



HOUSEHOLD TALKS

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Choosing the Proper Wall Paper

It is quite possible to save on your lighting bills by having your walls covered with those shades that reflect rather than absorb light. But this is not the most important consideration in selecting wall coverings for the influence of walls affects the character of everything in the room, collectively and individually. If the walls are of bad color or startling in the design of their coverings, no beauty of floor covering, or richness of furniture can give an artistic whole.

Ceilings must be considered too, for they are a part of the wall. They should always be of lighter shade than the side walls, but may be made to give an apparent height to a low room or by skillful management of the border to seemingly lower the walls of a too high room. A rule to remember when decorating the walls is that colors should grow light from the floor to the ceiling so that the light will seem to be reflected down, as from the sky.

One other rule is that rooms with east or west light may be decorated with almost any tone, shade or color without danger of violating the rules of harmony.

A scientific table has recently been offered the public showing which papers absorb the greatest amount of light. This may perhaps be helpful to housekeepers interested in such relative values:

Wall Colors	Percentage of Light Absorbed
White	.30
Chrome Yellow	.38
Orange	.50
Yellow	.55

Light Pink .60
Light Green .75
Dark Brown .85
Scarlet .88
Bottle Green .88
Cobalt Blue .90

Having the walls covered with solid color is best, for then you can reuse the trimmings. Soft grey or grey-blue paper with a delicate border may be brightened in water by suitable hangings or contrasting colors. The general tones of rose, green or Nile may be accentuated in the spring and summer.

"What," my mother asks, "would you think of our outdoor world if it were changed from earth color to green and our skies were always the same as never mingling glorious lights?"

Try hard as we will, we cannot make our homes as beautiful within as the outside world is but we can use Nature's plans to make our attempts more perfect and she is the best possible guide.

Wall papers are so easily and so well cleaned now that one need not hesitate to put good papers on. Little finger marks and grease spots can be removed; moist crumbled bread will take off the first, and blotting paper the second. Use the bread just as the paper cleaner is used and for the grease spot place a good sized piece of blotting paper over spot and hold a hot iron against it. This must be repeated until the heat has drawn out the oil. Naphtha and gasoline will also remove spots; use only a little and apply it with a sponge.

Where the color has been drawn from paper by having liquids spilled on it water paints may be drawn on to restore it.



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"Nell took no notice of this, but her head went up in a listening attitude, as she thought she heard Jack Doogan's voice calling to her. The next instant she was sure of it. He was speaking her name in a low, cautious tone, but one which carried nevertheless."

"Nelle! Nelle!"

"Let's take her to the police station," advised Dr. Willoughby. "What is the good of wasting time on her?"

The doctor had Nell by the arm and was leading her to the door, followed by the others in the room, when Jack Doogan appeared in the doorway, his face flushed, his eyes blazing and the automatic revolver still ready for action.

"Take your hands off that girl!" he ordered. And as the revolver was pointed directly at his midriff, Dr. Willoughby thought it well to obey without parley.

"That's right. Come here, Nelle," called Doogan.

"Now, look here, I know you are a couple of thieves," announced James Cluney, "and I'm going to take you to the police station."

"Like mischief you are," shouted Jack Doogan.

CHAPTER XVII.
Jack Doogan's Nervous

"SEE here," put in Dr. Willoughby. "Do you mean to say you think you can rob this house and then get away?"

"That's exactly what I mean."

"It's ridiculous," declared Cluney, with a scornful laugh, which Madge echoed with a sly giggle. "It can't be done!"

"Think it's ridiculous do you?" retorted Jack Doogan with a smile of confidence. "Well, I'll tell you something more ridiculous. You are going to help us."

"We are?" exclaimed Cluney. "I like my nerves."

"Wait a moment, Mr. Cluney. I've got something to say to you."

"To me?" said James Cluney, backing away as if he objected to being singled out for a heart to heart talk with this desperate man, who seemed to be so handy with the revolver.

"That's what I said."

"Well, what do you want to say to me now?"

"Just this, Mr. Cluney. I helped you, didn't I?"

"Did you, though?"

"Who stole the ear trumpet and the diamond bracelet?"

"I don't know," mumbled Cluney.

"That's just it," rejoined Jack Doogan with a grin of meaning that had a very unpleasant effect on James Cluney's nerves. "You don't know."

"What do you mean?" Dr. Willoughby demanded.

"I mean," said Doogan deliberately as he looked at Cluney and then turned his eyes on William Carr for a moment before bringing them back to Cluney. "I mean that these two men are a couple of self confessed kleptomaniacs."

"Mr. Doogan, for heaven's sake, remember your promise," beseeched Mr. Carr.

"That's just what I am trying to do," said Jack. "But don't you see, madam, that if you get the police back here it will mean a scandal for you? If you drag me to the police court, do you think I'm going to keep my mouth shut while her liberty is at stake?"

He stepped and drew his arm caressingly around Nell's shoulders. There was a choke in his voice and a mistiness in his eyes.

"Why, she's all I've got in the world," he went on. "Think for a minute what that means to a man like me, who has been fighting for what he wanted ever since he was a little kid. And I tell you that I'd lie and steal and fight and die for her."

"This was to be our last trick," added Nell simply as she looked into the curious faces about her. "We were going to live straight after today—Jack and I."

"Yes," said Doogan, looking down at her tenderly. "We were going to be married today."

Mrs. Carr was visibly impressed by Jack Doogan's plea and by the fact that beyond question he was unselfishly in love with the pretty lady's maid. Besides this, she realized that if she meant to hide from the world any longer the unfortunate weakness of her absconding husband for appropriating other people's property it would be well to make a compromise with this candid thief.

"You were going to be married today?" she asked at last as if she did not quite understand.

It was on the tip of the good lady's tongue to add, "I didn't know people of your sort generally troubled about getting married."

"Perhaps you don't understand, ma'am," returned Jack Doogan, "or maybe you've forgotten. You're not so young as you were, you know?" Mrs. Carr sniffed—and it's likely you've forgotten how you felt when you got hitched up to him, pointing to William Carr.

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right there in front of me, and I only have to get somebody to carry it back to my room."

Mr. Spelain had been listening to all that had been said without appearing to pay any attention. He came forward now and, addressing Doogan benevolently, observed in his best pulpit voice:

"One moment. Did you say you were to be married today?"

"That's right. I've got a license right here."

Jack Doogan began to feel in his pockets, while the minister asked him: "Who was going to marry you?"

"Her," replied Doogan, nodding and smiling at Nell, while he still fumbled in his pockets.

"I didn't mean that," explained Mr. Spelain, also smiling. "I was pretty certain I knew the intended bride. Who is the minister that you intended to perform the ceremony?"

"Oh, I see!" cried Doogan, fumbling harder than ever for his license. "I didn't get you at first. Where did I put that paper?"

Nell stepped up to Jack Doogan and whispered something in his ear, to which he responded with a chuckle and said:

"By Mike, I'd forgotten. I planted the license on the doctor so the cops couldn't take it away from me. Doctor, will you feel in your pockets?"

"Well, of all the infernal impudence!" muttered Willoughby. "What next will that fellow be doing?"

He felt in his coat pocket and dragged out an official looking paper, which he handed to Doogan.

"Thanks, doc," said Doogan, taking it. "But there are two licenses here. One of them is your own. Here you are."

Dr. Willoughby smiled rather foolishly, and Joan Carr, who had been observing the proceedings from the other end of the room, turned away for fear Willoughby should see her looking at him.

"You haven't told me yet what minister you intend to marry you," Mr. Spelain reminded Doogan, as the latter read over the words of his license with a softer expression than generally was on his face.

"Oh, haven't I?" said Doogan, looking thoughtfully at Mr. Spelain. "Well, that's so. You see, I hadn't engaged a minister yet, and I had some notion that I might have to get an alderman to do it. But, as you're here, perhaps you'd splice us. Would you?"

Nell looked modestly at the minister to see how he would receive this extraordinary suggestion, and her heart lightened as he smiled and nodded assent.

"Now, Nell, are you ready," chuckled Doogan. "or do you want to go somewhere and put on your fancy duds for the wedding?"

DEDICATE ITALIAN CHURCH

Bishop and Priests Also Witness Parade and Fireworks

Pottsville, Oct. 13.—Thousands from all parts of the anthracite regions gathered at Minersville yesterday to observe the dual event of Columbus Day and also the dedication of the handsome new St. Barbara's Italian Catholic church, Bishop John J. McCort, of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, officiated at the dedication, and also confirmed a large class of catechumens. Nearly 100 visiting priests assisted the bishop at the impressive dedicatory ceremony.

In the afternoon there was a mammoth parade, participated in by a score of bands and many Catholic organizations, particularly those of Italian nationality. Last night there was a lavish pyrotechnic display.

READING COMPANIES ELECT

But Four Changes Made in Personnel of Officers

Philadelphia, Oct. 13.—A number of Reading companies held annual meetings yesterday. The Reading Company approved the annual report. The Philadelphia and Reading railway re-elected officers and directors as did also the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company.

A. T. Dice was substituted in place of Theodore Voorhees as a director in a number of subsidiary companies, and John F. Auch was elected a director of the Philadelphia and Reading terminal railroad, to succeed Colonel H. A. du Pont, resigned.

John O. Sneyd was elected assistant treasurer and W. H. MacEwan assistant secretary of the various companies subsidiary to the coal and iron company.

FARMER SHOTS TWO WOMEN

Mistook Them for Persons Who Robbed Orchard, He Asserts

Wilkes-Barre, Oct. 13.—With nineteen buckshot wounds in the face, neck and arms of Miss Anna Fink, of West Wyoming, received Sunday night while passing the farm of James L. Heft, of Centremoreland, she is in a serious condition. Mrs. Eugene Phillips, also of West Wyoming, who was with Miss Fink, was slightly wounded. Heft says he mistook the two women for persons who have been stripping his orchard of fruit.

Heft was arrested by State troopers and is being held under heavy bail to await the result of Miss Fink's injuries.

"I'm not a bad girl, Miss Madge," she said softly when she got to the young lady whose wedding day had been so full of strange excitement. "But things got out of the right way with me when my father died, and I hardly ever knew my mother. Don't you think that makes a difference?"

Madge's reply to this wistful query was to bend over the little lady's maid behind her sister and kiss her on the cheek. There were two happy girls in the room then.

Mr. Spelain turned away to say things into Mrs. Carr's ear trumpet, to which that lady could not reply to at once apparently, for she shook her head and tapped her teeth with the end of her ear trumpet to help her reflections. Then she talked rapidly and earnestly.

"Gee!" observed Jack Doogan to Nell. "I wonder whether he wants me to produce a doctor's certificate before he'll marry us. That's all the game now, you know. Some fellow named Eugene started it, and they've named the thing for him. The old lady is giving him a deuce of a talk about something, and the domine don't seem to know where he's at."

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NORWAY'S EXPOSITION CLOSES

Americans Prominent in Success of Centenary Celebration

Christiania, Oct. 13.—The exposition opened May 15 last, by King Haakon and Queen Maud, in commemoration of the centenary of Norwegian independence in the presence of 200,000 persons.

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Both staffs will be on the campus, near Old Main building. One will fly the national and the other the State flag. The battalion of college cadets and many members of the order will have a part in the program. At the dedication services of the four buildings erected for the college, addresses will be made by both Governors.

Mrs. Garman's Trial Next Monday

Minneapolis, N. Y., Oct. 13.—The trial of Mrs. Florence Conklin Garman for the killing of Mrs. Louise Bailey will begin next Monday, it was definitely announced yesterday by Lewis J. Smith, District Attorney of Nassau county. The trial was scheduled to begin yesterday, but the Court had overlooked the fact that yesterday was a legal holiday.