WOMAN AND THE HOME, PRIZE SUGGESTIONS, VAGARIES OF FASHION, CHILDREN'S CORNER



WOMEN IN WARTIME

By Ellen Adair

Sorrow as the Great Leveler

ONLY the other day a case appeared | knitting in your hands, Maggle ** asks one of her brothers. weman residing on Long Island was so relatives in the war that her mind became deranged, grief brought on violent mad!" she says. "Knitting is what premania and she had to be removed to the insane anytum.

and yet it has a parallel in hundreds of others which remain more or less in obscurity, but which are none the less News came to this French woman from her old home in Alsace that er two brothers had been killed, then her brother-in-law, and finally her

Shortly after the reception of this news more information came. It appeared that her father, aged 80, and her mother, aged 78, had got in the line of fire and been shot down, and that her old home had been riddled with shot and burned with all its contents. Small wonder then that the mind of the unhappy woman should give way under the terrible loss!

Another case appeared recently where a mother, a Russian woman, had lost five sons, one after the other, in the war. She did not go mad with grief, though her heart was well nigh broken. Instead she set to work with redoubled energy on behalf of the poor soldiers in the trenches. "My sons would be glad to know that I am doing what I can," she said simply, and with the outward stoical calm which the Russian peasant woman, accustomed to terrible hardships and poverty all her life, has cultivated from childhood.

Of And so she sits all day long, knitting, knitting, sewing and stitching for the troops. When I hear of all these heartbroken, anxious mothers and sisters and wives knitting with feverish zeal, I think of Sir James Barrie's famous play. What Every Woman Knows," where Maggie Wylie, the Scotch heroine, declares that knitting is a woman's salva-

And Maggie looks at him, wondering crushed by the deaths of her nearest that he should know so little of women. "If we women didn't knit, we would go

> The women of the world have taken upon themselves the very hardest sort of work, so that their men can go off to the front and fight for home and country. In London, the Parliamenta, Secretary to the Board of Trade dec ares that the total number of women registered for special war service up to April 16 was approximately 47,000, of whom over 8000 had entered their names as willing to undertake armament work. In connection with the production of armaments, some of the principal factories had informed the Board of Trade that they would need during the next few months an additional number of women amounting to 13,000,

It is a great and wonderful thing that the women of England have such avenues of work open to them. Without work to do, the mental strain of idle waiting would be too much and they would break. Sligs beat a station with olumey fingers. . . . would be too much and they would break down under the load of suspense. For idle waiting is the hardest thing in the whole world to bear.

The wealthy Edinburgh lady who is running one of the street trolley cars. thereby allowing the driver to go off to store. the front with the knowledge that his don't you run away with the girl?" he weekly salary is going to his wife and asked. family as usual, has solved a problem for herself as well as for the driver. For for herself as well as for the driver. For in hard work she will have less time if the does at hard man."

"He'd be satisfied to let you marry if you owned the store?" which may come to those she loves,

War-time is a great leveler. For war means devastation and sorrow-and sorrow is the greatest leveler of all. When it comes to the loss of husbands, brothers,

and sweethearts, it is true that The Colonel's lady and Judy O'Grady Are sisters under their skins. and in common work for the commo "Why must you always have cause will find their only salvation.

The Kids' Chronicle

This aftirnoon I was wateing for ma A RECEPTION will be held at the to get three darning wun of pops socks. A Plastic Club temorrow afternoon to THIS aftirnoon I was wateing for ma so she cood put sum buttins awn my welcome the new members. Miss Harpants, and aftir I had wated a wile I sed, riett Sartain, the president of the club, Im going out, ma, you can fix my pants, will receive: Florence B. Fulton and

Now bettir not go out till Ive mendid You bettir not go out till Ive mendid you, yung man, youve one got 2 butt ns left to fassen yure sispendirs to, sed ma. Wich was awl 1 had, but I went out enghow, and nun of the fellos was erround so I went erround to Mary Watkinses street and Mary Watkins was setting out awn her frunt steps, and I sat alawngside of her, saying, Helo, Mary, and she sed, Helo, I was jest going to start to go to the grocery stoar, do you start to go to the grocery stoar, do you wunt to kum with me.

Awl rite, I sed.

And she got up swf of the steps and so sid I, ony wile I was doing it sumthing did sumthing in back of me, beeing my back sispendir buttin flying swf, and I quick put my hands in my pockits awn akkount of not noing how mutch perteckshin wun sispendir buttin wood be.

med Mary Watkins. thats the new stile, thats awl rite. No its not awl rite eethir, and you

jest take them out agen, she sed. Its awl rite for me, I sed. Wy is it, sed Mary Watkins.

Bekause Im independent, I sed Well you cant wawk alawng with me with yure hands in yure pockits, she sed. Awl rite, then Ill go hoam, Im independ-I sed. And I startid to wawk hoam

and Mary Watkins called aftir me, You can keep them in if you wunt.
I no I can, I sed. And I did, and kepp

At the Women's Clubs

Mrs. T. P. Farrell will assist. This affair will last from 4 until 6 o'clock. Today is Inauguration Day at the Sat-

urday Club of Wayne. The lunchroom of the New Century Club, 124 South 12th street, will close for the present season on Saturday, May The next opening will be on Oc-

Mrs. John M. Shrigley and Miss Shrigley will be at home to members of the New Century Guild next Saturday after-noon after 3 o'clock, at 436 Lansdowne avenue, Lansdowne.

Mrs. Robert Steele will hold "An Afternoon in the Country" at her home in Bryn Mawr next Friday, for the bene-fit of the baby hygeine activi

Dont you no its not pullite to wawk slawing the street with a lady that way, sed Mary Watkins.

Wat way, I sed. Noing wat way, awl ite, ony not wunting to take them out awn akkount of wat mite happin.

Wy, with yure hands in yure pockits.

Wat way, League, Congress of Clubs of Western Pennsylvania, Pennsylvan Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania State Federation of Women's Clubs, col-ored, and the State Federation of Penn-

sylvania Women.

A "drop in" luncheon for students and graduates of Smith College will be held at the College Club, 1300 Spruce street, next Friday afternoon. The regular Monday afternoon tea yesterday was given in honor of medical students and graduates. The hostesses included Dr. Frances C. Van Gasken, Dr. Martha Tracy, Dr. Sarah H. Loughrey and Dr. Caroline Croasdale, all of the Women's Medical College. Tea was served ... the new garden of the club. sylvania Women.

he had determined to find him out and see how he liked his new home. And, of

course, he told all about Billy Robin and

"And now you must come and see my home." said Frisky, and away they started for the golden glow bed where

new garden of the club.

his kindnesses.

were staying.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Reddy and Frisky Learn Something

THE way to Frisky Cottontail's new | his little mate had missed him and how home in the city seemed very long to little Reddy Squirrel. He was used to going long journeys, but not to taking journeys of just that kind. Usually he traveled in the woods where the ground was soft and leafy under foot and where the five baby rabbits and their mother he could stop and rest and nibble some tender roots any time he wished. But Billy Robin went so fast that Reddy Biffy Robin went so fast that Reddy didn't dare risk stopping a minute—he had to watch closely and keep steadily at his running leat he lose his guide. So when he finally reached the garden where Frisky lived he was quite out of breath. Fortunately Billy Robin didn't expect any "Thank you"; he saw how breathless Reddy was, so he said, "Yondur in that golden glow bed is Frisky's home. But you had better stay in the hedge there and rest before you talk to him. Have no fear about going back to him. Have no fear about going back to your home. I will come before night and escort you back. Good-bye for now!"
And away he flew. Isn't Billy Robin just the nicest, kindest bird?
Left alone in the osage orange hedge.

Left alone in the osage orange hedge, Reddy got his breath and began to look

But before he had had time to more than slance about, a soft stir on the side of the thicket made him crouch back into the leaves for shelter. Somebody

Not a move did Reddy make except with his beady black eyes-they looked right and left in search of danger. Closer came the soft sound and Reddy was just be-ginning to wish he had never left the woods where he knew what sounds to he afraid of, when-who should slip into the heart of the thicket but-Frisky Cot-tontall himself?

"Wes that you making that noise"'
asked Redd; breathlessly (there would be
time for a real greeting when he knew
he was safe).

"Ready Squirzel" exclaimed Frinky in elighted tones "Was it you I heard in as hedge just now?" hedge just now?"
I guess maybe it was," laughed Reddy
et lef "I'm not used to these city
gos and I was afraid an enemy was
plug May you have a safe home all

to be here? I never thought to

after told him all about how he and

Reddy rubbes his eyes and looked again and Frisky stared his hardest-but there wasn't a move! "That's funny," asid Reddy shamefacedly, "I was sure that shell moved-but, of course, it didn't." "I was sure it did, too," said Frisky in perplexity. "That's queer now, isn't it?" Jest then Mr. Garden Toad, hopped by. "Oh, Mr. Garden Toad," called Frisky, "this is my friend, Reddy Squirrel, and we both think we saw that shell move. Did 11? Shells don't usually move, you know."

They hadn't gone but a few steps t'll they both stopped short in dismay. Right there in front of them was a dainty little

shell and it was moving. Yes, they were sure it moved. Reddy rubbes his eyes and looked again

know."
"Oh, yes, they do sometimes," replied Mr. Garden Toud, modding politicly to Reddy; "you have learned something, you see. That is ply friend, Mr. Smill, and he carries his hause on his back!" Cappright - Clore Ingram Judius.

The Daily Story

Silas of Hebron Valley

John G. Davidson, with his cleanly shaven, comely face, cleft chin, blue eyes and firm Jaw, might have been from appearances an actor. He might have been mistaken for a popular preacher or a professional baseball player. His age was, apparently, anywhere between 20 and 50 years. nd 50 years. He had the air of good living and pros-

perity which the man of the world is supposed to wear. All guesses as to his profession, how-

ever, would probably have gone wide of the mark. He was a senior member of the firm of Davidson & Cole, of Wall Street. firm of Davidson & Cole, of Wall Street, a firm which here a rather shady reputation. Even now he was hurrying home from a hunting trip in Maine, which had been cut short by the tip, irregularly received, of a big "killing" to be made the next day on the stock exchange.

Despite the suspicion which attached to

him on Wall Street, Davidson's face was one people instinglively liked and trusted. When at a remote junction point, Sins Ashlar entered the smoker of the train, shaking the snowflakes from his ulster-it was midwinter and storming-he took the seat beside the broker.

Ashlar was 25, and his good-natured face, unchiseled by the stress of city life, was round and immatured, yet withal there was native shrewdness in it and

frank honesty.

Davidson was a man to inspire not only confidence, but confidences; besides, he was in the mood for conversation. In the course of half an hour the country youth was unburdening himself to this agree-able stranger as he had never talked to his closest friend.

Silas beat a tattoo with clumsy fingers on the window sill and smiled with em-barrassment before he proceeded. "There's-there's a girl, you know."

'Indeed: Briggs' daughter, I suppose?" "No; Jennie Gardner. We're-we're er gaged, you see. That's why I want the Davidson's interest quickened. "Why

father. So is her mother, for that mat-

meanness," returned Silas. "He thinks it's impossible for me to buy it or he wouldn't say so. All I got's five hunit's impossible to. All I got's five the wouldn't say so. All I got's five their dred dollars. Briggs wants two thousand. I'm goin' down to New York to see if I can't raise it. I've heard of see if I can't raise it. I've heard of

"They'd get your hay in about 20 minutes on Wall Street," responded Dav-idson decisively; "I know, because that's where I hang out. But see here, Ashlar, I've got a little sporting blood in my veins, and I've been under dog myself. Suppose I help you down this tu'-penny

"Say, if you only would?" "Very well. Let's have your five hun-red. There's something on for tomorrow, and maybe I can clean up your little pile for you during the excilement. Are you willing to trust me and take the

Ashlar's answer was to draw, with trembling fingers, a bulky envelope from in inner pocket and pass it over to the broker, who tore it open and counted the contents dexterously. There was five hundred dollars in the package in wellthumbed tens and twenties.

The broker stowed the money away and produced a bit of pasteboard. "There's my address," he said, handing the card to Ashlar. "You come to that number day after tomorrow at 10, and I'll have some news for you."

When at dusk Ashlar, bewildered by

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A most interesting campaign in the
Interests of peace has been indorsed by
the Daughters of the American Revolution, Pennsylvania Congress of Mothers, reassured him. "I was a darn fool for ever thinkin' of this thing," he mut-tered. "They'd surely beat me if I tried to go on. It is a form of nervousness speculatin' by myself. I guess Davidson which may prove to be the forerunner.

> The New York & Western episode on the stock exchange next day was merely a skirmish in the great industrial wara skirmish in the great industrial war-fare which goes on ceaselessly in that slit in the granite called Wall Street. A few profited, scores were ruined. Before Davidson & Cole had loaded up Irre-trievably with the stock, Davidson smelled danger, and had begun to let go. His suspicions proved justified. The story of the fight for control was a clever fake which had already county trees. irre- keeping the body in a healthy condition. fake which had already caught many small firms. It developed that the Silvers and the Hillmans had long since come to an amicable agreement in regard to the

"Then we're out about 55 thou-sand," said Lucius Cole, the morning after the skirmlah, as he sat with his after the skirmian, as he sat with his partner in their private office. "About 65 thousand," agreed David-son, "and if I hadn't got wise until a half hour later, we'd been down and out

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A clerk ushered in Silas Ashlar. The country youth was haggard with anxiety. "The morning paper says you were hit hard." he began. "My money—"
"Your money's all right." interrupted Davidson. "I had your little old two thousand salted before the balloon ascension. Here's your check." He handed Ashlar a slip of paper.

Silas, for a few moments, was dazed by the good news. Then he began to stammer his thanks, but Davidson waved them aside. "Not a word now, Silas. I

them aside. "Not a word now, Silas. I want just two promises of you: That you'll never monkey with the stock exchange again; and that you will go ho and fix up a wedding within two weeks.

Do you agree?"

There were tears in the young man's eyes. "If Jennie says the word, we'll be married inside 24 hours. This money shuts her father up. I don't want any more stock exchange business either, you bet. I've been too worried the last two days. God bless you, Mr. Davidson. If you ever come to Hebron Valley, I'll try to show how much you've done for us."

A dark flush mounted Cole's thick neck and overspread his face as the system. A dark dush mounted Coles thick neck and overspread his face as the grateful Ashlar left the office. "Are you crazy, Davidson?" he demanded angrily. "What the devil did you give up that money for? The fool hayseed would have helieved anything you told him." Although meant as sarcasm, a note of anxiety crept into his high, excited voice at the

"You ain't turning hon-There was more bitterness than humos in Eavidson's smile as he replied: "It's a little late in the day for that, isn't it? flut I'li tell you why I did it, if you want to know. Did you ever stop to think why I wasn't married?"

a girl away back, probably."
ad c.zht. Ducius. Her folks thought I dight have money enough, so they sold her off to a tight-fisted grubber with a few hundred dollars and a heart like a blekery nut. It's her daughter Ashlar wants to marry. Her nusband don't like him, and he put the same stumbling block up to the boy that was laid in my path—money."

Well, I win't kicking, am I'' anarled Cole, with a change of front which would have pussed any one but his partner.

"You're sentor membes of this firm, and you can make an ass of yourself if you want to. But while I was about it, I'd got the boy more than a measly two thousand."

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A CHILD'S SUMMER OUTING SUIT

AROUND THE BARGAIN COUNTERS

Newest Bargains in Blouses

BLOUSES are getting more and more sheer and more elaborate, in some cases, as the season advances. It is some cases, as the season advances. It is a regular evolution to watch the styles styles in sheer lingeric blouses at \$2.85 change, and to note the difference between spiece. This is indeed a moderate price, as some of the models are worth more. the strictly tailored styles which opened the season, with their high collars and pockets, and the frilly adaptations of the same which are seen in all the shops now. One large department store is actually selling Georgette crope blouses for \$2. Any woman who has paid five will realize what a real bargain this is. The style is

good one, although it has short sleeves The front of the blouse has a deep V neck, with frills at either side of it. The sleeves are also trimmed with frills, which cover the elbow. This comes in flesh pink . A batiste blouse in the same store made with a low flat collar at the back,

with revers in front. A lacing of wide black ribbon moire encircles the neck, passing through eyelets on the front of buttons form the only trimming.

Sleeplessness

upon the pillow, but it may be a few

hours before you actually go to sleep, and even then with a readiness to wake

You may not exactly realize how serious

To use your brain power until a late

hour at night is a certain "anti-sleeping"

draught. Let it be remembered that sleep

is the next important item to food in

You may find the following simple ex-

ercise helpful; it has certainly proved a

good corrective in many cases of sleep-

lessness. When ready for bed lie flat on

your back, removing the pillow so that the head is on the same level; place the

hands under the back, take a deep breath,

hold it for a few seconds and then exhale.

Keep the eyes partly closed and think

about nothing but the slow breathing;

counting to a certain number for each

breath taken may help you in this re-

spect. Repeat the exercise two or three

times, and you will shortly fall into a

Love Unsought

Nor would I change my blissful lot, While thus I am allowed to make My heart a bankrupt for thy sake.

It may be so! Enough for me If sunny skies will smile o'er thee

Or I can trace, when thou art far, Thy pathway like a distant star. —Emma Embury.

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It may be so; I heed it not

of many complaints.

sound sleep,

We all experience from time to time the feeling of sleeplessness; the head falls

SUGGESTIONS

selling out some of its most exclusive

A black moire ribbon is threaded through

charmingly French appearance to the

A large Chestnut street store is showing a lovely colored linen blouse for \$2.95. It

omes in almost any shade, including the

favorite green, mauve, tan and lemon

yellow, which are seen so much on the heavier weight styles. The lines of this blouse are extremely plain, with a low

neck, long sleeves, and a few tucks at the shoulder to give fullness. Pearl but-tons of a larger size than the usual blouse

collar in a bizarre fashion, giving

PRIZE SUGGESTIONS For the following suggestions sent in by readers of the Evening Ledges prizes of \$1 and 50 cents are awarded.

All suggestions should be addressed to Ellen Adair, Eddtor of Woman's Page, Evening Ledges, Independence Square, Philadelphia. which may prove to be the forerunner

A prize of \$1 has been awarded to Alfred, 732 Pine street, Philadelphia, for the following suggestion:

If you want to clean your brass candlesticks, try the following method: Use common blackboard chalk-white-and scrape it down with a knife. Add water until it becomes a paste and then apply with a cloth or fine brush. Rub all black places hard and they will soon disappear. Then wipe dry with a damp cloth and polish with a dry one.

A prize of 50 cents has been awarded to Mary N. Carroll, 5519 Greene street, Ger-mantown, for the following suggestion: When the upper side of a clasp comes

off a glove, sew a button on the opposite side and make a buttonhole of the opening left by the clasp. This makes the glove fit better and it feels much more com-

A prize of 50 cents has been awarded to Miss A. Travis, 1402 South 11th street, Phil-adelphia, for the following suggestion: When an article which has been cleaned

They tell me that I must not love, That thou wilt spurn the free And unbought tenderness that gives Its hidden wealth to thee. with gasoline has a ring around the spot, take a cloth and dip it in water and go all over the circle. The ring will imme-diately disappear. This applies to a woolen or cloth article of any kind.

A prize of 50 cents has been awarded to Mary Gray, 1211 Arch street, Philadelphia, for the following suggestion: To work buttonholes in lace, baste a small square of lawn underneath the They tell me when the fleeting charm Of novelty is o'er, Thou'lt turn away with careless brow And think of me no more. place where you wish to put the buttonhole, then cut the holes and work them. Cut away the surplus lawn, leaving them





Children's Clothes

considering its possibilities. Children's clothing wears out very quickly, especially if their garments are made of soft mull or batiste. The French shops sell numerous dresses of this kind, beautifully embroidered, and practically useless after the first season-if they last even as long as that.

The atrenuous American youngster requires something becomingly practical, and the only garment which answers this description accurately is the cunning little costume of bloomers and blouse, known as the Dickens suit. These look charming, and will stand any reasonable amount of wear-that is, as compared with other fabrics.

The square-necked blouse is made of striped cotton crepe, which sells for almost nothing in any store. It is made wrong to do otherwise.

THIS is the time when the little folks begin to clamor for the seashers, and anxious mammas are busily engaged ing cuff—just a wide kimono sleeve to sorting out the summer wardrobe and allow free play for the high spirits of a child.

The bloomers are separate, so that they may be fastened on with the large buttons, which are seen on the beit. They come in almost any color bination, blue or pink-and-white being the most popular. This completes the costume, and it is a most picturesqua

The striking thing about these children's clothing is the fact that in many cases little boys and little girls wear the same kind of a suit. The bloomers are so practical and comfortable that many children wear them until they are quite old. Striped socks of all descrip-tions are worn, and those shown in the nicture have a plaid lining, with the tions are worn, and those snown in the picture have a plaid lining, with the stripes on the outside. Children, like flowers, show the effects of all the strention given them, and it is so easy to

Tomorrow's Menu

the repast had lasted an hour or more some hashed meat highly peppered."

> BREAKFAST. Almond Apple Sauce Oatmeal and Cream

LUNCHEON OR SUPPER Hashed Lamb on Toast Brown Sweet Potatoes Sliced Oranges Cookies

Clear Soup
Roast Beef Browned Potatoes
Parsnip Fritters
Lettuce Salad
Lemon Meringue Pie

Almond Apple Sauce-Sprinkle finely chopped almonds mixed with cinnamon over sweetened apple sauce.

browned sweet rotations—Line a but-tered baking dish with slices of cold boiled sweet potatoes. Season with salt, pepper, and three tablespoonful of brown sugar and a tablespoonful of butter broken in small pieces. Repeat and aprinkle with buttered bread crumbs. Bake brown. One striking blouse was made with a high, close fitting collar, and touches of embroidery on either side of the front.

WAR AIDS FOWL MARKET

With Russia Cut Off, England Swamps U. S. With Orders.

Poultry exporters are finding difficulty in keeping up with the demands for medium and small-sized chickens from England, which has lost its supply from Russia since the war closed the Russian ports. Two hundred thousand boxes of chickens, 40 pounds to the box, valued at \$1,400,000, have gone from this country. At present there are several large orders in the hands of exporters who are unable to fill them.

The English markets demand the smaller chickens, which are not so deairable in this market. More than half the exports thus far have been sent directly from Western markets. The latter are reported to be preparing to milk-feed and fatten an unusual amount of the smaller grades of fowl to export in the fall,

Oaklyn Celebrates Tenth Birthday

The 10th anniversary celebration of the founding of Oaklyn will begin next week, and preparations for it are now in order. An elaborate program has been arranged for the entire week, and Mayor Edgar and Council have stated the affair will be the most pretentious yet held,

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