

ONE OF MRS. BUCKLY'S BOARDERS

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WHEN old Doctor Buckley died he left a wife who was all right and whom he had married late in life and a daughter, Madge, who was twenty and just out of high school. He also left a big, rambling house set in fair-sized grounds and several books full of accounts which would hardly pay for the trouble they would take to try to collect. His last sickness and death used up nearly all the ready money there had been, and as Mrs. Buckley, who was wont to defer to her husband in everything, was not much of an asset for a young girl to lean on, poor Madge found herself facing a situation which was almost appalling. But Madge was of good courage and whenever she found herself just on the point of giving up she would look at her delicate little mother and gather fresh courage. Surely she, a great girl of twenty, ought to be able to wrest a living for two out of a world which hitherto had only turned its friendly side to her. For days she pondered the aforesaid living and finally decided to keep boarders.

The following week a neat appearing and well-worded little notice appeared in the weekly Tattler, announcing that in one week Mrs. Imogene Buckley would open her home to a few paying guests. Rates might be had on making personal application at the Buckley home evenings.

Needless to say, a house so attractively and conveniently situated as the old Buckley house was to the business section of the town was soon booked to its fullest capacity. And such a cleaning and arranging as went on the few days before the house was opened! Everything was beaten, dusted and scrubbed until not an atom of dust could be found in the whole place. Madge was busy supervising the cleaning, smudges of dirt appeared on her pretty nose and great callouses burned on her hands, which hitherto had never done anything more arduous than play golf or wield a tennis racket. Needless to say, Mrs. Buckley spent the greater part of her time sitting in her room weakly bemoaning the past glory of her fallen estate. Yet loyalty to her brave little daughter prevented one word passing her lips to anyone save Madge.

A month later the household had quite fallen into a daily routine which might have run smoothly if it had not been for the little daily differences and jealousies which were sure to arise between some of the boarders. There was Miss Pitkin, for instance, who taught school and who had, in fact, taught too long and had become quite crabbed in her disposition. She watched the other boarders and Madge to see whether Madge or her mother showed any favoritism. If, for instance, Mrs. Jenkins, who sat on Pitkin's right, seemed to have been helped to a little better portion of roast or chicken than she had, or if Miss Clawson, who was head of stock at Wooley's department store, had a mite more whipped cream on her piece of shortcake Madge was accused of partiality. And Miss Pitkin would sulk. At times Madge found the women quite difficult to manage. Always some one complaining of lack of towels or that certain ones had held the bathrooms longer than the stipulated twenty minutes which was allotted to each boarder for the morning bath.

Madge grew quite distracted at times when she was commanded to be on three floors at once, but she always sighed with satisfaction when the weekly balance was struck and she saw she was somewhat ahead financially. The men she found were more reasonable. They almost never complained. They were seldom in the house longer than to eat their meals and sleep. Madge was several weeks learning about her man boarders, and then caught only bits of what was passing between the women, who spent their evening talking in the one big parlor.

Thus matters went on for weeks until one day a plainly dressed, little, old woman sought board at the "Buckly," as Madge had named her boarding house. The little old woman came beautifully recommended by a former boarder as to character, but nothing was said as to her circumstances. She took the best room in the house, which happened to be vacant, and settled herself to be comfortable. She was no trouble at all, she did not mix with the other boarders save to pass friendly greetings, and she even cared for her room except for the weekly cleaning. Madge found her quite refreshing and soon learned to love her dearly. And as for Mrs. Buckley and Mrs. Herron, as the little old lady called herself, they struck up a friendship which was very agreeable to both Madge and her mother, who found little enjoyment in the other boarders' society. It also gave Madge more time to attend to her duties, as she felt more free to leave her mother with their new friend. Before the coming of Mrs. Herron, Mrs. Buckley, who was delicate and could only attend to the mending and repairing, kept much to her room, and oftentimes, in consequence, found herself very lonely.

One day Mrs. Herron called Madge to her room and told her that she had just received a letter from her

nephew, Tom West, who had been in South America for his health and who was now entirely recovered. He was coming home and had taken a fine situation in Elmhurst. She desired that he might board at the Buckley with her and wished Madge to arrange to take him. At first Madge thought it would be impossible, but finally made the necessary arrangements, which would permit Mrs. Herron to have her wish.

Madge met Tom West at dinner the night he came. He was a fine young fellow with dark eyes and hair, and a face so honest that one instinctively felt drawn to him. He was most courteous to all the boarders and most attentive to his aunt, but as far as Madge was concerned, she might just as well have been a stick for all the notice he paid her. The rest of the boarders soon absorbed him, the women hung on his every word, especially when he related some incident pertaining to his recent travels. Even Miss Pitkin ceased to watch the plates of the other boarders and kept her eyes fastened in adoration on the face of Tom West.

This went on for several weeks, when one day Mrs. Herron was taken ill. It happened to be a time when there was much sickness and it was impossible to get a nurse at so short a notice. There was nothing for poor Madge to do but just shoulder the added burden and assist Tom West in caring for his aunt. This, of course, threw them much together, and although Tom seemed grateful for all that Madge was doing for his aunt, he still maintained a cool aloofness until one morning as Madge entered Mrs. Herron's room bearing a tray upon which was placed a dainty breakfast for the invalid, who was now well on the way to recovery, the tray slipped out of her tired hands and she fell in a faint across the bed.

A few moments later when Madge opened her eyes she found herself held in Tom West's arms and his face was bending close to hers.

"My darling," he was saying over and over. "You have worn yourself out with so many duties and cares. I can never, never forgive myself.

Surprise and joy brought the color swiftly back to Madge's white face. Tom West cared for her! So well had she hidden the secret almost from herself that she loved him that even her mother had not been aware of the struggle Madge was undergoing to kill a love which she was sure was most untimely. Tom cared for her! And his aunt did not disapprove. Madge could see that from the old woman's smile.

Three months later Madge and Tom were quietly married and on their way South for an extended honeymoon. Madge looked very happy and pretty in her dark traveling suit and little close fitting hat. As the train which was bearing them away drew out of the station at Elmhurst Madge turned to her husband and said:

"Now, Tom, you said as soon as we were on board the train you had a secret to tell me. Please tell me now."

"Well, my dear," Tom said, giving his bride an adoring look, "I think you will agree with me that it is a pleasant one. First of all, I am not just a poor clerk. And next of all, while we are away Aunt Abbey Herron and your mother are going to clear out all the boarders and renovate and I'll refurnish the whole house. I have promised to keep you away until everything is spic and span. We all agreed that you have done quite enough to deserve a fine rest."

"But, Tom," Madge said in a puzzled little voice, "why did you treat me so coolly if, as you have said again and again, you fell in love with me at first sight?"

"That I will acknowledge was unfair to you," said Tom earnestly. "But honey, I am a rich man's son and my Aunt Abbey has oodles of money and—I wanted to marry and be married to a girl I was sure loved me and not my money. And most of all I wanted to go out and earn my own living long enough to be sure that I had brains enough to take care of what I had. I thought I didn't like girls—and I didn't until I met you and you won me by your sweetness."

And so they all lived happily ever after.

Negro Waiters Given Credit for Cake-Walk

The cake-walk was probably the first negro dance destined to enjoy large popularity. Its inception is accredited to the negro waiters of a period now a part of history; waiters who, at large barbecues that were given in the South, balanced huge trays to the accompaniment of rhythmic steps. Always, peoples—from the ancient Egyptians who performed incredible feats of moving enormous stones through synchronized movement of the galley-slaves who faced storms with the persistent churning of a "Yo-heave-ho!"—all peoples, confronted with work to do, have approached their tasks with a responsiveness to co-ordination—a dance mood—but it remained for the negro to dramatize this as the American dance-expression.

Great Slave Lake

Great Slave lake lies in northwestern Canada and is the fourth largest body of fresh water in America. Superior coming first, then Huron and Michigan. It is 370 miles long and 60 miles at its widest part. It was discovered and named by Samuel Hearne during his exploratory trip in 1771-2, when in search of the Arctic coast and copper deposits of the Coppermine river.

Dame Fashion Smiles

By Grace Jewett Austin

Whoever made that old adage, "You can't have your cake and eat it, too," was 'luckily,' not thinking about dresses.



Dame Fashion has heard women say that they really didn't enjoy wearing a dress for the first time, but that is so far from her attitude of mind that she is always tempted to take a grain of salt with the hearing. Honestly, now, isn't it just one of the biggest pleasures that material things are able to give—that of starting somewhere in a brand new gown?

Now maybe that first-pleasure-feeling is where the "not eat and have" comes in, for of course that first lovely thrill is gone with the original wearing. But what Dame Fashion was thinking about is that dresses may often give a steady pleasure to the wearer until they are just "done gone."

When we start off on that trip to Europe, with only a few hours' notice that we all dream about—though how in the world does one get a passport that quickly?—we shall surely have to wear a familiar gown, and that is precisely what every travel-direction says: Be comfortable at the starting; familiar clothes, and especially, familiar shoes.

Dame Fashion heard from a wholesaler that men's wash suits and trousers are promising a tremendous late-summer sale all over the country. Talk about the power of politics! Nothing would convince Dame Fashion to disbelieve that because thousands upon thousands of men heard over the radio and read in the press that the only way men could be comfortable in the heat of the Houston convention was to wear tub suits, is the factor that is making those same thousands decide that what is good for Texas is good for hot days in other parts of the country.

And listen to this! These same wholesalers say, "Long hair is being taken into consideration in the design of many of the new hats; the crowns in some instances being deeper in the back to allow for the hair."

What a joy it is to say, "I told you so!"

After diligent study of advance-style pictures, Dame Fashion said, "They may talk about their frills and fullness, but these new dresses look pretty straight to me." And now the wholesaler reports come, "The straight line silhouette remains."

The whole secret is, that unless we are exceedingly young and charming, we are a little afraid of looking like the picture of our great-aunt, Jane Maria, in the Civil War picture album, if we adopt too many spreading skirts and frills.

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Long Lines Flattering to After-Fifty Figure



Long lines are flattering to the after-fifty figure, says the Woman's Home Companion, especially if it is inclined to be a little heavy. In this frock the cross-over front panels create this becoming effect in a simple easy manner. The yoke and panels are cut in one with the extra fullness gathered to the yoke. The skirt has inverted box plaits at either side of the front. There are also two similar plaits in the back of the skirt. The design is readily adapted to many types of materials. For early fall navy blue crepe de chine is suggested and for late fall a lightweight woolen.

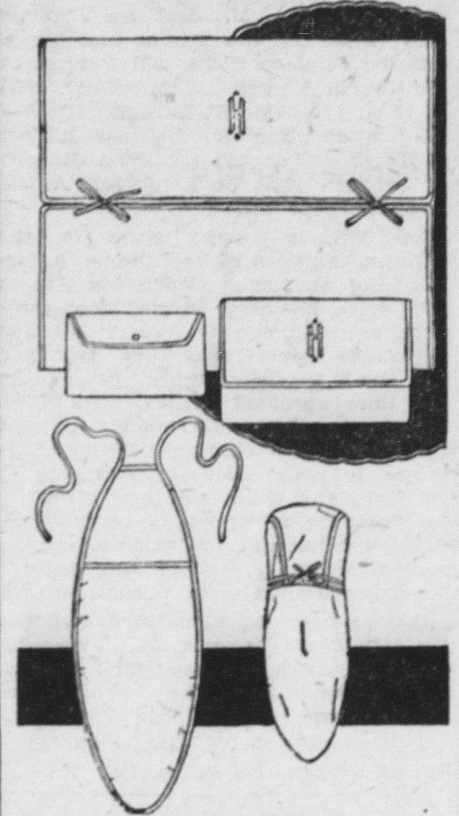
Moire Coats for Evening

Evening coats of moire are among this season's pleasant surprises. Two attractive ones seen recently were in yellow and palest flesh pink. The yellow one reached only to the knees but the pink coat was full length.

Discarded Flour Bags Make Suitcase Outfit

The seasoned traveler betrays herself by the way her suitcase is packed. The woman who is used to journeying hither and yon knows just what to take and how to pack it so that at the end of the trip her clothes come out fresh and unwrinkled. What could be more useful, then, than the suitcase outfit shown here?

The set consists of a cover for blouses or frocks, a pair of shoe cases,



Cover for Frocks, Cases for Shoes, Gloves, Kerchiefs.

a rubber-lined washcloth case and a case for gloves or handkerchiefs. And the entire set may be made for only fifty cents! Two used flour bags, two bolts of colored bias tape and a small piece of gum rubber are the only materials required. The bags can be had at a bakery for a few cents each. The stamping is not difficult to remove if one will soak it in kerosene or cover it with lard for a few hours and then wash out in lukewarm water.

To make the blouse cover, take a piece of the material a yard long and the width of the suitcase, usually about 22 inches. Bind this with the tape all the way round. The sides are left open. The ties are stitched in the center along one edge of the case and slipped through loops placed about six inches down on the other side. This makes them adjustable.

The shoe cases hold one shoe each. They are made out of two pieces of goods, cut as shown in the illustration. The larger is 17 inches long, the smaller, 12. The width across the top of the opening is 6 1/2 inches. After the shoe is in, fold down the top and cross the ends and tie them behind.

The washcloth case is made of a strip of the four bag material 6x10 inches, and is lined with gum rubber. The button and loop buttonhole or the snap fastener should be put on before the lining and cover are bound together with the tape.

A strip of the material 8x12 will make a handkerchief case 5x8. For a gift, it is thoughtful to put in a tiny pocket on the inside to hold a small sachet.

Watch Food Values in Selecting Family's Diet

Every woman knows that when the mercury is flirting with the century mark something happens to the appetites of the members of her family. Good old meat and potatoes and pies, stand-bys for the rest of the year, somehow seem to pall. The thoughtful menu-maker, therefore, plans her summer meals to include much lighter food—plenty of crisp, appetizing salads, green vegetables and fresh fruits.

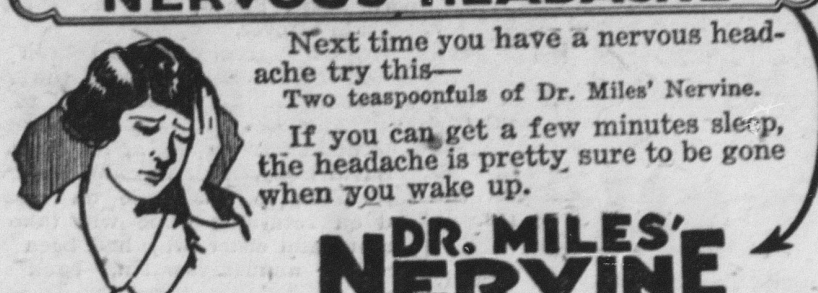
But there is one danger that should be guarded against in planning the ideal hot weather regimen. That is, in not getting sufficient real nourishment. Valuable and necessary as vegetables are for their minerals and vitamins, they do not contain the essential body building materials that children need to keep on growing and adults need to keep up their usual program of activities. A considerable amount of the enervation and lassitude which people feel after a heat wave of several days could probably be traced to their attempting to live solely on light foods.

One way of solving the hot weather food problem is to omit heavy foods, such as beans, much meat, gravies, potatoes and heavy puddings, replacing them with foods which are light but which also contain the same body building qualities of the heavier foods. This means drinking plenty of fresh milk and also eating abundantly of foods containing skim milk solids, bread, cake, cheese, cookies and ice cream.

Skim milk solids are milk with the fats and the water removed. They contain all the minerals and vitamins of the whole milk except that which is supplied in eating butter. They are rich in bone and tooth building mineral salts. Their protein is a rich source of muscle and tissue building material, while the lactose in skim milk solids is particularly valuable for keeping the intestinal tract in a healthy condition.

Cheese and ice cream naturally contain the skim milk solids. The slight effort which it takes to see that the bread and other bakery goods purchased for the family are made with skim milk solids will be rewarded by increased health and vitality during the trying months.

NERVOUS HEADACHE



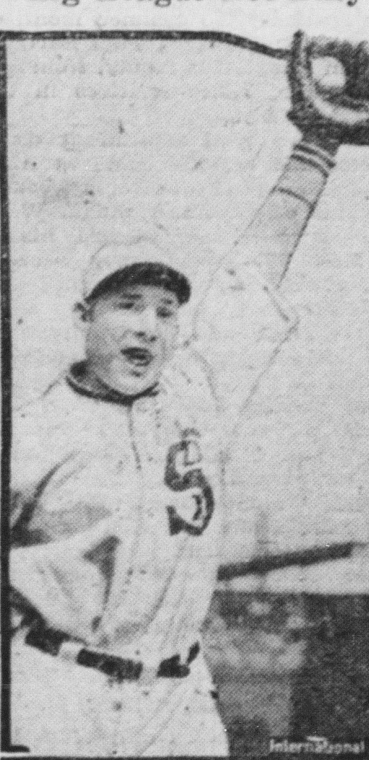
Next time you have a nervous headache try this—Two teaspoonsful of Dr. Miles' Nervine. If you can get a few minutes sleep, the headache is pretty sure to be gone when you wake up.

DR. MILES' NERVINE

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Big League Not Easy



Buck Redfern of the Chicago White Sox is one rookie who doesn't think the big league is as easy as the brush.

"I could burn 'em up down in the Southern and Texas leagues," he says, "but it's different up here. It's tough, up here. That's all there is to it."

Redfern doesn't care so much for the big town.

Sport Notes

Bobby Jones still remains above par with the golfing world.

A decathlon is any combination of ten athletic events. Such as putting up a screen door.

Members of the New York boxing commission have to attend every fight. That isn't a job—it's a punishment.

Mr. Heeney did not win the fight, but he certainly came as near to earning his money as any one could come, and live.

A Philadelphia boxer has taken the name of Firpo. He is Joe (Kid) Firpo a junior lightweight who has been quite a sensation.

"Fifteen minutes after pulling on a pair of your socks," wrote the sarcastic golfer to the prominent knitting concern, "I made my first hole in one."

Our ancestors were a queer lot, paying sometimes as much as eight dollars to hear Jenny Lind sing, instead of forty to watch heavyweights waltz.

To Clarence De Mar, marathoner, goes the honor of being the veteran of America's 1928 Olympic team. He is the only survivor of the 1912 brigade.

Due to the excitement of making a hole-in-one on the golf course at Elgemont, N. J., Paul T. Bloodsworth, aged twenty-eight, of Hornell, N. Y., fell over dead.

William C. Vogt, expert angler and champion caster, can snap a pipe from the mouth of a person fifty feet away with a bassy attached to a fly line and rod.

Oh! East is East and West is West, and it is noted in Helen Will's new book that the word "nut," as applied to a tennis player in England, means she is good at it.

Members of the Indianapolis Gun club have an unwritten tradition that a contest of some kind be held every Saturday at the traps, regardless of weather conditions.

Retired four years ago, the thoroughbred half-miler Doctor Kelly, said to be twenty-eight years old, is still demonstrating Father Time has not robbed him of all of his speed.

Jack Caywood, heavyweight boxer of Fort Crook, Neb., claims the longest reach of any fighter in his class. His reach is 81 inches, just an inch short of that of the former heavyweight champion, Jess Willard.

Johnny Farrell, golf champ, set a mark for the future to shoot at on the new Hillendale course in Baltimore. The score was 60.

DIAMOND PICK-UPS

Pitcher Deberry with the Louisville Colonels, plays golf left-handed and carries two sets of clubs.

Baseball isn't so bad off in Kansas City. A record of more than 5,000 saw a recent week-day game.

There are baseball writers who still refer to the American league race when they know it is a walk-away.

Winston-Salem of the Piedmont league has sold Arthur Reinholz, third baseman, to the Cleveland Indians.

Speaker hit .300 for ten seasons dropped out of the .300 class and then returned for a string of eight in a row.

Ray Schalk is himself authority for the statement that he did not resign his job with the White Sox, but was given the air.

Amidst the other wonders that Lena Blackburne has accomplished is getting Bib Falk to bustle. The Texas is also hitting.

Chalmers Cissel of the White Sox comes from a family that once had eight members playing baseball with various teams.

The Federal baseball grounds near the city of Osaka, Japan, covers 13 acres and the grand stand can seat 10,000 spectators.

Fans in Pittsburgh think the Pirates will not have a catching burden as long as Charley Hargreaves is able to don mask and mit.

Outfielder Charley Dorman has been purchased by the Cleveland Americans from the Tyler club in the West Texas league.

Bloomington, Ill., has turned over to Moline Outfielder Jay Sicrist and purchased optionally from Indianapolis Outfielder John Anderson.

Big league scouts say it is a tough job in the minors this year finding worth-while material which is not already owned by some major league club.

Edson Brewster, veteran telegraph operator at the Polo grounds, has never been known to arrive at the ball field without rubbers and umbrella.

John J. O'Shea, left-hander of the Boston College team, signed with the Boston Red Sox, less than 24 hours after graduating and joined the team at once.

If Jake Flowers, the ex-Cardinal, maintains his present batting and fielding pace for the Robins, Manager Robinson's second base problem will be solved.

Joe Hornung, one-time star out fielder of the National league, has an old baseball on which is inscribed, July 10, 1878. Forest City, S; Teacumb, O."

Daddy Vance, the Brooklyn star, has no rival as a strike-out artist. He has led the National league in this department for the last six years and probably will lead again this year.

Playing second base, Margaref Gisolo led her team, the Blanford Cubs, to victory in the Vermillion county (Indiana) division of the American national baseball tournament.

In 1923 Rube Farnham of the Baltimore club won 33 games and 20 of them came in a row. Socks Seibell, veteran with Reading, is trying to run up a big total this year with 15 at ready in.

The Philadelphia Athletics hold the highest and lowest team batting average ever compiled in a world series. They made the former with .317 average in 1910 and the latter with a .162 average in 1905.

It is a far cry from the old-time musical double-play combination, such as Tinker to Evans to Chance, to the Brooklyn trio, Bancroft to Riconda to Bissnette, or Durocher to Lazzeri to Gehrig.

Nick Alrock claims to have made more putouts in one season than any other pitcher. He made 49 with the White Sox in 1904.