

# Woman's World

Mrs. Clara Foltz, First Woman to Be Assistant District Attorney.



MRS. CLARA SHORTLEDGE FOLTZ.

Mrs. Clara Shortledge Foltz is the first woman in the United States to be appointed to the office of assistant district attorney. Mrs. Foltz has her home in Los Angeles, Cal., where she was made assistant district attorney several months ago. She is the sister of Samuel L. Shortledge, who is the law partner of Delmas, the man who defended Harry Thaw. Up to the time of the earthquake her home was in San Francisco, but when the conflagration which followed the quake destroyed it she moved to Los Angeles and took up the practice of law there. She rapidly made a name for herself and proved so able in arguing cases that the district attorney finally asked her to join his staff.

Mrs. Foltz has a commanding presence and an eloquent and pleasant voice. Her eyes flash as she speaks, and she puts strength into every sentence, while her language evidences wide reading and original thinking. She is not masculine in any sense and is a staunch antisuffragist. When asked to give her views recently on the suffragist question she declared that there was little likelihood that the suffrage would be extended to women and gave as her reason that the women of the country generally were opposed to entering a field peculiarly masculine.

"Nature itself has decided the suffrage question by making man stronger than woman," she said. "Woman was intended for the home and man for the battle of life. Woman has her own sphere, and it is bounded by the boundaries of family life. Take away from woman the power to look up to man, to regard him as her protector and guardian, and you take away her dearest privilege."

Mrs. Foltz has the following to say about the power of the district attorney's office: "The district attorney is not and should not be a prosecutor pure and simple, because his position and peculiar relation to the people make him an officer of justice and not a mere avenger of crime."

"It should be his duty and privilege to see that the scales of justice do not incline any more to severity than to condonement, and his aim should be not to achieve a record number of convictions, but rather to bring about the attainment of absolute fairness in the trials in which he takes part."

**Servant Problem 3,000 Years Old.** It is rather comforting for distraught housewives who have difficulties with their domestics to know the servant problem is nothing modern and not, as has been surmised, an effect of a perpetual war between capital and labor. Mistress and maid, man and master, have always been in antagonism to each other. Reverse the situation and it would be the same, as it has been ever since the world began. A Philadelphia authority rejoices because at Fordham university it has come to light that nearly 3,000 years B. C. the Egyptians were having as poor a time with servants as some people in the United States are experiencing this very day. It was not all rapture and roses in the best families of Egypt owing to this branch of domestic life not bearing proper fruit. From some ancient papyrus which have recently been unearthed in a tomb near Memphis maxims have been deciphered that are eye openers. The Egyptians must have had a terrible time in their households when such sentiments as these survive the centuries: "In sooth thou shalt find it hard to satisfy thy servants despite thy earnest desires, for if thou be harsh with them they shall say: 'He is a cruel master. Lo, we shall go.'" Solomon knew what he was talking about when he said there is nothing new under the sun, for it made no difference to Pharaoh's servant, "even though thou give princely gifts of gold [tips, of course] and precious stones to thy higher servants, content is not in them, for they shall say: 'Lo, the master is suddenly grown gracious! We shall go.'" If any more of these manuscripts dealing with this subject are found it is hoped they may be deciphered for the consolation of the world. Misery always loves company, and even these dusty maxims of 3,000 years ago are as fresh as daisies.

## HUMOROUS QUIPS

### The Pursuit.

[They are chasing horse thieves with motorcars in Kansas now.—News Item.]

Come, crank your swift auto and lurch to the wheel!

We need all the strength of its quivering steel.

For forty-five horses are gone in the night.

And we must give chase to the robbers in flight.

If forty-five horses are stolen and gone A motor of sixty should catch them by dawn.

And we'll run down the thieves as they gallop away

And string them up high, as they do in a play.

Across the "pray-rare-ree" we buoyantly bound

With wheels that seem scarcely to stay on the ground.

The sparkler is working with perfect elat. The piston is doing much better than that.

The—Hist! There's a cloud in the distance, and—see!

The robbers are scattering tacks as they flee!

Swing off from the path! Take a chance at the fence!

The way that she cleared it is something immense!

And now we are close on the trail—let 'er go!

They're riding their best, but their best is too slow.

You tend to your driving. I'll shoot when I must.

Bang! There is one robber who's bitten the dust.

Surrounded by autos they give up at last; The horses are saved and the robbers bound fast.

And the manager says he is sure it will go As the finest of films at a vaudeville show.

—Berton Braley in Puck.

### A Pedagogical Tragedy.

Dorothy is in the fourth grade, and she gets good marks in everything except arithmetic. When her father asked her why she made such low marks in arithmetic she replied thus: "Well, it is like this: The teacher says, 'Four plus 8 minus 3 multiplied by 2 divided by 6,' and asks me what the answer is. She talks so fast I can't keep up with her, and I have to guess the answer, and I always guess wrong."—Harper's Weekly.

### Why the Kitties Cried.

Wallie, aged six, found four little kittens in the cellar. A visitor, being told of them, expressed a desire to have a peep at the new baby pussies.

Wallie went to fetch them, and soon pitiful moaning was heard below.

"Don't hurt the kitties, Wallie," called out his mamma.

"No, mamma," shouted the boy. "I'm bringing them up carefully. I'm carrying them by their stems."—Scraps.

### Novelty.

"I thought you told me you had something original in this libretto," said the manager scornfully. "Here at the very outset you have a lot of merry villagers singing 'We are happy and gay.'"

"You don't catch the idea at all," replied the poet wearily. "The 'g' is soft. It should be pronounced 'happy and jay.'"—Washington Star.

### Fate of the Unfamiliar.

"I understand that you have two brand new jokes in your dialogue."

"Yes," replied the musical comedian. "What are they?"

"You recognize them by the way the audience treats them as strangers and refuses to give them a smile."—Boston Transcript.

### A Winner.

"Yes, Inkem got up a summer novel that immediately became a best seller."

"That so? Something new in the plot?"

"No. But when it came to the page where he described the looks of the heroine he had his publisher insert a mirror."—Life.

### A Model Hired Man.

"Missus, do you need a hired man?"

"Well, yes, I'm looking for a man who can do the chores, sweep, clean the rooms, be polite and never be impudent."

"Say, missus, youse is lookin' for a husband."—Success Magazine.

### She Had the Price.

In vain they told the heiress that the duke was an impostor and worse.

"Why," said a friend, "I have read there is a price upon his head." But the heiress, all serene, only answered, "I have the price!"—Young's Magazine.

### An Impossibility.

"Dumjer received a shock of 50,000 volts through his brain."

"Nonsense! How do you suppose that number of volts could ever have crowded their way through a brain like Dumjer's?"—Philadelphia Ledger.

### The Wise Fool.

"To what do you attribute your unvarying success?"

"To being picked early for the village fool. Nobody ever tried to get me to endorse a note or go into a scheme."—Brooklyn Citizen.

### The Danger.

"It is always dangerous to try to get something for nothing," remarked the wise guy.

"Yes; you might get what you deserve," added the simple mug.—Philadelphia Record.

### The Secret.

"Miss Bright," whispered Miss Gauslip, "can you keep a secret?"

"Yes," replied Miss Bright, also whispering. "I can keep one as well as you can."—Catholic Standard and Times.

### In the Future.

"Whom are they after in this aviator trust?"

"Naturally after the man higher up."—Baltimore American.

## THE SCHOOL GARDEN

It Will Tend to Improve Health of the Pupils.

### IDLE LOTS CAN BE UTILIZED

Children Should Be Supplied With the Necessary Implements and Trained to Till the Ground on the Idle Space Near Schoolhouse.

Signs of spring are now noticeable about the schools of many towns throughout the country. Playgrounds and school garden committees are beginning to get active. Swings, slides, running tracks and swimming pools are being overhauled. Books on garden practice, catalogues of seeds, flowers and garden products and manuals of instruction in the use of garden

tools in school gardens are being distributed among the pupils interested in the idea, many who seem to be scholars of the highest grades. In many parts of the United States principals and teachers and many others interested in the health and welfare of the school children are continually pleading for space on which the children may play during recess and after school hours. Naturally children will take much pleasure out of a swing and toboggan slide or any other apparatus generally found on the public playground, but give these same children the necessary implements with which to till the ground, good instructors and seeds to sow and it will be found that they will derive much more pleasure from it and at the same time be gaining agricultural training. The movement for school gardens is fast becoming nation wide, and towns that have failed to utilize the vacant space near the schoolhouse should begin at once, and in a remarkably short time the school board will find that the sick list will decrease to almost nothing and at the same time tend to make the place more beautiful.

Novel Rules For Collecting Refuse.

In the town of Port Jervis, N. Y., an ordinance has been adopted which requires every owner, tenant, lessee and occupant of every building in the city to provide receptacles for holding refuse having a capacity for one week's accumulation. Two receptacles are to be provided, one for ashes and rubbish, the other for garbage and liquid substances. They must be provided with handles and metal covers and must not be filled to within nearer than four inches of the top. The two classes of rubbish must be kept strictly separated and must be deposited on private property, but conveniently accessible to the collector, the garbage being kept where it will not freeze in winter nor become a nuisance in summer. These materials will be removed by the city collectors. No refuse of any kind is to be accumulated for more than one week, and nothing which attracts flies or would be a breeding place for mosquitoes or in any way create a nuisance should be placed anywhere around the property except in receptacles provided. Violation of the ordinance is punishable by a fine not exceeding \$100, by imprisonment not exceeding two months or by both. Citizens are requested to burn as much rubbish, papers, sweepings, etc., as possible. This little lesson should be practiced by other towns, and they would profit thereby.

Unique Municipal Enterprise.

For the small consideration of \$2 any Milwaukee wife can have a hat made. The city will do the job for that price. Millinery is the latest enterprise added to the list of activities of the municipality. It is destined, members of the school board believe, to be of as great benefit to the public as some of the other municipal enterprises. The two dollar hat making will be done by the students at the new Girls' Trade school. Dressmaking, also will be done for the populace at the same institution at prices much less than usually charged. The committee has decided upon a sliding scale for making dresses. Whether the price will depend upon the size of the gown or upon the amount of "trimmings and fixings" has not been determined.

Houses For Garbage and Ash Cans.

Things that tend to keep the outside of a house in a neat and tidy condition add to the good appearance of a town. In many towns industrious citizens build small wooden houses much on the style of a dog kennel to hold their garbage cans and ash cans. They have two lids and two doors to allow easy access. There is no bottom. Instead the whole thing stands on a small brick pavement, which may be easily washed with the garden hose; consequently there is never any odor. Some people use wooden bottoms. They also have a smell.

Sticking to Duty.

None of the world's common attractions, such as position, wealth, fame and popularity, should move the Christian from duty.—Rev. C. W. Webb Baptist, Aurora.

Herald Blasts.

An enemy treated as a friend will soon become a friend.

The religion that bears no cross is not the religion of Christ.

Enmity cannot live long when it can find no enemy to feed upon.

No one can know Christ well, and be ignorant of what He taught.

The value of the diamond is not in what it does, but in what it is.

It is not the clock that ticks the loudest which keeps the best time.

The man who would know God well must begin with himself.

The man who would know God well must be willing to do His will.

It is because so many people see wrong, that so many things go wrong.

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## Short Sermons

FOR A Sunday Half-Hour

Theme: SMALL THINGS.

BY REV. DR. ABRAM S. ISAACS.

Text—For who hath despised the day of small things?—Zech., iv., 10.

The real things that tend to make or mar our career are often the small things. The vital issues of defeat or victory may spring from the veriest trifles. The most fatal defects or weaknesses, too, can be apparently insignificant, escaping observation like the tiny worm which pierces the dock's massive foundation or cuts through the ship's side.

The prophet does not always speak in rapt visions or restrict his message to a heavenly Jerusalem. His dominant motive is to arouse to a sense of each day's importance and to conduct as the essential factor in religion. And as the minutes control the hours and mere fractions of time the months and years, so our character is the resultant of single acts and thoughts, which become in their turn irresistible habits and impulses, like the separate delicate threads which can be welded into an unyielding chain.

The painter's canvas glows with life and beauty by his deft use of bits of pigment—small fragments of color that give rise to figure and landscape of surpassing charm. So the gentle traits, the modest qualities, the quiet tastes, the unobtrusive deeds, the unselfish attitude, the little attentions—it is just these small things which render our life fragrant, giving genuineness and character to our religion.

But there is another view of the text. We are judged less by the trend of our life in its vastness and sweep, by the aim and extent of our purposes and ambitions, than by the little acts that make up each day's passing record—the chance word we utter, the flash of anger, the burst of petulance, the whisper of wrong, the bitter taunt, the petty gratification—acts trifling and transient in themselves, but expressive of character to the casual observer. How important, then, to be on our guard lest such small things acquire the mastery over me! They must not be despised, for they may lead to traits and tendencies that may overwhelm our lives, leaving wreckage where once were smiling streams and happy homes.

The sage who knew the stars better than the roads of his native town, the philosopher so intent on the secrets of the skies that he fell into a ditch by the wayside—are not these but instances when in the vain grasp after the illimitable and vague we despise the small things that are real and near? So we narrow too generally our conception of religion to the atmosphere of church and synagogue, to swelling music, to stately ceremonial, to solemn litany and holy vestments. But even these may fall in their purpose if we realize not the sacredness of small things which we ignore or despise—the deed that uplifts, although it is unheralded; the word that inspires, although uttered so gently that your neighbors do not hear it; the hand clasp which puts your brother firmly on his feet without public applause.

The small things, then, which are usually vital and decisive for success or failure are not in the far heavens or across the distant seas. They are close to us, so close that they are indispensable for our growth, our discipline, our perfect development. Hence they dare not be despised by those of us who wish to rise to higher things.

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