

M'LISS DISCUSSES NEW TYPE OF WOMAN DESCRIBED BY WELLS

The Weak and Winsome Variety to Be Superseded by a Queer Sort—Tall and Weather-beaten

WHAT a busy time the pessimists are having predicting dire happenings after the war. H. G. Wells, who is always prophesying about something or other, and who curiously enough sometimes has the good fortune to see his prognostications come true, in an article in the Ladies' Home Journal for June, which should be of interest to every woman in America, indulges in an excess of pessimism. Hist to what he has to say: "Winsome, weak womanhood will be told bluntly by men and women alike that it is a bore. The frou-frou of skirts, the delicate mysteries of the toilet will cease to thrill any but the very young men. "Beauty enthroned for love must give way to the tall weather-hardened woman with a spear, leaving her mate as her mate loves her and as sexless as a man in all her busy hours. "There have always been women who wanted to share men's work and women who wanted to 'inspire' it. The ordinary woman fluctuates between the two—turns now to the Western ideal of citizenship and now to the Eastern of submission. "Once to be married was a woman's whole career. All her romances ended in marriage; all a decent man's ended there, too. "A marriage that does not ripen into a close personal friendship between the two equals will be regarded with increasing definiteness as an unsatisfactory marriage. "It remains to be proved that 'the frou-frou of skirts and the delicate mysteries of the toilet will cease to thrill any but the very young men.' Personally, I don't believe it. I think it will take even more than a world war to pull down from the high niche in which man has enshrined her the weak, woman, or, as she is more generally known, the clinging vine. Even were Mr. Wells' article unassigned the masculinity of its author would be discernible. For instance, no woman in this day and age would ever have written

the delicate mysteries of the toilet will cease to thrill any but the very young men. It is to laugh. In an era when women without qualm or blush stop in front of mirrors in shop windows and apply make-up to their lips or rouge to their cheeks; when powder puffs and eyebrow pencils may be found in virtually every woman's hand satchel; in short, when women carry all their palehritidinous ammunition with them, and do not hesitate to flash it in the open, why speak of delicate mysteries of the toilet? Also, every woman knows that it is not the young man who is susceptible. He is not the one most easily fooled. It is the middle-aged and the old, those whose illusions concerning the sex have grown with the years, who are the "easy mark" for the woman with nothing else to depend on for her charm but the frou-frou of her skirts and the so-called mysteries of her toilet. And as for the substitute Mr. Wells offers us, "the tall weather-hardened woman with a spear," I must confess I wouldn't give a fig for her appeal. The tentacles of the clinging vine are hampering enough, I should say, but why a woman with a spear? Of course, the eminent English author writes symbolically, but his choice of symbols is certainly ill-advised. I agree with him that woman should be "meless" in business. All honorable and proud women are, according to obtain favors for their sex to which their merits do not entitle them. But is it necessary that we become human porcupines; that we substitute prickly bristles for frou-frouing skirts in order to take our rightful, albeit long-delayed, places side by side in the business world with men? I think not. One sentence, however, that I have quoted is worthy of the most respectful attention: "A marriage that does not ripen into a close personal friendship between two equals will be regarded with increasing definiteness as an unsatisfactory marriage." M'LISS.

Letters to the Editor of the Woman's Page

Address all communications to M'Liss, care of the Evening Ledger. Write on one side of the paper only. Dear M'Liss—Would like to know what breed of dog is considered the most intelligent. And which one would learn tricks the quickest and be best for small apartments. W. W. H. Atlantic City, N. J., June 4. An expert tells me that a smooth-coated fox terrier is the best breed for trick work. A cross-bred spaniel is also exceedingly intelligent. Dear M'Liss—Is it true that mail from this country to a neutral country is opened by

SEEN IN THE SHOPS



FOR CLOSING SCHOOL DAYS

HERE is a serviceable and attractive little wash frock for the closing days of school and for the summer, too. It features the long-waisted effect as well as the combination of materials. White galatea is used for the collar and cuffs, which are embroidered in the color of the blouse, as well as the belt and plaited skirt. The blouse, which is smocked in white and finished with pearl buttons, comes in plain and striped effects in several different materials. In striped madras it may be had in green, blue, pink or brown and white. It may be had in various solid colors in poplin, chambray and ratine chambray. In size from 10 to 14 years; price, \$4.50. The name of the shop where these articles may be purchased will be supplied by the Editor of the Woman's Page, EVENING LEDGER, 608 Chestnut street. The request must be accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope, and must mention the date on which the article appeared.

GALLOPING CANCER MAY AFFECT PERSONS AT VARIOUS AGES

By WILLIAM A. BRADY, M. D.

Doctor Brady will answer all slanted letters pertaining to health. If your question is of general interest, it will be answered through these columns, if not, it will be answered personally. Doctor Brady will not prescribe for individual cases, or make diagnoses. Address, Dr. William Brady, care of the Evening Ledger.

YEARS ago we used to hear much of "galloping consumption." The term signified a very rapid course of the disease, what doctors now call acute phthisis, or a sort of tubercular pneumonia—an acute inflammation of a whole lobe or lung due to the tubercle bacillus. There is a form of cancer which merits a similar title. It is called sarcoma. This kind of cancer possesses several distinguishing characteristics unlike ordinary cancer. Sarcoma occurs in persons of any age, from infancy to advanced years. Ordinary cancer is unusual in young persons. Sarcoma develops acutely, whereas ordinary cancer is insidious in onset. A child or adult suffers some slight injury, and weeks or months later trouble begins at the seat of injury, swelling, pain, tenderness, the symptoms suggesting "pneumonia" or inflammation of an abscess. Galloping cancer may affect any organ or tissue. It frequently develops in the long bones of arm or leg, in the jaw, in the soft tissues of the abdominal wall, in the nasal cavity. Ordinary cancer spreads through its "roots"; that is, it follows the lymphatic or drainage channels of the affected area and takes root in the lymph glands near by, as in the arm pit in cancer of the breast, or in the kernels under the jaw in cancer of the lip, face or tongue. Sarcoma spreads through the blood stream. Minute cancer cells break off from the parent cancer and are hurled about through the circulation (metastases), lodging, perhaps, in the lungs, the brain or elsewhere in some distant organ. Hence, the surgical treatment of ordinary cancer is often fair prospects if all the neighboring lymph glands are excised at the same time, but the surgical removal of sarcoma, even at the earliest possible time, may be futile if perchance some metastasis has already occurred. There is this favorable point, however: While ordinary cancer has no definite limiting wall, but permeates itself into sound tissue, sarcoma is generally sharply defined from surrounding tissues. So that, when a sarcoma is removed, provided metastasis has not occurred, the

patient will surely recover—a large number of the patients do recover. But the important idea is to remember that there is such a thing as galloping cancer, that it may affect a person of any age, that it resembles an acute inflammation or swelling, and that it is fatal in a few weeks or months unless radically treated at the very first.

Rose Wafers These are delicious for a summer candy-making party: Sift together 4 ounces of powdered sugar and 3 ounces of pastry flour. Then mix in, while beating steadily, a pinch of salt, a quarter pound of melted butter and the stiffly whipped whites of two eggs. A teaspoonful of rose extract, scent measurement, follows. Now add enough sweet cream to form a batter, that will fall in ribbons from the mixing spoon. Cook in buttered wafer irons and dry carefully in a sieve or cake rack.

Consider the Elbow The girl who wears sleeveless dance frocks, or transparencies of georgette that serve for sleeves, should do well to remember that the elbow, when not properly cared for, is most unattractive. It would be a good thing to make a habit of scrubbing the elbows thoroughly with a soft nail brush and warm water every night before retiring, and then rubbing a good cold cream well into the elbow. This softens the skin and makes it more pleasing to the eye.

Mending Chairs Every day picture wire is often useful to mend the bottom of chairs that have fallen through. Lace the wire across the bottom like a net, leaving 2-inch wide spaces. Then cover with a large cretonne cushion. This treatment will prolong the life of many a porch chair.

HEMSTITCHING 5c YD. Have you seen our new NECO EDGE? Hand Hemming, Scalloping, Initialing, Buttonholes, Etc. Novelty Embroidery Co. 1517

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MARION HARLAND'S CORNER

All communications addressed to Marion Harland should include a stamped, self-addressed envelope in which you are interested. Persons who desire to be included in the "Marion Harland" column should write Marion Harland in care of the paper, for advice made in the column will be published, and having received them, communicate direct with those parties.

Waxing Real Flowers "Will you please tell me through the Corner how to wax real flowers?" "READER." It is a trade secret, I suspect, although we submit the query to Cornerites, who may be able to enlighten you.

Request for Browning's Poems "Do you think you could publish the words of Robert Browning's poem, 'O, to be in England?' I have no room in the Corner for poems of more than one or two stanzas, and seldom for even that much, but you are pretty certain that the lines you wish to get will be supplied by kindly readers familiar with Browning. We register your address in this expectation.

Songs of Fifty Years Ago "I have the answer to 'The Gypsy's Warning' and lots of other songs that were popular 50 years ago. I always read your Corner and enjoy it. J. H. S. We have no room in the Corner for a great deal of possible application your bountiful hand is throwing open. If half the readers who wanted 'The Gypsy's Warning' would be satisfied with the 'reply' you will be kept busy for weeks to come. Your proposal is conclusive and practical proof that our Corner is so fortunate as to please you.

Copies of Poems "I saw that Mrs. M. F. H. offered to copy a poem which I have tried to find for years. It is 'That Old Sweetheart of Mine.' I shall be glad to send you a copy of it. I also would like a copy of 'The Little White Hears' and 'The Christmas Homecoming.' And has any one the words of the song, 'Just Behind the Time?' I have a large collection of poems. I shall watch the Corner and maybe return the kindness W. A. N."

Not a Beauty Column "I am a girl of 18 and have tried many things to clear my complexion. My face is covered with pimples and it is 'unhappy.' Will you please help me out of the trouble?" "J. R. C." Ours is not a "beauty corner." We have naught to do with cosmetics, paint, powders and hair dye.

Write a Letter "I am anxious to interview you personally and ask that you answer through the paper how I may reach you in person. "E. S." My residence is so far distant from the city from which you write that a meeting is not practicable at present. Write what you wish to say under cover to the paper and it will be answered in due season.

Gasoline for Moths "During the last months I have noticed moths flying around my parlor and have caught some of them. I do not mean to say there are many, but now I am beginning to find small white worms in a large tapestry chair. Please tell me what I can use to get rid of these destroying pests. They have made a small hole in the tapestry and no doubt will do more harm. "MRS. F. W. M." Is there any more effective way of disposing of the pests—winged and larvae—than by soaking the chair with clear gasoline and pouring the same into the floor cracks and corners all through the room? Sweep and dust well before using the gasoline, and when you have done it, shut the room up closely for 24 hours. No insect life can endure through the process. Have no

artificial light near white the gasoline is in hand, and open the room in broad daylight, letting the air sweep freely through it for hours to dispel the odor.

To Clean Kitchen Walls "Kindly advise me through the Corner what I may clean my kitchen walls with, as they are painted and have become spotted with water and grease. Scrub with warm soapuds and a large sponge. If this does not do the work satisfactorily, add kerosene to warm water and sponge again. Dry quickly with soft cloths, baking soda will take off spots from painted walls, applied with a damp cloth dipped into a saucer of the powder.

Origin of "John Bull" "Your correspondents have been so ready to tell how the nicknames 'Uncle Sam' was first applied to the United States, perhaps they may be able to inform us why Great Britain (or was it only England?) got the name of 'John Bull.' Will you oblige me by putting the question?" "I. C. S." With all my heart! The Corner records the inquiry.

Wants Copy of Poem "While attending a vaudeville at one of our playhouses here I heard a young man recite a poem called 'The Gate at the End of Things.' It was so true to life and nature that I have always wanted to get a copy of it. Not knowing the author, I don't quite know where or how to get it. So I come to your Corner?" "BLANCHE B." And the Corner, being altogether ignorant with regard to the desired rhymes, comes to constituents for aid and comfort. Who wrote the poem and who will send in a copy for Blanche B., who depends upon us to find what she can secure nowhere else?

Sulphur for Bedbugs "Will you kindly tell a good way for getting rid of bedbugs? Do you consider the burning of sulphur an effective? If so, how do you use it? Is it necessary to remove wearing apparel from the closets?" "C. H. B." The sulphur treatment is highly commended by an excellent authority, and according to her a pound of flowers of sulphur is put into a metal vessel—a shallow bakopan will do. Upon this is poured a quart of alcohol. The pan is set upon a platform of bricks and a sheet of zinc laid under the bricks. I should have said that the room is swept and dusted well first of all, and the sweepings burned. You need not remove the clothing, but the frames of the room are closed and the sulphur is ignited. Shut the room up closely and do not open for five or six hours. My authority assures me that not a bug escapes the effect of the fumigating. She adds that it is well to try the "cure" just before repapering and painting in the spring, that the walls may get the full benefit of it. There are dozens of other ways (all warranted!) of clearing the premises of the loathsome "cimec lectularius." For that is the scientific name of the "beastie" we dread to mention to our polite. Housewives are invited to contribute sure and certain methods of exterminating him. The early summer is the best time for trying any or all of these.

Shiny Noses A shiny nose is a dreadful calamity at any time, but the worst shiny nose of all is the summer shine. Especially at the seashore the offending member takes on a new luster. My authority assures me that not a bug escapes the effect of the fumigating. She adds that it is well to try the "cure" just before repapering and painting in the spring, that the walls may get the full benefit of it. There are dozens of other ways (all warranted!) of clearing the premises of the loathsome "cimec lectularius." For that is the scientific name of the "beastie" we dread to mention to our polite. Housewives are invited to contribute sure and certain methods of exterminating him. The early summer is the best time for trying any or all of these.

Keeping Bills Down The working girl has to consider many things when she buys her summer frock, for it is not only a question of getting and paying for light summer dresses that interest the business girl, but another question as important is that of having it laundered. Laundry bills can make a goodly hole in any business girl's pocketbook. And this season's styles call for wide, frilly petticoats, and wide frilly skirts over them, and plenty of ruffles—all of which spell more ironing for the laundress and consequent more to pay for. Dark wash materials are best such as voiles, crepes, etc., although these are hard to get, because of the scarcity of dyes. A couple of dark crepe de chine blouses and a serviceable wash silk petticoat will also save laundry bills.

W. C. T. U. HOLDS ITS 32D ANNUAL SESSION

Philadelphia County Organization Hears Gratifying Reports of Year's Work

The 32d annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Philadelphia County started sessions this morning in the Second Church of the United Brethren, 59th and Catharine streets. The convention was called to order this morning by the county president, Mrs. M. V. Stronger, following which prayer was offered by the Rev. S. C. Buck. The appointment of important committees was next on the program. Then the delegates were welcomed by the president of the Sherwood Union, the response being by Mrs. Keenan of the Germantown Union. Reports of the county superintendents of the society showed gratifying progress. Among those who spoke on subjects pertinent to the work of the society were Mrs. A. Holden, Mrs. C. M. Knox, Mrs. F. J. Ferguson, Miss A. E. Ranch, Mrs. E. R. Shields, Mrs. M. B. Stevenson, Mrs. E. M. Vail, Mrs. O. Font-Ameis, Mrs. H. O. Hauck, Mrs. J. W. Alexander, Mrs. L. B. Bessett, Mrs. J. F. Frick, Mrs. Mary Flanagan and Miss A. J. Wilson.

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Lousol's SPORT SUITS of Knitted Jersey Cloth in both Light and Heavyweight No garment is quite so difficult to tailor as the sport suit. For though it must have a free and easy air about it yet it must be perfect of fit and up to the very minute in style. The models that we are showing possess these characteristics in a marked degree, yet their prices are \$15.00 & \$19.50 For This Week Only

The Lace Shop 922 Chestnut Street Bargains for Wednesday Only 4000 Yards of Laces and Embroideries, including Black Silk Laces, White and Cream Net Top Laces, Point de Paris Laces, Neat Embroidery Edges, Insertions and Beadings, values up to 50c a yard. Your 10c a yd. choice at 10c a yd. \$1.00 New Voile Waists at 55c \$2.50 Muslin Underwear, including Gowns, Envelope Chemise and Combinations, trimmed with beautiful Laces and Embroideries, special at \$1.10 \$1.50 Satin Camisoles at 95c 75c Silk and Lace Boudoir Caps 45c 85c a Yard, Real Irish Insertions with Roses, 28c a yd. Real Irish Drop, like cut, value \$1.00 a dozen, at 30c a doz. Real Irish Roses, like cut, value 25c a dozen, at 15c a doz. 65c a yard White Cotton Nets, 72 ins. wide, at 42c a yd. 25c Women's and Children's Silk Handkerchiefs at 10c

THE WOMAN WHO SEWS

Women who wish help with their dress problems should address all communications to the Editor of the Woman's Page, Evening Ledger.

Where are the high collars of yesterday? A diligent search through the shops shows them to be conspicuous by their absence. The few really high collars that are in vogue are cut in the Fashion Empire style. Most of the frocks of summery materials have dainty sailor collars of mull or organdy, boldly turned down or frilled, or arranged any way that is smart. None are tight fitting.

Metaphors that once again Paris has predicted in vain! The high collar has gone the way of the nineties in fashion. It is totally ignored. Even the fashionable woman would be comfortable this year. Memories of last summer's orgy of V-necked frocks and airy décolletés are too painful, and one season of choking is sufficient.

Be she old or young, scrawny or plump, dark or light, there is a low collar to suit every type. It may be a long-lined, shawl collar, or it may be the new "lampshade," which is drawn straight across the shoulders, back and front; or it may be a modest round neck of duster type—but there's a collar for all of us. And they're becoming, too.

Dear Madam—Would you kindly suggest a way to make a rag steel dress, nearly all silk? I am rather heavy, and I want a dress that will be comfortable. Also, I want a color that should look best in the shade of green. I mentioned above in the shade of green.

The skirt of your frock will, of course, present your greatest problem. Skirts are alarmingly beautiful, but tucked and buttoned this season. Their "bouffancy" also is a matter of grave consideration to the woman who is inclined to be stout. Her task is to achieve a skirt which will seem to have all the fullness that fashion demands and yet make her appear slimmer and not fatter than she actually is.

I would suggest a pointed tunic. Drop your underskirt on a lining, unless you have enough of the steel silk to afford an entire underskirt of it. Let the points of your tunic fall to the top of the hem in the front and back and do not let the slope up the side be higher than 12 inches. In this way you will avoid a broad line over the hips.

A straight skirt with panels back and front and the sides dropped from a yoke will also suit your figure. The yoke will save it from utter severity.

You can have no sleeves more attractive than georgette ones. Have them set in on an inner lining, and not attached to the armholes of your overblouse, which will be of the silk. I believe a georgette chemise or vest with touches of hand embroidery in old blue floss silk would be attractive. Tiny cut-steel buckles or beads will increase the attractiveness of the frock, but will add to it greatly.

A cape collar is smart, but be careful lest it exaggerate your size. All the shades of blue will become you. Gray should be excellent; black, if you have color; pink; lavender, if your skin is clear and white may all be worn with impunity. Avoid yellow, browns and greens.

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