

Woman's World

MRS. WILLIAM H. TAFT.

Charming Personality of the Wife of the President Elect.

What manner of woman is Mrs. Taft, whose name is so soon to be added to those of the women whose influence has made the social fame of past administrations? More pertinent still, how will it measure with the record of the Roosevelt regime? The first question is easy to answer, for few women have gone into the White House so well equipped to meet the exacting of the position of "first lady" of the land.

Mrs. Taft has brains and uses them without being in any sense aggressive or pedantic. She talks well and looks well when she is talking. Her smile has the charm of intelligence, that quick flash of recognition distinct from the frozen, automatic smile peculiar to many women in official life, on whom social duties make many demands, even to that of continuously "looking pleasant." She has a generous mouth and handsome teeth, a straight nose, well proportioned to her other features, and a broad forehead, above which her brown hair is arranged in a soft pompadour.

In her knowledge of languages Mrs. Taft will have the advantage over many of her predecessors. The future mistress of the White House is a good



FUTURE MISTRESS OF THE WHITE HOUSE.

housekeeper, and in matters of dress she has quiet tastes. She does much of her own choosing and shopping, and during the season in Washington she patronizes the local shops. Like Mrs. Roosevelt, Mrs. Taft is passionately fond of music. Not only is she a patroness of music, but a musician as well. Though she does not regard herself as sufficiently in practice to perform for a critical audience these days, she has by no means lost her skill and frequently plays for her husband and children during their evenings at home. Other avenues through which her artistic taste finds an outlet are her love of pictures and her appreciation of woodcarving. The art collection of her brother-in-law, Charles Taft, has no more appreciative friend than his sister-in-law. She is enthusiastic about every treasure he adds to it and enjoys few things more than pointing out its beauties to others. Mrs. Taft on her own account has made a study of woodcarving and has the nucleus of a fine collection and knows the fine points in the work of various schools and masters.

She, too, is a book lover, because she grew up in a home where books came down from the shelves and made the worlds they contain part of the domestic environment. As Helen Herron her favorite authors were Thackeray and Dickens. Mrs. Taft is loyal to her old literary friends and still dips into their society. George Eliot is one of the favorites of her later years. Newspapers come in for a daily share of her attention. To any subject in which Mr. Taft is interested or of which he is making a study she also gives a great part of her time. As few men of the period have had occasion to look up information on more varied subjects as the president elect, his wife's knowledge is necessarily extensive. That Mrs. Taft is the right woman for the position of mistress of the White House and that she will be a gracious and charming chateleine there is no manner of doubt.

She Sees the Reason.

Notices and warnings on placards do not begin to make the impression upon the public that one individual experience will. Every woman knows that in all postoffices are cards begging persons to put their names and addresses on all valuable letters that they may be returned in case they cannot be delivered. One woman, at least, has seen and disregarded them for years, but in the future she will do differently. Last month she had occasion to send away \$10 and put one bill of that denomination in an envelope, which she neither registered nor wrote on the back for return. The letter was never delivered, and the woman was obliged to send another bill, this time registered. One day her first letter came back to her after six weeks of wandering.

She found that she had used one of her husband's business envelopes, on which were stamped his name and address, and because she had misdirected it in the first place it had come back to the name printed at the top. Thus she is in \$10, and when she sends money again by mail there is no doubt that the letter will have her own name on the outside as well as that of the addressee.

Dark, Spare Men as Husbands.

"If young women would study the chromatic characteristics of men more closely before betrothing themselves," said the woman who thinks deeply, "there would be fewer unhappy marriages. A man's complexion and general build have much to do with his

disposition. That traditional bogey of the fortune tellers, 'the dark man,' is not such a mistaken type, after all. When, in addition, he is of spare build every girl who wants a happy home ought to have a special mitten all ready to hand to him. Many years of observation have taught me it is impossible for a dark, slender man to make any woman happy. It isn't in him to be happy himself. He invariably is suspicious, narrow minded and parsimonious, and the chances are great he's unscrupulous as well. It is out of the question to please him in any way. He thinks everybody is trying to get the better of him, whereas the truth is he passes his days trying to get the better of everybody else. Moreover, he is envious of the smallest prosperity that comes to another and jealous of the slightest interest, however impersonal, his wife betrays in another man. A law should be passed compelling every dark, spare bachelor to put on flesh or bleach his complexion before taking a wife. Women may get along with blond, slender men or with dark, stout ones, but with those who are dark and slender, never."

A Woman of Tact.

A woman of tact is the one who feels that the story told to hurt your feelings is essentially bad form and inconsiderate of the feelings of others.

A woman of tact is the woman who is courteous to old people, who laughs with the young and who makes herself agreeable to all women in all conditions of life.

A woman of tact is the one who greets her "Good morning" a pleasant greeting, her visit a bright spot in the day and her "Goodbye" a hope that she may come again.

A woman of tact is one who does not gauge people by their clothes or their riches, but who condemns bad manners.

A woman of tact is one who is courteous under all circumstances and in every condition in which she may be placed.

A woman of tact is one whose love for humanity is second only in her life's devotion and whose watchword is unselfishness in thought and action with regard to others.

Dioxigen For the Mouth.

The merits of dioxigen as a mouth wash are not as well realized as they should be. It is easy to get and not expensive. A stoppered glass bottle of it should be on every washstand. After eating, if one hasn't time to brush the teeth, the mouth should be rinsed out with diluted dioxigen. It is a strong antiseptic, keeps the teeth from decaying and protects the top of the mouth and gums from soreness or from creating and emanating a disagreeable odor.

The toothbrush should always be dipped in a little of it and brushed over the teeth and gums at morning and night, even after tooth paste is used.

The latter merely cleans the teeth. It does not disinfect the mouth. People do not pay enough attention to the inside of their mouths, even though they may be scrupulous about their teeth.

A Remedy For Choking.

Few people know that a very simple and effective remedy for choking is to raise the left arm as high as possible, which relieves the person much more rapidly than by the usual method of thumping him on the back, says a physician. Very frequently at meals and at play children get choked, and the customary manner of relieving them is to slap them sharply on the back. The effect of this is to set the obstruction free. The same thing can be brought about by raising the left hand of the child as high as possible, and the relief comes much more quickly. In happenings of this kind there should be no alarm, for if the child sees that other persons or parents get excited the effect is bad. The best thing is to tell the child to raise its left arm, and immediately the difficulty passes away.

Don't Snub Children.

Children love to be treated with courtesy and respect. They resent having their opinions and sentiments snubbed, and parents might learn a good deal from them and about them if they would encourage them to talk more freely of all they think and feel. We are hardened by the gathering years, and we have lost our keenest sense of what is the very truest and the very best. The contact of a child's mind with its pure vision is like a message straight from God.

Two Jokes on Frederick Ward.

During a performance in the west by Frederick Ward a curious error was made by the composer who "set up" the bill for "The Tempest." The part enacted by Ward was that of Prospero, rightful duke of Milan, and this the composer billed in this wise: Prospero, Prightful Duke of Milan.

Now, the player, who has a keen sense of humor, was sufficiently struck by the fun of the thing to forward a marked copy of the playbill to his daughter, then in the east. Miss Ward, too, was appreciative of the composer's effort, for she sent her father the following note:

Dear Dad—Inasmuch as I have seen the performance, I fail to see wherein the program was wrong.

Questions and Answers.

When could the British empire be purchased for the lowest sum? When Richard III. offered his kingdom for a horse.

What is the largest room in the world? The room for improvement. When may a man be said to breakfast before he gets up? When he takes a roll in bed.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Young Folks

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These figures are beyond the grasp of our feeble intellects, but the marvel does not stop here. It has been estimated that the power that moves the watch is equivalent to only four times the force used in a flea's jump; consequently it might be called a four flea power. One horsepower would suffice to run 270,000,000 watches.

Now, the balance wheel of a watch is moved by this four flea power one and forty-three one-hundredths inches with each vibration—3,558 1/2 miles continuously in one year.—Chicago News.

Find the Seven Babies.

Here is an ancient but interesting puzzle:



One and one and one make three, any one would say upon glancing at this picture of the fine little boys, but it is not what you see first that is the right answer to the question. "How many are there? Look again, and perhaps you will be sharp enough to see that one and one and one make not three, but more than twice three—seven. Look among the squirming arms and legs, among the chubby hands and feet, and you cannot fail to make up the puzzling addition. And after you have found all seven of the baby boys take the picture and have some fun with your friends watching them fuss and fume that they cannot see more than the original three babies.

New Candy Game.

The hostess should write the following questions on sheets of paper, of course omitting the answers, and give one to each guest, awarding boxes of bonbons for prizes:

- What candy is a spice and a money making establishment? Peppermint.
What sweets are wild flowers of the spring fields? Buttercups.
What goodies result when a sour fruit rolls off the table? Lemon drops.
What candy is a lively goat and a near neighbor of the English? Butter-scotch.
What candy is rubber and "to fall"? Gumdrops.
And which consists of a famous river in the east and a variety of nuts? Jordan almonds.
What candy good for the throat is gray with age and hunting dog? Horehound.

What American dainty is "to explode" and an important food product? Popcorn.

What species of caramels are an uncomplimentary exclamation? Fudge.

What popular flavor is likely holly and mistletoe? Wintergreen.

What bonbons should show which way the wind blows? Straws.

The Dijon Poplar.

A traveler in France speaks of a poplar tree that the writer saw in the city of Dijon, which is the oldest tree of its kind in France. It is 122 feet in height and is forty-five feet in circumference at the base. The city council has an authentic record of the history of the tree since the year 722. The people of Dijon are proud of it, so much so that they not long ago voted to levy a tax to put a railing around it, so that it might be protected from possible injury. It is good to see sentiment of this kind.

Roosevelt and Dennis.

"Theodore Roosevelt has a fine sense of humor," said an old time New Yorker. "When he was police commissioner he used to go around and keep tabs on the police himself. He came upon one standing at a bar one night before a large, full grown glass of whisky which he was about to consume. Roosevelt touched him on the shoulder.

"What is your name?" he asked. "What business is that of yours?" the cop demanded. "What's your name?"

"My name is Roosevelt," answered that gentleman.

"The cop drank the liquor, set down the glass, wiped his lips with the back of his hand and then turned on the commissioner.

"If your name is Roosevelt," said he, "my name is Dennis."

"Roosevelt let him off with a reprimand."

The fellow who lives by his wits doesn't always find that life is a joke. An opening for small boys—A hole in the ice.

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