

Round steak sold for 15 cents a pound. Sirloin steak brought 20, porterhouse steak went for 25 and 30 cents a pound, while tenderloin cuts went for 30 and 35 cents a pound. Twenty and twenty-five cents a pound was asked for lamb chops. Lamb to roast went for 15 cents a pound. Veal steak and cutlets were purchased for 20 and 25 cents a pound. Country sausage was quoted at 12 1/2 cents a pound. A dish of brains brought 15 cents, and the same price was asked for fresh, crisp steaks. Corned beef sold for 5, 8, and 10 cents a pound. Twenty-five cents a pound was asked for veal liver.

Seventy-five cents a quart was asked for strawberries. Cauliflower went for 15, 20, and 30 cents. Fresh tomatoes were sold for 25 cents a pound, the canned article being more frequently bought for 30 cents per can or three for a quarter. Canned corn sold for 12 cents. Turnips were sold for 15 cents a bushel. Fifteen, eighteen, and twenty cents was asked for Irish and sweet potatoes. New potatoes were purchased for 50 cents a half peck. Onions went for 10 and 12 cents a quarter of a peck. Celery brought 8, 8 and 10 cents a head. Celery brought a quarter of a peck. Brussels sprouts were purchased for 15 cents a box. Ten cents a bunch was asked for 33 and 35 cents a dozen. Fresh butter went for 25, 30, and 35 cents a pound. Rabbits were sold for 25 cents each. The display of fish was large, but the sale was not.

IN THE CIRCLE OF SOCIETY

Reception to Judiciary Fills the White House

Enjoyment of Occasion Greatly Increased by an Absence of Crowding—Perplexing Carriage Question Solves Itself.

President and Mrs. Roosevelt's reception at the White House last night, in honor of the judiciary, the second formal evening function of the official season, was in many respects even more enjoyable than these brilliant evening companies usually are.

There were fewer guests present last night than at the diplomatic reception of two weeks ago, although the invitation list assumed its customary huge proportions. Promptly at 9 o'clock the military flourish was sounded and the reception formally opened.

The Receiving Party.

The progress of the President, Mrs. Roosevelt, and the receiving party from the library on the second floor to the Blue Room was marked by a slight innovation. Instead of forming a close procession, as heretofore, an interval of thirty or forty feet was permitted between each Cabinet couple, adding thereby to the formality and impressiveness of the opening march through the long corridor.

The President and Mrs. Roosevelt were preceded by Colonel Symons and Commander Winslow, military and naval aides, respectively, and followed by all the members of the Cabinet and their wives, except the Secretaries of War and Navy. Mr. Root spent the early part of the evening chatting with guests in the dining room, while Mr. Moody was not present.

Miss Roosevelt's Guests.

Miss Roosevelt was the cynosure of many eyes throughout the evening. She was escorted to the Blue Room shortly ahead of the President and official party by Lieut. Grayville R. Fortescue, U. S. A., one of the White House aides, who is deputed by Colonel Symons to special charge of the guests invited behind the line.

With Miss Roosevelt came Miss Jean Reid, daughter of Whitelaw Reid; Miss Tyler, Miss Katherine Dix, of New York, and Mr. and Mrs. Fessenden, all house guests at the White House.

Mansion Not Crowded.

The judiciary reception will be remembered by guests as probably the best managed affair of its sort in a long while in the entire course of the evening. There was practically no overcrowding whatever, compared with previous receptions. The line, entering through the state dining room, proceeded uninterrupted after it reached that apartment. Congestion was prevented by arranging the guests in a sort of military

BEAUTIFUL GOWNS WORN AT JUDICIARY RECEPTION

Mrs. Roosevelt Clad in Cream Satin Ornamented with Pale Pink and Yellow Velvet Carnations.

Mrs. Roosevelt never looked more charming than she did at the judiciary reception last evening in a trained gown of heavy cream satin. The skirt and front of the bodice were ornamented with pale pink and yellow velvet carnations.

Accessories of pink velvet and lace, with diamonds and pearl ornaments, completed one of the most beautiful costumes worn by her this season.

Mrs. Shaw, who appeared in line for the first time this winter, and by reason of the absence of Mrs. Hay, who is taking little or no part in the social life of the Capital, stood next to Mrs. Roosevelt. She wore a heavy satin gown of deep yellow, with a full of point lace around the decollete bodice.

Mrs. Knox wore a dainty creation of white liberty satin, elaborately trimmed with Mechlin lace, with touches of pink velvet, and diamond ornaments.

Mrs. Payne wore a frock of fine black net, palliated with jet, over pale blue satin.

Of White Brocade.

Mrs. Hitchcock, a handsome gown of white brocade, trimmed with Duchess lace.

Miss Wilson wore a charming frock of white liberty silk trimmed with pink applique roses and silver spangled lace.

Mrs. Cortright had a becoming toilet of pale blue chiffon with trimmings of lace, and pearl ornaments.

Mrs. Roosevelt and each of the women in the receiving line carried clusters of Golden Gate roses.

Mrs. Fuller, wife of the Chief Justice, looked unusually well in a gown of pearl brocade, with trimmings of duchess lace and chiffon. Mrs. White wore a gown of white satin veiled in Chantilly lace. Mrs. McKenna, pale mauve satin trimmed with lace, and sable. Mrs. Holmes, black spangled net. Miss Harlan, pale blue chiffon.

Mrs. Roosevelt looked pretty in a gown of light blue satin, simply made. Her house guests, Miss Jean Reid, Miss Tyler and Miss Katherine Dix, wore handsome toilets of white with diamonds and pearl ornaments.

The costumes worn by the women of the Diplomatic Corps present last night were most attractive. Lady Durand, wife of the British ambassador, wore a gown of black moire, lace trimmings and diamond ornaments.

Miss Durand was clad in a girlish frock of white tulle.

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JAMES YOUNG MARRIED TO LILLIAN R. COBB

Miss Lillian R. Cobb and James Young were married at the home of the bride's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. James Willoughby Anderson, 121 Twenty-eighth Street, Georgetown, on Tuesday afternoon.

The drawing rooms were decorated with tropical plants, vines, and roses. The bride, who entered the room with her brother, Kenneth R. Cobb, of Richmond, Va., wore a gown of white crepe de chine. A necklace of pearls, an old heirloom in the family of the groom, and a gift from his mother, were her only ornaments. Mrs. James Willoughby Anderson was her only attendant.

The ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. Father Cahill, of Trinity Church, was witnessed by a small company of relatives and intimate friends, owing to a recent family bereavement. After an informal reception Mr. and Mrs. Young left town for a long northern trip. They will make their home in this city, where the groom is engaged as the assistant superintendent of Mount Vernon.

KATHLEEN CHAMBERS WIFE OF W. P. KEYSER

Washington Theatrical Woman Weds and Will Retire From Stage.

Miss Kathleen Chambers, of this city, and William P. Keyser, of Salt Lake City, were married on Wednesday afternoon in the Calvary Church, New York city. Mrs. Keyser, who was formerly a member of the Richard Mansfield company, appearing in the support of Mary Manning, was at the time of her marriage a member of the company playing the "Virginian" in New York. Mrs. Keyser proposes retiring from the stage, and will make her home in Salt Lake City.

PASTOR TO DO MISSION WORK.

The Rev. W. D. J. Thomas has left the Church of the Good Shepherd to do general mission work in the diocese under the direction of the Bishop of Washington.

WILL HOLD A RECITAL AT MASONIC TEMPLE

An instrumental and song recital will be given at Masonic Temple this evening at 8:15 o'clock, to raise money to liquidate the debt on Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church parish hall. The following talent will participate in this recital:

Vocalists, Lillian Halley, Charles F. Roberts, and Florence Bean; pianists, Louis M. Lester, Claude A. Lindsey, and Elsie Weaver, a pupil of Mrs. Hope Hopkins Burroughs, mandolin player, George L. Thomas; violinist, R. M. Griffin, a member of the De Koven Orchestra, and the "Laughing Yew" Glee Club.

MRS. CLOVER TO GIVE A CHILDREN'S BALL

Mrs. Richardson Clover, who for some years has given a fancy dress ball for her young daughters, Misses Beatrice and Dora Clover, will entertain in the same delightful manner tomorrow afternoon.

The affair will mark the eighth birthday of little Miss Dora, the younger daughter of Captain and Mrs. Spooner. Owing to the large number of children invited, no invitations have been sent to older persons, and only a few intimate friends will assist in the entertainment of the little folk.

Being the most interesting and brilliant event of the juvenile world—since the children's party at the White House—the ball is being anticipated with much pleasure, and many quaint and beautiful costumes will be worn.

MRS. GARRET HOBART THE GUEST OF HONOR

Mrs. Payne, wife of the Postmaster General, entertained at luncheon yesterday in honor of Mrs. Garret Hobart, widow of the late Vice President Hobart. Invited to meet Mrs. Hobart were Mrs. Hay, wife of the Secretary of State; Mrs. Hitchcock, wife of the Secretary of the Interior; Mrs. Spooner, Mrs. James Pinchot, Mrs. Bates, Mrs. Stanley Matthews, Miss Carow, Mrs. Roosevelt's sister and guest; Miss Keane, Miss Wilson, daughter of the Secretary of Agriculture; Mrs. Dryden, Mrs. Victor Metcalf, Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh, Mrs. Cowles, Mrs. Cameron, and Miss Louise Van Dyke Jones.

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