

# Women AND THEIR Interests

## Wife Must Stand First In Husband's Heart

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Unless a woman is utterly devoid of reason and good sense, it is the simplest of matters for the man she loves to make her happy after marriage.

A little tact, a little self-denial, a little patience, much consideration, many small attentions and unfeeling kindness will keep the average woman as happy as her days are long.

But in spite of the simplicity of the undertaking the world is filled with domestic failures; and the discontented and disappointed wives seem to outnumber the satisfied ones.

Most men begin married life with more real love in their hearts than most women bestow upon their husbands, yet, after a few years of domestic life it is the woman who gives and the man who seems to fall in bestowing the proofs of affection which are so necessary to the happiness of most women.

The leading desire of a woman's heart is to feel always, and under all circumstances, that she is first in her husband's thoughts. The next desire is to feel that he likes to be with her; that he enjoys her society, and that he comes to her joyfully, and goes from her regretfully, even as in the days of courtship.

It is just in these two matters that so many men fail.

Most decent men give their wives dutiful attentions. They provide for their wants, and are anxious to have them entertained; but too frequently they are satisfied to provide amusement and entertainment which does not necessitate their personal participation.

A woman who had received an expensive New Year gift was, nevertheless, made unhappy by having her husband sit in an absentminded manner through the dinner hour with friends, and to hear him ask to be excused as soon as decency allowed,

and to see him hurry away to watch the old year out and the new in at his club.

Her unhappiness over this incident seemed unreasonable to him; yet had he given her that hour of his undivided attention and shown pleasure in having her at his side as the New Year came in, he could have finished the night with his club and left no scarring memory of the heart of the woman he had chosen from all the world to be his companion.

It required only a little self-denial and a little tact to make this one wife happy.

Unless a woman is obsessed by the demon of jealousy, which makes her incapable of sane reasoning and good judgment, she does not object to having her husband show other women gracious attention. She is, indeed, proud of him when other women admire him and find his society agreeable.

But in order for any woman to take this view of life, the man must be tender and tactful enough to make his wife feel ALWAYS that she stands first in his heart.

He must look in her eyes when she is talking to him; not past her to gaze at some other; he must see her when she enters a room, and come to meet her; he must not forget her presence and sit or stand with his back to her while he entertains some other woman and he must be as ready and quick to praise his wife as he is to praise others.

When a man springs quickly to the defense of another woman who is criticized in any manner, and at the same time is prone to think his own wife needs criticism, he must not be surprised if she exhibits what is commonly called "jealousy."

Alas, what a little tact and will avoid such situations by keeping his wife confident of her power to charm and please him; and whenever he goes from her presence he will make her

feel that he goes regretfully.

There are men who treat their wives as good-hearted boys treat their mothers when they first develop into young manhood.

A husband of this type tries to do this duty by his wife; he looks after her comforts; he sees that she has some one to help her pass the time; he gets theater tickets for her and her friends, and then he joyfully hurries away to find his own pleasures. Just as the boy hurries off to his comrades and his girl friends after being sure that he has neglected no duty toward his mother.

But while the mother is satisfied with this kind of attention the wife is not, not unless she has ceased to care for her husband other than as a provider for her physical comforts, and unless she, too, has other pleasures more congenial than her husband's society affords.

But woman who possessed every earthly blessing was envied by her friends because her husband came to her directly after business hours with some plan for her entertainment, and seemed always solicitous about having her enjoy herself with other people.

Yet he found all his pleasures at this club or in entertainments apart from her. When she complained to him that she felt lonely and dissatisfied with her life, he thought her most unreasonable, and unappreciative of a good husband.

Did he not do his duty better than most men of her acquaintance? He could not understand that a quiet evening at home, where he seemed to be happy and contented because he was with her, would have meant more to her than all the pleasures he provided her apart from him.

Alas, what a little tact and will make a woman happy (a loving and reasonable woman), how needlessly sad it seems that so many women are unhappy.

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By MAY MANTON



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## TRAVELETTE

By NIKSAH WHITE POST

It was at White Post that George Washington, when a youngster of seventeen, a brawny lad of huge dimensions, dug a deep hole and in it placed a very substantial post. As he performed this task Lord Fairfax, his employer, stood by and figured upon the margin of a map. For the King of England had granted Lord Fairfax a great tract of land in this, the Shenandoah Valley, and the British had engaged the young American to survey it for him.

The post they were planting was to be a landmark. It was 166 years ago that this bit of work was performed, yet that post is still standing. It had not been planted long when it became the center of an important crossroads in the Shenandoah. Greenway Court, the residence of Lord Fairfax, was a measured mile to the south of the post, the line having been run by the King of England. To the north was Charles Town near which came to dwell Samuel and Charles Washington. Winchester came into being a little to the west, and the road to the east stretched out toward Mount Vernon.

Lord Fairfax painted this post white, and standing at the intersection of roads, it came to be spoken of as White Post. Soon an inn was planted at this crossroads and was known as White Post Inn. It was sold and of country rock and still stands. There is hardly a name associated with all pre-Revolutionary Virginia, the owner of which has not quenched his thirst at this old tavern.

Lord Fairfax, who died a bachelor

despite the tendency of the modern Virginian to claim descent from him, was a rollicking, pleasure-loving, fox-hunting country gentleman who only Sam Washington as a rival in this part of the State. Traditions of his times still persist hereabouts, but the most enduring monument in the community is that of Washington, who laid down the ground plan for all this part of Virginia, a plan that will survive to the end of time.

The original White Post has been reinforced by a modern plank, but still makes up the core of the structure that stands to-day at the crossroads, supporting a dim light as a beacon to travelers. Past it rode Sheridan on his dash for Winchester "twenty miles away." A stringtown of a village has gathered about it with a country store and boarding-house, for city folk come into the Shenandoah in the summer. It slumbers in the sun and dreams of the past.

## Woman Who Lived in Cave For Thirty Years, Dies

Special to The Telegraph

Hazleton, Pa., Sept. 1. — Mrs. Mary Gamber, 80 years old, who lived 30 years in a cave in Kidder township, died this morning of tuberculosis at the Laurytown almshouse. She was brought to the institution August 27 by the post directors of the Kidder district.

Mrs. Gamber's husband shared the cave with her until he died years ago, and since then she was alone.

When the cave was examined it was found to have no floor. It was made of wood and rope were in the cave, to gether with an old stove. The woman had lived by picking huckleberries and digging wintergreen.

## GUESTS HAVE CLOSE CALL

Fire in Blair County Summer Home Discovered in Time

Special to The Telegraph

Altoona, Pa., Sept. 1. — When fire of unknown origin destroyed the summer home of Professor P. M. Gifford, on Brush Mountain, near here yesterday, five young Altoona women and two children had narrow escapes.

Miss Elizabeth Metzgar was burned about the body arms and hands, and Miss Rebecca Simons about the shoulders. The cracking of the fire aroused Miss Edith Deininger, who gave the alarm, and the occupants hurried out in their night clothes.

## GRANGERS PICNIC

For the Grangers' Picnic at Williams Grove, August 30 to September 4, trains will leave Harrisburg via C. V. R. R. as follows: 7:10, 7:52, 11:53 a. m., 2:18, 2:26, 5:37 and 9:39 p. m. daily. Additional trains at 1:00 and 4:00 p. m. daily except Monday and Saturday and 9:48 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. daily except Saturday.

Round trip tickets good to return until September 4 will be on sale the entire week at rate of 50 cents.—Advertisement.

## ROBBED IN BALTIMORE

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## COTTON AND POWDER BY FREDERIC J. HASKINS

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their purpose. There remains but the jelly of cotton.

To this jelly are added the quantities of nitrates known to be necessary that the propellant in the finished product will be such that every particle of it will be burned up when the powder explodes.

Gun Cotton

In this stage the product is known as gun cotton, a name it acquired before the process of breaking down the original nitrate was discovered. Gun cotton is a very terrible explosive. It is the material which makes the mines that are planted about the harbors of Europe and so deadly that no vessel is safe from it. It is the material inside the war heads of the torpedoes that are launched from submarines. It was a charge of this gun cotton, probably more than a hundred pounds of it, that exploded in the two and caused her to sink. Eighty pounds of cotton from Texas and twenty pounds of saltpeter from Chile did the work.

This gun cotton is too powerful for the purposes served by powder. Exploded in the breach of a gun it would tear it to pieces. To convert gun cotton into powder it is necessary that its explosions should be slowed down and it is adulterated to accomplish that end. When the jelly-like mixture is just right to make modern smokeless it is squeezed through the molds and cut off in the lengths desired for the final product.

Even in this time when powder is used to dominate the world it may not be generally known that the "grains" of modern smokeless may be as big around as a broom handle and six inches long. They are of that size for the big six-inch guns that are to guard the Panama Canal. A twelve-inch gun uses a grain the size of your thumb, a six-inch gun one as big as a pencil and a lead pencil an inch long and so on down.

Each of these grains of powder has seven perforations running through it lengthwise. These perforations are to regulate the rapidity of its burning. They give more surface exposure. This powder burns as would a piece of paper ignited in the center with the flame spreading always toward the outside. The bigger the grains the longer it will take them to burn up. This is as it is intended for the expert who is just right to make modern smokeless it is squeezed through the molds and cut off in the lengths desired for the final product.

So, when a great war broke, the powder-makers of nations were most anxious to keep in touch with the source of their supply. When the command of the seas passed into the hands of the allies there arose the great difficulty on the part of the Germans of maintaining the supply of cotton for powder. It is a long time, had become alarmed over the closing down of European mills and the loss of cotton markets. America did not know of the quantities of cotton that would be necessary in the

manufacture of powder for so great a war.

England and Cotton

England was anxious to keep cotton from her enemies but she was equally concerned with the necessity of keeping on friendly terms with the nation that produced the mass of the cotton of the world. If she shut down on cotton to Germany and to those countries through which it might reach Germany, might not she so antagonize the cotton people over here that they might decline to furnish her cotton?

So did England delay in declaring cotton contraband. While cotton obviously intended for Germany was stopped, it has been permitted to go to Holland and Scandinavia and those countries have used fifteen times their normal consumption, much of it obviously leaking through. Fifty ship loads amounting to 150,000 bales, are now held subject to the action of British prize courts. This, however, will all ultimately be paid for.

Cotton Prices Up

While cotton dropped to a very low price early in the war, it soon revived. E. J. Glenn, president of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, believes that cotton would have gone as low if there had been no war for 17,000,000 bales were produced last year and this was an unprecedented crop, 4,000,000 bales above the average. Mr. Glenn also holds that attempts to keep cotton out of Germany did not hurt the price. While cotton has been selling for eight cents outside, Germany has been offering thirty-four cents a pound and the bare possibility of getting cotton through and realizing these prices has stiffened the market.

Just now there is a new element introduced into the cotton situation that promises to have a favorable effect. Great Britain has declared an embargo on jute. India produces the greater part of the jute of the world. England wants that jute for the manufacture of bags for the use of her soldiers in the building of breastworks. She will not allow it exported. Cotton will have to be used as a substitute. This opens up a possibility for the use of a million and a half bales of cotton. The burlap around bales of cotton has heretofore been made of jute. It will this season be made of cotton.

Cotton Acreage

The acreage planted in cotton this year is 20 per cent. less than it was last year. The crop this year will

probably be about normal. There is money in raising cotton at eight cents United States. As the Department of Agriculture expected to go to ten cents this fall it is said that the South is to reap a great incidental benefit because of the scare over low prices of cotton. It turned many farmers to diversification of crops and this is the great need of the South.

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